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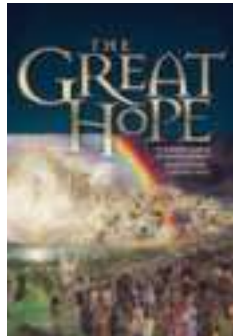


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Sowing the **Best Seeds**

“Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap”—Galatians 6:7.

Recently, a Festival of the Laity SEEDS Conference was held in the Atlantic Union, sponsored by the Atlantic Union Conference Personal Ministries Department. The purpose of the conference was to train, inspire, and encourage the faithful in their service for others as they emulate the principles of Christ.

The Apostle Paul reminds us in the book of Galatians (chapter 6) that we are not to be weary in well doing, to sow good seeds of kindness, and if we do, we will reap eternal life (verses 8, 9). On the contrary, if we sow in the “flesh,” we will reap corruption. We cannot fool an all-knowing God. “Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap” (verse 7). It is so in nature. If we oppose the law of gravity, it will crush us. In the realm of providence, it is also true. Evil practices will result in being punished.

Sins of lust can and will bring destruction to the body morally, physically, and spiritually. Idolatry has led individuals to cruel and degrading practices. Uncontrolled temper has caused domestic murders, societal misery, and international wars. Sins of appetite and gluttonous debauchery can and will bring one to eventual ruin. Malice and gossip eats away at the heart, devours the soul, and

wreaks havoc, even among believers in the household of faith.

Imagine with me the mindless foolishness of a person who gathers some small pebbles, paints them so they resemble wheat seeds, and puts them in the soil during the spring, expecting to reap a crop of wheat in the harvest like his neighbor’s crop. We would consider this silly trick to be madness—to think we can mock nature and nature’s God!

However, if we sow seeds of faith (even as small and insignificant as a mustard seed, Mark 4:31) and obedience to God, along with seeds of love, truth, justice, and patience toward men, we shall reap bountifully (2 Corinthians 9:6).

The ultimate question for every child of faith is not whether I will sow or not sow today. The only question to be decided is, “Shall I sow good seeds or bad?” Every person every day is sowing for his or her own harvest in eternity, either seeds of tares or seeds of genuine wheat.

May the spirit of God guide us each day to sow only the best seeds—seeds that will flourish and blossom for all eternity. ☺

Donald G. King is president of the Atlantic Union Conference and chairman of the Atlantic Union College, Inc., Board of Trustees.

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Inspired to Go Forward in Ministry

By Ednor A. P. Davison

Pastors, church leaders, and church members in the Atlantic Union, along with members from Canada and New Jersey, recently attended the Festival of the Laity SEEDS Conference at the Stamford Marriott Hotel in Connecticut. The event was sponsored by the Personal Ministries departments of the Atlantic Union and its six local conferences. The schedule included several general sessions and a number of seminars presented in four languages: English, French, Portuguese, and Spanish.

There was a four-fold purpose for holding the meeting, says Trevor Forbes, the Atlantic Union's personal ministries director:

- To provide pertinent and Christocentric teaching to equip the members to witness for Jesus,
- To motivate the members to be workers for Jesus by helping to win souls, retain souls, and to revive those who are dispirited, spiritually weak, or spiritually dead,
- To create an atmosphere of unity in the Atlantic Union territory, that will lead to friendliness and networking among the people, and
- To be an example for leaders of churches, including pastors, departmental workers, administrators, and local church leaders.



Seminars were presented in English, French, Portuguese, and Spanish.

The Sabbath worship speaker, Dan Jackson, president of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in North America, reminded the attendees that they are all ministers for Christ. "Please do not accept the grace of God if you do not intend to be gracious," he said.

Thought-provoking questions were asked, including "Are the things you are living for worth Christ . . . dying for?" by Ron Clouzet, director of the North American Division Evangelism Institute (NADEI). And, "Are you ready to do God's business in the towns and cit-



Robbarn Wellington



Stephen Williams

The attendees heard from a number of speakers, including Ron Clouzet, North American Division Evangelism Institute director, and Dan Jackson, North American Division President.

ies of the Atlantic Union?" asked Errol McLean, associate director of NADEI.

Survey results indicate that many attendees benefitted from the sermons, seminars, prayer sessions, friendly atmosphere, and more. "I love these settings because we're able to learn other people's experiences and be inspired to go forward in our own ministries," says Talitha Davis, children's ministries leader at Restoration church in Bermuda.

"We have to move the stone. We have to do a lot of work in our community,



Stephen Williams

Members from around the Atlantic Union and beyond attended the Atlantic Union Conference Festival of the Laity SEEDS Conference.

because Jesus is coming soon," says Mariana Hernandez, member of the Methuen church in Massachusetts.

"The part that touched me the most was the motivational testimonial,

'Roll Away the Stone,' " says Cynthia Graham, an elder at the South Bronx Community church in New York City.

In his closing remarks Donald King, Atlantic Union Conference president, said, "Under the power of God's Holy Spirit, we are going to press against the gates of hell and nothing should move us."

The conference was one of various training sessions that will be held in the Atlantic Union in preparation for the evangelistic meetings in New York City in 2013. "We hope the inspiration, motivation, and training will propel and compel attendees to return to their area of influence and make a difference for Christ by witnessing and by getting involved in evangelism and nurturing," says Forbes. "I envision an increase in baptism and reclamation in 2012 and 2013, at least." ①

Ednor A. P. Davison is the editor of the Atlantic Union GLEANER and assistant to the president for communication in the Atlantic Union Conference.



