

Pastor's Corner

The Wind at Our Backs

You may have heard the saying “may the wind be at your back.” It means “to be in a good situation moving forward.” Last November, *CNN* had a small segment about the *air jet stream reducing the transatlantic flight time* from the United States to Europe. According to *CNN* meteorologist Sara Tonks, the jet stream—the air current about five miles above the earth’s surface—was stronger than usual. She attributed the difference to a burst of cold air, which has increased the difference in temperature between the colder United States and the warmer Atlantic Ocean, which amplifies the speed of the jet stream.

The jet stream has always been a boon to travelers heading West-to-East, but its recent trend has allowed planes to travel at speeds approaching the speed of sound, estimated at about 761 mph. Some flights have resulted in several impressive flight times. For example, an *American Airlines* flight from JFK in New York to Heathrow in London touched down almost an hour early. In 2019, a *Virgin Atlantic* plane from Los Angeles to London, United Kingdom achieved a speed of 801 mph as it flew over Pennsylvania. Afterward, *Virgin Atlantic* founder Richard Branson described it as flying “faster than any other commercial non-supersonic plane in history.”

When we trust the Lord with our lives and with our church, like a jet stream, with the wind at our backs, the Spirit of God will refresh us, give us energy, and we will continue moving forward. Keep this in mind: **speed is not it; the quality of a church family is.** **Isaiah 40:31** says, “**But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint.**”

May we continue having God's blessings!

Pastor Ion

The Mission of the Springtown Seventh Day Adventist Church is:

- Surrendering ourselves completely to God's love and allow Him to fill us with His Holy Spirit
- Demonstrating in our lives the love and character of Jesus Christ
- We work with God by sharing the Good News of God's truth, love, healing, freedom and forgiveness to all
- Preparing people for the soon return of Jesus Christ

**Welcome to
Springtown SDA Church**
February 10, 2024

Sabbath School **10:00-10:40am**
Lesson Study Janie Conner

Church at Worship **10:50am-12:00pm**

**“But the Lord is in His holy temple: let all the earth
keep silence before Him.” Habakkuk 2:20**

Seeking His Presence	Wayne Bolan
Welcome to Worship	Saul Quirarte
Hymn of Praise #7 <i>The Lord in Zion Reigneth</i>	
Kids Korner	Abigail Quirarte
Praise & Prayer #334 <i>Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing</i> (#290 Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus)	Saul Quirarte
Offering – Adventust Television Ministries (NAD)	Rachel Quirarte
Scripture John 17:3	Belia Gullickson
Sermon Love: A New Command	Wayne Bolan
Closing Hymn #100 <i>Great Is Thy Faithfulness</i>	
Closing Prayer	Wayne Bolan

Church Website www.springtownsdachurch.com

Sunset Tonight: 6:11pm **Next Sabbath: 6:17pm**

Announcements

- * **Church Potluck!** Please stay and enjoy a fellowship meal with your church family.
- * To join our church by baptism, profession of faith, or membership transfer, or to schedule a Child Dedication or a Teen Prayer, please see **Pastor Ion**, an elder, or **Liz Carriker** (209-365-3840). For **pastoral visits** or **Bible studies**, please see **Pastor Ion Groza** (817-721-5174).
- * Tune in to **Faith Family 3ABN Radio** on your dial at 89.1 FM in Springtown. The most popular program is Bible Answers with Doug Batchelor and Jean Ross. It airs at 5:00 PM weekdays and the live program is at 9:00 PM Sunday.
- * Suggested items for the **Blessing Box** include but are not limited to: fruit, vegetables, pasta sauce, cereal, shelf stable milk, rice, boxed meals, easy open soups, crackers and diapers.
- * Our next **Ladies lunch** is scheduled for February 12, 2024 at 12:00 noon at Tuscanys in Springtown. Anyone have another idea for a place to eat let us know.

Important numbers:

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Serving

Elder	Saul Quirarte
Deacon	Charles Clubb
Deaconess	Liz Carriker
Piano	
Audio/Visual	Saul Quirarte Troy Carriker

Monthly Budget	\$1,400.00
Evangelism	\$ 600.00
Total Budget	\$2,000.00
Received for February	\$ 752.00