

# KINGDOM BUILDERS

*To Win – To Hold – To Train*

## FROM THE DIRECTOR'S PEN:

*Greetings! Peace, grace be multiplied to you from God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Humbly and with much excitement, I greet you as your new Sabbath School Director for South Central Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. Through partnering with our pastors, our vision is to move members from membership to discipleship.*

*Under the leadership of the Holy Spirit, I invite you to join me as we plan and work together to build a Sabbath School that is relevant, inspiring, motivating, and spirit sensitive in meeting the needs of the people, thereby, producing kingdom buildings.*

*Remember, "Higher than the highest human thoughts can reach is God's ideal for His children."*

*At Jesus' feet,  
Shirley Scott*



## MISSION:

The South Central Conference (SCC) Sabbath School Department exists to serve the local church and its Sabbath School leaders by providing resources, training and development for the purpose of producing local church members who become kingdom builders through the efficient use of the four fundamental objectives:

*Help the students understand the gospel and make a personal commitment to it. It will help them grow spiritually through study of the Bible and the Spirit of Prophecy.*

### Bible Study

*Foster fellowship among members in the weekly Sabbath School program, develop projects for recruiting new members and integrating them into church life, and finding ways of restoring inactive members.*

### Fellowship

## Mission

### World Mission

*Present a clear vision of the global mission of the church. It will promote a personal, systematic, and self-denying commitment to the support of world missions, and foster in all a desire to help fulfill the gospel commission.*

### Community Outreach

*Help its students catch a vision of the church's mission in the community, train them for service, and inspire them to witness. It will develop programs to involve them in soul-winning activities.*

## VISION:

To partner with the pastors and local Sabbath School leaders to move the body of Christ from membership to discipleship.

## REASONS PEOPLE SAY THEY DO NOT ATTEND:

- ❖ Lack of fellowship
- ❖ It's just not important
- ❖ Programs are boring
- ❖ Teacher is not that good
- ❖ Conflict in the church
- ❖ Does not meet my spiritual needs

*Source: General Conference Sabbath School Teacher Training Curriculum*

## ROLE OF SABBATH SCHOOL:

- To give a knowledge of God's word
- To awaken a love for truth
- To help encourage the members study God's word for themselves
- To teach the members to regulate their lives by its holy teachings

*Source: Counsels on Sabbath School Work, pp 10 - 11*

## GOALS:

- A) Increased enrollment
- B) Members are eager to attend
- C) Teachers come adequately prepared
- D) Members show caring concern for each other
- E) Classes are actively participating in outreach programs
- F) World mission is emphasized and supported

# P L A N O F A C T I O N

### Evaluate and assess

*Connect with pastors, site visits, telephone questionnaires and online surveys*

### Establish a strong action team

*Build on the current state directors through re-engineering their duties to serve as assistants to the directors*

### Establish a Sabbath School Council

*Each member of the council will have a focus group (teachers, superintendents, youth, young adults, adults, and new members)*

### Revise and reinstitute the Sabbath School Merit System/Report Form

*To be revised before the end of the third quarter; electronic notification will be sent to the superintendents*

### Provide monthly training

*Monthly training provided in various territories of the conference with Sabbath School training coach Curtis Hall*

### Produce online monthly newsletter

*Help inform leaders of available resources through GC, NAD, and AdventSource and give tips to help enhance Sabbath School*

**Tentative site visits of churches:**  
*(for evaluation and assessment)*

- **August – Riverside SDA Church, Nashville, TN**
- **September – Ephesus SDA Church, Birmingham, AL**
- **October – Women’s Retreat, Panama City, FL**
- **November – Magazine SDA Church, Louisville, KY**
- **December – Ephesus SDA Church, Meridian, MS**

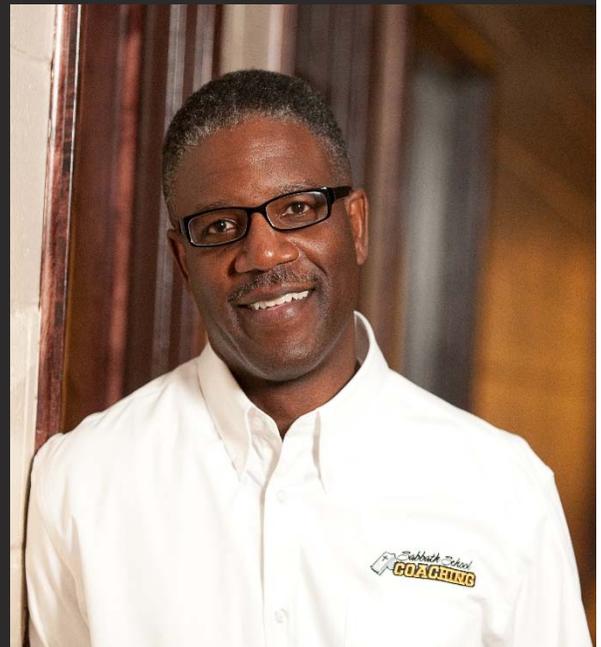
# UPCOMING EVENTS

## SABBATH SCHOOL TRAINING WITH COACH CURTIS HALL:

*For Sabbath School Leaders  
Coming to an area near you!*

- **September 20 – Mt. Calvary SDA Church**  
*Huntsville, AL*
- **October 4 – Bethany SDA Church**  
*Montgomery, AL*
- **November 8 – South Jackson SDA Church**  
*Jackson, MS*

*Learn the insider secrets that are guaranteed to grow  
your Sabbath School.*



*Contact the South Central Sabbath School Department for more information*

## Q&A:

**Question: What are the characteristics of a good Sabbath School teacher?**

*The Sabbath School teacher is a reflector of Christ. They should reflect the spirit of love, faithfulness, enthusiasm, sympathy, reverence, prayer, discernment, humility, tolerance and compassion.*

**Question: What is the role of the Sabbath School teacher?**

*The Sabbath School teacher uses his/her spiritual gift(s), to help the pastor reach the people in those hard to reach places.*

**Question: What do you consider to be the keys to creating a **GREAT** Sabbath School class?**

*Having all four dimensions of Sabbath School in operation; Bible study, fellowship, community outreach and world mission.*

*Source: General Conference Sabbath School Teacher Training Curriculum*

## CONTACT US:

Have a question? Want to share a testimony? Have a prayer request? Feel free to contact us; we would love to hear from you.



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## OUR PRAYER FOR YOU:

*Father God, thank you for the plan of salvation through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Today I come boldly to Your throne of grace. I bring our president and conference workers, our pastors, my sisters and brothers in Christ whom you have saved. Give us a passion for your work. Increase our wisdom, knowledge, understanding, and obedience to Your will for our lives. Bless our Sabbath Schools around the conference, our Bible study, fellowship, outreach and world mission. Yes, bless the work of our hands. In Jesus' name. Amen*