By Sheila Holder

Adventist Education—A Balanced Education

With the guidance of the Holy Spirit, Adventist schools have an opportunity to impart far more than academic knowledge. Working together with homes, churches, and sometimes community agencies, Adventist schools foster a balanced development of the whole person.

Two years ago, Bermuda Institute student Paul DeShield, who was then in tenth grade, participated in an island-wide school fitness program. At that time DeShield was overweight, with a size 40 waist and he certainly was not a fitness buff. Now, two years later, DeShield has lost a staggering 70 pounds, is physically fit, and has a 32-inch waist. He has maintained healthy eating habits and is the current the winner of the Student Fitness Challenge for Bermuda 2012—a sterling testament to his family, school, and his God. Rising at 4:00 each morning to complete his physical regime before going off to school, DeShield is not only physically fit, but this modern-day Daniel has become a preacher of righteousness declaring God's truth in churches around the island. DeShield has been an inspiration for many other students.

Not surprisingly, there were other Bermuda Institute

students who also participated in the fitness program. They performed well, thereby helping to render the school as “best school” overall. Cooperating with a local insurance agency, Bermuda Institute was able to take advantage of an opportunity for interested students to forge friendships and acquire physical skills to enhance overall health.

To help balance the strictly academic program in the science department, Bermuda Institute puts on the annual science fair. This stellar event encompasses students from kindergarten to twelfth grade. One objective of the teachers in the science department is to provide opportunities for students to explore areas of science that interest them, outside of the regular school curriculum. The science fair also provides an opportunity for the school and the science department to showcase students' efforts and to improve their communication skills. Students are expected to explain the scientific process clearly.

This event helps to motivate students, bring out their



Paul DeShield, second from right on the front row, receives his certificate of appreciation from the Premier, the Honorable Paula A. Cox, JP, MP, and the minister of education, the Honorable Dame Jennifer M. Smith, center front, for representing Bermuda at the United Nations International School Conference.

creativity, inspire them to explore careers in science or science-related fields, and help to build self-worth. The community has an opportunity to be involved as judges, and businesses can be involved by way of donations and sponsorships.

When the Seventh-day Adventist schools cooperate with God's plan for the true education of our students, when conferences and churches supply means and support the principles of Adventist education, when our homes band together and teach the ways of God to our children, then we will witness the harmonious development of the physical, mental, and spiritual powers of our students. Thus, we provide the balanced education our children deserve. ①



Bermuda Institute student Paul DeShield lost 70 pounds after participating in an island-wide school fitness program.



Sheila V. Holder is the superintendent of schools for the Bermuda Conference.

Youth in Service

Highlighting Atlantic Union Conference Youth and Youth Adults

Young Adventists Then and Now

Young Adventist Then: Annie Rebekah Smith

Annie Rebekah Smith was born in West Wilton, New Hampshire, on March 16, 1828. At the age of 10, she accepted Jesus and joined the Baptist Church. In 1844, at the age of 16, she embraced the Adventist hope of the Second Coming of Jesus, only to lose interest in Adventist teachings after the Great Disappointment of October 22, 1844. She regained her interest and enthusiasm for the Adventist movement after hearing the preaching of Adventist pioneer Joseph Bates, and meeting him in Boston in 1851.

Once, she wrote and submitted a poem to the early Adventist magazine, *REVIEW AND HERALD*. Her talent showed so much through the poem that she was

offered a position as a copy editor for the magazine. For the next three and a half years, she contributed more than 45 articles to the *REVIEW AND HERALD* and to *THE YOUTH'S INSTRUCTOR* magazine. She also became a hymn composer; 10 of her hymns were included in the 1941 *SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST HYMNAL*; three of her hymns remain in the current *ADVENTIST HYMNAL*, today. Till this day, she remains an inspiration to thousands of young Adventist musicians who wish to have the hymns they compose become part of the *ADVENTIST HYMNAL* someday. God accomplished all these things through Smith by age 27. She died of tuberculosis in 1855, at the young age of 27.



Photo: Courtesy Ellen G. White Estate, Inc.

The painting of Annie Rebekah Smith is believed to be a self-portrait.

Young Adventist Now: Lukasz Krzywon

Lukasz Krzywon was born in Brunswick, Maine, on May 13, 1994, and is one of the many remarkable Adventist youth in the Northern New England Conference. He made a public commitment for Jesus and was baptized on August 25, 2006, at the age of 12.

Presently, he is a senior at Pine Tree Academy in Freeport, Maine. Krzywon experienced a conversion several years ago, and has been a spiritual leader at his school, church, and in his community. He is an honor student with a 4.0 grade point average and he is a good athlete.

Krzywon volunteers at the Portland Soup Kitchen and plays trombone in



Lukasz Krzywon is a senior at Pine Tree Academy who is involved in ministry and service to the community.

the Freeport Community Band and for the Praise and Worship Team at the Freeport church. At school he created a student prayer wall where the students can bring their prayer requests. He leads after-school Bible studies for his classmates. Krzywon has preached at the Freeport church, where he also runs a Sabbath School group for youth.

I am excited to see where God will lead him in the future.

Harry Sabnani is the Northern New England Conference Adventist Youth Ministries director.

Restoration Ministries Celebrates Christian Education

Restoration Ministries Church in Southampton, Bermuda, embarked on an ambitious plan to celebrate Christian education for the entire month of February. As a result of the vision of Ulric Hetsberger, the church's pastor, with the support of Richard Smith, the head elder, and the congregation, each Sabbath for the entire month was dedicated to promoting the benefits of Christian education.

