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Service, Do it Cheerfully!

Martha, Mary, and Lazarus, one family, under the same roof, sharing common areas. There is not much biographical information about the trio, but one thing is for sure, they were Jesus' faithful followers and friends (see John 12:1-3).

The little we know about them is sufficient to draw an illustration of devout service and unwavering commitment to God. The way they conducted their lives is worth our attention from the spiritual standpoint of service. In one of His frequent visits to their home, all of the disciples were there with Him. For Jesus, it was much like going over to see family.

No doubt in these visits, all three worked with the purpose of serving their guest of honor. It is reasonable to suggest that they didn't argue over the best seat or who was better qualified, nor did they resent each other's abilities. There was no time for trying to outdo each other. Their Guest would not have enjoyed that spirit among the host, friends, or family. Instead, each fulfilled their assignment in his or her unique way.

Martha assigned a task to everyone and she was pretty busy as she served others. Have you ever known someone in church like Martha? Because of Martha the church budget gets balanced, the building gets built, communion gets served, and even flowers get a fresh look each week. You only notice a Martha when she is missing. Marthas do not live off applause, since they do not seek the spotlight.

Then there is Mary. I mean, who has time to sit and listen when there is bread to be baked, tables to be set, and souls to be saved? There is a place for praise and worship and that is what Mary was doing. Do you need prayers, praise, thanksgiving, or just

someone to lead your church or group into worship? Marys are so needed. We need them to pray for our children and young people, for our marriages, and to bring revival into our soul. God loves worship and He enjoys having us at His feet.

How about our friend, Lazarus? Well, he had a story to tell, especially after he was raised from the dead. At the feast hosted by Simon the Pharisee at his home for Jesus and His disciples, many Jews and Greek folks showed up. They came not so much to see Jesus, but to hear Lazarus' story. What a testimony! Could it be that some people are getting to know Jesus today, mainly because your life experience has impacted them positively? It's possible.

"We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully"—Romans 12:6-8, NIV.

Martha served, Mary worshiped, and Lazarus had a story to tell. As you contemplate your spiritual walk, think of people in church, each one with different skills, abilities, and life experiences not similar to yours. With all our perceived differences, we can serve and honor Jesus. Could Jesus' friends do without one of the three? Can our church effectively do ministry without one of the three? It is my prayer for each of us to find ourselves serving God and others. ☺

Elias F. Zabala, Sr., is the Atlantic Union Conference treasurer and trust services director.



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“Those who impart to others of the riches of the grace of heaven, will be themselves enriched.”

BY ELLEN G. WHITE

“Jesus took the loaves; and when he had given thanks, he distributed to the disciples, and the disciples to them that were set down; and likewise of the fishes as much as they would. When they were filled, he said unto his disciples, Gather up the fragments that remain, that nothing be lost. Therefore they gathered them together, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley loaves, which remained over and above unto them that had eaten.” [John 6:11-13]

By this miracle Christ has shown how missionary work is to be bound up with the ministry of the word. Not only did the Master give the people spiritual food; by a miracle he also provided temporal food to satisfy their physical hunger. This merciful provision helped to fasten in the minds of the people the gracious words of truth

which he had spoken. Following his example, his disciples are to take the bread of life and the water of salvation and give to those who are longing for spiritual help. And as there is need, they are to feed the hungry and clothe the naked. The beauty and utility of the work we do for God consists in its symmetry and harmony, and in its all-round adaptability and efficiency.

This miracle is an object-lesson for us. It contains lessons of deep import, which, though they lie beneath the surface, will be discerned and appreciated by those who have cultivated their perceptive faculties. By this miracle Christ desires to teach us the truth of the words, “Without me ye can do nothing.” [John 15:5] He is the source of all power, the giver of all temporal and spiritual blessings. He employs human beings as co-workers, giving them a part to act with him as

his helping hand. We are to receive from him, not to hoard for self-gratification, but to impart to others. And as we do this work, let us not suppose that we are to receive the glory. All the glory is to be given to the great Master-Worker. The disciples were not to receive the glory for feeding the five thousand. They were only the instruments used by the Lord.

