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Session News and Slideshows – Read our news report, see photos from the session and watch video quotes from attendees at columbiaunion.org/constituency.

26th Constituency Session

Report Video – At last month's constituency session, President Dave Weigley shared an 80-minute report.



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It featured nine video stories and 30 leaders and members from around the union who shared testimonies of conversion and outreach. Watch the video at columbiaunion.org/constituency.

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Where Do We Go From Here?

I am humbled by your confidence and support, and I thank you for the opportunity to continue serving as your union president.

During this new quinquennium (2011-2016), I want to build on our work of the last five years in the following ways:

- Every church should create a culture where members understand that evangelism is a process, not just an event; equip members to share our faith; and present the three angels’ messages in an attractive and loving way.
- We will continue to partner with conferences to support soul winning and church growth initiatives through tithe reversion and our Office of Ministries Development.
- Our partnership with the Atlantic Union Conference to operate a branch campus in their territory means Washington Adventist University will be able to serve students in 15 states and the islands of Bermuda. Adventist HealthCare and Kettering Adventist HealthCare serve 1.45 million patients annually. While we carefully navigate the complex waters of education and healthcare governance, we have to be intentional about expressing the Seventh-day Adventist mission through these entities.
- Recent studies revealed that students in our K-12 schools score above the norm academically. We need to share that story, encourage conferences and churches to improve our offerings and look for ways to raise parent confidence.
- Encourage youth, young adults and baby boomers to engage in friendship and recreational evangelism (using your resources and hobbies to share your faith).
- All of us need to seek revival and reformation in our personal lives and each local conference and institution.



COURAGE

Too many people are going to Christless graves, yet we have the message that would change their lives. As we reach out to them, I am reminded of God’s words to Joshua as he prepared for the promised land: “Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go” (Josh. 1:9, NKJV).

As Ellen White notes in *Patriarchs and Prophets*, “No instruction was given as to the way in which they were to make the passage. Joshua knew, however, that whatever God should command, He would make a way for His people to perform, and in this faith the intrepid leader at once began his arrangements for an advance” (p. 482.3).

As we prepare for our heavenly promised land, let us courageously advance God’s mission in the great Columbia Union.

Dave Weigley (dweigley@columbiaunion.net) is president of the Columbia Union Conference.

D.C. Church Convenes Dialogue on Reaching Marginalized People

Interested in tackling tough questions about how to best reach “the marginalized” in our communities, Allegheny East Conference’s (AEC) Fourth Street Friendship church gathered church and community leaders for their “Engaging Meaningful Ministry From the Margins” discussion. Approximately 500 people attended the recent three-day event at their northwest Washington, D.C., house of worship, and viewers from as far away as California and Dubai tuned in via the Internet.

Seventh-day Adventist and community leaders passionate about serving the marginalized in their communities started their three panel discussions by defining the marginalized and how to minister to them, and evaluated the success of the Adventist Church in reaching them.

“I’m very proud of my church, but if we’re serious about attracting your generation and the generation after yours, we have to shift the paradigm of how we do ministry,” proposed Andrew R. Harewood, PhD (top, right), Fourth Street Friendship pastor

and event coordinator. “Unless we have a creative response, we’re going to lose them.”

Fourth Street Friendship members are putting that philosophy into practice through their homeless, health, financial and children’s ministries. The church itself was born out of a branch Sabbath School and homeless ministry and is now a thriving member of its neighborhood.

THE LEAST OF THESE

Although the Adventist Church has a strong history of community service, many of the 20 panelists argued that it has lost its passion for reaching the “least of these” in today’s society. Minnie McNeil, AEC’s director of Adventist Community Services and Women’s Ministries, expressed that the marginalized often lack the resources or voice they need to improve their situations. However, participants agreed that the marginalized are more than just the poor and can also include Adventist members.

Jimmy Ferguson, senior pastor for AEC’s nearby Dupont Park church, asked, “Are we aware of the families within our church who are facing foreclosures? What about people with degrees who can’t get a job?”

HOW WILL WE REACH THEM?

Panelists agreed that in order to have relevant ministries, church members must be involved, and not simply rely on the pastor or church organiza-



tions to do the work. “Although we have ministries for people who are in prison, we still have [members] who don’t want to sit with people who have been in prison,” commented Charles Cheatham, AEC president.

Harewood, who also serves as a military chaplain, added, “I recognize that everyone is not going to want to get their hands dirty. Some might want to just write a check, but [the hurting] also need someone to sit next to them—in their hurt, in their vomit—and put their arms around them and let them know that they are there.”

Despite the obstacles noted, attendees left optimistic. “I really believe that if we’re going to fulfill our vision here in North America ... we’ve got to do a better job of building a bond and of drawing close to people that we hope to share the gospel with,” said Alvin Kibble, vice president of the North American Division. “This, I believe, can best be done when we establish ministries that serve the communities.”

For more information and to see video archives from the event, visit friendsat4thandq.org. See more photos at columbiaunion.org.



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the project was "a spiritual pilgrimage and the highest privilege in my life." Now he prays that "truck drivers, conference presidents, bikers, joggers and commuters will discover the thrill and joy of *listening* to the Bible daily!" Order it at adventistbookcenter.com.



Taking Control Linda Royer

Linda Royer, PhD, a member of Potomac Conference's New Market (Va.) church, offers a holistic approach to reversing nicotine addiction through this 14-day, partner study program.



CD > Free Lynda Hodges

After years of helping others fine-tune their music ministries, Allegheny East's Lynda Hodges finally poured her talents into a debut recording. This member of the Capitol Hill church in Washington, D.C., and alumna of Washington Adventist University in Takoma Park, Md., wrote and

Royer, who started developing the program right out of nursing school, suggests that churches offer the study—and a coach—to people who want to quit smoking or chewing tobacco. "Lifestyle changes are a good part of the efforts of new and revived converts," she suggests. Download the audio files and their accompanying PDFs or order the CD kit version at frameworkhealth.org.



arranged most of the disc's 11 songs, which are infused with blues, jazz, Latin and R&B. She hopes to tell others "of the goodness of God and how our worship of Him will sustain us through anything." Get a copy at cdbaby.com.



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Believe in it or not, the Bible is a great mentoring guide: Jesus built a reputation of good before He invited His disciples. Do good today and people will be drawn to you!—*Sligo Church, Takoma Park, Md.*

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All this time borrowed / I keep blowing it and asking for more / I can't repay even a minute / Born bankrupt, sinking, help me, Lord.—*Stillwater Church, Vandalia, Ohio*

Blogged >



Though I am American, Japan and its people hold a special place in my heart as I spent six years of my childhood living there. In this time of great need, let us not underestimate the power of prayer. As it is written in 1 Thessalonians 5:17, "Pray without ceasing." My prayers go out to all of my brothers and sisters in Japan, that they may find peace in our Lord.—*Jacquelyn Fisher, Fredericksburg (Va.) Church, from her UNashamed blog (realtimebelievers.com)*

School Spotlight >
Wilbert F. Mays Seventh-day
Adventist School



Teaneck, N.J.
wfmschool.org
Principal: Fansico
Murray-Williams

In the Beginning: The school opened in September 1999 under the name of an early First "Teaneck" church member who was passionate about Christian education. The school started with 11 kindergarteners but, after adding one or two grades at a time, now claims six teachers, including principal Fransico Murray-Williams (above, second from right) and 48 students in grades pre-K through 8.

Beyond the Basics: Most students score above the 85th percentile on the national Iowa Achievement Test. Grades 1-8 participate in a string ensemble, a choir and in choral speaking classes, where they learn to recite Scripture and poetry. Additionally, the school runs a six-week reading and mathematics enrichment program each summer for students and community children.

Empowering to Serve, Share Christ: Students, especially community children, not only learn to share Christ with their families, but also get involved in outreach ministries. Each year they participate in the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital Math-A-Thon. "It sensitizes the children to the needs of other children," says Murray-Williams. This year they also purchased *Bible Story* books for Cambodian children and donated to Quiet Hour Ministries.

Up Next: Through the Kids for Christ project, the school hopes to raise at least \$60,000 to pay their deficit and, within the next 11 years, to obtain their own building. Their success comes from the curriculum, believes Murray-Williams, "and the level of spirituality and interaction we have with the students." She adds, "We're continually trying to build their leadership potential."—*V. Michelle Bernard*



RE-ELECTED!

OFFICERS UNANIMOUSLY RETURNED FOR 2011-2016 TERM

Top: After president Dave Weigley (center with his wife, Becky), executive secretary Neville Harcombe (left with his wife, Cindy) and treasurer Seth Bardu (right with his wife, Teresa) were re-elected, North American Division (NAD) president Dan Jackson (pictured next page) charged them to continue faithfully serving the union's eight-conference region for the next quinquennium. Center, left: Weigley interviews Delsie Pack via Skype from Renick, W.Va. Center, right: NAD executive secretary G. Alexander Bryant shares a devotional titled "Foolishness." Bottom, left: Delegates and guests packed Potomac Conference's Southern Asian church in Silver Spring, Md., for the session. Bottom, right: "Your union is fine, stable and positioned to support this [field] for the next quinquennium," reported treasurer Seth Bardu.

*Story by Beth Michaels
Photography by David Hittle*

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The two-day session started with Dave Weigley's 80-minute president's report. It featured nine video stories and 30 leaders and members from around the union who shared testimonies of conversion and outreach. The presentation streamed live through the union's website, columbiaunion.org, and included a Skype interview with Delsie Pack, a member of Mountain View Conference's Lewisburg (W.Va.) church.

"At one time I had more than 30 Bible studies going," she told Weigley and her virtual audience. "From those, eight people have been baptized." She is currently conducting an evangelism series—her third—in her hometown of Renick, W.Va., using ShareHim sermon materials.

Reaction to the report was very positive. "It was very professional, but it was exciting," stated Karen Hatch, an Ohio Conference delegate and member of Columbus' Eastwood church. "It was almost spellbinding. It was just a great report."

"GOD IS BLESSING"

Day two of the session started with a captivating devotional titled "Foolishness" by G. Alexander Bryant, executive secretary of the North American Division (NAD). "I think that sometimes, when God chooses leaders, he chooses those that will confound the members so that they'll look at Him and not the pastor," he proposed.

Seth Bardu launched into his treasurer's report by first requesting a word from Juan Prestol, General Conference associate treasurer, who shared that there are currently

Dan Jackson (left), president of the North American Division, receives a report from William G. "Bill" Robertson, president of Adventist HealthCare, who served as secretary of the nominating committee.



17 million members worldwide, 16 million outside North America. "There are countries where we have absolutely no Adventist presence. The Lord will not come until we [reach all of them]," charged Prestol, encouraging attendees to continue giving their support to the work of evangelism.

Bardu went on to proudly announce that union tithes increased 16 percent during the last quinquennium, ending at \$565 million. As a result, the Columbia Union contributes 5 percent of the NAD's total tithes. "God is blessing," he commented, and offered suggestions on where improvements could be made. For example, he informed delegates that he and all eight conference treasurers have agreed to explore methods that will lower the cost of current auditing procedures for the union and conferences.



Of those funds obtained from Maturity Distributions between 2005 and 2011, Bardu reported that \$1 million was allocated for homeland missions, \$960,000 for evangelism reversion and \$1.94 million for special tithes reversion, among other projects. He ended his report with a nod to Washington Adventist University (WAU), located in Takoma Park, Md. Since the university has so greatly improved their financial situation during the past five years, the union no longer needs to provide them a line of credit. "Thank you for your work in helping the school be in a better financial state," he said to Weymouth Spence, EdD, WAU president, and Patrick Farley, executive vice president of Finance.



"We do not have long-term debt. We pay by cash," said Bardu. "Your union is fine, stable and positioned to support this [field]."

Kimberly Westfall (right), director of General Conference Auditing Services in the Columbia Union, concurred with a "clean" auditing report.



2011-2016 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

COMMITTED TO THE CAUSE

The enthusiasm continued as delegates quickly returned the union's three vice presidents to office (second photo, left to right): Frank Bondurant, vice president for Ministries Development; Hamlet Canosa, EdD, vice president for Education; and Walter Carson, Esq., vice president and general counsel. "You are only as strong as your team," said Weigley of the trio. "These gentlemen are deeply committed to the cause of Christ in our union."

Delegates also supported the election of a new 52-member Columbia Union Conference Executive Committee (see list), as well as the union's Association Board of Trustees. The four-hour meeting included reports from the Constitution and Bylaws Committee and the presidents of the union's three major institutions—Washington Adventist University, Kettering Adventist HealthCare and Adventist HealthCare, whose president and CEO, William G. "Bill" Robertson, declared, "Being faith-based is no excuse for being second best."

GIVING BACK

In his closing challenge, union president Weigley outlined a plan to build on the initiatives started during the last quinquennium and called for continued focus on engaging youth and young adults, strengthening Adventist education, growing the union's two healthcare systems that serve more than 1.45 million people each year, and fervent soul-winning for all age groups, especially among baby boomers. "Too many people are going to Christless graves," he stated. "Let's do all we can to preach the gospel, the three angels' messages and invite people to be part of this great advent family."

With the help of his fellow officers, Bardu and Harcombe, Weigley presented a check for \$100,000 to José H. Cortés (far left), president of the New Jersey Conference, to help launch a special evangelism initiative in unentered areas of the state. "Thank you, Columbia Union, for partnering with us in Operation Caleb to reach the cities and towns of New Jersey. We want to claim them for Christ," replied Cortés.

Following the benediction, Robert Quintana, pastor of Chesapeake Conference's Frederick (Md.) church, shared, "I think the session was great. It really was enlightening and empowering. It was also just very exciting to see everything that is going on around the union. It makes me proud to be an Adventist."

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SEEN AND HEARD

*Photography by David Hittle
and Taashi Rowe*





“I had a great time meeting the other delegates and seeing the process work. I got involved because I wanted to make an impact and let others around my age and younger know that they too can make an impact on the church.” —*Timothy Koh, Kettering church, Kettering, Ohio*

< **Peggy Lee, secretary/treasurer of the Columbia Union Revolving Fund, was honored for decades of service. During her tenure, the fund has grown from \$3 million to \$150 million.**



“I was very blessed by the president’s report and all the other reports of the Lord working throughout the union. I’m just very encouraged about the direction of our union and being mission-intentional and training all of us to go out and do what we need to do before the Lord comes.” —*Bev Sorenson, Hanover (Pa.) church*

< **During the president’s report, Meylin Tremols, 15 (with microphone), shared that she and her 11-year-old sister, Merarys (left), gave their friends Bible studies that, so far, have resulted in 13 baptisms.**



“I thought it was going to be a little boring, but it was good. I like knowing of the progress of the Columbia Union and of our plans for the future, so that way, I can be a part of it and motivate my church.” —*Janelly Davila, Philadelphia Maranatha Spanish church*

At left: Fred Manchur, president and CEO, Kettering Adventist HealthCare; Juan Prestol, General Conference associate treasurer; Neville Harcombe, executive secretary; James Bingham, PhD, conducts the Washington Adventist University orchestra and choir; Below: Dave Weigley interviews Manassas (Va.) church pastor Joey Pollom and the Sanchez family



HISTORIC VOTE

WASHINGTON ADVENTIST UNIVERSITY CONSTITUENTS ENDORSE BRANCH CAMPUS PLAN

Story by Taashi Rowe

Photos by Al Peasley

SOME 90 PASTORS, MEMBERS, TEACHERS, STUDENTS AND CHURCH LEADERS GATHERED IN TAKOMA PARK, MD., last month for Washington Adventist University's (WAU) constituency session. Reports from President Weymouth Spence, EdD, and an independent auditor reflected an upward trend for the university that some five years ago struggled financially. Spence proudly noted that the university has rebounded to now offer a three-school model with 32 undergraduate programs, eight graduate degrees and realize a 30.5 percent increase in enrollment—its highest since 1991. Patrick Farley, executive vice president for Finance, reported that the university now functions with positive working capital and decreasing debt.