Using the theme "Taught of the Lord," the speakers centered their messages around the text, "And all thy children shall be taught of the Lord; and great shall be the peace of thy children"—Isaiah 54:13. This appears to be the first time a local congregation has dedicated the entire month to Christian education with a focus on finding solutions for those parents who feel unable to

support their children in church school. Many younger parents were exposed, for the first time, to the biblical significance of Bermuda Institute. This was the result of the messages each Sabbath that emphasized the need to choose Christian education as the only option for Christian parents.

Overseas participants from two Seventh-day Adventist learning institutions supplied the music on two of the Sabbaths. On the second Sabbath, the congregation and guests were blessed by the 14-voice Washington Adventist University Gospel Choir. They were followed two weeks later by the 35-voice Tacoma Academy Choir.

Powerful speakers with strong personal beliefs in Christian Education, delivered the Sabbath messages. Their messages were



The Washington Adventist University Gospel Choir is one of two overseas groups to sing during education month at Restoration Ministries church.

dynamic and clear. The speakers were Lois Tucker, principal of Bermuda Institute; Jose St. Phard, chaplain at Washington Adventist University; Ulric Hetsberger, Restoration church's pastor; and Paul Graham, Restoration Praise Center's pastor, respectively.

As a result of the month-long education emphasis, eight potential students and their parents were introduced to Tucker on the final Sabbath. At least one stu-

dent was able to meet with Duane Reid, Jr., admissions director at Washington Adventist University, who was there with the choir. Because of the impact of the month's activities, Restoration's members are committed to ensuring that all of its school-age young people and their parents will seriously consider Bermuda Institute as the best option for them.

—Ralph Richardson, communication staff member, Restoration Ministries

Theme: "Light Up Your World"

Bermuda Conference Camp Meeting • Bermuda Institute/Southampton Church Complex, Middle Road, Southampton

June 22–30 Adult

Jeffrey Brown
President
Bermuda Conference



Hyveth Williams



Wintley Phipps



Debleaire Snell

June 22–26

Hyveth Williams
Professor of Homiletics
Theological Seminary
Andrews University

Sydney Gibbons
Secretary
Bermuda Conference



Jeffrey Brown



Sydney Gibbons



Pamela Greyson

June 27–30

Wintley Phipps
Pastor/Vocal Artist/
CEO of US Dream Academy

Pamela Greyson
Treasurer
Bermuda Conference

Youth and Young Adult

Debleaire Snell
Pastor, First Adventist Church
South Central Conference

CAMP MEETING SCHEDULE



East Hampton Hispanic Group Organized as a Company

Administrators from the Greater New York Conference organized the East Hampton group of 31 members into a company on March 24. In 2007, Roberto Cifuentes, a member of the Hamptons Spanish church in Riverhead, New York, was impressed to start a small group in eastern New York, where previously there was no church.

The first group meeting was at the home of the Alvarado family. It was almost a year before the first baptism was held. With God's help, under the leadership of Marco A. Molina, the church's pastor, and with the support of the mother church, the group has seen their dream come true.

The Greater New York Conference Hispanic Ministries Department expressed thanks to God for His goodness and congratulated the committed laity



Members of the new East Hampton Company and Greater New York Conference administrators, following the organizing ceremony.

and pastors who, with limited financial resources, have seen the glory of God.

—Michael Guerrero, Hispanic Ministries coordinator, Greater New York Conference

Hundreds Join Prayer Journey Teleconference

The Greater New York Conference Hispanic Ministries Department held a Prayer Journey Teleconference on February 20 from 5:00-8:00 a.m. The event was one of many being organized in preparation for the evangelism project "Impact New York 2013." The Hispanic Ministries department recognizes that prayer is the foundation of all Christian effort to transform the hearts of men and to reach them for Christ.

Hundreds of people joined the teleconference to worship, witness, and pray. People from Italy, Paraguay, and Puerto Rico joined in as well, turning the prayer journey into an international event.

The Prayer Journey Teleconference program is a tool used to refocus spiritual perspective. Without prayer, we only see the visible; through prayer God shows

us the hidden dimensions of life. Prayer quiets our fears and calms our nerves. We can give our worries to the Lord in prayer and become calmed and saved. Interceding for others in prayer is how those in need are raised. Praying is how we help bear one another's burdens and raise them to the One who knows the future better than we remember the past.

Since July 23, 2007, this prayer telephone line has been a shelter that starts to operate at 5:00 a.m. About 100 join the telephone line every morning. It is a church that has no roof and no walls, and is always open to everyone. They get on line to pray, intercede, ask the Lord for their needs, and praise Him for the miracles in their lives.

The recent teleconference represented three hours of

power and victory. The program included the participation of Agustin Galicia, an associate secretary from the General Conference; Dionisio Olivo, Hispanic and Portuguese ministries vice president of the Atlantic Union; and Gerson P. Santos, executive secretary of Greater New York Conference. District pastors and laity supported and joined the journey by inviting church members and friends and by participating in the program.

During the prayer journey the evangelism plan "Impact New York 2013" was presented. Prayers were offered for God's direction throughout its process and development. Pastors testified about what is happening in their churches, and there was a lot of enthusiasm among the laity. The Hispanic community has

accepted the challenge to evangelize New York with a strong sense of commitment, designating 2012 as the year of preparation for "Impact New York 2013."

