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# Southern Tidings Celebrates 100 Years

One hundred years ago on July 2, 1907, *Southern Tidings* was born in Nashville, Tennessee, with L. A. Smith and Eliza J. Burnham as the first editors. The paper was called *Report of Progress* until the name was changed to *Southern Union Worker* in 1910. Finally, it was renamed *Southern Tidings* in 1932 when *Southern Union Worker* and *Field Tidings*, which served the Southeastern Union, were merged.

The paper was the Union's organ and carried the news and business of the local conferences and the Southern Union, while *The Watchman* (later *These Times*) served as the missionary paper.

When the Southern Union Committee met in Chattanooga, Tennessee, in May, 1906, they took the following action:

"We recommend the establishment of the Southern Union Conference paper, to be an eight-page bi-weekly, at twenty-five cents per year; the expenses of publishing said paper to be prorated between the state conferences according to membership, they to receive credit for all subscriptions secured within their respective territories."

Today, *Southern Tidings* is a 40-page four-color monthly with a circulation of more than 78,000, which is still paid for by the eight local conferences of the Southern Union and subscriptions.

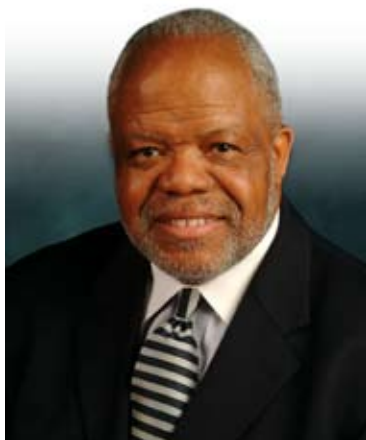
The first woman to serve as editor of the Southern Union paper was Eliza J. Burnham, who became editor in March, 1908.

Thumbing back through the pages, we trace the progress of the Gospel in our territory. We read of evangelistic meetings. We trace the growth of conferences as members are baptized and new churches are organized. We feel the vibrant spirit of volunteerism demonstrated by the church officers who generously give their time to the ministries of their local church. Our hearts thrill as we see the way our hospitals, schools, and community service centers touch their communities. It's all in *Southern Tidings*!

Now on July 2, 2007, the hundredth birthday of the *Tidings*, I sit writing this article as the new editor of this magazine. It is a humbling and sacred responsibility. I am thankful for the contributing editors; Ardith Beers, circulation manager; Irisene Douce, editorial assistant; Sheila Elwin, proofreader; Ron Quick, photographer/videographer; and the rest of the team that prepares each issue. Together we will continue our heritage of providing a quality, printed, Union news magazine, while we also look forward to adding newsfeeds from the Southern Union website by late 2007. We have made an agreement with Bert Haloviak, director of the General Conference archives department, to place the *Report of Progress*, *Southern Union Worker*, *Field Tidings*, and *Southern Tidings* on the archives website. Since our agreement, Haloviak's staff has already placed more than 50 years of the *Southern Tidings* on their website in searchable format. Church historians, genealogists, and other researchers can access this rich historical resource at [www.adventistarchives.org](http://www.adventistarchives.org).

When each of the children in the Norman family left home, my mother and father saw to it that we had a subscription to the Church papers and a morning watch book. Mama said, "People who read the Church papers tend to stay in the Church." I don't know if we can prove that, but it is my hope after reading the *Southern Tidings* it will inspire each reader to stay in the ship, roll up their sleeves, and continue in God's work.

As I step into this post, I request your prayers and invite you to send your ideas to me at [snorman@southernunion.com](mailto:snorman@southernunion.com).



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Cover Caption: As Robert Folkenberg, ShareHim director, and Ted Wilson, general vice president of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, look on, Don Schneider, North American Division president, points to North America and expresses the urgency to evangelize this vast Division. These Church leaders took part in the first ShareHim Lay Evangelism Festival held at Southern Adventist University, May 17-19, 2007.





# Reaching the World THROUGH LAY EVANGELISM

BY RON QUICK

The first ShareHim Lay Evangelism Festival was held May 17-19, 2007, at Southern Adventist University, and was sponsored jointly by ShareHim and the University's Evangelistic Resource Center. The rally featured prominent guest speakers, including Don Schneider, North American Division president; Ted Wilson, general vice president of the Seventh-day Adventist Church; and Robert Folkenberg, ShareHim director. The weekend schedule included nearly a dozen seminars featuring specifically geared presentations to help lay men and women and their local churches engage in the full cycle of evangelism: sowing, reaping, and retaining.

## What is ShareHim?

ShareHim, which was formerly known as "Global Evangelism," is primarily a lay evangelistic enterprise, and is sponsored by the Carolina Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. The participants come from east

and west, north and south; from the Americas, Australia, and Europe. They are high school or college students, middle-aged or senior citizens. Age is not a criterion, nor is prior preaching experience required.



*Registering for the festival are JoDee Shoffner from Morris, Oklahoma, and Wilbur James from Dallas, Oregon. Both are veteran lay evangelists and each have held multiple events at global sites. Above: Tony Hade, a layman from North Carolina who has held three evangelistic events, makes it look easy. With the new software, you simply read the script from your laptop—it's your teleprompter.*

Everyone is a prime candidate to join a ShareHim evangelistic event—if they have a desire in their hearts to lead people to Jesus and have a humble and teachable spirit. A ShareHim evangelist should be flexible and should want a spiritual experience that will create memories which will last a lifetime.

## ShareHim goes to where the people are

The spirited rally highlighted the tremendous successes of the lay evangelists who have participated in international and homeland ShareHim campaigns. Participants shared *how* they go to where the people are in the slums, the bedroom communities, and the downtown areas. These ShareHim evangelists have been known to compete with hawkers selling in the markets, blaring boom boxes, Mother Nature, and even wandering sheep and goats. Volunteer evangelists have spoken in schools, churches, and auditoriums.

# “I ALWAYS KNEW THE REASON I WAS GOING OVER THERE WAS SO I COULD COME BACK AND DO IT HERE.”

—Ben Kochenower, sharing why he went on an overseas ShareHim campaign

They set up pulpits along dirt paths, in the byways, and along the roads less traveled. ShareHim evangelists come with laptops, projectors, and multimedia presentations. Some evangelist shared how when the electricity failed they just kept on preaching. These volunteer evangelists have seen the Spirit working in Africa, Indonesia, Inter-America, and of course right here in the homeland.

## The Homeland Initiative

There have been more than 3,000 guest evangelists who have held campaigns overseas. These laymen and women have gained an invaluable experience, and many of these people are now lighting a fire in North America and Western Europe. The ShareHim initiative

in North America is designed to provide a place for each of these individuals to preach a campaign right here in the homeland, and, even more than that, to encourage others who may not have gone overseas to see that they, too, can be used by God right here in the homeland.

## Laymen lead the way

Ben Kochenower, a businessman from Spartanburg, S.C., has conducted several ShareHim events around the world. His first homeland campaign was held at a country church near Burlington, Vermont. Kochenower stated, “The reason I initially got involved with ShareHim was because of the feeling that I wasn’t doing what God wanted



*Ben and Susan Kochenower with Ted Wilson*

me to do. I was going through the motions of playing church, so I went overseas to gain experience in public evangelism.”

“It was a tremendous experience,” Kochenower continued, “but I always knew the reason I was going over there was so I could come back and do it here.”

Kochenower continues to conduct meetings and assists in training others. He is focused on encouraging young people to get involved in evangelism.



*A Florida couple, Bob and Sue Halstead, share a miraculous experience with Robert Folkenberg, ShareHim director.*





“YOU MIGHT ASK, “WHAT ABOUT THOSE OF US WHO ARE NOT EXPERIENCED EVANGELISTS?”

THE WORLD IS BECKONING!

# Are you ready to Share Him?

## Age is no factor

Sixteen-year-old Nicholas Knecht from Greenville, Tennessee, shared with Festival attendees what it was like during his recent meetings in Romania. It had been Nicholas' second time to hold an event. His first evangelistic meeting was when he co-preached with his father in Africa at age 14. In Romania he conducted his own meeting while his father, Bucky Knecht, held a meeting in a nearby city.

A Florida couple, Bob and Sue Halstead, shared that just a few years ago Bob was not a Christian and had



never studied the Bible or attended church. After a miraculous conversion, this retired federal executive became one of the world's newest Adventists to deliver an 18-message series to groups sometimes exceeding 8,000 in attendance. There were more than 500 baptisms at their site at a dusty market square in Itumbe, Kenya. Since that first meeting in Africa, the Halstead's have conducted several other meetings. Today, Bob is a mentor for new lay evangelists and takes time to manage ShareHim events.

## ShareHim makes it look easy

The experienced evangelist makes it look so easy. You might ask, “What about those of us who are not experienced evangelists? We've got to stand there behind the pulpit and fumble around with our paper notes.” Here's the good news! It really is easy with ShareHim. You simply read the

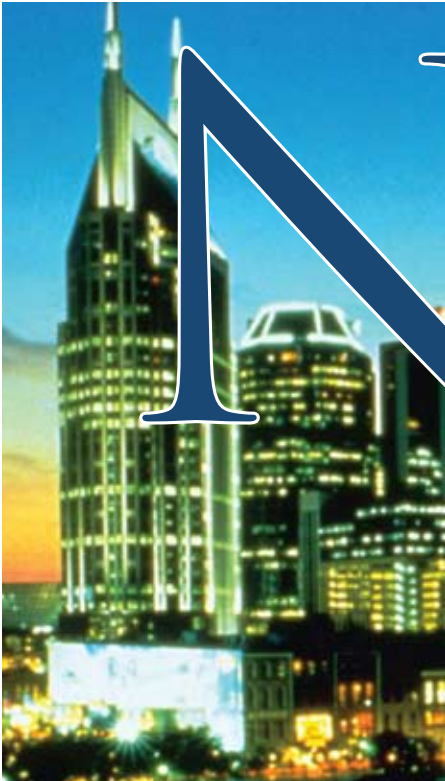
script from your laptop—it's your teleprompter, just like the newscaster on the evening news. The laptop can be placed several feet in front of you, virtually eliminating the “stand-behind-the-pulpit” look. You don't even have to advance the images on the screen, the computer does it for you. You simply advance your script and the graphics will follow along. Not only that, but on your “teleprompter” you can see the images being shown on the screen behind you, as well as a preview of what's coming up next. Now what could be easier than that? Check it out for yourself, visit [www.ShareHim.org](http://www.ShareHim.org) and view the new evangelism sermons.