"This is a very significant moment for WAU. ... We acknowledge the wonderful things that God has been doing in the past five years," remarked Dave Weigley, chair of WAU's Board of Trustees and president of the Columbia Union Conference.

The delegates also addressed the university's addition of a branch campus in South Lancaster, Mass., where they will lease the facilities of Atlantic Union College (AUC). Many noted the historic nature of the proceedings, which means that two unions—the Columbia Union Conference and the Atlantic Union Conference—will partner to operate one university. Each will contribute financially and have representatives on the board.

WAU constituency delegates voted a new board of trustees and unanimously voted to accept new bylaws, effective immediately and subject to ratification by the AUC constituency meeting June 13. If that happens, WAU will offer Seventh-day Adventist higher education to students in 15 states and the islands of Bermuda.

"This is a mile-marker for us," shared Neville Harcombe, Columbia Union Conference executive secretary. "We need to take care of the educational

needs of our young people on the East Coast."

Donald Blake, PhD, who retired from the board after two terms, said that while cautious about the addition of a branch campus, he was "glad to go out with a sense of strength that the university has now" and called the president's report "very encouraging."

Victor Zill, executive secretary/treasurer for the Mountain View Conference, said, "I'm very thankful



that the university is in a much stronger financial position, where they are able to better pursue education ministry. It is very exciting to see the addition of a second campus moving forward and whatever opportunities that may provide.”

Spence explained that adding a branch campus was an opportunity not only for WAU, but also for the Adventist Christian educational system. “There are many of our institutions that have been struggling financially for years, and this historic vote starts a trend, hopefully, that will bring our schools together for the long-term sustainability of Adventist Christian education overall,” he remarked.

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**Atlantic Union College will name 12 members at its June 13 constituency meeting.*



Clockwise: Weymouth Spence, president; Kay Rosburg, delegate; devotional speaker Raj Attiken, Ohio Conference president; Tom Evans, North American Division treasurer





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MAKING A WORLD OF DIFFERENCE

Helping students and families choose Seventh-day Adventist Christian education is a ministry like no other. I have seen God's providence at work many times while visiting prospective students. On one recruiting trip, the Lord led me to a student who prayed that very morning that God would make it clear to her where she should and could attend an Adventist college. Our visit only came about because of a random meeting I had with a teacher at a nearby high school. The teacher asked about a student he knew in another town who expressed an interest in going to college. It says in Isaiah 65:24, "Before they call I will answer; while they are still speaking I will hear (NIV)." It was amazing to see this Bible promise fulfilled!

Facebook provides an excellent way to connect with former students and has allowed me to witness the incredible difference an Adventist education has made in the lives of hundreds of them. How gratifying it is when students thank me for helping them choose Adventist education. I have even had students write on my wall to thank me for making it possible for them to meet their life partner through an Adventist school!



Combining ministry, service and recruitment has provided me with much career satisfaction. In my view, all ministry and service is recruitment and all recruitment is ministry! "For wisdom is a defense even as money is a defense, but the excellency of knowledge is that wisdom shields and preserves the life of him who has it" (Eccl. 7:12, *Amplified Bible*).

Victor Brown is the dean for enrollment management at Kettering College in Kettering, Ohio, and a member of the Kettering church.

MedKamp—Kettering College's Brightest Idea in Healthcare Education

By Julie Thompson

At an age when most boys are still dreaming of professional sports, Daniel DeBardleben decided he was heading to medical school. He was 14 and had just finished reading *Desire of Ages*, a book on the life of Jesus. By the time he closed the back cover, it was clear to him that entering the healthcare field would help him live a life much like his Savior.

Three years later, at Kettering College's 2007 MedKamp, DeBardleben said he experienced a confirmation of his calling. "I knew Kettering College was perfect for me," he recalled. "I was drawn by the strong focus on academics and Kettering's faith community."

Today DeBardleben is a Kettering College junior pursuing a bachelor's degree in human biology. When he isn't studying, he's worshipping. DeBardleben joined the Kettering College Choir and also started a small Bible study with other students.

To date DeBardleben is one of nearly 35 students whose journey at Kettering College began through MedKamp. The two-day program, which started in 2006, attracts Seventh-day Adventist high school seniors from around the country and allows them to experience the college, from the residence hall to the cadaver lab.

AN OPPORTUNITY FOR GROWTH

MedKamp has grown from a quaint weekend project with one prospective student to a recruitment fest of



more than 120 attendees from as far away as California. The idea has become Kettering College's top recruitment tool for Adventist students. Before MedKamp launched, only 9 percent of the school's student body was a part of the denomination. Today nearly 13 percent of enrolled students are affiliated with the Adventist Church.

Marketing for the first MedKamp only yielded 30 registrants. The number dwindled with cancellations, and by MedKamp weekend included just one prospect: Katie Lenz.

Lenz and her mother purchased plane tickets from Washington state with fear that MedKamp would be canceled, but recruitment staff assured them the show would go on. Lenz received the red carpet treatment and by the time she got back on the plane had made her decision to join Kettering College's diagnostic medical sonography program.

While she attended Kettering College, Lenz assisted at MedKamp and was a champion of what the school has to offer. "I think MedKamp is very valuable to prospective students," she comments. "It gives students a good look at what goes on at the college. I used to talk to them a lot about our teachers and how good they are and how willing they are to give you the extra time."



Above: Ashley Rich from Shenandoah Valley Academy in New Market, Va.; Left: Shem Nyachio, from Spring Valley Academy in Centerville, Ohio.

YOUR HEALING MINISTRY

Lenz told prospective students about every detail, including the cool perks in the dorm, like the free use of a washer and dryer. She also shared the deeper details like how teachers would pray before class. Lenz graduated in 2009 and took a position as a sonographer at Wilson Memorial Hospital in Sidney, Ohio.

The 2006 MedKamp was just the beginning of something really good. Each year has provided opportunities to grow and change. For instance, the recruitment team discovered that instead of targeting individual attendees, it is best to bring students by the busload from Adventist academies.

A REALISTIC SETTING

MedKamp isn't an ordinary college visit. High school and academy students' knowledge is put to the test in Kettering's realistic settings. They tour classrooms, meet teachers and walk through labs. As they touch a real brain and view a cadaver, students on the fence about a health profession quickly realize if a particular field is really for them.

Such careful planning spoke to Tony Passerallo when he attended MedKamp as a high school senior in 2007.



Passerallo, who had natural strengths in math and science and considered following his dad's footsteps into banking, spent the year job-shadowing individuals in various careers. After spending a day with his uncle at the Cleveland Clinic, he discovered a love of healthcare.

MedKamp not only solidified where Passerallo was going to school, but also helped him narrow down what degree he wanted to pursue. Now a senior at Kettering

College, Passerallo finished his Bachelor's in Human Biology in April and will begin a Master's in Physician Assistant Studies at Kettering this month.

"My parents always said, 'If you find something you love, then you'll never work a day in your life,'" he says.

[This article originally appeared in the winter 2010 issue of Kettering College's Pacesetter magazine.]



Molly, Amanda and Ashley Rich from Shenandoah Valley Academy in New Market, Va., enjoy hands-on experience in one of Kettering College's labs.



Kettering College News

Honor Students Heal, Witness Overseas

This month 15 representatives from Kettering College, including three faculty, 11 students and a practicing nurse alum, will provide much-needed medical services in Trinidad and Tobago. Their mission trip is part of the college's Vaughan-Beaven Service Learning Honors Program, started in 2003 by Paula Reams, which allows students to gain school credit and hands-on experience. To date Kettering College students have gone to Belize, Guyana and Trinidad and Tobago. Students will return to Belize this summer and travel to Appalachia.

"The honors program allows our students the opportunity to apply their classroom education and skills abroad," explains Laura Willis, assistant professor of nursing, and coordinator of the honors program



since 2006. Students spend 40 hours of service in a rural area of underserved or underinsured residents. They are given the opportunity to take what they have learned in the classroom and apply it to

real situations. Students are also encouraged to share their knowledge with the residents.

Amy Morretta (above), director of the residence hall and student life, was "honored and privileged" to participate in the honors program mission trip to Belize last spring. "I've always felt that our students are the best, but this trip allowed me to see them in action and confirm my belief," she says. "Their boundless positive energy, compassion for the people



and professional demeanor demonstrated maturity beyond their years. I went to serve but was the one who received the greatest blessing."

Sabbath School Class Expands Student Experience

Kettering College students are getting additional opportunities to participate in community outreach, Bible studies, vespers and sports activities through Kettering (Ohio) church's FreshBread young adult



Sabbath School class. As a matter of fact, 65 percent of FreshBread's attendance is comprised of college students, which includes as many as 60 young adults each week.

"It's been inspiring for me to be here at Kettering with such a vibrant group of young adults committed to service, spiritual growth and Christian fellowship at a church that is so passionately invested in the spiritual development of this generation," comments Brittany Culpepper, Kettering church's taskforce worker.

Elliot Smith, Kettering church's young adult and taskforce pastor, says their success has, in large part, been due to the support of the larger church body and their interest in seeing the young adult program succeed. "At the Kettering church, space on Sabbath mornings is difficult to come by, which is why FreshBread started across the street, in the hospital," he explains. It was only after several other Sabbath School classes offered to relocate that FreshBread found its home in a former adult classroom. "This is just one example of the efforts many people have made to ensure young adults are welcomed into this church family," Smith adds.

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ALLEGHENY EAST

Exposé

Welcome

Last year's General Conference Session prevented us from coming together as an Allegheny East Conference (AEC) family for camp meeting. It would only be fair for me to let you know that we missed you. However, we asked God for special direction pertaining to this year's event. He has instructed us to plan around the theme "Experiencing God Through Revival, Reformation and Renewal."

The world in which we live is each day becoming more devoid of the Spirit of God. Unless the people of God experience a rebirth by changing their thinking about their relationship with Christ, we cannot finish the task given to us by our heavenly Father.

We have sought out speakers who we feel can direct us to the spiritual level where we can truly begin to experience God.

Let June 30-July 10 take on new meaning. It is the time when we can experience God in a way that we never have before. I look forward to the joy of experiencing God in a very personal way,

and I look forward to seeing you here.

—Charles L. Cheatham, President



Experiencing God Through Revival, Reformation and Renewal

Pine Forge Academy, June 30-July 10

Speakers



Delbert W. Baker, PhD, general vice president of the General Conference, was elected in 2010. He obtained a

bachelor's degree from Oakwood University (Ala.), a Master of Divinity from Andrews University (Mich.) and a Doctor of Organizational Communication from Howard University in Washington, D.C. He has written numerous scholarly articles and books.

Baker most recently served as the president of Oakwood University from 1996-2010. He is also a certified emotional intelligence trainer and leadership/life coach. His professional experience includes 10 years as a pastor in Ohio and Virginia, seven years as editor of *Message* magazine and four years as special assistant to the president and a professor at Loma Linda University and Medical Center (Calif.). Baker is married to the former Susan Lee and they have three adult sons.

Alvin M. Kibble is a third-generation Seventh-day Adventist minister. He is a product of Adventist education, from elementary school through seminary. His 40 years of service to the



Adventist Church includes pastoral ministry at eight churches in the mid-Atlantic region, corporate church leadership in the Allegheny East Conference and international evangelism. He is currently a vice president for the North American Division.

Kibble has been honored with many awards. In 1999 he was inducted into the Morehouse College Martin Luther King Jr. Collegium of Preachers, Ministers and Scholars. Kibble is married to the former Jewel Peck and they have two adult sons.



Ivan Williams, DMin, secretary of the North American Division Ministerial Association, will be the ordination

speaker. Williams graduated from Oakwood University with a bachelor's in theology in 1986. In 1988 he graduated from Andrews University with a Master of Divinity. He then completed Commissioned Officer Training School in the United States Air Force. In 2002 Williams graduated from Squadron Officer School Air University in Residence and from the Claremont School of Theology (Calif.) with a Doctor of Ministry. He is president of Brighter Hope Ministries, Inc., and can be heard on many radio stations around the country. He has pastored for 20 years. He and his wife, Kathleen, have two children.

Seminars



“Financial Freedom Workshop” • Marie Eusebe, who started the Financial

Freedom Workshop website (theFFW.webs.com), will teach biblical principles of budgeting, debt management, time management and wealth planning.

“Introduction to Disaster Preparedness” • Bob Mitchell, Adventist Community Services coordinator for the Potomac



Conference, has more than 20 years experience in disaster response. This three-hour class

focuses on how you, your family and your church can become better prepared to deal with local disasters.

“Donations Operations” • In this eight-hour class, Bob Mitchell will detail how to open and manage community collection centers, emergency distribution centers and a multi-agency warehouse.



“Prison Ministries Worker Training” • Edith Tucker, president of the conference’s Prison Ministry

Federation, will conduct a seminar on the nuts and bolts of Prison Ministries **July 3, 1-4 p.m.** Tucker has 40 years experience in the field.

“The Healthy Anointed Life: Walk in Your Healing, in Every Area of Your Life” • Earlene Dotson, PhD, will lecture from her book of the same name. She discloses the destiny that God has for every believing Christian and exposes the challenges that prevent us from living a healthy, anointed life. Dotson is a

devout Christian, professor, former university chair, church elder and health educator.

“Nourish Your Brain” • Registered dietician Clara Iuliano will share six key nutrients for better brain function and communion with the Creator.



“God’s Medicine Chest” • In this seminar Milton Brown, MD, will share God’s plan for disease prevention and wellness. Brown believes that “the true physician is an educator.” Dr. Brown, a researcher and professor at Georgetown University Medical Center in Washington, D.C., has more than 15 years experience in developing new drugs in the fields of cancer and neuroscience.

“Journey to Wellness” • J. Alfred Johnson II, director of Adult



Ministries (Sabbath School, Personal Ministries, Prison Ministries) for the North American Division, will share

his incredible health journey. He lives to share the principles of God’s kingdom and news of Christ’s second coming.

“Resource Development for Community Outreach Ministries” • Monte Sahlin, Ohio Conference’s director of Adventist Community Services, will discuss

how to find the resources to impact your community; understand the scope of unemployment, poverty and its impact on families in your community; develop an effective strategy to make a difference in your community and find the partners and allies to have a much larger impact in your community.



“The Metabolic Syndrome” • Duan A. Drakes, MD, is a board-certified cardiovascular and thoracic surgeon practicing in the Washington, D.C. area since 1986. You’ve heard of the metabolic syndrome, but what is it? In this seminar, Dr. Drakes will explain how preventing this combination of common medical disorders can literally save your life.