Hundreds of small groups, five major evangelism series, days of fasting and prayer, and weeks of revival have been organized as part of the evangelism ground work. Pastors Robert Costa and Armando Miranda are the keynote speakers in three of the five major evangelistic series planned by the Hispanic Ministries department.

Because of the success of the first Prayer Journey Teleconference, the Hispanic Ministries department plans to organize another in the fall of 2012.

—Michael Guerrero, Hispanic Ministries department coordinator, Greater New York Conference

Theme:



Greater New York Conference Camp Meeting • Camp Berkshire, 680-1 Berkshire Road, Wingdale, New York

**English Camp Meeting
June 30 and July 7**

**Adult
June 30**
Carlton Byrd
Speaker/Director
Breath of Life

**Youth and Young Adult
June 30**

**Adult
July 7**
Shawn Boonstra
*Associate Director, Ministerial
Department*
North American Division

**Youth and Young Adult
July 7**

**Hispanic Camp Meeting, Youth
and Young Adult
July 14-21**

July 14
Nilton García
Hispanic Ministries Coordinator
Gulf States Conference

July 21
Guillermo and Cenia García
Paramount District Pastor
Southern California Conference

Health Seminar Presenter
Wilfredo Ruíz Méndez
District Pastor and Health Director
Dominican Union

**Franco-Haitian Camp Meeting
July 22-28**

Adult
Jean-Renaud Joseph
Pastor
Southeastern Conference

Youth and Young Adult
Moses Eli
Pastor
Allegheny East Conference

Johnson Caesar
Pastor
Greater New York Conference

**United Camp Meeting
September 14-15**

**Luso-Brazilian Camp Meeting
May 25-May 28**

**Ghanaian Camp Meeting
July 18-22**
Indiana University of Pennsylvania

**Korean Camp Meeting
July 29-August 4**
Andrews University



Carlton Byrd



Shawn Boonstra



Nilton Garcia



Jean-Renaud Joseph



Guillermo & Cenia García



Moses Eli



Wilfredo Ruíz Méndez



Johnson Caesar

**3ABN Live Broadcast (3abn.org)
English Camp Meeting**

Friday Night, July 6
3ABN Special Feature 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Sabbath, July 7
Sabbath School 9:30-10:45 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Music and Testimonies 3:00-5:00 p.m.
Vesper Service 7:00-8:00 p.m.

**3ABN/Dare to Dream Talent Search
July 1**
10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Check the 3ABN Web site for location (3abn.org)

**Kids Time Talent Search
July 4**
10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Morris Park Church, 800 Morris Park Ave., Bronx, New York

Live streaming of Sabbath services in English will be available on aam.tv and praisevision.com.

CAMP MEETING SCHEDULE

Members Participate in Sixth Annual Lay Training Institute

Russell Burrill and Steven Bohr were the speakers at New York Conference's sixth annual Lay Training Institute. The speakers shared techniques for bringing people into the church and keeping them there.

Burrill, Ministerial Association secretary for the Seventh-day Adventist Church in North America, discussed the many reasons why people start coming to church and why they tend to leave. He said statistics show that between 75 and 90 percent of new members drop from church member-

ship during the first year of church attendance. He also pointed out that most new members feel like outsiders, lacking a sense of belonging.

Bohr, a pastor, author, and speaker for *Secrets Unsealed*, indicated that, as Adventists, we have a calling that sets us apart from those around us. Romans 12:2 states, "Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is, His good, pleasing and perfect will." He went on to say that Adventists often do not study the Bible enough, recognize their own beliefs, or apply their beliefs to their lives.

The weekend was like a three-day camp meeting, full of life-changing seminars and meeting new people. Children of all ages spent time with Jeremy Garlock, who taught the primary group, while This Generation shared with the teens. There was something for everyone who participated in the events to share with their churches. The Lay Training Institute



Photos: David Froehlich

▲ Russell Burrill, standing, was one of the speakers at the sixth annual Lay Training Institute, sponsored by the New York Conference.



Charles Rietmen, a Bible worker in the Rochester area, says, "The major theme I saw through the series was that we need to be relational and not be in our own groups. Be the friend of everyone and not just your friends!"



Lila Mae Clark, a member of the Friendship church, says, "The meetings inspired me to take these ideas into the groups in our church so that our groups can grow fruitfully in the spirit of the Lord. Remembering that scripture comes first, everything we do must come from the scriptures. As a new Adventist (December 2008) these meetings have taught me how to apply myself to be more humble to others, to not look at self, and to work with the youth in a more fun manner."

provided an opportunity to learn, share, and grow spiritually.

—Michaela Lawton, junior, Union Springs Academy

North Country Women's Retreat

Camp Cherokee, Saranac Lake, New York

June 8-10, 2012



Speaker

Suzy Gloudeman
Teacher, Parkview Junior Academy

Cost/Person

\$70.00 by May 18 • \$75.00 after May 18
\$80.00 – Walk-in
Make checks payable to Camp Cherokee

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Theme: "Watch and Be Ready"

New York Conference Camp Meeting • Union Springs Academy, 40 Spring Street, Union Springs, New York

English Camp Meeting June 22–30

June 22–23

Dedrick Blue
Senior Pastor, Ephesus Church
Northeastern Conference

June 22

Commissioning Service

Donald King
President
Atlantic Union Conference

June 25–29, Weekday Mornings/ Afternoon Seminars

Brian Strayer
Professor of History
Andrews University

June 25–29, Weeknights/ Morning Seminars

Rick Kuntz
Pastor and Conference Evangelist
Northern New England Conference

June 29–30

Bill Knott
Editor and Executive Publisher
ADVENTIST REVIEW and ADVENTIST
WORLD Magazines