The Arizona Conference has been chosen to host the second annual ShareHim Lay Evangelism Festival in April of 2008, and you're invited. The world is beckoning, are you ready to Share Him?

*Left: Sixteen-year-old Nicholas Knecht from Greenville, Tennessee, shares his Romanian experience as his father, Bucky Knecht, proudly looks on.*

*Below: Bob Folkenberg, Jr., conducts one of the many seminars at the ShareHim Festival.*





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# ASHVILLE

## Tennessee



*Almost 200 Adventist communicators attended 2006's convention in Baltimore, Maryland.*

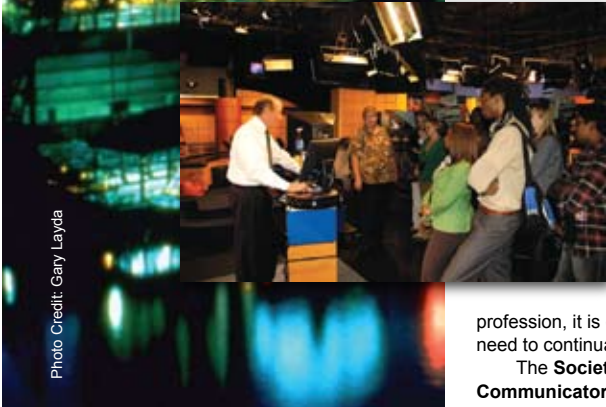


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The author John Powell once said, "Communication works for those who work at it." As an Adventist communication professional, you have probably realized how true these words are. With the constant advancing of technology and the ever-changing standards of our profession, it is obvious that communicators need to continually sharpen their skills.

The **Society of Adventist Communicators** was created to help communicators in our denomination

stay up-to-date in our field. With classes on the most recent technological tools available, seminars dealing with the latest trends in the communication profession, and time to network with other Adventist communicators, this convention is a valuable experience.

This year's convention will be held at the Sheraton Music City Hotel in Nashville, Tenn., on Oct. 11-14. With a nod to this city, rich in music history, the theme this year is "Communication: The Notes to Perfect Harmony." In addition to the classes, breakout sessions, and SONscreen film screenings, Nashville also has many attractions to visit during your down time.

So don't miss this event to meet Seventh-

day Adventist communication professionals from around the country for training, networking and spiritual renewal. It's a unique opportunity to network and learn from people who share a passion for all areas of communication. Joining the **Society of Adventist Communicators** is free and available to all Adventists currently working in the communication field. Visit [www.adventistcommunicator.org](http://www.adventistcommunicator.org) for more information.

### To Register

You may register via a secure server at [PlusLine.org](http://PlusLine.org) or by calling 1-800-732-7587.

- **Early bird registration** - \$199.00 (until September 11)
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To guarantee your place, please register as soon as possible. Register online or call PlusLine at 1-800-732-7587. PlusLine will process registrations for this event through October 4, 2007. All major credit cards accepted. Checks and Money Orders should be made payable to AdventSource and mailed to:

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# Students Put Mission First

BY LYNNETTE STRUNTZ

Although many Adventist students went on mission trips March, 2007, these young people are unique because they weren't traveling with their own school and friends. Rather, they were part of the Georgia-Cumberland Conference's public high school mission trip headed by Ted Struntz, Conference youth council member and associate/youth pastor at Knoxville First church.

Four students and two adults from the Conference joined Ron Davis, a dentist from Virginia, and a team from Shenandoah Valley Academy, for a multi-faceted mission trip to Papatla, Mexico on March 7, 2007.

During the 11-day trip, the youth helped build and renovate churches, conduct a vacation Bible school, visit and distribute supplies to area schools, hold evangelistic meetings, work with prison ministry and home visitation, assist in medical/dental clinics, and visit and give aid to or-

phanages.

"It's evident that these students are serious about ministry," Struntz said. "Although the students came from different churches and states within the Conference, they worked together as a unified team for God and returned as unashamed witnesses for Christ."

As public high school students, these young people often have unique challenges in exercising and maintaining their faith; however, they also have unique opportunities to witness

and share their faith with others. Struntz believes this ministry experience has instilled in them the desire to more actively share their faith and love for God with those back home. He witnessed their newfound "holy boldness" on the plane ride home when several passengers asked the students about their matching red shirts that read "Jesus is My Boss." Struntz listened as the

students eagerly witnessed about the mission trip and then proceeded to tell them about their faith and answer serious questions about their religion.

"This trip has changed my life and has made me a better person. It was great being able to help others," said student Matt Morenings. "I want to go again next year."

Struntz believes this is an invaluable experience for our young people. "My hope is that other teens within the Conference will join future youth mission trips because, while they have an awesome opportunity to touch the lives of the people they meet, the Holy Spirit has a unique opportunity to touch the lives of the missionary students as well," Struntz said. "It is a God-experience for all involved."



*The students built and helped remodel five churches; held evangelistic meetings; visited schools, prisons, and orphanages; and worked in medical clinics during the eleven-day mission trip to Mexico.*



*Student Matt Morenings (center back) poses with local children and Shenandoah Valley Academy students at vacation Bible school.*



# Vicksburg Physician Gives Back

BY REBECCA GRICE

Since December, 2006, Yoshinobu Namihira, M.D., who practices internal medicine and gastroenterology, has experienced an overwhelming demand from the public for the series of health promotion lectures he gives monthly in the upper level of his office at the Better Living Clinic-Endoscopy Center in Vicksburg, Mississippi. At the first lecture Namihira and his wife, Mieko, had to arrange for more chairs as people filled the lecture hall. The lectures include a two-part series on water, the secret of life; a four-part series on diet; and a two-part series on colon cancer.



*An electric wheelchair and crutches were donated to the hospital for the handicapped youths where Namihira spent eight months.*

One of the audience participants at the seminar on water was a school-teacher. She was so impressed by the quality of information that she went to her supervisor, and then contacted the school administrator and presented a request to the superintendent of the Claiborne Board of Education for committee approval for Namihira to speak at the Port Gibson Senior High School. Namihira gladly accepted the offer to talk to the students and faculty. "I had a lot of questions from high school students and teachers regarding water and health problems, dehydration, breast and prostate problems," says Namihira. "I think all the

students and faculties were thoroughly convinced that water was indeed important for sustaining our lives each day."

Those who know Namihira are not surprised by his generous, untiring efforts to teach others about good health practices. Giving to others has been a lesson that was taught him by his mother, grandparents, and uncle since he was a child—a lesson they taught by their example. His mother, Shizu Yonaha, was deserted by her husband, the father of her three small children. They lived on Yonaguni Island, a tiny island off the coast of Japan, which at that time in 1953 had a population of 2,000. "When my parents were divorced, my mother's situation was like a shipwreck, a disgrace," says Namihira.

His grandparents graciously gave of their time and resources and raised the children for three years so that Yonaha could take the long boat trip to Naha on the main island of Okinawa and become a nurse. While living with their grandparents, an uncle taught the children to work and be responsible. When Yonaha returned to Yonaguni Island for the first time after three years away at school, she went to work at the island's first public health office. She was the main health caregiver, and made many contributions to the benefit and betterment of people on the island, including the eradication of malaria and tuberculosis.

Namihira had been struck with polio the year he was born. After surgery and hospitalization he decided he wanted to be a doctor, despite his physical limitations. "The only thing I can do is to find out what I can use," said Namihira. "If I can work harder,



*During a two-week visit to his home in Okinawa, Japan, Yoshinobu Namihira visited more than 28 schools.*

maybe I can accomplish something. If my right hand doesn't move, I'll use my left hand."

In 2006 the doctor and his wife went back to Okinawa, Japan, to give back to the people and to say thanks for what he had received. During his visit he thanked his former teachers with a dinner party, talked with local schoolchildren, and donated an electric wheelchair and crutches to the hospital for handicapped youths where, as a teenager, he had spent about eight months and underwent three leg surgeries. His visits included 28 schools, plus nursing schools, a university, city halls, small town meeting halls, and community halls. They traveled from island to island by small boat, which was an unforgettable experience. "We had to climb up from the boat to the shipping dock and safety from the rocks by firmly holding on to a rope," says Namihira. At one point Namihira, who walks with a crutch, expected to be met by a taxi, but was greeted by a man with a wheelbarrow who pushed him to his destination.

Hardships or physical limitations didn't stop him from giving back to the people of Okinawa, nor do they limit him from giving to the residents of his hometown in Vicksburg, Mississippi.

## Columbia First Pathfinder Evangelism



The Defenders of the Faith Pathfinder group from Columbia, S.C., held a week-long evangelistic series earlier this year. The meetings began on Sabbath morning when Jessica Jewell (shown above) preached on the signs of the second coming for the worship service. The meetings continued through the following Saturday night. Each evening, a different Pathfinder presented the message.

Pathfinders prepared and presented other parts of the program, including the welcome, prayer, and special music. As a result of the Pathfinder-led series, these young people saw one precious soul make a decision for baptism.

The young people were very enthused, having had the opportunity to participate in evangelism.