“You are Worth It!” • Vernee Stoddart, founder and director of Worth Integrity Nurture Growth Spirituality (WINGS) Belleza, a Christian etiquette organization for young girls, will address the issue of low self-worth among young girls in a fun, informative, interactive way.



“D.I.Y. Fashions” • Vernee Stoddart will share tips and techniques for girls to design, create and develop their own style. In this class, girls learn to use simple, easily accessible materials to construct usable—and wearable—items!

Health Screening

Camp Meeting Health Screening*

Sunday, July 3 • 9 a.m.–5 p.m.
Jessie R. Wagner Elementary School

Professionals from the **Prevent First** organization will organize these screenings. The first 150 people to participate in this event will only pay \$15 to screen for the following health risks: carotid artery plaque, cholesterol, diabetes, bone density, blood pressure and body mass index.

**Remember to fast for 4-5 hours before the screenings. Other services will also be provided.*



SPIRIT

Welcome

It's not about the fear, it's not about the counterfeit, it's not even about the timing; and yet, the appearing is going to happen soon! And given that reality, this year's camp meeting is laser-focused on a 21st century look at what's happening right here, right now.

While all the historic views of prophetic events have their place, Satan has upgraded and intensified his ancient approaches by steadily pulling the entire culture in a direction that believers and unbelievers alike are blinded to. The fact is, what we have believed about the end times is true, but the level of distraction and deception that Satan is showcasing now is at new levels. We are literally dealing with a category of spiritual wickedness heretofore unmatched in this world.

At this year's camp meeting, we will not only zero in on the imminence of the second coming of Christ, but also how we prepare our lives and witness.

Both Sabbath speakers have a rare anointing on their lives, and they will speak forcefully to the subject at hand, "The Appearing!"

—Fredrick Russell, President



The Appearing Allegheny West Campgrounds June 17-19 and 22-25

Speakers

Calvin Preston was born and raised in Columbia, S.C. Upon completing high school, he obeyed the voice of the Holy Spirit to go and preach the gospel



in all the world. After matriculating from Oakwood College (Ala.) in 1975, he became the pastor of the

Emmanuel church in Albany, Ga. He pastored in the Raleigh/Wilson district in North Carolina, in Greensboro, N.C., and Atlanta. He also served as secretary of the South Atlantic Conference. After leaving the conference office, he pastored the Bethany church in Macon, Ga., for approximately 10 years. From renovating the old church to purchasing a new one, he filled the pews with missing and new members.

The Lord has truly blessed his ministry and allowed him to baptize hundreds across North America. He now pastors at the West End church in Atlanta. He also holds a master's degree in church administration from Andrews University (Mich.). He is married to the former Wynona Wimbish and they have three adult children. Preston's favorite Bible text is, "We are more than conquerors through Him that loved us" (Rom. 8:37).

G. Russell Seay, Jr., PhD, is an assistant professor of religion at Oakwood University. After completing his bachelor's degree from then Oakwood College, Pastor Seay began full-time ministry in 1980 and pastored in Alabama and Tennessee. He has also served in the South Central Conference office as director of the College for Ministry, Ministerial secretary and Family Ministries director. He developed a number of programs and initiatives to improve the quality of professional and personal development of the pastors and elders in the South Central Conference. He has written a number of articles for such magazines as *Message*, *Ministry*, *Leadership* and *Regional Voice*. He recently published the devotional book *Forty Days of Prayer* and *Fasting* with AdventSource.



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Special Features

“For Men Only” • Sabbath, June 25 • A special time has been carved out for men to experience an incredible evening of growth.

Nevilon Meadows, director of the Florida-based ministry Men Under Development, will be the “man at the microphone.” There are some critical



issues that men can only talk about among other men in an environment of transparency. No man will be left behind during this powerful session—a first for Allegheny West Conference men aged 21.

“For Women Only” • Sabbath, June 25 • This is a “cannot miss” opportunity for the women of Allegheny West Conference.

Women aged 21 and up will be stirred and challenged with issues and answers that speak to godly women in an ungodly world. **Linda Penick**,



Women’s Ministries director for the Pacific Union Conference, will be facilitating and leading this session for women only.

The Last 12 Days is a major theatrical production that can literally alter the course of your life. Where this production has been shown, audiences not only received Christ as their personal Savior, but also felt moved toward total commitment to the kingdom cause. With the appearing on the horizon,

12 days, or however many days, is not long. This will be presented Sabbath, June 25.

“A Conversation About the End: A Fresh Look at the Anti-Christ”

• **Timothy Nixon, DMin**, chaplain for inreach at Andrews University, will speak on this subject Sabbath, June 25 in a power-packed afternoon session.

You will be amazed and actively engaged in this insightful look at the prophecy around the anti-Christ. This is not a typical presentation, but one that will awaken attendees to the fact that the systems of the anti-Christ are already at work.



“A Conversation About the End—Contemporary Signs Right Before Us”

• All the signs of Christ’s coming didn’t happen in the 1800s. However, many of the most graphic signs of “The Appearing” are happening all around us. Prepare to attend this seminar on Sabbath, June 25.

“Kingdom Health Enthusiast”

• **Tara Taylor**, a personal trainer, will lead this seminar on both Sabbath afternoons.

She will present easy ways to get your body in shape to achieve maximum kingdom health.



“Kingdom Kids” • In three big tents on both Sabbaths, we will be



teaching kids of all ages to become “kingdom kids.” **Phyllis Washington**, Children’s Ministries

director for the North American Division, and other Kingdom Kids team members will lead your children to live for Jesus now, even as they await His appearing.

Prayer Garden • The Allegheny West Campground has a new addition—a prayer garden. This quiet place of reflection is located to the west of the youth pavilion. The prayer garden has been created for prayer and mediation only.

Adventist Schools Mass Choir

• Students from Ramah Junior Academy in Cleveland and Columbus Adventist Academy will minister during the **Sabbath, June 19** worship services.

Adventist Book Center • A fully-stocked bookstore will be open the entire camp meeting season. Books, witnessing tools, kids material, positive family resources, vegetarian foods and much more will be available.

Youth

First Weekend

• **Pathfinder Camporee / Parade / Drill Competition / Fair** • June 17-19

• **Youth Oratorical Contest** • Friday, June 17, 7–9 p.m.

The Youth Olympics • June 19
The games will feature races, the 100-yard dash, relays, etc., at Thornville High School.

Second Weekend

• **Conference Bible Bowl, Part I** • Friday, June 24, 7–9 p.m.

• **Conference Bible Bowl, Part II** • Sabbath, June 25, 3:45–5 p.m.

• **Youth Concert** • Sabbath, June 25, 5-7 p.m.

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THE CHALLENGE

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Welcome

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing," says the familiar hymn, and that is precisely what we intend to do next month on the campus of Highland View Academy. Please join us at "The Gathering"—a renewed camp meeting experience.

We will gather from every district within our territory. We will gather to focus on Christ and recommit ourselves to His mission; to share how He has been leading in our lives, our churches, our schools, our conference and world church; and to draw strength and encouragement from each other.

We have taken a fresh, yet familiar, approach to our annual gathering. Our days will be filled with prayer, songs, fellowship, study, testimonies and praise. We will provide a unique family worship experience each morning and close each evening with a mini film festival. And every age group will be featured in a nightly video review.

So plan to join us as we gather in anticipation and celebration of that great and final gathering of all of God's people in heaven.
—*Rob Vandeman, President*



THE Gathering

A RENEWED CAMP MEETING EXPERIENCE

Highland View Academy, June 14-18

Speakers

Dick Duerksen is an itinerant pollinator of grace, currently employed by Maranatha Volunteers International as their storyteller. In this role he and his



wife, **Brenda**, travel the world catching stories of mission and missionaries, many of which can be

viewed on the program "Maranatha Mission Stories." Brenda coordinates Maranatha's medical clinics, and Dick uses his cameras, computer and voice to share grace from Chobe to Choluteca. Learn more at maranatha.org

"The Bible is essentially a book of stories," says **Dick Stenbakken**, "and a good story well told sticks in the memory like Velcro." Stenbakken's first person biblical narratives explore Scripture in a dynamically unforgettable way. Stenbakken has worked as a pastor



and Army chaplain and directed Adventist Chaplaincy Ministries for the worldwide Seventh-day Adventist Church. His wife, **Ardis**, is former director of Women's Ministries for the worldwide Adventist Church's headquarters in Silver Spring, Md. Both are popular speakers. Learn more at biblefaces.com.

FEATURED MUSICIAN



Karla Rivera Bucklew has won many competitions as a soprano soloist, and has toured throughout

the world with the New England Symphonic Ensemble, Pro Musica and Columbia Collegiate Chorale, all of Washington Adventist University in Takoma Park, Md. She was the featured soloist for camp meeting in 2007. Bucklew earned a master's degree in vocal performance from the University of Maryland. She currently works for Adventist Mission at the General Conference. Visit karlarivera.com.

Seminars

“Charting the Course—Discovering God’s Will” • Sergio Manente, pastor of the Highland View church in Hagerstown, Md., and co-founder of TrueWind, a youth leadership ministry, presents



this life-changing seminar. He will speak to those drifting aimlessly through life. Learn how to discover the

best version of yourself—God’s version of you—and experience the abundant life that Christ promised when we follow God’s map for our lives.

“Fundamentals of Estate Planning and Stewardship” Marshall T. Horman, a



Frederick, Md.-based attorney in the firm of Shoemaker, Horman & Clapp, P.A., and **Ronalyn**

Hackleman, conference Trust Services director, will explain estate planning documents such as last will and testaments, minor’s trusts, power of attorney, advance directives and healthcare representative appointments.



Learn how to identify stress and depression and the lifestyle interventions for prevention and treatment in **“Identifying Depression, Anxiety and Its Causes”** and **“Interventions for Optimal Mental and Emotional Health.”** **“Improving Emotional Intelligence”** focuses on developing thinking patterns to improve

resilience and **“The Obesity Epidemic and the Let’s Move NAD Initiative,”**



discusses the issues related to the obesity epidemic in the United States and what we can do to help. Presenter **Katia Reinert**, North American Division Health Ministries director, is a family nurse practitioner and public health clinical nurse specialist with training in depression treatment and the integration of faith and health.

“Communication Skills for Home, Work and Witness” • Dick Stenbakken will help participants

develop new and usable skills for listening and sharing that they can use immediately and effectively.



Stenbakken served as the director of Adventist Chaplaincy Ministries for the worldwide Seventh-day Adventist Church from 1992-2004.

Dick and Brenda Duerksen, story catchers for Marantha Volunteers International, will present **“The Joys and Opportunities of Short-Term Marantha Mission Projects.”** Mission trips aren’t only for youth groups or retirees. Service is a part of every stage in your life. Seize the opportunity to meet with people from



around the world, and gain spiritual stimulation along with the thrilling experience of serving others in need.

Frank Bondurant will offer four seminars. **“One Church—Four Generations”** will provide insights into the four generations found in churches today and how to bridge the gaps. **“10 Habits of Highly Effective Churches,”** **“Conspiracy of Compassion—25 Ideas for Community Service”** and **“Creating a Sticky Church: Ideas for Keeping Your Members and Reclaiming Those Who Have Left”** will help

attendees make a difference in their congregations and communities. Bondurant is the vice president for Ministries Development for the Columbia Union Conference.



Heather Quintana will teach **“Your Spiritual Health Checkup.”** Learn the questions to ask yourself to diagnose the problems in your spiritual life, and discover the essential habits that will reignite your spiritual passion and lead to spiritual breakthroughs you’ve never before experienced. She will also teach **“Holding on to Hope,”** which will



demonstrate how believing in a never-give-up God will transform your life. Quintana is the editor of *Vibrant Life*

magazine, a pastor’s wife, writer and graduate of the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary at Andrews University (Mich.).

Learn **“Bible Marking”** from **Jerry Lutz**. Using the Bible that you will “encode,” or mark, you will be able to share the gospel with confidence and make a thorough presentation of the fundamental teachings of our faith. Bring an unmarked Bible

Seminars



to class; all other materials will be provided. Lutz is the senior pastor of the Spencerville church in

Silver Spring, Md., and an adjunct faculty member of Washington Adventist University.

“Dealing With Difficult Biblical Passages” can be a challenge. **George Reid** helps attendees



recognize that the Bible often addresses truths in other places that help us deal with the

problem texts. Reid, now retired, was director of the Biblical Research Institute for the worldwide Adventist Church.

In her seminar **“Back to the Future,”** **Ardis Stenbakken** takes attendees back to the basics to build a future. You have no doubt



heard about revival and reformation lately, but how do we get there? Learn about Bible study, about the Bible itself and how to have a vibrant devotional life. Stenbakken is a retired director of Women’s Ministries for the worldwide Adventist Church.

“Tensions in Scripture—When It’s OK to be Unsure” will be taught by **J. David Newman**. Samuel says God told David to take the census and Chronicles says Satan told David to take the census. Who is right? Discover how to deal with the contradictions in the Bible. Newman is the senior pastor of the New Hope church in Fulton, Md.



For more details, and to register for lodging and meals, visit ccosda.org or call (410) 995-1910.

Schedules

Children’s Schedule

Daily Schedule	BEGINNERS Ac. Building	KINDERGARTEN Music Hall	PRIMARY Church—Lower Level
10:00 am-Noon	✓	✓	✓
2:00-4:00 pm	✓	✓	✓
7:15-8:45 pm		✓	✓
Sabbath Schedule			
9:15 am-12:30 pm	✓	✓	✓
2:30-4:30 pm	✓	✓	✓
7:15-8:45 pm		✓	✓

Junior—Young Adult Schedule

Daily Schedule	JUNIORS Boys Dorm Chapel	EARLITEENS Girl’s Dorm Chapel	YOUTH Library	YOUNG ADULT (Sabbath Morning) Highland View Academy church sanctuary Coordinator: Jennifer Blondo
10:00 am-Noon	✓	✓	✓	Antonio Lopez, Speaker
2:00-5:00 pm	✓	✓	✓	
7:15-8:45 pm	✓	Rico Woolcock, Speaker	Vladimir Corea, Speaker	
Sabbath Schedule				
9:15 am-12:30 pm	✓	✓	✓	✓
2:30-5:00 pm	✓	✓	✓	✓
7:15-8:45 pm	✓	✓	✓	✓

Adult Schedule

The Gathering—A Renewed Camp Meeting Experience

Schedule	June 14 Tuesday	June 15 Wednesday	June 16 Thursday	June 17 Friday	June 18 Sabbath
7:00–7:30 am		Prayer Time/ Exercise/ Bible Study	Prayer Time/ Exercise/ Bible Study	Prayer Time/ Exercise/ Bible Study	Bible Study/ Prayer Walk for Education
7:30–8:00 am	Breakfast				
8:30–9:30 am	Family Worship-Dick Stenbakken	Family Worship-Dick Stenbakken	Family Worship Dick Stenbakken	Family Worship Dick Stenbakken	Morning Worship 8:15 & 11:00 am Dick Duerksen
10:00 am–Noon	Seminars 1-Sergio Manente 2-Marshall Horman/ Ronallyn Hackleman 3-Katia Reinert 4-Dick Stenbakken	Seminars 1-Dick Duerksen 2-Frank Bondurant 3-Katia Reinert 4-Heather Quintana 5-George Reid	Seminars 1-Jerry Lutz 2-George Reid 3-Ardis Stenbakken 4-Frank Bondurant 5-J. David Newman		Sabbath School 9:30–10:45 am Susan Baker, Lesson Young Adult Service 9:30 am–12:30 pm Antonio Lopez
Noon–1:00 pm	Lunch				
2:00–4:00 pm	Seminars–continued from the morning	Seminars–continued from the morning	Seminars–continued from the morning	Seminars–continued from the morning	Lunch 1:00–2:00 pm Music & Mission, 2:30–4:30 pm Pathfinder Demo & Drum Corps 4:30 pm
4:00–5:30 pm	GLOW Outreach	Health Screening	ABC Sale	ABC Sale	
5:30–6:15 pm	Supper				
6:45–7:05 pm	Seminar	Seminar	Seminar	Seminar	Supper/Pastor's Wives Meet Free Time
7:15–8:45 pm	Evening Service Dick Duerksen	Evening Service Dick Duerksen	Evening Service Dick Duerksen	Evening Service Dick Duerksen	Evening Service Dick Duerksen
9:00–10:00 pm	SONscreen Film Fest/ ABC Sale	SONscreen Film Fest/ ABC sale/Watermelon Feast/Communion	SONscreen Film Fest/ ABC Sale/Ancinting	Camp Fire Songs & Stories	ABC Sale/Tear Down

MOUNTAIN VIEWPOINT

Welcome

If you haven't been to Mountain View Conference Camp Meeting at Valley Vista Adventist Center in Huttonsville, W.Va., then you haven't *been* to camp meeting. Through sessions of prayer, Bible study, preaching of the Word, witnessing and fellowship, both young and old will have one theme on their heart, "Revive Us Again, O Lord."