North Adirondack Camp Meeting August 11–12

West Bangor Church Grounds
North Bangor, New York

William Miller Camp Meeting July 28

William Miller Home and Chapel
Whitehall, New York

James Nix

Director
Ellen G. White Estate



Dedrick Blue



Bill Knott



Donald King



Rick Kuntz



Brian Strayer



James Nix

CAMP MEETING SCHEDULE

Watch and Be Ready

The words of that early Adventist hymn “We Know Not the Hour” provided marching orders for the pioneers of our church. From the beginnings of the Millerite movement in Low Hampton, to Hiram Edson’s

Adventist heritage. As we approach the 150th anniversary of the organization of the conference, those words “Watch and Be Ready” also provide the theme for the 2012 New York Conference Camp

Meeting, to be held on the upstate New York. Weekend speakers Dedrick Blue and Bill Knott, as well as week-day speakers Brian Strayer and Rick Kuntz, will be in period dress. Pioneers who will be featured are William Miller, James and Ellen White, J. N. Andrews, Mary Andrews, Uriah Smith, Annie Smith, Hiram Edson, Martha Byington, David Arnold, and Frederick Wheeler. The week will be filled with early Adventist music, visits from Adventist pioneers, and many other

activities that will highlight our rich heritage.

At the same time, we will be pointed to the present and to the future. Now, more than ever before, we need the Holy Spirit’s power and presence in our midst. We need a revival of the vision and the dedication our spiritual ancestors had.

He will come. We must watch and be ready.

—Sue Hayford, member, 150th Anniversary Planning Committee

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vision of the heavenly sanctuary near Port Gibson, to the early publishing work in Rochester, to the organization of the New York Conference in Roosevelt on October 25, 1862, upstate New York has a rich

Meeting, to be held on the campus of Union Springs Academy from June 22 through June 30. Plans are being made to transform the main tent into a “barn meeting” setting, typical of those early meetings in

Join Us for Camp Meeting 2012

If you would like to be part of this experience, visit the New York Conference Web site at www.nyconf.org for updates and registration information.



Northeastern Youth Participate in iServe Nashville

Youth and young adults from Northeastern and other regional conferences participated in the iServe experience in Nashville, Tennessee, by performing community service projects. The iServe Movement began in April 2011 at the United Youth Congress in Orlando, Florida, sponsored by BAYDA (Black Adventist Youth Directors Association). After the event the goal was to create other opportunities for churches to remain involved in ongoing community service projects.

In Nashville, one group visited the Nashville Rescue Mission, where they met with men who were either homeless or attending a seven-month program called Restoration. The program is designed for individuals to



Matthew Spardone, center front, administrator for the Nashville Rescue Mission, with representatives of the iServe Movement who assisted with a community service project at the center.

attend GED, computer, and other educational classes. According to the center's administrator, Matthew Spardone, the shelter is a

Christian refuge that relies totally on donations from the community.

Another team visited the Second Harvest Food Bank of Middle Tennessee. They provide a central distribution center for companies, groups, and individuals who wish to help provide food for hungry people in Middle Tennessee.

Joy Fortune, a member of the Cambridge church in Medford, Massachusetts, who participated in iServe Nashville, says, "iServe was blessing in many ways. The opportunity to serve others showed me that it doesn't take much to make an impact on

others for Christ, just a willing heart. I am excited about starting the iServe movement in the Boston area."

The teams joined the worship experience at the Riverside Chapel church in Nashville before returning to the Nashville Rescue Mission to help serve food and collect trays from tables.

The next BAYDA iServe project is scheduled for August 23-26, 2012 in New Orleans, Louisiana. For more information about iServe, visit www.iservemovement.org.

—Philip M. Wesley II, youth ministries associate director, Northeastern Conference

Photos: Philip Wesley



Alvona Cunningham, a member of The Waymark church in Dorchester, Massachusetts, lends a hand at the Nashville Rescue Mission.

OFFICIAL NOTICE

Northeastern Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the third regular quadrennial and twenty-sixth regular constituency meeting of the Northeastern Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will convene at 9:00 a.m., Sunday, June 10, 2012, at Camp Victory Lake, Hyde Park, New York.

The purpose of this meeting is for the receiving of reports for the past quadrennium, the election of officers, departmental directors, and pertinent committees for the ensuing quadrennium, and the transaction of such business as may properly come before the delegates.

Each organized church within the conference is entitled to be represented by duly appointed delegates chosen on the basis of one for the organization and one additional delegate for each 70 members or major fraction thereof.

Trevor H. C. Baker, President
Larry J. Bailey, Secretary

OFFICIAL NOTICE

Northeastern Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the third regular quadrennial constituency meeting of the Northeastern Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in conjunction with the twenty-sixth regular constituency meeting, (third regular quadrennial) of the Northeastern Conference of Seventh-day Adventists on Sunday, June 10, 2012, at Camp Victory Lake, Hyde Park, New York. The meeting of the corporation will convene at 3:00 p.m.

The purpose of this meeting is to elect officers and trustees for the ensuing quadrennium, and to transact such other business as may properly come before the delegates. Delegates to the third regular quadrennial meeting of the Conference are the delegates to the third regular quadrennial meeting of the Northeastern Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists.