—BY DEAN CARLISLE

## Women's Ministries Reap Blessings

Once again, the Lord allowed phenomenal presenters to grace the camp ground at camp meeting. Carolyn Sutton presented six sessions on the topic of grace during the women's ministries meetings. She shared God's assurance of grace, holiness, encouragement, service, communion, and topics that helped participants see God's heart in a very personal way. The women left the meetings inspired to write their stories to God through journaling and devotionals.

All week Debbie Rapp, women's ministries director, and Lawanna McCoy conducted Level II

of the women's ministries certification course. Topics included philosophy of

programming planning, small groups planning, counseling, newsletters, and women in the Old Testament.

After a busy week of teaching women how to be more effective in God's ministry, each of the women committed to spreading God's love and soon return to individuals in need. Both Rapp and McCoy received a blessing from those who attended.

If you have further interest in any women's ministries programs, or to become more involved, please contact Debbie Rapp at the Carolina Conference.



Carolyn Sutton (left) and Debbie Rapp

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## ShareHim Launches Television Show



In the fall of 2007, ShareHim, formerly known as Global Evangelism, will launch a weekly television show. The Conference communication department has already begun production on the new program, which is based on a news-magazine format.

3ABN will broadcast this 30-minute show hosted by Bob Folkenberg, Jr., and his wife, Audrey. The program will feature lay men and women who have experienced God's power through ShareHim evangelism from many locations around the world.



## “Momo Cat” Returns to Carolina Camp Meeting



Some of “Momo Cat’s” boys were very concerned that he hadn’t been baptized before he died, so she was able to share with them the good news of salvation in a new light.

She also told of Chai, a young high school student who, because of his diligence with his work, has been accepted into the King of Thailand’s “King’s Project.” He has been given two and one-

half acres of land to use to grow rice for the school. At graduation, he will own the property, changing him from a poor refugee boy to a land owner. He gives all the praise to the King of Kings, rather than to the King of Thailand.

The funds she received in 2002 have been used to build school classrooms and an urgent care clinic. A car was also purchased, which has been used as an ambulance, a store, and even a hearse. Because of the quick decomposition of bodies in the sweltering Thai heat, Riley-Bryan had to study to become an embalmer.

Once, she was asked to transport the sick father of one of her students. At the hospital, “Momo Cat” found the man she was looking for, and, though he was heavily sedated, she put him in her truck. She was also asked to take

another unconscious man with her, so she did. As the sedated man began to come to his senses and speak, she realized that he was not her student’s father, but a Burmese soldier. Since her children had fled from Burmese soldiers, she became quite concerned. Remembering that the doctor had given her another tranquilizer to use if there was need, she quickly injected him, and kept him unconscious until she was able to drive him to the Burmese border.

There, to her surprise, she found that he was a Christian who was part of a military group dedicated to helping those who had been injured by other Burmese militia groups. As a result of this unusual situation, a relationship has been established with this group of Free Burmese



Soldiers that has become a great help to Riley-Bryan and her Bamboo School. And, by the way, the unconscious man she was asked to transport ended up being the father of her student.

*A Century in the Jungle*, a book about how God has blessed in her work, is

currently being written by Riley-Bryan and a friend; 25 chapters are finished. “Kawtholee,” a DVD about the history of the Karin people caught on the border between Thailand and Burma, is currently available through the Carolina Adventist Christian Book Center.

From funds she received at camp meeting this year, she hopes to build an urgent care medical facility at the Bamboo School. Currently, the nearest hospital often dismisses patients before they are completely healed. “Momo Cat” hopes to receive these patients into her hospital to complete their care, and to share Jesus with them as well. She also hopes to purchase a new car, since the current one has more than 350,000 kilometers on the odometer. Another need is to be able to print Ellen G. White booklets and pamphlets in the Karin language. In the near future, she would like to begin another project, Bamboo School 2, which she hopes will be led by young, enthusiastic people.

God has greatly blessed the Bamboo School. “Momo Cat’s” goal is to encourage each of us to do something for others.

If you want to learn more about the Bamboo School, contact Riley-Bryan at Siamesecat119@hotmail.com.

—BY TOM MILLS

Do you love adventure, and enjoy hearing about how God is leading in the lives of people in foreign lands? Then you would have loved hearing “Momo Cat” tell her exciting stories each evening at camp meeting, May 27-June 2.

Catherine Riley-Bryan, known as “Momo Cat” by the village people, truly lives a life of Christian adventure on the border between Thailand and Myanmar (Burma), where there is continual fighting between rival tribes. Riley-Bryan, a professional nurse and teacher, lives right in the middle of these clashes as she directs her Bamboo School, a mission station with 69 refugee and orphan children, and 18 others who are students in universities.

This was Riley-Bryan’s second visit to Carolina camp meeting. She told the story of Jawlut, a young man who gave his heart to God on his death bed.

## Reformation Musical Presented in Jacksonville



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Fourth graders Hailey Riggs and Kira Kozachenko represented the famous reformers Huss and Jerome. They told the audience of a faith so strong, "Not even the flames at the stake stopped our singing."

First through fourth grade classes sang Martin Luther's famous hymn, "A Mighty Fortress."

When David Gardner, principal suggested the first through fourth grade classes at Jacksonville, Fla., Adventist Academy perform a play on the Reformation, most students weren't quite sure what it was.

"Martin Luther King Jr.?", one student replied questioningly.

"No, *Martin Luther!*"

And so, the title was born. Under the direction of third and fourth grade teacher Linda Herbert, the musical presentation of "*Martin*

*Luther Who?*" proved to educate, entertain, and inspire the entire audience as they witnessed Adventist education in action.

Performed initially at the Mandarin church in Jacksonville and again at Jacksonville First church, the goal of the Reformation musical was to create an appreciation of what the Reformation did for Christianity.

Students in character portrayed famous reformers such as Huss, Jerome,

Calvin, and Luther as they spoke of a conviction to stand up for the right to pray directly to God, own copies of the Bible, and abandon the requirement of purchasing indulgences.

The drama of the play and the reminder of past sacrifices spoke to the hearts of those in attendance causing some to ponder, "What would happen if Christianity were outlawed today?" At the play's end, many were moved to tears as the

students and congregation stood together to sing Ray Boltz's "I Pledge Allegiance to the Lamb"—a song about remaining faithful to God and to one's beliefs, even to the point of death.

The play instilled an understanding that the Reformation lives today, because God's word lives in the hearts of His people, and Seventh-day Adventists are called to continue the Reformation until Christ returns.

—BY AMANDA MCPHERSON

## Warriors for Christ Witness at County Fair

Pathfinders of the Umatilla, Fla., church, take its club activities and duties seriously, yet they are also diligent in sharing their faith with others.

Every year, the Warriors for Christ Pathfinders set up and take turns manning a booth at the Lake County Fair. Pictures of club activities are displayed to introduce themselves to the community.



SHANNAN BUTTNER

Umatilla Pathfinders prepare literature for distribution.

The Umatilla church's personal ministries department supplies the Pathfinders with books and other

literature to share with fairgoers as an introduction to the church and Seventh-day Adventist beliefs. As a new

feature, DVDs were given away on a variety of topics such as "Final Events," the "Second Coming," and the "Ten Commandments."

This year, the Umatilla Pathfinder club distributed 1,153 books and 152 DVDs. Through this outreach ministry, they were able to make personal contacts and effectively witness one-on-one with the fairgoers.

—BY GERI BOWER



# Cowboy Camp Meeting Births Fellowship Group



The Winter Springs, Fla., church's Seminole Meadows campus hosted the first "Cowboy Camp Meeting" held in the state.



The marquee group for the camp meeting was southern gospel's Palmetto State Quartet.



The camp meeting featured good music, good preaching, good fellowship, good food, and comfortable clothing.

PHOTOS: NANCYANN SERRA, WES SQUALE, BILL WATERS

Each Sabbath morning, attendees of the Camp Meeting Fellowship meet on the Winter Springs, Fla., church's Seminole Meadows campus for fellowship and worship services. Several of the 28 plus regular attendees have not been in an Adventist church for years.

The nucleus of this group grew from the "Cowboy Camp Meeting"—a program geared to reclaiming the lost, which was held March 23 and 24, 2007.

After an advertisement for the camp meeting appeared in *Southern Tidings*, *Florida Focus*, and at *cowboycampmeetings.com*, names to be contacted came from parents, siblings, and friends from around the country. A woman in Fort Lauderdale attended after receiving an invitation requested by friends in Oklahoma City.

Paul Pelley, dreamer, organizer, and planner says, "There were people in attendance who hadn't been

to church for 20 or 30 years. The really neat thing is that church members who didn't even know anything about the camp meeting were willing to ask people to come."

The weekly Fellowship program begins with breakfast and a Sabbath school that focuses on scripture from the "This Is Life Eternal" Bible Study Calendar. A sermonette is presented by lay pastor Doug Banfield. Other segments of the services are filled by Fellowship members who

want to do their part. A Sabbath potluck concludes the program.

A 17-year-old recently attended the Fellowship after calling the church to ask if there was a service that day. When he asked about Bible studies, two visiting women went to the Adventist Book Center and purchased a Bible for him. "Each week brings a new hurting soul to the Fellowship," says Pelley.

—BY GLADYS NEIGEL

## Van Arsdale Ordained into Gospel Ministry

Andy Van Arsdale realized his call to ministry one day while sitting alone in the church on the campus of Blue Mountain Academy. It was there that God impressed upon his heart that “this is where you belong.” Although his goal was to be a marine biologist, God called him to become a fisher of men.

After graduating from Blue Mountain Academy, Van Arsdale attended Columbia Union College. After his freshman year, God opened the doors for him to travel to Australia as a student missionary to work as a youth pastor for one year.

During the summer of 2000, he married Tiare Schroeder, and he graduated from Southern Adventist University with a degree in theology in 2001. Van

Arsdale accepted a call from the Georgia-Cumberland Conference and began pursuing his master of divinity degree through the theological seminary at Andrews University.