Prayer for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon all speakers and attendees will be ongoing 24/7. A special youth/young adult extravaganza will be held midweek in the main auditorium. There will also be programs for kids of all ages. Join lay members as they share how the Holy Spirit is using them to reach others. Hands-on Bible worker training will be conducted. We will also invite our neighbors to visit our health expo and enjoy a good old-fashioned buffet.

Come and join us as we respond to the call of revival, reformation, discipleship and evangelism as heralded by Scripture, Spirit of Prophecy and highlighted by our world leaders.



Larry Boggess
President



Victor Zill
Secretary/Treasurer

Revive Us Again, O Lord

Valley Vista Adventist Center, June 17-25

Speakers

Herb Montgomery, director of Renewed Heart Ministries, will speak for the first weekend as well as hold early morning meetings throughout the week. His book, *Finding the Father*, will be the basis for his series.



These presentations explore the deep, insatiable quest for that "something more" that resides in every human being. Montgomery's experience in ministry began when he was a teenager teaching other young people how to share their faith through door-to-door witnessing. From 1998-2000, he was the director of SOULS (Southern Outreach Leadership School) in Florida, under the direction of the Southern Union and the Florida Conference. In leading the Bible classes, he emphasized unique truths in the light of the gospel of Jesus Christ. In 2000 Montgomery accepted a call to be a seminar speaker for Light Bearers Ministry, a publishing and evangelistic ministry based in Oregon.

Montgomery currently resides in West Virginia with his wife, Crystal, and their children, Alexis, Emarya and Christian.

John Bradshaw, speaker/director for the It Is Written ministry, will speak for the second weekend of camp meeting. He will present "Mind Over Matter: God's Prescription for Experiencing True Revival," "The Resurrection" and "Resurrection Power: The Divine Power Behind Revival and Reformation and Being Ripe for God's Harvest." Bradshaw's career began in his home country of New Zealand where he worked as a disc jockey on a number of the nation's top radio stations. He left this job in 1990—and his life was changed when he gave his heart to Christ and made a decision for baptism. He met his soon-to-be-wife, Melissa, at church, and soon after their wedding, began working as an evangelist for Amazing Facts. After 12 years, the family—which now includes



a son and daughter—decided to put down roots. In the years that followed, Pastor Bradshaw pastored a church in Kentucky, followed by the Village church near Walla Walla University in Washington state. During his 15 years of pastoral ministry, Pastor Bradshaw has held more than 80 evangelistic series. For him, nothing matches the joy of introducing others to Christ.

Seminars

Saturday–Saturday, 6:30 a.m. • Herb Montgomery presents



“**Finding the Father,**” a study to help you understand your personal need for that something more.

Monday–Friday, 9:45 a.m. • In his “**Working Toward Revival**” seminar, **Pastor Justin Howard** shares how active and engaging evangelism can revive you and the world around you. Howard pastors the East Pea Ridge church in Huntington, W.Va., and the Point Pleasant (W.Va.) church and directs the conference’s COMPEL Center for Evangelistic Training.



Monday–Friday, 11:15 a.m. • Join **Stephen Bohr** as he presents “**Experiencing Revival and Reformation.**” He will explain how the events that surrounded the first Pentecost serve as a model for the last Pentecost. For over 30 years he

has served as a pastor, theology professor, youth counselor and evangelist. Presently he is the speaker/director for Secrets Unsealed and pastor of the Fresno Central church (Calif.).



Sunday–Friday, 2:30 p.m. • **Bob Gregory** will teach attendees why agriculture is an essential component in our spiritual and physical development. His “**Agriculture: The Hand of the Right Arm of the Gospel**” will also share why the health message is an incomplete work without incorporating the aspect of agriculture. He will also explain end-time deceptions pertaining to agriculture and describe the hazards of relying on profit-



driven, worldly agricultural production systems. He has a 35-year career in agriculture. He currently directs, farms, teaches and manages a seed bank at

Second Annual Hispanic Camp Meeting

August 12-14 • Come and enjoy a Spirit-filled weekend. For additional information on speakers and events, visit mtviewconf.org. For lodging information, contact the conference at (304) 422-4581.

Berea Gardens Agriculture Ministries in Minnora, W.Va.

Sunday–Thursday, 4 p.m. • In his “**Turning Life into Wellness**” seminar, **John Clark, MD**, will share simple secrets to conquer disease, cut medical costs, increase longevity and experience invigorating health. Clark is based in Maine, headquarters for Northern Lights Health Education. Dr. Clark completed his training at Loma Linda University School of Medicine (Calif.).



Musicians



Phil Williams • **Saturday June 18, 4 p.m.** Williams is a Nashville-based, Christian songwriter whose main interest is sharing music that brings listeners closer to Jesus. His music instruction began at the piano at the age of 8 while he picked up the guitar at 13. After marriage he began to realize the power that music can have in a person’s life, which inspired him to write Christian songs. Writing music and singing in churches led to his first CD, *Old Guitar Man*.

Josie Burgoyne • **Saturday June 25, 2:30 p.m.** Burgoyne comes from a musical family and has played instruments all her life. A contralto soloist, Burgoyne has given her music to God. She recorded her CD, *The Timeless Theme*, in South Africa in 2008. Last year she found many opportunities to praise the Lord in song at camp meetings and at the General Conference Session in Atlanta. Burgoyne and her husband, Kelvin, are serving as missionaries in Chad on the African continent.



Special Features

Prayer Convocation • Friday, June 17, 6:30 p.m. Gather at the flagpole to pray and ask for the Lord's blessing on camp meeting.

Health Expo! • Sunday, June 19, 7-9 a.m. This health screening, especially for camp meeting attendees, will feature a blood draw and expo. Don't forget to fast.

Community Health Expo • Thursday, June 23, 1:30-5:30 p.m. Everyone is invited.

Sharing Him • Saturday, June 18, 2:30 p.m. Come hear how members of Mountain View Conference

are sharing Him every day in the marketplace.

Lay Advisory • Sunday, June 19, 8:30 a.m. The Lay Advisory will be held in the auditorium. Everyone is invited to join in this meeting and brainstorming session.

ABC Book Sale • Sunday, June 19, 10:30 a.m. Come to the auditorium and stock up on discounted music, books and resources.

Shepherdess Dinner and Meeting • Monday, June 20, 5:15-6:45 p.m. All Mountain View pastors' wives

are welcome to join us for an inspirational time.

Education Hour • Saturday, June 25, 4 p.m. **Cheryl Jacko**, principal of Highland Adventist School in Elkins, W.Va., and associate superintendent of schools for the conference, will lead in this report about Mountain View education. Come support Adventist Education.



Opening & Closing Sabbath

Opening Sabbath

Devotional • 6:30 a.m. • Herb Montgomery will begin the morning series **"Finding the Father."**

Sabbath School • 9:15 a.m. • Pastor J. Wayne Hancock will be the Sabbath School superintendent. **Mark Hann** will present the lesson study.

Divine Service • 11 a.m. • Herb Montgomery presents a sermon titled **"The Awakening."** Come explore the deep, insatiable quest for that "something more" that resides in every human being.

Closing Sabbath

Devotional • 6:30 a.m. • Herb Montgomery will conclude his weeklong study.

Sabbath School • 9:15 a.m. • Cheryl Jacko will be the Sabbath School superintendent. Education will be the mission emphasis.

Divine Service • 11 a.m. • Join John Bradshaw, speaker/director of *It Is Written*, as he presents **"The Resurrection."** The message will focus on the divine power behind revival and reformation.

Youth & Young Adult



pat answers to life's hard but *real* questions.

With the theme "A New Day," youth leader Walter Cardenas and his team encourage all young people to let Christ create within them a new creation! Each evening **Herb Montgomery** will present **"Glowing in the Dark,"** a relevant, life-changing series that goes beyond

As a young adult, have you wondered how you can best use your talents to serve the Lord? Are you able to identify the gifts with which you have been blessed?

Pastor Scott Shafer, MDiv, and Logan Harden, a respiratory therapist and young adult, will help you identify your gifts and where your gifts can be best used in ministry. Come for a time of fellowship and sharing at 9:15 in the cafeteria each Sabbath morning.



Mountain View Conference Camp Meeting Schedule

Revive Us Again, O Lord

June 17-25, 2011

Valley Vista Adventist Center

Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
6:30 a.m. - "Finding the Father"								
Herb Montgomery								
Breakfast 7:45 - 8:45								
8:15 - 9:15 a.m. - Youth Center - Conference Employees' Meetings								
9:00 - Sabbath School Supr. J. Wayne Hancock Lesson by: Mark Hignri Mission Explains Education	9:00 - Sabbath School Supr. Cheryl Jackson Lesson by: J. Wayne Hancock Mission Explains Education	7:00 a.m. - Youth Center Facing Blood Drive Health Expo 8:30 - 9:00 a.m. Lay Advisory	Herb Montgomery	Ivan Warden	Stephen Bohr	Dr. John Clark	David Weigley	9:00 - Sabbath School Supr. Cheryl Jackson Lesson by: J. Wayne Hancock Mission Explains Education
11:00 - Worship Hour "The Awakening" Herb Montgomery	10:30 ABC Big Book Sale	9:45 a.m. - "Working Toward Revival"	9:45 a.m. - "Working Toward Revival"					
		Justin Howard	Justin Howard					
		11:15 a.m. - "Experiencing Revival & Reformation"	11:15 a.m. - "Experiencing Revival & Reformation"					
		Stephen Bohr	Stephen Bohr					
		2:30 p.m. - "Agriculture: The Hand of the Right Arm of the Gospel"	2:30 p.m. - "Agriculture: The Hand of the Right Arm of the Gospel"					
		Sharing Film	Bob Gregory					
2:30		4:00 p.m. - "Turning Life into Wellness"	4:00 p.m. - "Turning Life into Wellness"					
	4:00 Concert Phil Williams	Dr. John Clark	Dr. John Clark					
		Monday 5:15 Shepherdless	Monday 5:30 - 6:30					
		Supper 5:30 - 6:30	Supper 5:30 - 6:30					
7:00 p.m. - "Experiencing Revival"								
Herb Montgomery	Herb Montgomery	Stewart Pepper	Ivan Warden	Ivan Warden	Daniela Pasic	Dave Weigley	John Bradshaw	John Bradshaw
Chair Practice for those pre-registered, after Thurs. evening meeting								
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Registration

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NEW JERSEY

Welcome

This year our camp meeting will be an evangelistic celebration! Our pastors and lay leaders have been conducting evangelistic activities in the frame of Operation Caleb and the 12:40/6:10 Window initiative. I am inviting you to participate by leading a small group, giving Bible studies, bringing your friends and family members to the meetings and/or sharing your Christian testimony with somebody and inviting them to follow Jesus.

We are planning a Great Baptismal Ceremony the last Sabbath of camp meeting. So in preparation for this important and spiritual occasion, we are inviting you to be an active partaker who will go make a disciple to be baptized on this important occasion. We are also planning to take a special offering for evangelism during the Sabbath morning worship service. I pray that each of you will plan to give a large sacrificial offering.

If you desire a room for the weekend or to purchase meal tickets, please call the conference office at (609) 802-0860 and speak with Amalia Agüero to make your reservations.—*José H. Cortés, President*



Proclaim His Grace

Tranquil Valley Retreat Center, June 17-19

Speakers

Robert Folkenberg Sr., founder and director of ShareHim, a ministry of the Carolina Conference, will speak for the English camp meeting weekend. Collectively, Folkenberg's family and his wife Anita's family (Emmerson) have given over 150 years of mission service to the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Folkenberg has served in the North American and Inter-American divisions.



Youth Camp Meeting Search and Rescue



Antoine Dumas is the youth pastor of the Maranatha French church in Newark. "Pastor D,"

as he is known to his youth, started an English language worship service at Maranatha French for the youth and young adults, which has quickly grown to a weekly attendance of 250.



Robin Song, youth pastor of the Northern New York Korean church in the Greater New York

Conference, will be the speaker for young adults. Pastor Song gave up a career as a computer engineer to follow God's call to youth ministry. He has a passion for leading cell ministries, training youth and young adult leaders for Christ and designing ministry tools through computer/multimedia projects.

Youth Events: In keeping with the youth theme of "**Search and Rescue**," the Sabbath afternoon activities will include community service projects in Newark and Hackettstown. Sabbath evening of both the English and Spanish weekends, there will be a farewell for Pastor Laffit Cortés, who has accepted a call to become chaplain at Pacific Union College (Calif.).

Youth are also invited to participate in the Sunday morning "Guaranna Games" sports tournaments.

Campestre Hispano

Bienvenido

Nuestro campestre este año va a ser una celebración de evangelismo!

Nuestros pastores y líderes laicos han estado llevando a cabo actividades evangelísticas bajo el marco de Operación Caleb y la Iniciativa 12:40/6:10. Te invito a que participes dirigiendo un grupo pequeño, dando estudios bíblicos, llevando a tus amigos y miembros de tu familia a las reuniones, y compartiendo tu testimonio cristiano con alguien e invitándolo a seguir a Jesús. Esta es una oportunidad para ser colaborador de Dios en algo grandioso durante este año de evangelismo.

