



***Buchanan SDA Church  
Invites You to Join Us at Our  
Third Annual Barn Conference  
August 21-22, 2015***

**Theme: *Prophet, Or Not?***

**Speaker: Mark Howard**

Pastor Mark Howard is an ordained minister of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. He currently serves as senior pastor of the Cedar Lake Seventh-day Adventist Church, as well as director of the Emmanuel Institute, the evangelism training school of the Michigan Conference. Pastor Howard is known for his clear, compelling presentations and his commitment to the Adventist Message.



**Weekend Topics:**

**Friday Evening, 7:00 p.m.:** *Ellen White? Why Should I Care?*

**Sabbath Morning, 9:30 a.m.:** *How to Read Ellen White in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*

**Children's Sabbath School for Ages 3-12, 9:30 a.m.** (in log cabin)

**Sabbath Worship, 11:00 a.m.:** *Why I Believe in Ellen White*

**Lunch Will Be Provided**

**Sabbath Afternoon, 1:30 p.m.:** *The Truth About the White Lie*

**Reservations Required:** Seating is limited, so call early (first come, first serve basis). Call 269-471-7328 NOW to reserve your place! If you are unable to attend, please call to cancel reservation ASAP. Barn pass tickets required to enter Fuller's Resort will be forwarded to you – No admission without your pass ticket. **Directions to Fuller's Resort can be found online at [FullersResort.com](http://FullersResort.com) under Contact Us.**

**Why A Barn Conference?**

After the Great Disappointment most Adventists either left religion or returned to their former denominations. Those who continued to believe in the soon coming of Jesus were scattered. They had different beliefs and opinions about what the Bible taught, were questioning the prophecies and the advent movement, and were discouraged. Of those who believed the 2300 day prophecy was fulfilled in October of 1844 there seemed to be three main leaders and centers of influence.



1. Hiram Edson was in Upstate New York and believed that the Judgment began in heaven known as the Day of Atonement.

2. There was Joseph Bates in Connecticut who had accepted and was teaching the seventh day Sabbath.

3. James and Ellen White were in Maine. Ellen had received the prophetic gift and under the Lord's direction James and Ellen were affirming the Sabbath and Sanctuary messages in early 1848.

In 1848 several conferences were called with the purpose of discovering from the Bible the true teachings. The first conference was held in an unfinished attic and the following two conferences were held in barns, the only available meeting places that would accommodate the 30-60 people in attendance. Here the leading brethren with those present prayed and studied working out the teaching of the Bible which formed the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Therefore, this barn conference is a reminder of the history, roots, and mission of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.