Ethan McKale Van Arsdale was born on January 1, 2006, and has brought much joy to their household, as well as providing new insights into what it means to be a child of God.

For nearly 10 years Van Arsdale has been actively involved in part- and full-time ministry. He has worked with 11 different congregations spanning two countries and five states. In 2004, the Van Arsdales began their ministry at the Hamilton Community church in Chattanooga, Tenn., where he is currently serving as associate pastor.

June 9, 2007, was a

special day for Andy and Tiare Van Arsdale, as they were surrounded by friends and family to celebrate his ordination. Mark Bresee, Hamilton Community pastor, commented on how much he appreciates Van Arsdale’s creativity, such as inviting the community to the church for drive-through caroling. Stan Patterson, Conference ministerial

director, invited all ordained ministers to gather around the Van Arsdales during the ordination prayer, to bless them in their ministry. Ed Wright, Conference president, and his wife, Marilyn, then formally welcomed them into the ministry. The service was followed by a fellowship dinner.

—BY BRIAN YOUNG



*Stan Patterson (right) prays the prayer of ordination for Andy and Tiare Van Arsdale (center) while other ordained ministers from the congregation lay hands on the Van Arsdales.*

## Korean Camp Meeting Provides Fellowship



*Hundreds of people gather for the annual Korean camp meeting at Cobutta Springs Conference Center in Crandall, Ga., May, 2007.*

The Magnolia Auditorium at Cohutta Springs Conference Center in Crandall, Ga., was packed for the 17th annual Georgia-Cumberland Conference Korean camp meeting, held May 18-20, 2007.

This unique camp meeting allows Korean Adventists from around the Conference to fellowship together in their native language for the weekend. While there are a number of congregations that hold services in Korean each Sabbath, attendees enjoy the opportunity to visit with

friends they only get to see once a year.

“Most of the people here go to Korean churches already, but the churches are far apart, and it’s nice to get together, as a unit, with friends that maybe we haven’t seen all year,” said Kathy Chung of the Collegedale, Tenn., Korean church. “I have friends that I see here every year, and it’s very nice. We’re here to have good fellowship, to enjoy the beautiful setting here at Cohutta, and to learn about God.”

—BY REBECCA BROOKS



## All Nations Church Ministers to Homeless

The All Nations church in Atlanta, Ga., is one of the many churches in the Conference that ministers each Sabbath. Immediately following the divine service, assembly lines of helpful hands work together in preparation for the downtown ministry. One line works in the fellowship hall to unpack, prepare, and assemble healthy lunches for the hungry and poor of downtown Atlanta. Another line sorts through and organizes donated and/or purchased items of clothing, bedding, and toiletries.

With eager anticipation, the community service workers load and board



*Members of the All Nations church in Atlanta, Ga., study the Bible with the homeless each weekend.*

the church bus to meet their homeless brethren for worship and fellowship at Hurt Park in downtown Atlanta. After worship, the

workers divide into three camps: one group hands out the food, clothing, and other items; a second group listens to and notes the

requests of the homeless men and women (jackets, sleeping bags, underwear, shoes, reading glasses, etc.); and a third group spends time talking with those who are there.

Tired yet fulfilled, the church members board the bus with the needs of their homeless brethren on their minds and head back to church for sunset service.

This crew has learned that when one ministers for the Lord, church is more interesting, religion is more practical, fellowship is sweeter, and the Sabbath is more delightful.

—BY ESTHER GREEN

## Hispanic Camp Meeting Continues to Grow

“We are excited!” That’s what Neftaly Ortiz, Conference ministerial director for Latin American ministries, has to say about the Conference’s Hispanic

camp meeting.

Hispanic camp meeting was held June 8-10, at the Georgia-Cumberland Academy. In previous years, the event was held

at Cohutta Springs, but church membership has grown so much among the Latin American population in the Conference that the group had to find a larger facility. Georgia-Cumberland Academy seemed like a good option, but with nearly 1,500 people in attendance this year, Ortiz wonders if they will need to find a larger venue. “The gym was at full capacity with more than 1,000 people. Then, with the youth in the chapel, we had another few hundred people; in the boys’ dorm chapel we had 100 teenagers...but this is a good problem,” shared Ortiz.

The camp meeting weekend was full

of inspiring messages, fellowship, and fun. The featured speaker, Abrahán Acosta, M.D., director of the School of Medicine at the Adventist University of Plata in Argentina, spoke on the theme, “Con Jesus Hacia la Salud Total,” which translates to, “With Jesus You Can Have Total Health.”

One of the highlights demonstrating the church growth in the Latin American culture was the afternoon baptismal service on Sabbath. More than 20 people from Hispanic congregations within the Conference, were baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

—BY REBECCA BROOKS



*Jose Escobar, pastor of the Calhoun, Ga., Hispanic church; the Rome and Cartersville, Ga., Hispanic companies; and the Adairsville, Ga., Hispanic mission group, baptizes one of the more than 20 new Seventh-day Adventists.*

## Four Ordained During Camp Meeting



*Jeff and Karen Westberg (left), Chuck and Patti Woods, Javier and Didi Diaz, and Nilton and Sara Garcia were ordained during camp meeting, June, 2007.*

Four pastors were ordained to the Gospel ministry during the first Sabbath of camp meeting.

Jeff Westberg is the pastor of the Bonifay, Marianna, and North Bay, Fla., district.

Westberg was born in Detroit, Mich. After graduating from high school, he attended Montana State University and graduated with a B.S. in psychology. He married Karen Cox in 1978 and began a career in the Air Force.

While serving in the military he earned an M.S. in counseling and completed the course work toward a Ph.D. in marriage and family life.

Religion played a minor role in the Westberg's lives during this time, but then he saw an advertisement for a Daniel and

Revelation Seminar. He and his wife, Karen, attended and were baptized. As his military career wound down, he sensed the call of God into the ministry. As a result of God's leading, and with Westberg's experience of being a lay leader at his local church, he was asked to pastor the Blue Angel, Crestview, and Milton, Fla., churches in 2001.

Chuck Woods is the pastor of the Olive Branch, Greenwood, and Water Valley, Miss., district.

He was born in Evansville, Ind. Woods' first eight years of formal education were in a one-room Adventist elementary school. After graduating from high school, Woods attended Southern Missionary College and was drafted into the U.S. Army. He first met his wife, Patti, at

vacation Bible school when he was 10 and she was four. Many years later they got married.

After leaving the Army, Woods, worked for Christian Record Braille, also as a literature evangelist, and a literature evangelist leader for the Lake Union Conference.

The family moved back

to Kentucky and he was instrumental in planting a church, and served as lay pastor for three years. In 2002 he was called to pastor in the Gulf States Conference.

Javier Diaz is currently attending the theological seminary at Andrews University. He was born in Glendale, Calif. He attended public school until his junior year of high school, when he transferred to Glendale Adventist Academy. After graduation he joined the work force. Then he moved to Miami, Fla., where he decided to attend college to become a chiropractor.

For a while Diaz left God, but God never left him. After being converted he began attending the Ebenezer Hispanic church, where he met and married

Dinorah Ulloa. After their wedding, Diaz attended Southern Adventist University and graduated in 2002 with a B.A. degree in theology and a minor in biblical languages. Upon graduation, the Diazes were called to pastor in the Gulf States Conference.

Nilton Garcia is the pastor of the Southern Mississippi Hispanic district. Garcia was born in Brazil. He was baptized into the Church when he was 13. He had already become a prosperous business man while still attending the University in Sao Paula, but his success was leading him away from God. After asking God to help him, his pastor visited him and reminded him of the mercy of Jesus. From that moment, Garcia had the unshakable conviction that God had a plan for his life. He enrolled to study theology at the Adventist University of Bolivia, however, a terrible accident involving his brother took him back to Brazil.

After returning to Brazil, Garcia met and married Sara Castro, and they dedicated their lives to serve God wherever He led them. They first worked in Ecuador, where they led the churches in small group ministry, and then in 2002, Garcia received a call to serve as a Bible worker in the Gulf States Conference.

—BY REBECCA GRICE



## Pensacola Health Fair Draws Crowd



Marilene Castro gives a healthy-cooking demonstration for the Hispanic attendees.

A health fair held on June 24 at the University Parkway church in Pensacola, Fla., attracted some 175 attendees, who took advantage of free health screenings, visited the community health resource booths set up in Pensacola Junior Academy gym, and sampled vegetarian hors

d'oeuvres. Also featured were lectures by local physicians on obesity, hypertension, and stress in both English and Spanish.

Many parents took advantage of the free school physicals for children available at the fair. The Escambia County Health Department's Shotmobile offered immunizations free to the uninsured and available to insured individuals.

Visitors particularly enjoyed the vegetarian

cooking demonstrations, which were conducted in both English and Spanish. Health screenings were provided by Baptist Heart First Community, which conducted heart-risk assessments, and West Florida Hospital, which performed cholesterol and blood pressure screenings.

Coordinator Ann Pittman noted that it was a great day to emphasize the Adventist health message, as well as to offer the church's facilities for health agencies to perform health screenings, and provide educational resources.

Church member Ann Wilson, who represented the Multiple Sclerosis Association, said that the response was enthusiastic. "This is the greatest

community event that we have had since I became a member 34 years ago."

Among the 76 participating vendors and presenters were Sacred Heart Pediatric Dental, Lakeview Center, Epilepsy Services, the Lupus Support Network, and Multiple Sclerosis Association. Massage therapist Patricia Brennan offered free neck massages. The Pensacola Jordan Street church participated in a demonstration aerobics class. As a special feature, children were invited to tour a fire engine parked in front of the building.