Una gran ceremonia bautismal se está planificando para el último sábado del campestre en preparación para esta magnífica asamblea del pueblo de Dios en la Conferencia de New Jersey. Te invitamos para que participes activamente en la búsqueda de un discípulo para que sea bautizado en esta importante ocasión espiritual. Estamos planeando también recoger una ofrenda especial para evangelismo durante el culto de adoración del sábado. Oro para que cada uno de ustedes dé una gran ofrenda de sacrificio para el evangelismo durante el campestre.

Si deseas reservar un cuarto para el fin de semana, puedes hacerlo llamando a Amalia del departamento de tesorería al teléfono (609) 802-0860.
—José H. Cortés,
Presidente



Proclama su gracia

Tranquil Valley Retreat Center, Junio 24-26

Presentadores

Pastor Julián Rumayor – El orador para el fin de semana de los hispanos, nos visita desde España

El pastor **Julián Rumayor** nació el 16 de enero del 1949 en Camagüey, Cuba, de padres españoles. Es adventista de nacimiento y estudió teología en el seminario de Santa Clara Cuba. Posteriormente hizo la Licenciatura en la Universidad de Montemorelos, México. En Cuba, trabajó como pastor de distrito y por más de una década fue uno de los líderes de la Unión Cubana en calidad de vicepresidente, departamental y secretario. En 1991 aceptó una invitación para trabajar como pastor en España. Dirigió los distritos de Madrid, Galicia y Málaga/Granada. Está casado con Gloria Ramírez. De esta unión nacieron tres hijos, los cuales les han dado cuatro nietos. Obtuvo una Maestría en Consejería Familiar de la Universidad Adventista del Plata, Argentina. En el 2007, aceptó un llamado para trabajar en la Unión Adventista Española donde actualmente se desempeña como secretario.



Campestre Juvenil Busca y rescata

El orador para los adolescentes será **Antoine Dumas**, pastor juvenil de la iglesia francesa Maranatha en Newark. Pastor “D”, como le llaman cariñosamente los jóvenes de su iglesia, ha comenzado un culto de adoración en inglés en la iglesia francesa de Maranatha para los jóvenes y los jóvenes adultos. La asistencia semanal ha crecido hasta alcanzar los 250.



El orador para los jóvenes adultos será **Robin Song**, pastor juvenil de la Conferencia de Greater New York. El Pastor Song dejó su carrera como ingeniero de computadoras respondiendo al llamado de Dios para ministrar a los jóvenes. Le apasiona dirigir grupos pequeños, adiestrar líderes

juveniles para Cristo, y diseñar herramientas para el ministerio usando la computadora en proyectos multimedia.



Eventos: El tema para el campestre de los jóvenes es **“Busca y Rescata.”** Y para mantenernos dentro de ese tema, las actividades del sábado de tarde incluyen proyectos de ayuda a las comunidades de Newark y Hackettstown. El sábado de tarde de ambos fines de semana del campestre se efectuará una despedida para el Pastor Laffit Cortés, quien aceptó un llamado para ser el capellán de Pacific Union College.

El domingo en la mañana desarrollaremos los Juegos Guaranna con torneos de fútbol, voleibol y básquetbol.

Mission Ohio

OHIO CONFERENCE NEWSLETTER

Welcome

Camp meeting season is almost here! This year Seventh-day Adventists in Ohio will again have a number of opportunities to gather, worship, study and enjoy fellowship with their brothers and sisters from across the state. Two conference-wide camp meetings will be held at Mount Vernon Academy in Mount Vernon—a weeklong Intergenerational Camp Meeting and a Christian Biker Camp Meeting. Additionally, several churches will hold local events for their congregations or church districts. These special events will incorporate traditional camp meeting features such as preaching, teaching, music, food and fellowship.

In the following pages, you will find the details of all the opportunities you will have to enjoy the blessings of camp meeting this year. I invite you, your family and friends to experience everything that God has in store for you.

Make new friends, build memories and provide a fun experience for your children. I hope to see you at one or more of these special events.

—Raj Attiken,
President



Ohio Hometown Camp Meetings Mount Vernon

Date: May 13-14

Location: Mount Vernon Hill Church

Theme: “The Character of God”

Speaker: Jiri Moskala, *chair, Old Testament Department, Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary, Andrews University*

Topics: **Friday, May 13, 7 p.m.**

“The Character of God: The Flood”

Sabbath, May 14, 11:15 a.m.

“The Character of God: Job”

Sabbath, May 14, 2:30 p.m.

“The Character of God: Daniel”

About the Speaker: **Jiri Moskala, ThD, PhD**, is professor of Old Testament exegesis and theology and chair of the Old Testament Department at the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary on the campus of Andrews University (Mich.). He joined the faculty in 1999. Born in the Czech Republic, Moskala holds a Doctor of Theology from the Protestant Theological Faculty of Charles University in the Czech Republic and a Doctor of Philosophy from Andrews University (Mich.). Moskala is married to Eva Moskalova. They have five adult children.



Chillicothe/Jackson

Date: June 3-5

Location: Pike Lake State Park

Theme: “Southern Ohio Camp Meeting”

Speaker: Robert Stevenson, *principal, Mount Vernon Academy*

About the Speaker: **Robert Stevenson** has served as principal at Mount Vernon Academy for the past two years. With more than 20 years of experience in educational ministry, Stevenson sees “Christian education as intensive youth ministry.” He previously spent five years as principal of Madison Adventist Academy (Tenn.). Stevenson has a bachelor’s degree in psychology with a minor in religion from Andrews University and a master’s degree in Educational Leadership from the University of Southern Mississippi. He is married to Kristina and they have two teenagers, Alex and Sheree.



Additional Information: Potluck lunch and supper will be served on Sabbath. For His Glory will also present a concert in the afternoon. Campsites and cabins are available by contacting Pike Lake State Park at dnr.state.oh.us/parks/tabid/777/Default.aspx. For more information, contact Pastor Ron Anderson at (740) 637-9010 or visit chillicotheadventist.org.

For His Glory

Ohio Intergenerational Camp Meeting

June 12-18, 2011
Mount Vernon Academy

I will praise you as long as I live, and in your name I will lift up my hands.
Psalms 63:4

Speakers

Raj Attiken spends his time helping Adventists understand and catch up with what God is doing in His world today. He does this through his leadership, administrative, teaching, coaching, and consulting roles as president of the Ohio Conference. He will speak for the Sabbath morning service.



Mike Fortune, pastor of the Toledo First church since 1997, spends his days showing people that God loves them like crazy. He enjoys reading, playing guitar during chapels and helping generations sing each other's songs. He also has a blog



called Fortune Cookies. He will speak Sabbath evening.

Seminars

“The Gospel Memory Course” • Chester Hitchcock, pastor of the Barberton and Medina Adventist churches, will teach attendees a fun and easy Bible memory method. He teaches this method via both cassette and CD through AdventSource for \$49.95. However, a special discount price of \$25 for the cassette version will be available for interested attendees, while supplies last. No purchase necessary to those who simply want to attend the seminar. There will be a \$5 fee for seminar material.



“Jesus Through the Eyes of Mark” • Fred Shoemaker, pastor of the Mount Vernon Hill church, converted to the Adventist message in 1994. Before coming to the Ohio Conference in 2009, he previously pastored in the Minnesota, Alaska and Dakota conferences. This class will stress the importance of Mark's gospel and his particular portrait of Christ. Shoemaker will focus on the following: Jesus' exorcism of evil spirits, the Messianic Secret, clean and unclean distinctions, the Temple, the atonement and the controversy over the ending of Mark's gospel.



“Old Testament Oddities: Stories That Charm and Puzzle” • Mike Barnett is known as a teaching pastor who especially enjoys leading small groups in a

Seminars



deeper study of the Bible. He pastors three churches in central Ohio: Grove City, Lancaster and Reynoldsburg. This

class will look carefully at some of the Old Testament's most worrisome stories so that we might find peace with God's Book.

"As it is in Heaven"

• **Bob McGhee** is associate pastor of the Worthington church. McGhee invites everyone to come together to discover the "Methods of Jesus on Earth: Fruits of the Spirit." What happens when we live God's way? He brings gifts into our lives such as love, joy, peace, kindness and goodness.



"Perfection Only In Christ—Christ's Righteousness is Our Only Perfection! Our Only Hope!"

• **Tom Hughes** is currently pastor of the Newark church, speaker of *Bible Biker* radio broadcast and leads a motorcycle ministry. In this seminar he will

uncover what the Bible teaches on subjects of Christian perfection, righteousness by faith, overcoming sin and the obedience of faith.

• **"Soul Café" • Pastor Lori Whitted**, a native of the Pacific Northwest, came to the Ohio Conference straight from Andrews University where she graduated with a Master of Divinity in May 2007. She serves as a senior pastor of a four-church district in Northeast Ohio. **Marwood Hallett** serves as the conference director of clergy care and leadership development. Every morning Soul Café will help campers begin their day in the Word of God with new friends. Pick up your favorite drink and muffin and join the small groups around the tables to engage in an interactive study group to deepen your understanding and love of God.



• **"Your Health Matters" • Jeba Moses**, pastor of the Cincinnati Clifton church, will speak about the value of good health. God's original plans for

human health are still medically proven to be ideal for good health. This class will explore the key components of good health and what you can do about it. Attendees must come with writing material for maximum benefit.

Saturday Evening Concert •

Bluegrass is a style, which can draw families together. This is just the way it is for the Walker family from Groveport, Ohio. The family group of five, **For His Glory**, perform at various churches, festivals, community gatherings and many other venues to share Christ's message through music. A group since 2006, none of the young members (aged 14-20) has had any lessons on the instruments they play. The Walkers realized, even at a young age, that their talent was God-given. They consider their music a ministry and choose to use it to encourage others.



Additional Information

Departmental programs for **Cradle Roll through Teens**

ABC Sale • Friday afternoon

Women's Tea • **Thursday, June 16**, Mount Vernon Hill church. Visit ohioadventist.org or call (740) 397-4665, ext. 111, to reserve your tickets.

Lodging • \$30/day for dorm room (Room Deposit-\$85) or \$150/5 days or \$185/7 days. Guests must return their room key and leave rooms/baths as clean as they find it or forfeit their \$85 deposit in its entirety. There is to be no cooking in rooms or dorm kitchens; refrigerator permitted.

\$20/day for RV site with electricity. Contact Sheila Shafer at sshafer@mvacademy.org or call (740) 397-5411, ext. 228.

Meals • No meals will be provided *except* for Sabbath lunch hosted by Kettering Adventist HealthCare and Sabbath dinner courtesy of friends of the Ohio Conference. Please be sure to reserve your meals at ohioadventist.org or call (740) 397-4665, ext. 111.

For more information on this camp meeting, visit ohioadventist.org or call (740) 397-4665, ext. 165.

REV IT UP! REVIVAL!

MOTORCYCLISTS CAMP MEETING USA

**June 2-5, 2011
Mount Vernon, Ohio**

Ride your motorcycle, come in an RV or thumb a ride: Join us for great fellowship, gospel music and good news about Jesus Christ!



Bring your motorcycle if you can. There will be biker games and a 100-mile ride into the beautiful Amish countryside surrounding Mount Vernon.

There are guest rooms, RV sites, a tent camping area and nearby motels of several brands. Contact Sheila Shafer at sshafer@mvacademy.org or call (740) 397-5411, ext. 228.

Prices for lodging at Mount Vernon Academy are:

Dorm: \$30/day*

RV Site: \$20/day with electric

**Guests must leave rooms as clean as they find them or forfeit \$85 room deposit. Payment due upon arrival. No cooking permitted in dorm rooms or dorm kitchens. Refrigerators permitted.*

Free lunches will be provided on Saturday (June 4) and free brunch on Sunday (June 5). Reserve your meals online at ohioadventist.org (scroll down and click on Biker Camp Meeting link) or call Ruth Ann Van Nostrand at (740) 397-4665, ext. 111. For more information, email TomHughes@BibleBiker.com

Speakers

Thursday, June 2, 7 p.m. • Gerald Niver is Ohio coordinator of the Christian Motorcyclists Association. Known as "GR," he has been riding motorcycles since 1964. He has been involved in



trail riding, motocross, trials, hair scrambles, enduros and street riding. He rededicated his life to the Lord in 1988 after his dad passed away unexpectedly. He is a veteran, a husband and father who has learned to seek and listen to

the leading of the Holy Spirit in his life.

Friday, June 3, 7 p.m. • Tom Hughes is the speaker for Bible Biker Ministries on television, radio and the Web. Huges also pastors in Newark, and travels across the country as an evangelist. His vision and commitment led to this event. He will be the music leader and coordinator.



Sabbath, June 4, 11 a.m.

• **Dave Weigley** is an evangelist who has preached across the United States and internationally, bringing thousands to faith in Christ. Weigley loves riding his motorcycle

or saddling up his favorite horse. He is currently president of the Columbia Union Conference. He is a husband and father and a powerful expositor of the Word of God.

"Morning Motorcycle Meditation," 9 a.m., June 3-5

• **Steve Chavez** is a dedicated runner, triathlete and motorcyclist who was a pastor in Reno, Nev., and now serves as managing editor of the *Adventist Review*. He is past president of the Silver Spring Rotary Club and chair of the board at Sligo church, in Takoma Park, Md.



See our ad on page 59 for additional speakers.

Pennsylvania Pen

Welcome

This year's camp meeting is packed full of opportunities to learn how we can live, work and serve our communities while "Revealing Jesus, Making Disciples."

There are several new components to this year's event. Our first weekend features both the North American Division Evangelism Institute's (NADEI) Hispanic SEEDS Conference and Adventist Community Services' Reach Out Symposium. Seminars designed for those who want to impact their communities for Jesus will run throughout the week. Those who attend the weekday SEEDS seminars must register at nadei.org, but early morning and evening worships during the week and all Sabbath activities are open to everyone.

The Pennsylvania Conference will still offer programs and seminars for those not attending the SEEDS event. Additional activities have been scheduled for kids during the week.

Join me in praying for our camp meeting and our conference as we make "Revealing Jesus, Making Disciples" our new mission statement and an intentional way of living each day.—*Ray Hartwell, President*



Revealing Jesus, Making Disciples Blue Mountain Academy, June 10-25

Speakers

June 10-11



Carlton Byrd, DMin, is the senior pastor of the Berean church in Atlanta. He is also associate director for Breath of

Life ministries. Byrd holds bachelor's degrees in theology and business management from Oakwood University (Ala.), an MBA from Tennessee State University in Nashville and a Master of Divinity and a Doctor of Ministry from the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary at Andrews University (Mich).

While serving as the senior pastor of Atlanta's Berean church, Byrd has baptized more than 1,200 people and launched a television ministry that currently airs weekly on two Atlanta television stations. Under his leadership, the church was awarded a \$5.2 million grant from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development to construct a senior citizen housing facility. The Berean church was named the North American Division's 2009 Innovative Church of the Year.

He is married to the former Danielle Moulder. They are the parents of two girls, Christyn and Cailleigh.

June 17-18

Ron Clouzet, DMin, is director of the North American Division Evangelism Institute and is professor of Christian Ministry and Pastoral Theology at Andrews University. He graduated from La Sierra University (Calif.), Andrews University and holds a Doctor of Ministry from Fuller Theological Seminary (Calif.). He is finishing a Doctor of Theology from the University of South Africa.

