

Greetings!

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Here is a brief update on where we've been and where we're going next with the Social Meeting on our campus:

1. The Summer Experiment was a Success! Over 40 of you attended the two Social Meetings offered during the summer months, and almost without exception, your experience was a positive one (see my previous letter to you at <https://www.newmarketadventist.org/wp-content/uploads/22.7.13-Next-Steps-.pdf> for more information on the rave reviews the Social Meeting received).

2. New Social Meetings Will be Starting Soon. Some of you have begun to make plans to start new, by-invitation-only Social Meetings, while others are planning open Social Meetings. We will publish the information regarding time, place, etc., for the open meetings as soon as it becomes available.

3. Leaders Needed for Sabbath Morning and Sabbath Afternoon Social Meetings. The Social Meetings that have been meeting Sabbaths at 9:30 AM and 2:15 PM have been a great blessing! Much of that blessing is due to good people like Clayton Kinney, Norbert Jedamski, and Kevin and Jean Crawford, who have helped shoulder the leadership load for these groups. However, due to their schedules and mine, we are needing to expand our leadership pool for these two meetings. I will be able to lead the Sabbath morning Social Meeting for one, possibly two more Sabbaths, after which I will need to return to teaching my SVA Sabbath School class. I will also be assisting with the leadership of the Sabbath afternoon meeting as long as I'm able, but the school year will inevitably create scheduling conflicts that will often prohibit me from leading. I will be speaking with some of you soon regarding possibly helping to lead these two meetings.

4. Would You Like to Start Your Own Social Meeting? Social Meetings can meet anytime and any place, including in your own home during the week. Would you like to start a new Social Meeting? Please contact me at your earliest convenience at shane3146@gmail.com or text or call 540-335-7178.

5. Zoom Social Meetings? Several of you have expressed interest in having an online-only Social Meeting. However, we do not yet have sufficient numbers of people to actually start such a meeting. Are you interested in starting or joining such a meeting? If so, please let me know at the above contact information at your earliest convenience.

May the Lord continue to bless us as we move forward with Him through the Social Meeting!

Pastor Shane

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