—BY GLENDA HASS

## Sabbath of Prayer Held at Montgomery First Church



Participants on the prayer ministries team assemble in front of the Montgomery, Ala., First church: Tammi Williams (front row, left), Amy Mapp, Cindi DeWild, Melvin Eisele, Conference president, Anna Drummond, Joyce Russell (back row, left), Tony Williams, Terry Mebarry, Bernell Mapp, and John Thurmond.

As a result of a grassroots prayer ministry, which is rapidly forming

throughout the Conference, a "Sabbath of Prayer" was held May 18 and 19

at the Montgomery First church. The purpose of the meeting was to encourage members, and train leaders to become prayer leaders.

Cindi DeWild, the Conference prayer ministries coordinator, and others on the prayer ministries team firmly believe that God is preparing to pour His Spirit upon His people with enormous power.

On Friday evening, the attendees gathered at the church for prayer and testimonies. Sabbath morning services were filled with inspiring music, prayer, and powerful demonstrations of what

God has done through the prayers of His people. Melvin Eisele, Conference president, delivered the sermon. Sabbath afternoon was devoted to seminars designed to train and equip the members who were attending from their home churches. The presenters included Amy Mapp, Mike Muse, Paul Corbier, John Thurmond, Bernell Mapp, Barry Mahorney, pastor, and Cindi DeWild.

—BY REBECCA GRICE

## MTSA Receives \$25,000 Gift

The Middle Tennessee School of Anesthesia (MTSA) was recently presented a check for \$25,000 by the Skyline Auxiliary. The funds will be used to endow a scholarship for future students. The 57-year-old school located in Madison, Tenn., is one of the largest schools of anesthesia in the United States and is located next to the Skyline Madison Campus, a facility of Skyline Medical Center.

MTSA conducts its academic classes with an exposure to Seventh-day Adventist Christian beliefs, in keeping with its Seventh-day Adventist heritage.



*Karen Karpinski (left), Skyline's director of volunteer services; Sherry Storey, Skyline Auxiliary president; Jim Closser, MTSA's vice president for advancement and alumni; and L. Phil Hunt, R.N., Ed.D., MTSA's president, stand in MTSA's Simulation Skills Center.*

MTSA functions to provide graduate education specific to anesthesia, in both academic and clinical areas, to

qualified registered nurses holding a baccalaureate degree. MTSA is the only stand-alone, single-purpose

school in the nation that offers the master of science degree with a focus in nurse anesthesia. Most of the certified registered nurse anesthetists (CRNAs) who work at Skyline received their education here, as well as the majority of other CRNAs in the region.

Skyline Auxiliary, formerly Nashville Memorial Hospital Auxiliary, was founded in 1962. The Auxiliary is a not-for-profit incorporated entity, which raises funds for a variety of community service projects, including its own scholarship program.

—BY MARVIN LOWMAN

## Manchester Members Build Church in India

The Manchester, Ky., church became aware of the great need for church buildings in India through the *Sabbath School Mission Quarterly*.

They learned through a friend, George Wheeler, that a church building was needed in a recently evangelized area near Miryalguda, in the state of Andhra Pradesh in southeast India, in the small village of Gunduboyanagudem. The church was to be named after this village. Having a church would assist

in nurturing new members, as well as encouraging others to attend.

The three adult Sabbath school classes accepted the challenge of raising \$3,500 to build the church. Each week a miniature church used to collect the funds for the project was passed around. God blessed, and the goal

was reached in six months. The collected funds were sent through the General Conference to Robert Robinson who is responsible for the construction of these mission churches in India.

The Gunduboyanagudem church was built within six weeks and was dedicated on December

1, 2006. Its size is 16 feet by 30 feet, and it seats 120 people. Wheeler visited the church on January 17, 2007, and took pictures. The Manchester church members were greatly blessed by this experience in sharing with others.

—BY DORA BATTIN





## Student LEs to Visit 100,000 Louisville Homes

The Louisville, Ky., First church is hosting a second group of student literature evangelists this summer. The plan is to visit 100,000 homes. From these visits, Bible studies are scheduled, and many will enroll in the *Discovery Bible Lessons*. Predictions are that 15,000 pieces of literature and books worth \$80,000 will be distributed.

An afternoon rally, led by Bill Taitano, Conference publishing and religious liberty director; Keith Reid, Kentucky's district leader; Kent Millard, Tennessee's



*The second group of student literature evangelists is under the leadership of T. J. Vetter and three full-time Bible workers.*

district leader; and the Bill Beckworth, Southern Union publishing director, brought encouragement to the students and full-time literature evangelists.

According to Beckworth, a mother said, "My daughter was certainly changed after her experience as a literature evangelist." From the expression on the mother's face, he wondered what she would say next. He was greatly relieved when she continued, "And, she came back a better daughter."

—BY CLIFTON KELLER

## Avalanche Ranch Held in Louisville

Recently the Louisville, Ky., First church building was transformed into a ranch with an onstage log cabin. Store fronts displayed wanted posters for "villainous" persons, such as the leader for outdoor activities, Brent Ruckle, who was "Wanted for horsin' around while on duty." On the walls were painted life-sized horses and cows, and even a realistic "barbed wire fence" made of twine.

Why this departure from the normal church ac-

tivities? Lianne McConnell, assisted by 37 adults and teenagers, produced one of the most exciting vacation Bible school programs in the church's history.

The cafeteria served trail mix and other snacks. In the workroom, children created hand-painted tee-shirts and other crafts. Outdoor activities, a video, Bible stories, and group activities enhanced the program. Avalanche Ranch was, as advertised, a wild ride through God's Word.

McConnell, who spent many hours in preparation for this year's VBS, reported that her 3-year-old daughter had just the right words at the right time, saying, "Mommy, I forgot to tell you something." After



*Tim Madding is pastor of the Louisville First church.*

a long pause she said, "I forgot to tell you, "God loves you." The three-word phrase was the slogan that every child was to repeat to their friends and families for the day. The mother indicated that those three words from her daughter made her long hours of labor worthwhile.

—BY CLIFTON KELLER



## Conference Presidents Make History

The presidents of South Atlantic and Georgia-Cumberland conferences participated in an historic event as the leaders exchanged pulpits during their respective camp meetings.

Vanard Mendinghall, South Atlantic president, spoke at Georgia-Cumberland's camp meeting held on the campus of Southern Adventist University in Collegedale, Tenn., for its Sabbath evening vespers service.

Edward Wright, Georgia-Cumberland president,

spoke on the second Sabbath of South Atlantic's camp meeting during the ordination service at the River Oaks Worship and Convention Center in Orangeburg, S.C.

Patrick Carter, pastor of the Anderson/Greenwood, S.C., district; Roberto Guerrero, pastor of the Athens/Snellville, Ga., district; and Carl McRoy, Conference newly appointed publishing director, were ordained.

The two presidents are constantly advancing opportunities for their conferences to partner in an initiative that will lead into the 2010 General Conference Session in Atlanta, Ga.

The Southern Union executive staff



Edward Wright (left), Georgia-Cumberland president; and Vanard Mendinghall, South Atlantic president, exchange pulpits during their respective camp meetings.

attended the first Sabbath of camp meeting as the Conference burned the mortgage for the 4,500-seat Worship and Convention Center. The facility was opened in 2001 at a cost of \$2.3 million.

Emil Peeler, pastor of the Dupont Park church in Washington, D.C., was the divine

worship speaker for the first Sabbath, and Barry Black, Chaplain for the U.S. Senate, spoke for the second Sabbath service.

—BY JAMES K. LAMB



Dennis Millburn (left), Southern Union undertreasurer; Tom Evans, Southern Union treasurer; Larry Johnson, Conference treasurer; Vanard Mendinghall, Conference president; Linwood Stone, former treasurer; Gordon Retzer, Southern Union president; and William Winston, Conference executive secretary, participate in the mortgage burning ceremony.



Vanard Mendinghall (left), Conference president; Tara and Patrick Carter; Dana and Roberto Guerrero; Luceta and Carl McRoy; and William Winston, Conference executive secretary, assemble for a group photo after the ordination service.

## Charlotte and Raleigh Schools Visit Panama

Students and faculty members from Berean Junior Academy in Charlotte, N.C., partnered with Gethsemane SDA School in Raleigh, N.C., and embarked upon a seven-day mission trip to Panama, Central America, April 18-25, 2007.

Henrietta Bishop, the principal of Berean Junior Academy traveled with her students, Briana Hayden, Jareem and Jemiel Haynes, Amber Jones, John Phil-

lips, Raynard Williams, and Micayla Jones.

Equilla Wright, principal of Gethsemane, had a student representative, Briana Gabriel, to participate as well. The group was chaperoned by Brenda Buie, John Livingston, and Lewis Cook.

The mission trip proved to be a rewarding experience for everyone who participated. The group went to Panama to assist with

building projects for the Adventist school there. They also had an opportunity to attend church services at the local Adventist church and were prepared to give gifts to the senior citizens.

One of the high points of the trip was when the students visited the Panama Canal, which presented an opportunity to experience the historic site they had studied about in social studies.

This trip not only was a



The students and staff help to install a new fence around the school.

blessing to the people and students in Panama, but also helped to enlighten the lives of those who traveled to Panama.

—BY HENRIETTA BISHOP



## Burlington Church Holds Wellness Walk



Approximately 65 people participated in the Philadelphia church's third annual Wellness Walk at Joe Davidson Park in Burlington, N.C., on June 2, 2007. The event was advertised in the local newspaper by Healthy Alamance, a countywide health initiative

in which the church is one of the original partners.

The event was spearheaded by Renee' Lea-Currie, health ministries leader and Healthy Alamance board member. This year's theme was "Now Is the Time." According to Lea-Currie, "As Seventh-day

Adventists, we have a duty to demonstrate the health benefits of obeying God's Word. The greatest ministry we each have is how we live our daily lives. People

really pay attention to what we eat and how we take care of our bodies. As brothers and sisters in Christ, we should be constantly encouraging each other."

