



The Voice of  AVENTURA

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## President's Letter:

The LORD your God is in your midst,  
a mighty one who will save;  
he will rejoice over you with gladness;  
he will quiet you by his love;  
he will exult over you with loud singing.  
Zephaniah 3:17 (ESV)

Dear Aventurites,

What an awesome thought that God is right in our midst - rejoicing over us with gladness, quieting us by his love, and exulting over us with LOUD singing! We are never alone! We have no need to fear or be anxious. No matter what the future holds, we know who holds the future.

Although I will be stepping down as president I will not be leaving Aventura. I am planning on going back to college in the fall and know that it wouldn't be fair to Aventura to stay on and be so over committed that I couldn't do the organization much good. Please join me in praying for the selection committee - Matt Johnson, Sandy Miller, Luis Beltre, Mikayla Kallsen and Emmy Mefford - as they meet to seek God's will for the leadership of Aventura. If you feel led to be on the board please contact one of the committee members and let them know. You will be blessed!

Also, I want to give a big shout out to Mikayla Kallsen and Sara LePine who are graduating high school shortly, and Tori Clark and Vicki Kallsen who just graduated college! May God bless you abundantly as you start a new phase of your life!

Thank you for the wonderful opportunity to serve Aventura as president this past year. Aventura will always hold a dear place in my heart and I will continue to pray for more lives to be touched for the kingdom through it.

Pass It On!!

*Laura Roehl*

## Reunion Report:

A good time was enjoyed at Torrington UMC last month. Gina talked about how God uses little setbacks or problems to build us up for other things He has planned for us, and to remember that we can do all things through Christ who gives us strength. There was much socializing and singing as well as the fun of watching a young child be giving some Mountain Dew late in the evening!! (Sugar Rush had some competition!) Hope to see you in Thomaston this month as we vote on new officers!!! (and the talk will be given by the chief of the upcoming weekend, Sarah Morton!!) Amanda J.

## Upcoming Reunions and Other Dates:

### June Reunion:

Saturday, June 13, 7:00pm Annual Assembly Meeting will start at 6:30!!!  
Thomaston Covenant Church  
64 Grove Street, Thomaston, CT

## **Coordinator Letter!**

OK Here Goes.....

Greetings and salutations all you Aventurites. I want to start off by thanking everyone of you for your enthusiasm and more specifically your prayers. The team is coming along nicely although it is by no means filled. I am overjoyed at all of you who have said yes and will be looking to fill all the remaining spots over the next few weeks.

My chief, Sarah Morton, will be giving the 4th day talk at the upcoming reunion (shameless plug) and Our Music Director Nick will also be there so please make an effort to be there at the Cov Church on the 13th.....There might be cookies(shameless bribe) so come please and meet Sarah if you do not already know her. She has been on many weekends although, like many of you, has drifted away as she embraces Adulthood (yes I used the A word) Her heart has always been with Aventura and she is thrilled with the opportunity to reconnect. She is also way cooler than me so this should help my street cred immensely.

On a more serious note, please remain an prayer but be bold in your approach to asking potential guests. We have applications for all of you as well as access off the website, and Sarah and I would love to come and speak personally at your church or to your youth groups, just ask us!!!!. The adult community is rallying around us, already I am expecting great things of the Pot Love/ Ice cream social. It is up to all of us to answer the call and ask our friends and potential friends. The worst that could happen is a no but a yes can't happen unless we ask.. See You At the Reunion..... Glenn

## **Prayer Requests:**

Please be praying for the #7 Jamaica Anglican Cursillo Weekend that is happening this weekend, pray for God's blessing on the guests and team.

Pray for our Coordinator and Chief as they continue to plan the weekend, and pray for guests to ask on the weekend.

Please feel free to send prayer requests to our '**prayistas**':

Barb Clavette ( JEClavette@snet.netor 482-0172)  
Sandy Miller ( SanJeanM@AOL.comor 482-5601)

They will pass the appropriate ones along to the Croaker to be listed here and send out emails to the prayer chain. Be sure to let them know if you wish to remain anonymous or if you don't want the prayer published at all.

## **Other Notes!!**

Please Keep July 18 free to help with our Annual Free Car Wash Fundraiser as well as the July Picnic at Arts House.

Also, we are planning on trying to have our Annual Tag-less Sale again this year, so start stockpiling donations to sell there!

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