

Dear church family,

The church board voted to set up a music committee to write up guidelines for special music to direct us all as we glorify God with our musical talents.

### Special Music Guidelines

#### **What kind of music to choose**

1. Must have a Biblical message
2. Must be in harmony with Seventh Day Adventist beliefs
3. Must draw us nearer to Christ, not just mention His name
4. Must lead the congregation to want to worship God
5. Must be reverent

#### **Things you can do to make your song set apart for God**

1. Use live accompaniment when possible
2. Practice, practice, practice – remember, the more you practice the less nervous you will feel
3. Choose your song prayerfully
4. Plan your wardrobe to be modest and humble before the congregation – remember, you do not want to draw attention to yourself, but to Christ

#### **When selecting prerecorded accompaniment**

1. Drum beats must be very soft and minimal
2. Avoid rhythms such as rocks, rap, etc.
3. Remember to pick music that everyone will get a blessing from
4. If you have any doubts or questions, please bring the selection to the committee to preview

**Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy—meditate on these things.**

**Philippians 4:8**

Thank you for your attention to these guidelines,

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