Clouzet pastored growing churches in California for 12 years, followed by 14 years at Southern Adventist University (Tenn.) as professor of Theology and Ministry. He was dean of the School of Religion from

2000-2006. Currently the institute he directs is responsible for engaging 80-100 seminary students in direct evangelism, resulting in several hundred people choosing Christ and His church each year.

Clouzet is married to Lisa, a licensed counselor and a former hospital chaplain. They have three young adult children.



SEEDS

SEEDS 2011 Multiplication Movement • Tuesday, June 14-Sabbath, June 25 • Plan now to attend this church planting seminar. Come learn the steps necessary to plant a church or help a recently planted church grow. Anyone interested in reaching their neighborhood and workplace, and anyone who wants to understand church health, growth and multiplication should attend this event.

Featured speakers include:

Paul Coneff (below), director, Straight 2 the Heart Ministries; **Paul LeBlanc**, East Texas church planting coordinator and Tyler church pastor; **Sam Ngaruiya**, Arlington Alpha International church plant lay leader; **Ron Clouzet**, director, North American Division Evangelism Institute (NADEI); **Ed Schmidt**, associate director, NADEI; **Rod and Donna**



Willey, Richland church lay pastors; and **Tom Evans** (left), associate director NADEI.

Five tracks will feature seminars on the following: **“Common Sense Visitation,” “House Church Planting,” “Straight to the Heart: Praying the Cross,” “Key Steps to Successful Planting”** and **“Bouncing Back from Momentum Killers.”** Pre-session events include **“Church Planting Multiplication Through Coaching,” “Discipleship Groups,” “Learn to Preach Before Next Weekend,” “Conference Administration”** and **“Church Planting Coordinators: Developing Systems for Multiplication.”**

Cost for these seminars is \$89 and those interested are encouraged to register in advance at nadei.org.

Hispanic SEEDS

Hispanic SEEDS • Sabbath, June 10, 9:15 a.m.-Sunday, June 11, Noon • Marshall Gonzalez, pastor and church planter; **Walter Castro** (below), Allegheny West



Conference Multicultural Ministries director; **Sami Bullon**, lay church plant leader; and **Rubén**

Ramos (below), Columbia Union Conference Multicultural Ministries director, will be the featured speakers for the NADEI Hispanic SEEDS.



There is no charge, but those planning to attend should email Candy Clark at clarkc@andrews.edu.

Adventist Community Services



• North American Division Adventist Community Services will present their **“Reach Out Symposium,” Sabbath, June 10-Sunday, June 11.** It features six tracks of training:

• **“Community Development”** with **Gaspar Colón, PhD** (left), Urban Ministry consultant and Washington Adventist University dean and professor

• **“Crisis Care”** with **Steve Willsey**, Crisis Care coordinator for the Eastern United States

• **“Disaster Response”** with **Joe Watts**, National Disaster Response director

• **“Elder Care”** with **Marilyn Renk, MPH** (right), Elder Care coordinator

• **“Tutoring/Mentoring”** with **Sandra Brown, MSW** (left), national site coordinator for tutoring/mentoring

• **“YES! (Youth Empowered to Serve)”** with **Tiffany Willis**



Seminars

Sunday, June 12

“Church Without Walls,” 2-6 p.m.

• Healthcare professionals are invited to join **Linda Witmer, RN, MPH, MSPH, MDiv**, as she explores methods whereby churches can learn how to minister in relevant ways to the actual needs of its surrounding community. A van will be provided to transport participants to the Hampden Heights church in Reading.

This seminar will be followed by a “practicum” opportunity from 4–6 p.m., led by **Cheryl Goff, RN, FNP**, administrator of Adventist WholeHealth Network. Nursing contact hours will be offered and supper will be provided. Pre-registration is required by June 10; contact AWHN at (610) 685-9800.



“Simple Church Planting,” 2-3:30 p.m. • This 90-minute seminar, led by pastors **Mike McCabe**

(above) and **Lonnie Wibberding** (right), will introduce participants to the

concepts of Simple Church planting and give opportunities to ask questions and enroll in the yearlong monthly training event.



“Connecting Women Through Book Club Ministries,” 2-4 p.m. •

Join **Tamyra Horst** and a team of book club ministry leaders who will cover all the basics of building a ministry in your community that can



connect women from inside and outside the church in growing friendships—with each other and God. They will also enjoy dinner, friendship, discussion, praying for one another and sharing their burdens and joys.

Monday-Friday

“Seeing With Biblical Glasses” •

Join **Pastor Dennis Austin** as he helps us understand the world around us and gives biblical responses to questions raised by an increasingly secular world. Austin pastors the Pittsburgh church, located in the most “unreached” city in the United States.



“Life: Past, Present and Future” •

As we find ourselves as Seventh-day Adventists still living on this planet, many people are questioning our “calling.” In these presentations, **Pastor Dennis Austin** will take participants on a journey back to the beginning of the Bible and explore our “calling.”

“Keeping Our Children in Church” •

• **Nancy Stickney**, Pennsylvania Conference Children’s Ministries director, teaches you how to discover your child’s “DNA.” She’ll also teach parents to combine that with the power of prayer and raise young people who are committed to God and passionate about impacting their world for Him.

“How Great is Your God” •

Join **Ben Roy**, founder and president of The Science Zone Corporation and 3ABN’s Science Guy,



for morning worship Monday-Friday. He will use science to show God’s greatness. Primaries, Juniors and Earliteens will enjoy the Science Guy’s presentations each evening in the chapel.

“Spiritual Strength in a Sinking World” •

Pastor James Clark has read *The Great Controversy* from cover to cover more than 80 times. Join Clark as he shows why the book is still vital and relevant for God’s people today. Please bring a copy of *The Great Controversy*, a notebook, two pens and at least one highlighter for this study seminar.



“Peace: Letting Jesus Heal Your Soul” • Gleaning from the best of science, and personal and

clinical experience, **Jennifer Jill Schwirzer** gives clear explanations and practical guidelines for suffering people. This seminar explores biblical inner healing and addresses mental health problems such as guilt, denial, addiction, anxiety and depression. Schwirzer is a licensed professional counselor based in Philadelphia.



“The Bible and the Bedroom: A Theology of Sex” • If we don’t talk about sex at church,

where do we learn about it? In this class, **Pastor Jim Wibberding** will share a positive biblical vision for sex that will help you navigate today’s maze of issues.



“Family Worship: Thinkin’ About Home”

• **Monday-Friday, 9:30-10:25 a.m.** •

This year

Pastor Troy Haagensohn will talk about our home in heaven and what it’s going to be like.

ASAP Prayer Ministries • Tuesday-Friday, 8:20 a.m.-10 p.m. Join the team from Adventist Southeast Asia Projects (ASAP) Ministries in room 102. The team is there to pray with you for the things on your heart and to lift up our camp meeting, SEEDS and requests from others.

Disciple Young Adult Weekend— June 10-11 • Blue Mountain Elementary School, Hamburg

A disciple is defined as a personal follower of Jesus. If you look in the Bible, the descriptions of being a disciple are deeply challenging. Yet, it clearly paints the picture that following Jesus leads to fullness of life, purpose and true joy. Join Pennsylvania Conference young adults as we discover more

about what it means to pursue God’s calling on our lives. Through worship in music, the spoken word, prayer experiences, an afternoon hike, seminar and community café, you’ll learn what it means to be a disciple of Jesus.



Sunday Learn and Give

Visit Adventist WholeHealth’s mobile screening unit Sunday morning and discover your cholesterol, glucose and blood pressure numbers. Then give the



gift of life at the Miller-Keystone Bloodmobile as part of the annual blood drive sponsored by BMA students.

ABC Book Sale • Sunday, June 12, 9:30-11:30 a.m., Gym Don’t miss the biggest camp meeting ABC sale ever on Sunday morning!



Hispanic Camp Meeting Blue Mountain Academy, June 24-25

Pr. Andrés Portes presenta

Viernes de Noche – **“No contendrá mi Espíritu ...”**

Sábado – **“Mi Espíritu Convencerá”**

Pr. Andrés Portes graduado de Teología en la Universidad Adventista Dominicana. Completó su Maestría en Administración Educativa en la Universidad de Montemorelos, México. Está casado con Esther Francisco, y con ella ha procreado tres hijos: Andrés, Esther y Paula Esther. Actualmente se desempeña como pastor distrital de la Asociación Regional del Suroeste de los Adventistas en los Estados Unidos.

Potomac People

Welcome

The practice of the nation of Israel was to come together in order to worship. Several psalms were written and gave words to the worshippers as they came together in Jerusalem. According to Psalms 122:4, "They come together to give thanks to the name of the Lord" (NLT).

You and I live in a very chaotic world with headlines ranging from financial crises to the Arab world being in turmoil, from political strife to government budget woes. And yet, in the midst of all, it is appropriate to come together and "give thanks to the name of the Lord."

Our theme this year is "Follow Me." Jesus spoke these words frequently to Peter and Andrew, James and John, Matthew, a rich young ruler, the 72 disciples and to each disciple of every generation since Jesus—the call goes out to "Follow Me."

Our prayer is that you will sense anew or maybe respond for the first time to the call of the Savior, our Lord, our Redeemer and soon coming King to "Follow Me." Will you answer the call?

Thank you for joining us!
A Fellow Disciple on the Journey ...
 —Bill Miller, President



Follow Me

Shenandoah Valley Academy, June 14-18

Speakers



Dan Jackson is a native Canadian and, with the exception of five years of service in the Southern Asia Division, has lived and

ministered in Canada. He is a graduate of Canadian University College and Andrews University (Mich.) and holds an M.A. in Religion in Systematic Theology. During his career, Jackson has served the church as a pastor, teacher, administrator, president of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada and last year was elected president of the North American Division.

Ben Maxson has spent much of his pastoral ministry in the northwest and southern United States. Maxson held the position of director of Stewardship at the Seventh-day Adventist Church's world headquarters from 1995 to 2004.

During this time, he discovered and developed a new paradigm emphasizing biblical stewardship and shared this vision with the world church. He now serves as senior pastor of the Paradise church (Calif.). He



is married to Mary Maxson, who is an associate pastor at the same church.

Hyveth Williams, DMin, serves as a professor of Homiletics at the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary (Mich.). Previously she served for 13 years as senior pastor



of Campus Hill church (Calif.). She is the first black female pastor and the first female senior pastor in the Seventh-day

Adventist denomination. Williams holds a bachelor's in theology from Washington Adventist University in Takoma Park, Md., a Master of Divinity from Andrews University and a Doctor of Ministry from Boston University School of Theology.

Bill Miller has 30 years of experience in ministry, which include serving as a pastor, Bible teacher and conference Youth Ministries and Sabbath School director. In 1996 he was named senior pastor of the Olympia church (Wash.). He then became the vice president of Administration in 1997 for the North Pacific Union Conference. In 2001 he accepted a call to serve as president of the Minnesota Conference. In 2006 he was elected president of Potomac Conference. He is now working on a Doctor of Ministry in Leadership.

Seminars

“Risky Business: How to Grow Passionate Disciples by Embracing Your Community in new Ways” • Rebecca Brillhart,

pastor for discipleship at Sligo church in Takoma Park, Md., will teach attendees how to serve their neighbors and develop spiritual maturity in their own lives and congregation without compromising faith.



“Discipleship at its Best” • Paul Graham, senior pastor of Restoration Praise Center in Lanham, Md., will

educate individuals on how to move members to discipleship and how to help disciples be their best.

“When all You can Do is Pray: Studies on the Purpose and Power of Prayer” •

Charles A. Tapp, senior pastor of Sligo church, shares the true purpose of prayer in your life and how to un-tap the power that will help you and your family realize the fullness of God’s love and peace.



“Exploring the China Study: Science and Our Health Message” •

Jan Yakush, food department manager at the Potomac ABC, shares how diseases like cancer, diabetes, heart disease and obesity can be reversed through what we eat. She’ll expound on the *The China Study*, a book detailing a comprehensive study of dietary and lifestyle factors in China.

“God’s Leadership Journey—Becoming and Developing Godly Leaders” • Bill and Janis Goad. Bill runs a human resources

consultant business; Janis has worked in training and customer service. This workshop is a three-part series designed to enable you to become a servant leader, or to develop such leaders within your church. The focus of the workshop will be on understanding and nurturing the characteristics of a servant leader and learning and implementing a process on how to recognize, recruit, train and mentor leaders and deal with the issue of burnout.



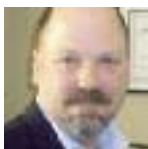
“Exploring Prophecy” • William Shea retired from working at the

Biblical Research Institute at the General Conference. In these seminars he will examine prophecies in both the Old and New testaments. The aim is to understand how prophecy functions, both the classical and apocalyptic types, and to see what these messages meant in the prophet’s time, to those believers from that time to this and what they mean to the final generation before Jesus comes.



“Shepherding a Child’s Heart” •

Byron Greenberg, licensed clinical psychologist and assistant professor at Virginia State University, will teach this class designed for grandparents, foster parents and anyone who is facing the challenges of raising



godly children in an ungodly world. The Bible is a wealth of information on the “how” of gaining a child’s heart, and this seminar will address those methods of refocusing ourselves and our children on the root of behavior.

“Levite Praise: God’s Biblical Design for Praise and Worship” • Cheryl Wilson-Bridges, DSL, minister of music at Community

Praise Center in Alexandria, Va. The role of music in the church is prescribed and powerful. In this seminar, Wilson-Bridges uncovers the Levitical order and applies it to the worship ministry of the contemporary church. This seminar also illustrates how God’s biblical design is significant to us in our music ministry today. Once God’s design is implemented, the results are praise and power that will transform music ministry into worship evangelism.



“God and Your Finances” • Hugo Chinchay, director of Stewardship and Trust Services at Potomac Conference, presents this workshop. Do you know the biblical principles of personal finances? Do you



have a written personal budget? In this seminar you’ll learn practical ways of building your budget and practical ways of learning to discern between your “wants” and your “needs,” how you can retire without worrying about having enough to just survive and how you can be able to support the mission of the church and have enough for you and your family.

“How to Care for Friends and Others in Crisis” •

Steve Willsey, Crisis Care Coordinator/East for the North American Division, will introduce you to psychological first aid and critical incident stress management, two models used by Adventist Community Services to prepare volunteers to assist traumatized survivors of disasters and other critical incidents. It will also offer practical information on how participants can care for themselves, as well as others, so as to lessen the impact of stressful situations in everyday life.



CAMP MEETING | 2011

“Grace-filled Life and Discipleship” • Mary Holmes

Maxson, associate pastor for Discipleship and Nurture for the Paradise church (Calif.), asks, “Have you ever questioned if you have the assurance of salvation?”



Pastor Maxson will explore the transformation that happens when we accept Jesus as Savior and Lord of our lives. How God sees us will open your eyes in a whole new way.

“Dangerous Dust” • John and Karen Cress

John is the pastor of Life Source Adventist Fellowship in Denver. Karen is the vice president for Leadership Development and Communications in the Rocky Mountain Conference. This seminar



is about encouraging committed believers to become dangerous

disciples by bringing clarity to the meaning and expectations of a fully engaged disciple of Jesus.