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Theme: "Empowered to Witness"

Northeastern Conference Camp Meeting • Camp Victory Lake, 227 Crum Elbow Road, Hyde Park, New York

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June 30 Adult

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Young Adult

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July 7

Adult
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Youth

Donald Rolle
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Teen

Andrew Pileggi
Youth Pastor, Ephesus Church
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Hispanic Camp Meeting May 24-27

Adult

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Youth

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Haitian Camp Meeting August 15-19



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3ABN Live Broadcast (3abn.org) English Camp Meeting

Sabbath, June 30

Sabbath School 9:30-10:45 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Music and Testimonies 3:00-5:00 p.m.
Vesper Service 7:00-8:00 p.m.

3ABN/Dare to Dream Talent Search July 1

10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
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Kids Time Talent Search July 4

10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Morris Park Church, Bronx, New York

Live streaming of Sabbath services in English will be available on northeastern.org, aum.tv, and praizevision.com.

CAMP MEETING SCHEDULE

Portland Church Food Pantry Has Banner Year

God continues to bless the City Of Hope Food Pantry outreach ministry run by members of the Portland church (White Memorial) in Portland, Maine. They had a banner year in 2011, serving 6,196 families and collecting and distributing 270,000 pounds of quality food. They obtained a grant to purchase the City of Hope

leadership of Greg Carter, the church's pastor, and Sharon Gardner, Adventist Community Services director, the pantry ministers to clients and helps them with other needs, such as securing bedding, furniture, and clothing. The members also take time to pray for the clients.

The food pantry has become well known by



The City of Hope Food Pantry obtained a grant to purchase a truck that will enhance their ministry in the community.

God has blessed this pantry with about 25 dedicated volunteers.

truck to use for travel to the food bank and other outlets, including local farms, to pick up food for the pantry.

The food pantry requires many hands, and God has blessed this pantry with about 25 dedicated volunteers. Food pantry clients not only receive food, but also blessings from the many volunteers. Under the

social services agencies and other non-profit organizations throughout the Portland area. The pantry has a close working relationship with the Preble Street Resource Center.

Nearly every week, the center provides a social worker to assist food pantry clients with other needs they may have. The Preble Street center, through the

Maine Hunger Initiative program, has provided grant money two years in a row for local farm-to-pantry purchases. The food pantry has also partnered with the University of Maine Cooperative Extension Service, that provides food demonstrations at the

Portland church for food pantry clients and others.

The City Of Hope Food Pantry is open on Thursday mornings. By mingling with people and showing the love and compassion of Jesus, souls will be won to Christ.

—Paul Hutchinson, communication correspondent, Portland church

Student Sets Spiritual Tone at Community Event



Governor Paul LePage, keynote speaker for the Lincoln Day Dinner, with Riverview Memorial School student Laurelyn Fowler, who gave the invocation at the dinner.

Laurelyn Fowler, a seventh-grade student and chaplain at Riverview Memorial School (RMS) in Norridgewock, Maine, was selected to give the invocation at the Lincoln Day Dinner, a fundraiser held by the Somerset County Republican Committee in Somerset County, Maine. Governor Paul LePage was the keynote speaker, and the treasurer of Maine, Bruce Poliquin, was the

introductory speaker. About 280 people attended the event. RMS was honored to have one of its students help set the spiritual tone of this community event.

—Karena Cochran, communication correspondent, Riverview Memorial School

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Hispanic Camp Meeting

June 23

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June 30

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June 30

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Northern New England Conference

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40 Days of Prayer Series Impacts Phillip Taylor's Life

Phillip Taylor is a well-educated, adventurous young man who is originally from South Carolina. A new job pursuit brought



Phillip Taylor regularly visits the Pleasant Street church and participated in the 40 Days of Prayer Series at the beginning of the year.

him to the New England area and God led him to the fellowship of the Pleasant Street church.

Taylor was raised primarily in the Catholic faith, but says, "From the time I left my parents' home to attend college and later, graduate school, there always seemed to be [an Adventist] church within an eight-mile radius." Even one of his good friends in college was a Seventh-day Adventist, a fact he was not aware of for a long time.

He became familiar with the Adventist style of worship in the summer of 2011 when he was invited by Andrene Scarlett, a Pleasant Street church member, to attend the Southern New England Camp Meeting in South Lancaster. He did not expect the program to run all day, but says he was pleased with all that was presented. During

lunch, he ate with Pleasant Street church's first elder, Milton Wright, and Sabbath School superintendent, Yahnique Robb. "I could not turn down their warm invitation to the Pleasant Street church," he says.

He could not have prepared himself for the worship and fellowship he experienced at the Pleasant Street church. Being a Southern man, he knows of Southern hospitality. Yet, he described what he experienced as "inviting, inclusive and a true sense of caring."

Taylor shared that throughout the new year he has felt the Lord moving in his life through the Sabbath School lessons and that he has always felt the Holy Spirit and tried to witness to others of God's love. However, he believes that he may have been a bit overzealous and now wishes to reach people by meeting their needs first, like Jesus did.

He says he desires to be more like Christ and felt a longing to learn to pray during the 40 Days of Prayer Series that took place at the Pleasant Street church at the start of the new year. Taylor expressed his joy as he uncovered the path of learning to intercede through prayer. He says that through the nightly meetings, along with the companionship of his prayer partner, Margaret Rwaramba, he's discovered how to pray using God's promises by searching his heart.