Activities included a three-mile walk, healthy



*People of all ages participated in the walk.*

foods tasting, healthy shopping tips and coupons, free blood pressure checks, free health information, and drawings for prizes.

—BY VEDA HOWELL

## Atlanta Berean Hosts Christian Block Party

The members of Berean church in Atlanta, Ga., came out in force as they hosted a pre-evangelistic neighborhood Christian Block Party. The event took place on a Sabbath afternoon one week before the summer evangelistic initiative. Members stayed after the divine worship service and enjoyed a din-

ner prepared by the hospitality committee.

After eating and fellowshiping, hundreds of members, attired with their "Christian Block Party" t-shirts, converged on the Allen Hills community.

The deacons of the church transported and set up the stage, a generator for the sound system,

tables, and chairs for the event. Music groups from the Atlanta area provided inspirational music, and the Berean Pathfinder Drum Corp participated as well.

Flyers for the upcoming "Revelation 2007" meeting were distributed as Carlton Byrd, senior pastor, invited the community to the meeting.

Those in attendance were encouraged to fill out registration cards which Byrd used to draw names for free gifts that day.

This was a joint effort for the members working with various church departments. The health and temperance department



*Hundreds of Atlanta Berean church members supported the event.*

conducted health screenings, the children's ministries department registered children for vacation Bible school, and the community services department distributed food and served watermelon to the attendees.

—BY JAMES K. LAMB



*Carlton Byrd, senior pastor, presents a gift to one of the residents attending the Christian Block Party.*

# Southern Union Conference

# Health Professionals' Retreat

October 11-14, 2007

## CONTINUING EDUCATION

### ■ Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists

**Topics:** Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) and Basic Life Support (CPR) Renewal Courses

**Accreditation:** 7 hours of continuing education are being applied for and are pending approval from the American Association of Nurse Anesthetists (AANA).

**Schedule:** Thursday - 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.  
Friday - 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

**Instructors:** Faculty from Florida Hospital AHA Training Center  
Evelyn Courson, RN, BS, CCRN  
Jean Turcotte, RN, MA, CCRN  
Susan Whitney RN, MS, PCCN  
Janet Celli, RN, BSN, PCCN  
Doug Crookston, CCEMT-P

### ■ Nurse/Nurse Practitioner

**Topics:** HPV and Gardasil: The Whole Truth  
Breakfast: Gateway to Lifestyle Change  
Diabetes: Discoveries and Dilemmas  
Asperger's Syndrome: The Geek Syndrome  
Osteoporosis  
Law and Order for Nurses

**Accreditation:** Southern Adventist University (SAU), accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, and the National League of Nurses, authorizes up to 7 hours of continuing education.

**Instructors:** Southern Adventist University School of Nursing  
Barbara James, DSN, RN, CNE, Professor and Dean  
Sylvia Mayer, RN, MS, Associate Professor  
Holly Gadd, Ph.D., APRN, BC, FNP, Professor, Graduate Program Coordinator  
Bonnie Freeland, MSN, FNP-BC, Associate Professor  
Shirley Spears, MS, RNCS, ANP, Associate Professor  
Pamela Ahlfeld, MS, RN, Associate Professor, Undergraduate Program Coordinator

### ■ Physical Therapy

**Topic:** Therapeutic Exercise for Special Populations

**Accreditation:** 7 credit hours of continuing education are being applied for and are pending approval from the states of Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, and Tennessee. North and South Carolina do not preapprove.

**Instructor:** John Carlos, Jr., P.T., Ph.D., Professor of Physical Therapy, Andrews University

### ■ Respiratory Therapy

**Topics:** Medication Errors/Patient Safety (2 hours)  
Chest Film Assessment (2 hours)  
Perfecting Precepting Skills (1 hour)  
Promoting Professional Practice/Team Building (1 hour)  
Internet Resources for the Respiratory Therapist (1 hour)

**Accreditation:** 7 hours of continuing education are being applied for and are pending approval from the American Association for Respiratory Care (AARC).

**Instructors:** Florida Hospital Medical Center, Orlando, Florida  
Richard A. Hicks, BS, RRT, Director, Osceola Division, Department of Respiratory Care  
Susan K. Warren, BS, RRT, Staff Development Coordinator, Department of Respiratory Care

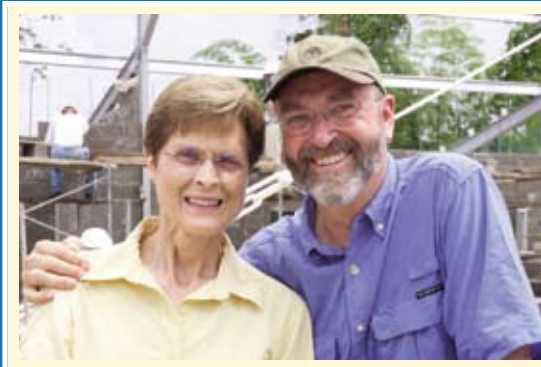
### ■ Health Ministries

**Topics:** The Feeling Good Seeker – Personal Guidelines  
The Empty Sky Searcher – Guidelines for the Bible and Spirit of Prophecy  
The Head of Our Time Seer – Scientific Guidelines  
The Silver Bullet of Health  
Physical Activity, Obesity, and Diabetes  
Physical Activity and the Older Adult

**Accreditation:** North American Division Health Certification

**Instructors:** Don Morgan, Ph.D., Professor, Department of Health and Human Performance, Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, TN  
Stoy Proctor, M.Div., MPH, Associate Director of Health Ministries, General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists





## Weekend Speaker

### Dick Duerksen

Assistant to the President of Maranatha Volunteers International

**Friday night:** "Peter as Healer"

**Sabbath School:** "Soy Milk, American Flags, and Drill Bits"

**Worship Hour:** "Why God Made Chairs"

**Sabbath Vespers:** "The Anatomy of Love"

### Registration Form

**Registration Fee: \$50.00** (non-refundable)

I would like to register for the following CE class:

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Child care will be provided Friday evening for ages 1-6.

Sabbath school and church will be provided for all age groups.

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### Conference Information

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Room registration deadline: September 10, 2007

### Meals

You are responsible for your own meals. Arrange for Sabbath noon meal with the hotel restaurant on Friday.

### Conference Registration

Lower Level Lobby (bottom of stairs)

Thursday, October 11, 2007 3:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Friday, October 12, 2007 7:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

### Sabbath Services

Friday Evening Vespers

Sabbath School and Worship Hour

Sabbath Vespers

## Thousands “Getting Ready for Eternity”

God’s presence was felt at the South Central camp meeting June 8-16, 2007. In his introductory comments, Benjamin P. Browne, Conference president, stated, “We will review the history of the Conflict of the Ages, presenting the patience, compassion, and love of Divinity in this great controversy, utilizing the theme, *Getting Ready for Eternity*.”

John Nixon, D.Min., senior pastor, Colledale, Tenn., church, opened Friday evening, June 8, with a spiritually motivating message on the “Spirit of the Gospel.” Ron Smith, D.Min., Ph.D., Southern Union Conference executive secretary, spoke Sabbath morning, with a challenging message on equipping God’s children for “The Fundamental War of All Wars.”

On the second Sabbath, Wintley Phipps, director, World of Praise Television; pastor of the Palm Bay, Fla., church; and president of U.S. Dream Academy, reminded the campers



Thousands gathered at Oakwood College’s campus church in Huntsville, Ala., to attend camp meeting, June 8-16, 2007. Inset photos: John Nixon (left), Ron Smith, and Wintley Phipps.

that when the controversy is over “God Will Restore.”



Benjamin P. Browne, Conference president

The record crowd reached 4,000-plus before 10 a.m. People were redirected to overflow sites at varied locations on campus: auditoriums, lobbies, anywhere

closed circuit viewing was available. In addition, hundreds of children, youth, and young adults gath-

ered at designated campus locations for their divine worship services. More than 6,000 were in attendance, reported Dana Edmond, Conference executive secretary.

The youth and young adult theme, *Nothing Else Matters*, focused on experiencing practical ways to live and share the love of Jesus.

Vandeon Griffin, Conference youth director and his team, highlighted activities by celebrating South Central’s 20th camp meeting olympics.

Brenda Harrigan, children’s ministries director

and her volunteers, provided life-changing, spiritual, educational, and social activities for 400-plus eager children. Their theme was, *A Neck-Up Check-Up* for Agapeland’s morning events. Their worship topic was “How to be Anchored in Jesus.”

Women’s ministries day was extraordinary. The South Central women are on the move for God. Director Shirley Scott and her associates believe women’s ministries exists to be

an expression of God’s love and grace as they share the Gospel for the purpose of building His Kingdom.

Departmental directors and their team of supporters and laborers were on task. The workshops and activities were excellent.

The 61st camp meeting transformed and renewed minds with a readiness for eternity. From beginning to end, at all levels, many campers expressed their gratitude for blessings received and acknowledged glimpses of God’s glory.

—BY MICHAEL HARPE



Members from various countries residing in South Central participated in a Parade of Nations on the final Sabbath during introit. This was an exciting new feature.



Teen campers enjoyed youth workshops, worship services, olympics, and social activities.

PHOTOS: FRED PULLINS

MICHAEL HARPE



## Pastors Ordained During Camp Meeting



*Dennis Ross, Jr., Southern Union Conference ministerial director*



*Alfonzo and Mary Greene with daughter Chimere Cynthia*



*Edgardo and Maria Herrera with children Ewerd and Genesis*



*Toussaint and LaKeisha Williams with son Eleazar*

Wintley A. Phipps set the tone for the ordination service with a pre-ordination concert on Sabbath, June 16, 2007.

Dennis Ross, Jr., Southern Union Conference ministerial and evangelism director, counseled, challenged, and inspired the ordinands and campers from God's Word about the practical realities of ministry in today's church with the message, "Without a Preacher."