“Aging Ain’t for Sissies: How Your Local Church can Help” • Marilyn Renk

North American Division Adventist Elder Care Ministry coordinator, will share how you can help seniors, their loved ones and caregivers chart their paths in life. Learn the steps involved in building a very successful ministry for your church that involves ministering to seniors in your congregation and in your local community.



“Disciple Making Families” • Claudio and Pamela Consuegra

are the Family Ministry directors for the North American Division. These presentations will show you how to have the type of healthy family, which fosters the growth and development of its members until they become fully matured disciples of

Adult Schedule						
Time	JUNE 14 Tuesday	JUNE 15 Wednesday	JUNE 16 Thursday	JUNE 17 Friday	JUNE 18 Sabbath	
WELCOME TO POTOMAC CAMP MEETING 2010	EARLY MORNING SERIES (GYM)					
	6:30-7:30 am	Jimmy Munoz Jennifer Deans Eugene Kitney				
	7:30-9:00 am	BREAKFAST & FAMILY WORSHIP TIME				
	8:00-9:15 am		Women's Ministries Prayer Brakfast (Hewitt Building) *Ticket Required 8:00-9:15 am		Women's Ministries Prayer Breakfast (Hewitt Building) *Ticket Required 8:00-9:15 am	
	9:15-10:45 am	MORNING SEMINARS				Sabbath School 9:30 am (Gym)
	11:00-Noon	MID-DAY WORSHIP DURING WEEK (GYM)				Worship Service 10:45 am Dan Jackson (Gym)
	12:30-1:30 pm	Claudio & Pamela Consuegra	Claudio & Pamela Consuegra	Claudio & Pamela Consuegra		
	3:00-4:30 pm	LUNCH				
	5:00-6:00 pm	AFTERNOON SEMINARS				Concert & Special Feature 3:00-5:00 pm
	7:00-9:00 pm	SUPPER				
	EVENING WORSHIP					
	Ben Maxson	Ben Maxson	Ben Maxson	Hveth Williams	Bill Miller	

*Ticket required for Women's Prayer Breakfast – Available at Locating. All services in the gym will be interpreted for the deaf. Interpreter services for Seminars depend on interpreter availability.

Jesus Christ. Claudio has served as pastor, chaplain, counselor and, most recently, as vice president of the Minnesota Conference. Pamela has served as a teacher, principal and, most recently, as superintendent of schools in the Minnesota Conference. They have a rich back-



ground in the area of Family Ministries and have worked as a team in numerous conferences. They've also hosted a LifeTalk Radio call-in show for three years.

SABBATH CONCERT

The Heritage Singers are an interdenominational group of professional singers who are committed to Christ and to their desire to share the love of God through music.



CAMP MEETING | 2011

2011 Camp Meeting Young Adult, Youth and Children's Schedule

Division/ Location	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sabbath
Beginners I (Birth-2 yrs.) <i>(Elementary School)</i> Leader: Anita Richards Assistant: Jeanne Howard Beginners II (2-4 yrs.) Co-Leader: Clarice Rickard, Co-Leader: Krista Wolters Kindergarten (4-5 yrs.) <i>(Elementary School)</i> Leader: Crystal Richards Assistant: Reva Foote Primary I (6-7 yrs.) <i>(Elementary School)</i> Leader: Daisy Nardi Assistant: Colleen Wilkerson Primary II (8-9 yrs.) <i>(Elementary School)</i> Leader: Wendy Wood Assistant: Tamara Baker	Camp Arrival	9:00-10:45 am 3:00-4:45 pm	9:00-10:45 am 3:00-4:45 pm	9:00-10:45 am 3:00-4:45 pm	9:30-11:00 am 3:00-4:45 pm
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Juniors (10-12 yrs.) <i>(Church Fellowship Hall)</i> (Bring \$15 for Thursday) Leader: Will Johns Assistant: Trevan Osborn	7:00-9:00 pm	9:00-Noon 3:00-4:45 pm 7:00-9:00 pm	9:00-10:00 am 10:00 am-9:00 pm Trip to Camp Blue Ridge <i>Bring \$15 for trip</i>	9:00-Noon 3:00-4:45 pm 7:00-9:00 pm	9:30-Noon 3:00-4:45 pm 7:00-9:00 pm
Earliteens (13-14 yrs.) <i>(Girls Dorm Chapel)</i> (Bring \$10 for Thursday) Leader: Daniel Royo Assistant: Pranitha Fielder	7:00-9:00 pm	9:00-Noon 2:00-4:45 pm 7:00-9:00 pm	9:00-Noon 2:00-9:00 pm <i>Off-Campus Activity</i> <i>Bring \$10 for Trip</i>	9:00-Noon 2:00-4:45 pm 7:00-9:00 pm	9:30-Noon 3:00-4:40 pm 7:00-8:30 pm
Youth (High School Age) <i>(Administration Building Auditorium)</i> (Activity Fees \$20) Leader: Sonia Perez Assistant: Jennifer Deans	7:00-9:00 pm <i>Evening Program</i>	9:30-11:00 am 2:00-4:00 pm 7:00-9:00 pm <i>Evening Program</i> 9:00-10:30 pm	9:30-10:45 am 10:45-5:00 pm <i>Cici's Pizza & Bowling</i> 7:00-9:00 pm <i>Evening Program</i> 9:00-10:30 pm	9:30-11:00 am 2:00-4:00 pm <i>Outreach</i> 6:00-10:00 pm <i>Banquet & Evening Program</i>	9:30-11:00 am <i>Sabbath school</i> 11:00-Noon <i>Church Service</i> 3:00-5:00 pm <i>Ministry Outreach</i> 7:00-9:00 pm <i>Evening Program</i>
Collegiate (18-35 yrs.) <i>(Student Center)</i> Leader: Shane Anderson Assistant: Daniel Darrikhuma	7:00 pm <i>Evening Program</i>	7:00 pm <i>Evening Program</i>	7:00 pm <i>Evening Program</i>	7:00 pm <i>Evening Program</i>	9:30 am <i>Beginning of All-day Program</i>
Developmental Disabilities <i>(Home Economics Room)</i> Leader: Marianne Minnick		11:00 am-3:00 pm	11:00 am-3:00 pm	11:00 am-3:00 pm	

Note to Parents:

- Registration for children ages birth through 9 years is required for safety and insurance.
- On-site pre-registration is Tuesday evening at the SVA gym (adult meeting) or Wednesday morning at the school.
- Children's Divisions will open 15 minutes prior to each meeting and remain open 15 minutes after each meeting. To make camp meeting more enjoyable, please respect the ages for each division and the meeting times. Before and after programs, you are responsible for the supervision of your children around the pond and ball field areas. For the safety of your child, please know where he/she is at all times.

Time to FOCUS

Life at Blue Mountain Academy (BMA) gets stressful, for some of us even crazy. Sometimes events like week of prayer, better known here as FOCUS (Focusing on Christ's Ultimate Sacrifice) Week, actually seem to interfere with our plans. That's one reason we should admire friends like Diana Montalvo ('14), who reminded us that we need to have faith every week, not just during FOCUS. Abigail Opoku ('13) reminded us that even on our bad days, God is winking at us in some way. Paige Burnett ('11) reminded us how much God cares about having a relationship with each of us.



Every one of us, no matter what we are doing, on campus or off, whether we want to admit it or not, need a FOCUS Week. Sometimes God tries to reach us, and we have no clue. FOCUS weeks help Him to get through to us a little bit more than usual. We all need time to remember the one relationship we tend to take for granted—our relationship with God. So why not be thankful for some extra time to get refocused?



Luz Baez
 Class of 2012

Students praise the Lord during FOCUS Week.

Campus Hosts Elementary Music Festival

Music can play a major role in the lives of young people. Thankfully, students at Blue Mountain Academy are blessed with quality music opportunities. Each year Seventh-day Adventist elementary schools converge on the campus for BMA's Elementary Music Festival, which brought 12 schools and 180 people to campus. BMA's choir, select choir, band, handbell choir, string ensemble and instrumentalists provided the recent Friday evening program. Elementary and junior academies jointly provided sacred music for the church service and secular music for Saturday evening. On Sabbath afternoon, individual schools presented their worship in music.

The process of learning and performing teaches valuable lessons. "The long hours of patient and persistent practice is rewarded as students instill those musical pieces in their minds. Surely, the angel choirs sing praises to God along with the students," said Craig Zeisner, principal. "Praise God! Music does flow from heaven to the soul."

BMA students report that they truly enjoyed participating in this unique event. "I enjoyed helping the kids that came to learn music," said Mark Ringer ('12).

"I appreciated the fact that they included a string group. It was a great opportunity for the kids to show off their talents," remarked Emily McAulliffe ('12).

"It was nice helping the kids sing in choir," Adam Johnson ('14) enthused.



BMA's annual music festival included 180 attendees from 12 schools.

NEWS

Pottsville Church Supports Coin Challenge

Pottsville (Pa.) church members have a special place in their hearts for BMA's Coin Challenge project. Their affection for BMA can be traced back to Lydia Kester, the Bible worker who started the original Coin Challenge in 1954. Kester was a member of their community and the Wade church, which is now part of the Pottsville church.

In 1979 Kester fell asleep in Jesus. At her funeral, someone donated \$5 in her memory. William Delker, elder and treasurer of the Pottsville church at the time, set



Pottsville church Pastor Alex DuBee and members William Delker, Bill Bair and Von Roberts proudly contributed to BMA's Coin Challenge.



the gift aside for something special. "Special people come into your life that you never forget! Sister Lydia was one of those "people," he mused.

That gift began a trend of memorial gifts, which the church put into a fund dedicated to Christian education. To date more than \$96,000 has been received because of the Coin Challenge. To join the challenge, visit bma.us or call Kathleen Sutton at (610) 562-4214.

Juniors Present Theme, Play

Junior Presentation Weekend began with a skit portraying the class theme—teamwork. Several student testimonies followed, and class pastor Cory Burnett provided a wrap-up.

Saturday evening included a banquet for the juniors and their families. Banquet decorations gave hints to the theme of the play that followed—"The Case of the Black Star"—as white masks and warning letters from a phantom thief decorated the tables. The play told a story of people who had nothing in common but who learned to work together to catch a thief and save the day. The students who were involved in the play stayed true to their theme, using teamwork to keep going (pictured left).

At the end of the evening, the junior class members were presented to the audience, and the class sang their original composition, "Together, We'll Make It."—Molly Kissinger ('12)

Physics Students Replicate TV Experiment

In a recent physics class, seniors Brendon Boyd and Fred Wasmer recreated an experiment they had seen on the *Myth Busters* television show. The show tested the strength of two interleaved phone books, which had to be pulled apart with heavy equipment.

Boyd and Wasmer set to work

interleaving the pages of two large phone books. When they were about halfway through, they attempted to pull the books apart, but they could not budge the books.

"Friction is caused by surfaces in contact," explained Cary Corbin, physics teacher. "When the two boys couldn't pull the books apart at the half-way point, there was but one thing to do: continue interleaving the pages while designing a way to hook trucks to the books."

By the next class period, the books were ready. They attached clamps to the books, chained them to two trucks, fired up the engines and began the tug-of-war.

"*Myth Busters* had us beat," Corbin said. "Spencer's truck bogged for a few seconds, then the two literally pulled the bindings off the books."



Spencer Engle and Brendon Boyd attach chains to a phone book as Cary Corbin, teacher, advises.

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Spotlight on Spencerville

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Building for His Kingdom

We are on the verge of moving into the new Spencerville Adventist Academy (SAA). The excitement is bubbling over in a community that has been dreaming about this for more than 20 years. Ironically, I have had a few quiet moments in the past year, when I questioned the cost and energy expended on this incredible venture. As I prayed about this confusing feeling, the Lord clearly impressed me with the story of Abraham. Remember his conversation with the Lord about Sodom and Gomorrah? Abraham was asking the Lord to save Sodom and Gomorrah if there were righteous souls in the city. The Lord said He would save the city for 10 righteous souls. In the end, He saved Lot and his family, but the two cities were destroyed.

I believe this same scenario is at work with the construction of the new SAA, but only in reverse. How many people will be saved for the kingdom by the completion of our new school? It faces a major commuter thoroughfare in the Washington, D.C./Baltimore neighborhood. I believe that hundreds, if not thousands, will be impacted for the kingdom at the new SAA. However, I also believe that the Lord would have blessed this project if it only saved one additional person for the kingdom. There is no limit on His love for humanity and His desire to spend eternity with the fallen inhabitants of Earth—His creation.



Brian Kittleson
Principal

NEWS

Students Bring History to Life

Spencerville's sophomore American History class approached history from a different perspective this past quarter. Students researched and presented biographical sketches of America's historical figures to their classmates, but with a minor twist. They had to present their figures in first person and in character.

"We saw some really well done presentations this year," related Marty Cooksey, history teacher. "Most students went

all out, and some even lectured an entire class period on some of our lesser celebrated historical icons. It was an excellent opportunity for my students to work with



Sophomore Teresa Kwon portrayed Martha Washington for her American History presentation.



PowerPoint presentations, do outside research on individuals and practice their public speaking while learning about the many people responsible for the shaping of our nation."

Sophomore Joey Valdes impersonates Confederate Gen. A.P. Hill for his American History presentation.

Alumni Sabbath Slated for May 21

SAA invites all alumni of Spencerville Junior Academy/Spencerville Adventist Academy to Alumni Homecoming Sabbath services May 21, 2011, at 11 a.m. at the Spencerville church. A gymnastics home show will take place Saturday night at SAA. For more information, contact Eric Malcolm at eric.vitabot@gmail.com.

Week of Prayer Encourages Commitment

Take a Stand!" was this year's theme for Week of Prayer at Spencerville Adventist Academy. During separate middle school and high school chapels each day, high school students shared from their



experiences and from their hearts. Many of the 10 students who spoke encouraged their peers to give their hearts to God and have the courage to take a stand for Him. Allie Tennyson, an eighth-grade student, shared, "It was cool having high-schoolers speak because they know what it's like to be in middle school." Ryan Comeau, the high school Student Council pastor, coordinated the week in consultation with Shawn Paris, Spencerville Youth pastor.

Students in kindergarten through fourth-grade heard a similar theme, "Put on the Armor of God." Each day Pastor Marilyn Scott from Spencerville church had a different grade bring items that illustrated the

Left to right: Michelle Froom, Felix Nieto and Amber Dahabura share their musical talents during the student-led Week of Prayer.



Pastor Marilyn Scott help students "put on the full armor of God" during Week of Prayer.

piece of armor she was going to talk about that day. She also included interactive activities in the stories each day to engage the students and help them understand how important it is for us to use that armor—even as little children!

Spencerville Supporters Invited to "Make Their Mark"

To commemorate the opening of their new school, SAA's Home and School Association is sponsoring the "Make Your Mark" SAA Brick Campaign. Those who want to show a lasting support of SAA

can purchase an engraved, personalized brick for as little as \$75. The bricks will be laid around the perimeter of the entrance to the new auditorium for all to see, for years to come.