He says the devotional book, 40 DAYS: PRAYERS AND DEVOTIONS TO PREPARE FOR THE SECOND COMING by Dennis Smith, and the nightly presenters were instrumental in clarifying points he was struggling with. Taylor expressed the need to know more about the latter rain, but is con-

fidant that, with the Holy Spirit ministering to him, he will get the clarity he needs. He is also using PATRIARCHS AND PROPHETS by Ellen G. White to help in his spiritual growth and understanding of his Creator.

Taylor described the 40 days of prayer as an eye-opening experience through

Daughters of Grace Impact the Brooklawn Community



Alexandru Breja, pastor of the Brooklawn church, with three of the baptismal candidates, Shaka Kishinka, Lakrizia Dyce, and Sandra Brown.

Two young women at Brooklawn church in Bridgeport, Connecticut, recognized the need for a Women's Ministries group in the church. In August 2011 they inquired about how to best serve and unite the women of Brooklawn with the community. By September 2011, Brooklawn's Women's Ministries group, The Daughters of Grace, was up and running. Blessed by the Lord and led by the Holy Spirit, the group hosts a prayer breakfast on the first Sunday of each month. Members of the church join with the community for prayer, breakfast, to share, to talk about the things that concern them, and to seek the love of God.

The Daughters of Grace group is committed to serving and helping those who are in need of physical and spiritual refreshing. They reach out to everyone. The Lord is working through the women's ministries group and growing His church. In the past 12 months about 30 people have made decisions to serve Jesus and are now members of the church.

—Claire Hayes, communication director, Brooklawn church

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which he was richly blessed that will have a long lasting impact throughout his life. While he noticed the

progression from day one to day 40, he still doesn't feel he has reached his target. He will continue to allow

the Holy Spirit to work in and through him as he remains a "perpetual student" of the Master.

—Chauncey Moore, communication staff member, Pleasant Street church

Semer les Meilleurs Grains

Récemment, un Festival des Laïcs Conférence des Semences a eu lieu dans l'Union Atlantique, parrainé par le Département des ministères personnels de L'Union. Le but de la conférence était de former, inspirer et encourager les fidèles dans leur service aux autres tout en imitant les principes du Christ.

L'apôtre Paul nous rappelle dans le livre de Galates (chapitre

à la loi de la pesanteur, elle va nous écraser. Dans le domaine de la Providence, il est également vrai. Mauvaises pratiques se traduiront en punition.

Les péchés de la chair peuvent amener et amèneront à la destruction du corps moralement, physiquement et spirituellement. L'idolâtrie conduit à des pratiques cruelles et dégradantes.

La colère incontrôlée a causé des

les peint afin qu'ils ressemblent à des grains de blé, et les met dans le sol au cours du printemps, en attendant une récolte de blé comme celle de son voisin. Nous considérons cette astuce ridicule—La pensée que nous pouvons nous moquer de la nature et de la nature de Dieu!

Cependant, si nous semons des grains de la foi (même si petit et insignifiant comme un grain de sénévé, Marc 4:31) et l'obéissance à Dieu, accompagnés des grains de l'amour, la vérité, la justice, et de la patience envers les hommes, nous moissonnerons abondamment (2 Corinthiens 9:6).

La question ultime pour tous les enfants de la foi n'est pas si je vais semer ou pas aujourd'hui. La seule question à trancher est celle de: "Dois-je semer de bons ou mauvais grains?" Chaque personne chaque jour sème pour sa propre récolte dans l'éternité, soit grains d'ivraie ou grains de blé authentique.

Que l'esprit de Dieu nous guide chaque jour à semer seulement les meilleurs grains — grains qui s'épanouiront et fleuriront pour toute l'éternité.

Donald G. King est président de la Conférence de l'Union Atlantique et président du conseil administratif de l'Atlantic Union College, Inc.

Traduction: Margareth Morisset

English translation on page 3 of this issue.

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6) que nous ne devons pas nous lasser de faire le bien, de semer de bons grains de bonté, et si nous le faisons, nous récolterons la vie éternelle (versets 8, 9). Au contraire, si nous semons dans la "chair," nous récolterons la corruption. Nous ne pouvons pas nous moquer d'un Dieu omniscient. "Ce qu'un homme aura semé, il le moissonnera aussi" (verset 7). Il est de même dans la nature. Si nous nous opposons

meurtres familiaux, de la misère sociale et des guerres internationales. Le péché de l'appétit, la gloutonnerie et la débauche peuvent apporter et apporteront la ruine éventuelle d'un individu. La malice et le potin rongent le cœur, dévorent l'âme, et font des ravages, même parmi les croyants dans la foi.

Imaginez avec moi la folie aveugle d'une personne qui rassemble quelques petits cailloux,

¿Qué Está Pasando?

En la Unión del Atlántico

Sembrando las Mejores Semillas

Recientemente, el Ministerio Personal de la Unión del Atlántico auspicio un Festival de Laicos SEEDS (por sus siglas en inglés). El propósito del festival fue el de entrenar, inspirar y animar a los fieles en su servicio hacia otros mientras imitan los principios de Cristo.

El apóstol Pablo nos recuerda en su carta a los Gálatas (capítulo 6) que no debemos cansarnos de hacer el bien, de sembrar buenas semillas: Semillas de amabilidad y si lo hacemos cosecharemos la vida eterna (versículos 8, 9). Al contrario, si sembramos en la “carne,” cosecharemos corrupción. No podemos engañar al Dios Omnisapiente. “Pues todo lo que el hombre siembre, eso también segará” (versículo 7). Así es la naturaleza. Si nos oponemos a la ley de gravedad, esta nos aplastará. En el reino de la providencia, esto también es una realidad. Las prácticas malignas resultarán en el castigo final.