Alfonzo Greene, Edgardo Herrera, and Toussaint Williams were ordained. Their wives were recognized and charged by Janice Browne, wife of Benjamin P. Browne, Conference president, who eloquently spoke the charge in Spanish for Maria Herrera.

Alfonzo Greene, III, received a bachelor of arts in theology from Oakwood College in May of 2001, and was extended a call to serve in South Central.

He earned a master of divinity from Andrews University Theological Seminary in

Berrien Springs, December, 2003.

In January, 2004, Greene was assigned to First, Ephesus, and New Covenant churches in Springfield, Clarksville, and Gallatin, Tenn. He currently serves the Maranatha and First churches in Tuscaloosa and Eutaw, Ala. Greene is married to his high school sweetheart, the former Mary Okike, also an Oakwood College graduate, who is a certified public accountant. Their daughter, Chimere Cynthia, is three months old.

Edgardo José Herrera

received a master of divinity from Andrews University Theological Seminary. On May 30, 2003, Herrera accepted a call to serve South Central as the coordinator of Latino ministries and as a pastor. He currently serves as director of Latino ministries, and pastors the Orchard Park Spanish Mission in Chattanooga, Tenn., and the Agape church in Crossville, Ala.

Herrera is married to Maria Isabel Acevedo; they have one son, Ewerd, and one daughter, Genesis.

Toussaint Williams began his collegiate career

at Oakwood College as a nursing major. Looking to complete his requirement for religion classes, he enrolled in "Introduction to Ministry." At the course's end, he realized that he was not in the class by accident. From that point, he experienced a strong sense of peace as he pursued a degree in theology.

After graduating from Oakwood, Williams received a call to serve in South Central. He completed a master's in theology at Andrews University Theological Seminary. His pastoral career started in the Radcliff and Campbellsville, Ky., district.

He currently pastors Hillsview church in Birmingham, Ala., and Macedonia church in Pell City, Ala.

Williams is married to his high school sweetheart, the former LaKeisha Bonner. They have one two-year-old son, Eleazar Toussaint. His son's name is his life's motto. Eleazar means "God is my helper."

—BY MICHAEL HARPE



*Newly ordained pastors and wives greet Charles E. Dudley (center), former South Central president, and his wife, Etta.*

## Miami Union Academy Serves in Jamaica

The Bible is replete with stories that demonstrate the example of ministry and selflessness given by Jesus while He was on Earth.

On numerous occasions, Jesus was seen healing the lepers, communing with tax collectors and prostitutes, and serving mankind in every way, while others simply took notice and questioned or ridiculed these acts.

Today, it is easy for us to become active in community service, but we must never lose sight of the true origin of this ministry.



*Ben Garcia, pastor, sits with a student from the Trench Town school.*

On November 5-12, 2006, Miami Union Academy made history by traveling to one of Kingston, Jamaica's challenging neighborhoods.



*Miami Union Academy Jamaica mission trip team*

The mission trip destination was Trench Town. The news of this trip was shared with the constituency and community, but limited encouragement or support was given. Many parents felt that this site was inappropriate for the youth, and feared the chosen neighborhood.

A total of 22 individuals accepted the call and braved the trip: 15 students, four staff members, and three community friends raised the required funds for the flight, room and board, local transportation, meals, and supplies, and boarded the flight to Jamaica.

Faith, determination, and dependency on a High Power allowed the team to fulfill its commission.

During the week-long visit, a lot of hard work was accomplished. Each member of the team traveled to Jamaica with his or her own paint rod, brush, and pan. The main task for the trip was to paint the outside structure of the

Trench Town church and school. The team started at 8 a.m., and worked through the day until evening. The students helped to complete the tasks and without complaining.

Clothing was distributed to members of the community through the church's community service department, and 25 students from the Trench Town School were "adopted."

Each MUA student and staff claimed one Jamaican student and pledge to contribute to their Christian education for the next year. Each MUA sponsor has an endearing picture of themselves with "their child," who will receive the year's tuition, which is equivalent to \$100 US for the year.

The students had the opportunity to interact and make friends with the Trench Town community, church members, and Jamaican students. The students actively witnessed to the educational goals of the school and to the mission of the Church.

The MUA students were blessed to work and play hard, as they took some time to enjoy Jamaica and its enchantment.



*Ranee Hodge paints the school*

Sabbath morning was spent worshipping at Northern Caribbean Adventist University church in Mandeville, Jamaica, where the team joined in the celebration of 100 years of Adventism in Jamaica.

To read the complete story and view the photo gallery, visit [www.secsda.org](http://www.secsda.org).

—BY SHELLY GARNER



## Youth Attend Pure Reality Abstinence Summit

Recently, "Pure Reality" a divine event for more than 300 youth from different Adventist churches and other denominations, assembled for one spiritual powerhouse experience at Lighthouse church in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Phillipa Turner, a Lighthouse church prayer warrior, founder and president of Praying Moms International, facilitated the devotional assemblies.

Speakers included David L. Peay, pastor; Selwyn Carrington, M.D.; Robert Henley, Conference communication director, technology, and interactive ministries; Ed Williams, radio and television broadcasting personality from WPBT Channel 2; Marjorie

C. Alexis, attorney; Jonathan Rolle, counselor; and Frederick A. Whitlow, pastor.

The program boasted a wealth of spiritually able individuals inspired to reach the hearts and minds of young people. The focus was on building strong characters, sexuality, and the promotion of abstinence until marriage. The vision helps to endorse and shape the community, one youth at a time.

The messages were dynamic and heart searching, tears rolled down the cheeks of the attendees when Peay spoke on the realities of his life as a youth.



David Peay, pastor, prays with the youth during the anointing service.

Experiencing the praise and worship segment brought about a sense of fellowship and harmony only God can provide.

At the conclusion of the event, 23 individuals were won for the Lord and were baptized in the river at Camp Kulaqua.

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—BY JULIA TEDIM

## Maranatha Celebrates Education Day

The Maranatha church, in Tallahassee, Fla., held its annual Education Day and graduation on May 19, 2007.

Presenter Ruth Swan, a faculty administrator at Florida A&M University, took her message from Isaiah 55:8, 9. She explained that Moses was taught the Word of God from a child. He became a humble and dutiful young man, and grew to be strong because his mother did her job preparing him for Heaven.

The education department planned the graduation ceremony to commend its four high school seniors for excellence in high academics and achievements earned during the 2006-2007 school year.

Cassandra Bell, Ruth Ralph, Candice Bates, and Brittany Binford will each attend a college or university in the fall.

Maranatha's education

department also honored Lennie Robinson for 35 years of teaching service in Wakulla County.


She taught adult basic education for more than six years. She also taught grades 3 and 4 at Shadeville Elementary School for 36 years, and retired from her career on May 30, 2007.

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—BY PHILLIPPA JAMES



Lennie Robinson shares a few memories with the members of Maranatha.



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## President's Dinosaur Dig Unearths Past

Southern Adventist University alumni literally touched the prehistoric past during the inaugural President's Dinosaur Dig at Hanson Research Station in Newcastle, Wy., in June.

The group from Southern joined the University's collaborative effort with Southwestern Adventist University to study dinosaurs from a biblical perspective. Participants

studied evidence of bones being washed randomly into the bone layer—strongly suggesting a major deposit by floodwaters that is consistent with the biblical account of the flood.

“For myself, it was a galvanizing-of-faith experience,” says Leslie Ann Schwarzer of Southern's advancement office. “Seeing the actual bones and the consistency in the

evidence pointing to a global flood has increased my confidence level that the Bible is relevant, it is accurate, and God can be trusted.”

—BY ANH PHAM



*Participants prepare a large bone for transport to Southwestern Adventist University, where it will be identified, cleaned, and cataloged.*

## Transcultural Nursing Offered

A new class at Southern called transcultural nursing will give nursing students a glimpse of the cultural diversity they will encounter in the field and better prepare them to cater to patients' cultural needs.

“The world we live in is constantly changing,”

says Jillian Wills, transcultural nursing professor, as she explains that it is the role of the health care provider to work with patients to deliver care that fits within their cultural belief systems and practices.

Wills plans to address a variety of topics in the

class including transcultural perspectives in childbearing and rearing, the influence of cultural and health belief systems on health care practices, and how to create culturally competent organizations.

“This class will benefit students by helping them

become aware that everyone is not ‘just like them’ and everyone deserves care that will meet his or her cultural needs,” says Wills. “It will also remind them that everyone, no matter how different, is precious in God's sight.”

—BY JAIME MYERS

## Students Observe Asian Business Practices

Students from Southern's school of business and management explored and studied the expanding economy of China during a study tour this summer where they observed retail models and street markets in Beijing, Xi'an, Shanghai, and Hong Kong.

“From a business perspective, it is essential to learn more of the Chinese culture,” says graduate health care administration student Marianela Osorio. She explained that the United State's purchases of

Chinese goods have increased 40 percent since 2000, with Americans spending \$152 billion annually on Chinese-manufactured goods.

Led by Braam Oberholster, business and management professor at Southern, the group visited many factories,



*Some of the China Study Tour participants, Jesse Walters (left), Mathew Marlin, Luis Jimenez, and Marianela Osorio, stroll along the Great Wall.*

including those for Volkswagen and Coca Cola. The group also met with business executives and interacted with Chinese university students.

“It has been one of the most surreal, exciting, and interesting trips I have ever taken,” Osorio comments. “I learned so much of their culture and the way they do business, practiced my bargaining skills, and even learned some Mandarin.”

—BY ANH PHAM



# PATHFINDER RADIO IS ON-THE-AIR

BY KEN GRANT

In the summer of 2005 the Lord impressed me to start a radio station. I had been toying with the idea ever since I met Mel Wall, an old radio man in his own right. But, to actually do it was another thing.