This is an opportunity for alumni, current families at the school, families with future "Hornets" or supporters from the larger community to become a part of SAA history. The initial campaign ended April 30 in order to get the first bricks laid in time for the opening of the new school. However, there will be opportunities for future installments. For

information on how to "Make Your Mark" on SAA, contact Hollie Faehner at hfaehner@gmail.com.



Fifth-grader Owen Faehner and his brother, Jack, a third-grader, proudly display the brick their family is sponsoring in the "Make Your Mark" campaign.

Calendar

May

- 9 Prospective Student Open House, 9:30 a.m.
- 12 PK-8 Spring Concert
- 21 SJA/SAA Alumni Homecoming
Acro-Squad Home Show
- 27 Last Day of School
- 29 Commencement, 10 a.m.

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MAY 2011

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GHRoW Foundation Celebrates 20 Years of Giving Back

On August 8, 1991, four friends, who met at Shenandoah Valley Academy (SVA), were sharing dinner. They talked of how fortunate they had been to attend and graduate from SVA. Having all benefited from the generosity of others to receive a Christian education at SVA, they decided to find a way to help worthy students there now. With that thought, each friend contributed \$10, and they opened a bank account the next day, starting what is now known as the GHRoW Foundation. Two years later, they gave an SVA student \$200. This year marks the group's 20th anniversary of supporting Christian education at SVA.

GHRoW offers three types of scholarships—two are needs based and the third is a leadership scholarship. In this school year alone, GHRoW has awarded scholarships totaling \$25,000 to eight SVA students (right). Over the past 20 years, gifts from GHRoW totaling \$202,120 have benefited 63 students.

One of the founders states, "We didn't know necessarily who helped us, but it is likely that local churches helped, friends of the families or even people just generally supporting [Seventh-day] Adventist education by supporting worthy student funds."

The board and supporters of GHRoW have grown significantly from the four founders. Today the board consists of alumni spanning four decades of graduates and the supporters comprise both alumni and others who believe in Adventist education. In the current school year, a former GHRoW scholar just joined the board. The former GHRoW Scholar received a scholarship in 1999 and wanted to join the board to "give back."

GHRoW is much more than people supporting Adventist education, often anonymously, they are prayerfully hopeful that in doing so God's kingdom will be furthered. To learn more about this endeavor, visit ghrow.org. There you will find testimonies from students, parents and SVA staff.



Alumni Reunite Around the Country

The alumni department recently held several regional alumni reunions to give SVA's alumni an opportunity to join together for fellowship and a meal and to hear about all the good things that are happening at their alma mater.

One reunion was held in College Park, Md., with approximately 30 alumni in attendance. A second reunion was held in Florida and drew 43 alumni and friends (below).

Two reunions were held in California. The first was

held in Napa with approximately 20 alumni and friends, followed by a second reunion in San Bernardino with approximately 30 in attendance. The final regional reunion was held in Collegedale, Tenn., with more than 30 alumni and friends in attendance.

"It is so great to have an opportunity to get together and hear about our great school," one alumnus said. "It isn't always possible for me to return to SVA for the real alumni weekend, so I appreciate it when SVA comes to me for a reunion."



HAPPENINGS

Students Tour, Minister Through Music

The SVA Orchestra and Handbell Ensemble recently finished a 10-day tour of the southeastern part of the country. After a wonderful Sabbath in the Powell Valley of southwest Virginia, and a vesper concert at Fletcher Academy in North Carolina, it was on to sunny Florida.

Moving this many people and mounds of equipment, luggage and food for a 10-day tour requires willing attitudes and flexibility, and the students were up to the challenge. Concerts were given in local schools, a retirement center

near Fort Lauderdale and capped by Sabbath concerts in the Forest Lake and Daytona Beach churches.

“Music is a true ministry,” noted one of the chaperones on the trip, “and watching these students embrace the gift with Godly passion reminds us why our investment in Adventist education is so important.”

Of course, it would only be fair to provide some fun activities while spending the needed break from school and studies on tour, so time was set aside to enjoy the wonders of Florida between concerts. God’s

nature was celebrated in visits to Everglades National Park, an airboat ride across the “sea of grass” and snorkeling in the waters off Key Largo. They ended the tour with visits to Universal Studios in Orlando and the Kennedy Space Center on the Atlantic Coast, where the musicians were able to provide a concert at the visitor center for appreciative tourists.

“Sharing God’s gift of music with the people of Florida was a blast ... and Universal Studios wasn’t bad either,” shared Joel Westberg, a senior and Florida native. Even with the all night drive back to SVA to prepare for classes the next day, this sentiment was shared by each of the tired, but in no way disappointed, musicians.

The students will be touring in the Washington, D.C., area May 13 and 14.



SVA students pray at the Kennedy Space Center, where they presented visitors with a concert.

Save the Date: Reunion June 17

Potomac Conference Camp Meeting will be held on the SVA campus June 14-18, and, once again, the SVA Alumni Office will host a reunion for former students and staff. If you attended, had children who attended or if you worked at SVA, please plan to enjoy a dessert reception on Friday, June 17, at 6 p.m., in the upper level of Hewitt Hall, which is directly behind the Student Center. This is a perfect opportunity to mix and mingle with those who love SVA! Also, if you have children or grandchildren who are interested in attending SVA, come and enter in a drawing to win a certificate good for \$500 toward their first year.

Calendar

May

- 7 Final Music Concert
7:45 p.m., Gym
- 9 School Picnic
- 21 Best of Everything
SVA Auditorium
- 27 Consecration, 8 p.m.
New Market Church
- 28 Baccalaureate, 11 a.m., Gym
- 28 Class Night, 9 p.m., Gym
- 29 Commencement, 10 a.m., Gym

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Why Expand Washington Adventist University?

Last month we formalized an agreement to open a branch campus of Washington Adventist University (WAU) at Atlantic Union College in South Lancaster, Mass. We have received very positive responses to this news, but you may wonder why we are engaging in such a prodigious endeavor.

It is documented that Seventh-day Adventist education exists to fulfill human potential in the lives of students and their families. The investment that was made by the pioneers of the Adventist Church in the mid-1800s has now grown into a system with more than 1.5 million students in nearly 145 countries worldwide. There is a direct linkage with the effective leadership and the growth of the church over the years to the investment in Adventist education.

We have reached a critical point where it is now time to implement action plans to reinvest in Adventist education. This will require bold and courageous leadership. We cannot afford to consider Christian education as secondary to church evangelism. In this information age, we must teach and provide service to communities throughout the world so that all may know that we are Christians. Ellen White wrote: "When the mind of man is brought into communion with the mind of God, the finite with the Infinite, the effect on body, mind and soul is beyond estimate. In such communion is found the highest education. It is God's own method of development" (*Acts of the Apostles*, p.126).

Pray for us as we step out in prayer, faith and sound planning to continue Christian education to the New England states, New York and Bermuda. I believe our efforts will yield great and *eternal* dividends.



Weymouth Spence
President

Students Sharpen Language Skills Abroad

Students studying language at WAU's Takoma Park, Md., campus also have the opportunity to travel and experience other cultures. WAU is a member of Adventist Colleges Abroad (ACA), a consortium of Seventh-day Adventist colleges in North America and Australia that annually sends some 600 students to practice their language skills in other parts of the world.

ACA's mission is to provide opportunities to qualified undergraduate students to study in other countries while completing requirements of their programs at their home colleges. Students are immersed in the culture and life of another country while becoming conversant in its language.

Azizah Sy, a Public Relations and Intercultural Communications major, spent last summer studying in Cologne, France. "I lived there for two months, and studied French for four hours everyday," she explained. In addition to learning a new language, Sy travelled throughout the country, attended festivals and expanded her worldview. "This experience added a greater depth to my education," she added.

Susan Comilang, WAU's ACA coordinator, says, "When my students come back, they and their parents say that it is one of the best experiences they have ever had. The fluency they get in another language cannot ever be replicated." To learn more about the program, contact Comilang at (301) 891-4065.—Kevin Manuel



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Although she has traveled to 25 countries, Azizah Sy ('11) says studying in France gave her a new perspective.

Campus Ministries Leads Spiritual Growth

Baraka Muganda, EdD, vice president for Ministry, and Jose St. Phard, newly appointed ministry coordinator, continue to revamp the spirituality on the campus of Washington Adventist University. When Muganda first came to WAU, his goal was to make this campus a place where students will grow closer to God.

As a result of their hard work and focused determination, the attendance at weekly chapel and other worship programs have increased. “The common denominator of the ministry is to empower students and faculty to become involved in every aspect of church life on this campus because, in doing so, they will own their faith,” explained Muganda.

They also started Bible study groups for students every week, which has resulted in preparing students for baptism. Muganda and St. Phard are also planning short-term mission trips to Tanzania and Costa Rica. More than 10 students have already expressed interest in the student missionary program.

“I am elated about the excitement developing on campus,” St. Phard says. “Students, new and old, are catching the vision that our campus is about service. I see a bright future for our community—one that has everyone excited to serve.”

The ministry team plans on mentoring student leaders to take the primary role as spiritual leaders on campus.—Keisha Tulloch



Baraka Muganda (left), vice president for Ministry, and Jose St. Phard, campus ministry coordinator, are working together to help students grow closer to God.

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Mock Trial Team Prepares Students for Law School

WAU’s law program boasts a high rate of graduates who go on to law school. This is likely due in large part to the many outlets the university offers students who are interested in law. The WAU Mock Trial Team (pictured) is one of those outlets. The American Judicial System class, which teaches students the basics of legal procedures, is the first step to participating on this team.

WAU graduate Curlyn Lavarin can attest to the benefits of partici-

pating in the mock trials. After graduating from WAU in 2007, Lavarin continued on to American University Washington College of Law in Washington, D.C., where she found that participation provides “good exposure for WAU students, giving them a chance to practice legal theories and laws.” Lavarin’s belief in the importance of these trials even led her to return to WAU to judge a scrimmage competition for students interested in trying out for the WAU Mock Trial Team.

“This experience is valuable for training in discipline, focus and public speaking for any student,” explains Joan Francis, PhD, team sponsor and chair of the History and Political Studies Department.

The captain of the university’s team, Emily Crocker (’11), a Political Science and pre-law major, was on the team for three years. After trumping Howard University and the University of Maryland last year, Crocker was named “Best Lawyer.” Crocker mentioned that being part of the team is exhausting and success comes only with a lot of preparation of cases and theories.

Regardless, she loved being on the team and competing—and winning—against larger universities!

—Joan Likuyani and Kevin Manuel



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OBITUARIES

CALLAHAN, Evelene (Hatfield), age 81, born in Pikeville, Ky., to Anna Bell (Anderson) and George Hatfield; died September 23, 2010, in Worthington, Ohio. She was a member of the Worthington church for over 40 years and had worked at Worthington Foods in sales and marketing for over 30 years. Her interests included travel, tagging butterflies and golf. She was preceded in death by her husband of 41 years, John Roger Callahan, and her brother, Eugene Belcher. She is survived by her sons: G. Michael (Theresa) Callahan and Roger J. Callahan; grandsons, Eric and Jason Callahan; her nephew, Steve Bowman; and numerous cousins, nieces, nephews and friends.

MOYER, Hilda C. (Ott), born July 18, 1917, in Schwensville, Pa., to the late John and Elizabeth (Achtziger) Ott; died September 18, 2010, at the Frederick

Mennonite Home. She was an active member of the Lansdale (Pa.) church. She had worked at Philco Ford in Lansdale. She is survived by her daughters, Ruth Ann (Philip E.) Christ and Joy (Norman) Bradley; three grandchildren: Paul, Brian and Sherry; and five great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by 14 siblings.

OPDYKE, Patricia Ann, born October 3, 1926, in Jackson Center, Ohio, to the late Willis and Lula Clay Davis; died August 11, 2010, at her residence in Zanesville, Ohio. She was a member of the Zanesville church, where she was the community service leader, which included the food bank and Red Cross Blood donations. She was also the former treasurer of the church. Patricia is survived by her husband, Eber Opdyke; son, Bret (Cheryl) Opdyke of Newark; daughters, Debby Opdyke of Lipscomb, Texas, and Karen (Bob) Poland of Zanesville. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a brother, Loyal Davis, and two sisters, Berling and Myra Lee Miller.

WEBSTER, Roscoe W., DDS, born April 19, 1923, in Fairbanks, Alaska; died August 6, 2010, in Sandusky, Ohio. He was a member of the Mansfield (Ohio) church. He led several Adventist mission trips to Haiti, Mexico and Turks & Cacaos and was instrumental in building the current Adventist church in Mansfield. He served as an elder and Sabbath School teacher for many years and was a past president of the National Association of Seventh-day Adventist Dentists. Dr. Webster practiced dentistry in Mansfield for over 60 years. Survivors: his wife, Marian; his sons: Stephen (Mary) Webster, Dr. John (Sue) Webster and Dr. Roscoe (Debbie) Webster, Jr.; his daughters: Sue (Rod) Staker, Dr. Jill (Jim) Kerbs, and Jodie (Ken) McGill; 23 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Correction

CAREY, Naomia M., born August 21, 1921, in Overton, Pa.; died August 26, 2010, in Sayre, Pa. She was a member of the Sayre (Pa.) church. She is survived by her daughter, Naomia (John) Rumpff, of Athens, Pa.; grandchildren: Alissa Rumpff Crain of Sayre, Michael (Sarah) Rumpff of Barton, N.Y., Denise (Levente) Levai of Nevada, Kevin Carey of Nevada, Becky (Carl) Fowler of Ridgebury, Pa., and Brian and Shawn Carey of Towanda, Pa.; 18 grandchildren; nephews: John (Eleanor) Walmsley of Boonsboro, Md., and Burton (Wanda) Wolfe of East Wales, N.Y.

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Care

In our endeavors to live healthfully, how many of us consider the impact our environment has on our health? Although some environmental factors like industrial waste or oil spills may seem beyond our personal control, paying more attention to our surroundings can reduce stress and increase feelings of well-being.



Danish researchers have identified green space, such as a garden, golf course, park or your backyard, as a significant health-promoting environment. Study participants living more than one kilometer (.62 miles) away from the nearest green space reported poorer health and more stress than those who lived less than 300 meters (about three football fields) from a green space.



In the Garden of Eden, Adam and Eve enjoyed tending the plants and animals and walking with God. It was God's plan for us to spend time outdoors every day, experiencing cleansing and

renewal from the mental clutter and emotional fatigue of daily life. He knew the toll of a noisy, dirty, stressful environment on our lives.

Take a look around your environment right now. Is it clean, neat, inviting and health-promoting? Create or look for a green space—at home, work or in-between—where you can relax, unwind, breathe deeply and experience whole health.

REFLECT - How are my efforts to live healthfully limited or enhanced by my environment? What changes can I make to make it more health-promoting? Where is my nearest green space?

RESPOND - Creator God, thank You for creating green spaces in our world and filling them with Your life-giving power. Help me to find ways to spend time outdoors every day. Amen.

RELATE - I create or seek environments that promote health.

REMEMBER - "The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it" (Gen. 2:15, NIV).

RESOURCE - Watch Stephen Waterbrook, MD, general surgeon at Kettering Medical Center in Kettering, Ohio, talk more about this topic at [youtube.com/user/ColumbiaUnion](https://www.youtube.com/user/ColumbiaUnion).

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