Los pecados de concupiscencia pueden y traerán destrucción al cuerpo moral, físico y espiritual. La idolatría ha llevado a individuos a

prácticas crueles y degradadoras. El temperamento incontrolable ha causado muertes domésticas, miseria social y guerras internacionales. Los pecados del apetito y la glotonería pueden y traerán la ruina eventualmente. La malicia y el chisme comen el corazón, devoran el alma y traen líos, aún entre los creyentes de un hogar de fe.

mostaza, Marcos 4:31) y obedecemos a Dios, y llevamos semillas de amor, verdad, justicia y paciencia hacia los hombres, entonces segaremos generosamente (2 Corintios 9:6).

La pregunta final para cada hijo de fe no es si sembrare o no sembrare hoy. La única pregunta a hacerse es: “¿Sembraré buenas o malas semi-

Cada persona diariamente está sembrando semillas las cuales darán fruto, ya sean semillas de cizaña o de trigo genuino.

Imagínese conmigo la mente insensata de una persona que recoge pequeñas piedrecitas, las pinta para que parezcan semillas de trigo, las pone en el suelo durante la primavera, esperando recoger una cosecha de trigo como la que tiene su vecino. Podríamos considerar esto como un truco tonto—pensar que podemos copiar a la naturaleza y la naturaleza de Dios.

Sin embargo, si sembramos semillas de fe (quizás tan pequeñas e insignificantes como la semilla de la

llas?” Cada persona diariamente está sembrando semillas las cuales darán fruto, ya sean semillas de cizaña o de trigo genuino.

Espero que el Espíritu de Dios nos guíe cada día a sembrar solo las mejores semillas—semillas que prosperarán y darán su fruto por la eternidad.

Donald G. King es el presidente de la Unión del Atlántico y presidente de la junta de administrativa del Colegio de la Unión del Atlántico.

Traducción: Johanna Viteri

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El Grupo Hispano de East Hampton se Organiza en Compañía

El 24 de marzo los administradores de la Asociación de la Gran Nueva York organizaron al grupo de East Hampton en compañía con 31 miembros. En el 2007, Roberto Cifuentes, un miembro de la iglesia hispana de Hamptons en Riverhead, Nueva York, fue impresionado a comenzar un grupo pequeño en el este de Nueva York donde no había una iglesia.

La primera reunión se llevó a cabo en el hogar de la familia Alvarado. Pasó casi un año antes de que ocurriera el primer bautismo. Con la ayuda de Dios y bajo el liderazgo de Marco A. Molina, el pastor de la iglesia,

y con el apoyo de la madre iglesia, hoy este grupo ve su sueño hacerse realidad.

El Ministerio Hispano de la Asociación de la Gran Nueva York expresa su agradecimiento a Dios por su bondad y felicita a los hermanos laicos y pastores que con sus recursos financieros limitados han podido ver la gloria de Dios.

Michael Guerrero, Coordinador del Ministerio Hispano, Asociación de la Gran Nueva York

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Pittsfield, MA	8:24	8:29	8:32	8:34	8:34
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Albany, NY	8:25	8:30	8:33	8:35	8:35
Utica, NY	8:34	8:39	8:42	8:44	8:44
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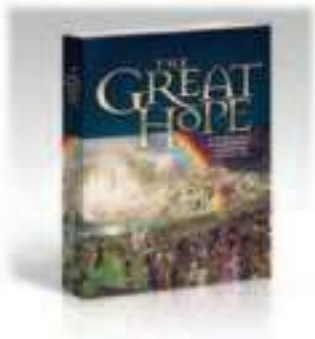
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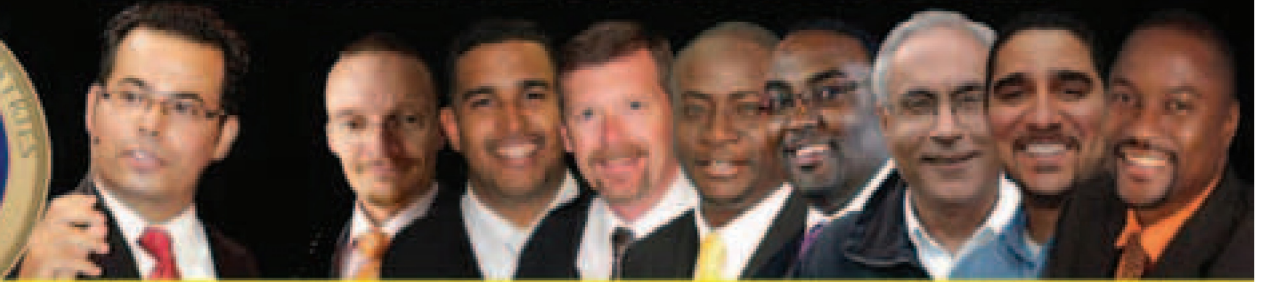
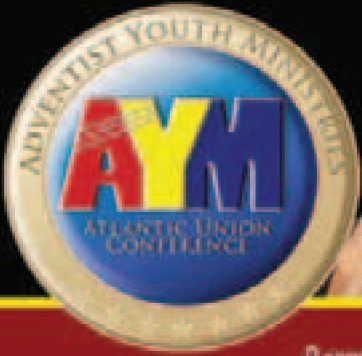
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