I started getting emails about starting your own radio station online. This was something I really had not thought about. I have always thought of radio as either AM or FM, but certainly not Internet. Besides who listens to Internet radio?

The impressions kept getting stronger and stronger. I told the Lord that I did not have time to start a radio station. I was working full-time, and the overtime was great.

Then I made that fatal request. You know the one. Yeah, that one, where you say Lord if you want me to do it, free up my time and I will do it. I have always heard the phrase, "Be careful what you ask for; you might just get it."

On December 16, 2005, my doctor put me on disability. I tried to refuse it, but she was very insistent. Now I had all the time I needed to start that radio station. So, on January 1, 2006, I stepped out in faith, and AIRJax.org was born.

Because of my disability, I lost my full-time job. I had no income for almost a year, other than my military retirement pay, which is not enough to live on. But, every month, the bills



*Jamichael Folson stands inside the Pathfinder Radio booth during Red Zone on the first Sunday during the Florida Conference camp meeting, as he prepares to record some interviews while inquisitive Pathfinders and Jamichael's father, Albert Folson (right), look the booth over.*

were paid and there was food on the table. On more than one occasion, people came to me and said they were impressed by the Holy Spirit to help me financially. The Lord is still impressing people who will allow Him to use them for His cause.

AIRJax was only the beginning—the Lord laid Pathfinder Radio on my heart.

Jamichael Folson and I, as well as some of the other Pathfinder staff at Jacksonville First church, started building PathfinderRadio.com in January, 2007. We finally got it on-the-air, 24 hours each day—seven days per week in March, 2007, and have established a presence in the worldwide venue. We have put together a safe listening format for the youth, one that is designed to help lead and keep them focused on Jesus Christ. We are looking for news reporters, from clubs all over the world, to present the excit-

ing things happening in their territories. We are encouraging Pathfinders to produce their own radio programs, with the spiritual guidelines Pathfinder clubs uphold. We are looking for jingles and talented people who would like their talent aired.

There are more than 70 million listeners on Internet radio stations each day. Our mission is to reach as many of them as possible. The costs to operate the station is expensive, but our God is still in control, and I believe He will keep this ministry alive.

I really believe that the Lord's hand is in this endeavor.

I have seen too many miracles to not believe it. Since Pathfinder Radio has started, Satan's attacks have greatly increased. But, God is good, and the reward at the end of the day will far outweigh anything Satan can put on us. Pathfinder Radio will keep surviving and with God's grace will lead a lot of individuals to Him.

If you feel impressed to learn more about Pathfinder Radio, or you just want to listen, please visit our website at [www.PathfinderRadio.com](http://www.PathfinderRadio.com). You can also send an email to [ken@PathfinderRadio.com](mailto:ken@PathfinderRadio.com), or you can snail mail us at Pathfinder Radio, Jacksonville First SDA Church, PO Box 6977, Jacksonville, FL 32226.

*Ken Grant is the president and chairman of the board for Pathfinder Radio, Pathfinder administrative director for the Jacksonville First church, and the Master Guide coordinator for the Florida Conference.*



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Aug. 25. Maranatha in Miami.

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Sept. 8. St. Petersburg.

Sept. 9. Clearwater, New Port Richey, Spring Hill, Brooksville, East Pasco in Zephyrhills, Plant City.

Sept. 15. Naples.

Sept. 16. Ft. Myers, Ft. Myers Shores, Arcadia, Lakeland, Lakeview, Winter Haven.

Sept. 22. Sunrise.

Sept. 23. Plantation, Lauderdale. (Southeastern Conference: Mt. Olivet.)

Oct. 13. Tallahassee.

Oct. 14. Perry, Cross City, Ocala, Silver Springs Shores, Belleview, Inverness.

Oct. 20. Port Charlotte.

Oct. 21. North Port, Venice-Nokomis, Sarasota, West Coast Christian Academy in Bradenton, Brandon, Tampa First.

Oct. 27. West Palm Beach.

Oct. 28. Midport Road in Port St. Lucie, Fort Pierce, Cocoa, Titusville. (Southeastern Conference: Port St. Lucie, Palm Bay.)

**Evangelism Series**

Aug. 25-Sept. 1. Clearwater

Spanish. Rolando de los Ríos.

Sept. 15-22. Kissimmee

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Oct. 27-Nov. 3. Marion Oaks

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**Planned Giving Clinics and Seminars**

Aug. 25. Advent Praise and Worship in Pembroke Pines.

Aug. 25-26. Northwest Dade in Hialeah.

Sept. 8. Homestead Spanish.

Sept. 15. South Dade Spanish in Miami.

Dec. 1. Communities West in Loxahatchee.

Dec. 15. Victory in Port Saint Lucie.

**Florida Prison Ministries Workshop**—Aug. 25. Silver Springs Shores church. 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Frank Barton, director/chaplain, will conduct this 5 1/2-hour prison ministry and LAMB (Love A Mother's Baby) workshop. Details: [fbartonsr@yahoo.com](mailto:fbartonsr@yahoo.com), 352-728-1229, or 352-408-1844.

**English-language Family Retreat**—Aug. 31-Sept. 3. Camp Kulaqua, High Springs. Details: <http://www.campkulaqua.com/> or 386-454-1351.

**Children's Ministries Fall Convention**—Sept. 14-16. Pine Lake Retreat, Groveland. Theme: Preparing Our Children for Heaven. Presenters: Jerry Thomas, Dr. Elaine Kennedy, Oz and Wilde children's ministries comedy duo. Details: [rhoda.burrill@floridaconference.com](mailto:rhoda.burrill@floridaconference.com) or 407-644-5000 x136, or 321-303-7699.

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**Drs. Ron & Nancy Rockey Life Renewal Seminar**—Oct. 12, 7-9:30 p.m., Oct. 13, 2-7 p.m., Oct. 14, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Jacksonville Mandarin church. Open to church members only. Details: <http://www.yourlri.com/seminars.cfm>, [rhoda.burrill@floridaconference.com](mailto:rhoda.burrill@floridaconference.com), 407-644-5000 x136 or 321-303-7699.

**Collegiate and Young Adult Retreat**—Oct. 26-28. Camp Kulaqua, High Springs. Details: 407-644-5000 x129.

## Georgia-Cumberland

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**Teacher's Convention**—Aug. 6-8. Cohutta Springs.

**Homeland Lay Evangelism Training**—Aug. 10-12. Duluth, GA.

**First Day of School**—Aug. 15. Conference-wide.

**Living Free Training (Health) with Vicki Griffin**—Aug. 17-19. Ooltewah, TN.

**Pathfinder Leadership Convention**—Aug. 17-19.

**Hope for Hurting Hearts II**—Aug. 17-19. Chattanooga, TN.

**Church Ministries Planning Retreat**—Aug. 22-24.

**GOD in SHOES**—Sept. 4-16. Sneedville, TN.

**Women of Spirit Family Day**—Sept. 8. Iles P.E. Center. Collegedale, TN.

**Adventurer Ministries Convention**—Sept. 14-16.

**Sabbath in the Smokies**—Sept. 14-16.

**Retired Workers Retreat**—Sept. 14-16. Cohutta Springs.

**Young Adult Retreat**—Sept. 21-23. Cohutta Springs.

**Festival of the Laity**—Sept. 26-29. Orlando, FL.

## Gulf States

**Ministers' and Educators' Retreat**—Aug. 5-8. Bass Memorial Academy.

**Literature Evangelist Retreat**—Aug. 9-12. Camp Alamisco.

**Youth Leadership Weekend**—Aug. 17-19. Camp Alamisco.

Executive Committee—Aug. 28. Conference Office.

**Elder's Training #2**—Sept. 7-9. Camp Alamisco.

**Hispanic Camp Meeting**—Sept. 14-16. Camp Alamisco.

**Junior Academy Prayer Conference**—Sept. 21-23. Camp Alamisco.

## Kentucky-Tennessee

**Conference Association Board**—Sept. 18. Nov. 27.

**Conference Executive Committee**

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**Women's Ministries Executive Committee**—Aug. 12.

**Young Women's Retreat**—Sept. 21-23. Indian Creek Camp.

**Women's Fall Retreat I**—Sept. 28-30. Indian Creek Camp.

**Women's Fall Retreat II**—Oct. 5-7. Indian Creek Camp.

**Re:frame Seminar—Understanding the Secular Post-Modern World**—Oct. 26-28.

**Women's Ministry Executive Committee**—Nov. 4.

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**New Student Orientation**—Aug. 26-29.

**Classes Begin**—Aug. 30.

**Preview Southern**—Oct. 11, 12.

## Southern Union

**Academy Bible Conference**—Sept. 14-16. Indian Creek Camp.

**Pathfinder Camporee**—Sept. 26-30. Camp Kulaqua. High Springs, FL.

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| Charleston, SC  | 8:13    | 8:06    | 7:58    | 7:49    | 7:40    | 7:31     |
| Charlotte, NC   | 8:20    | 8:13    | 8:04    | 7:55    | 7:45    | 7:36     |
| Collegedale, TN | 8:37    | 8:29    | 8:21    | 8:12    | 8:02    | 7:52     |
| Huntsville, AL  | 7:42    | 7:35    | 7:27    | 7:18    | 7:08    | 6:58     |
| Jackson, MS     | 7:53    | 7:46    | 7:38    | 7:30    | 7:21    | 7:12     |
| Louisville, KY  | 8:46    | 8:37    | 8:28    | 8:18    | 8:08    | 7:57     |
| Memphis, TN     | 7:57    | 7:49    | 7:41    | 7:32    | 7:22    | 7:12     |
| Miami, FL       | 8:02    | 7:57    | 7:51    | 7:44    | 7:37    | 7:29     |
| Montgomery, AL  | 7:37    | 7:30    | 7:22    | 7:14    | 7:05    | 6:56     |
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