Those who work for Christ are never to think that the credit for their success belongs to them. God's name is to receive all the glory. He it is who accomplishes the work. He, the great Master-Worker, slumbers not. Constantly he is working for the harmonious accomplishment of his purposes. He entrusts talents to human beings that they may co-operate with him. They are ever to remember that they are but instruments in his hands. "He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord." [1 Corinthians 1:31] "The Lord reigneth; let the people tremble; he sitteth between the cherubim, let the earth be moved. The Lord is great in Zion; and he is high above all the people. Let them praise thy great and terrible name; for it is holy." [Psalm 99:1-3]

Christ gave the bread to the disciples, to be given by them to the multitude. By the part which the disciples acted in this miracle is illustrated the part which Christ's disciples in all ages are to act. From him they are to receive the precious truth to give to those who are fainting by the wayside. And as they empty their hands in imparting to the hungry, they receive more to impart.

Christ is the light of the world. Those who walk in this light are charmed by its beauty, and are filled with a desire to share it with others. Their hearts are illuminated by the grace of Christ, and they become light-bearers. Their light shines more and more unto the perfect day.

Thus it was with Philip. After he had been called by Christ, he could not keep to himself the knowledge he had found. Going to Nathanael, he said, "We have found him, of whom Moses in the law, and the prophets did write, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." [John 1:45] "Can there any good thing come out of Nazareth?" Nathanael asked. But Philip did not stop to argue. "Come and see," was all he said. [John 1:46] As he thus showed his faith in the Saviour, he received increased light.

He who has really accepted Christ will not be satisfied to enjoy the divine favor without giving to others the joy that cheers his soul. The purest and holiest devotion is that which leads to persevering, unselfish effort for the salvation of those outside the fold.

Christ calls upon his followers to work earnestly for those for whom he has made such a wonderful sacrifice. When the mind, instead of being centered on self, is occupied in seeking to enrich poverty-stricken souls, the treasure of God's love—the golden oil from the two olive-trees—is poured into the heart. Those who impart to others of the riches of the grace of heaven, will be themselves enriched. The ministering angels are waiting, longing, for channels through which they can communicate the treasures of heaven. Men and women can reach the highest stage of mental and moral development only by co-operating with Jesus in unselfish effort for the good of others. We are never so truly enriched as when we are trying to enrich others. We can not diminish our treasure by sharing it. The more we enlighten others, the brighter our light will shine. ①

Excerpt by Ellen White, author and co-founder of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, THE REVIEW AND HERALD, April 4, 1907; reprinted with permission.

Discussion Questions

- Do you feel that you are equipped to handle the work God has called you to do?
- What are some gifts God has blessed you with that you can share with others?
- What area(s) in your community can benefit from receiving the blessings God wants you to share?
- In what ways do you believe your church should become involved in reaching others?



Get Dusty

“He appointed twelve that they might be with him and that he might send them out to preach”—Mark 3:14, NIV.

Who likes dust? Most of us don't, and some people are even allergic to dust. However, I believe God wants us to become dusty. You may ask, “Are you sure?” Yes, God selected 12 young adults to become His dusty disciples and change the world.

In the New Testament, those who follow Jesus are called disciples 269 times. So, the New Testament is about discipleship; I would even say, “dusty discipleship.” What is a dusty disciple? There are two main characteristics of a dusty disciple.

1. Someone who wants to be with Him

Jesus called His disciples to be with Him and then He sent them to preach (Mark 3:14). The first thing we ought to remember is to be with Him. A call to discipleship is first a personal call to follow Christ. There is no other option; we must spend time with Jesus. His calling is for us to be with Him, not just occasionally, or when we need Him, but consistently and permanently.

Discipleship is about dedicating our thoughts and energy into being with Christ. Prayer and Scripture are two ingredients that help us to stay close to Him. Through prayer we speak to God, and through His Word He speaks to us. The Bible says, “Pray without ceasing” (1 Thessalonians 5:17). In *THE KNEELING CHRISTIAN*, it states, “We may be assured of this: the secret of all failure is our failure in secret prayer” (p. 14). Ellen White wrote that “His humanity made prayer a necessity and a privilege. He found comfort and joy in communion with His Father. And if the Saviour of men, the Son of God, felt the need of prayer, how much more should feeble, sinful mortals feel the necessity of fervent, constant prayer”—*STEPS TO CHRIST*, p. 93. Amazing! Prayer and the study of God's Word are critical for every true dusty disciple of Christ.

2. Someone who wants to become like Him

I have learned a lot from my wife, Martha. She is an inspiration and a blessing to our ministry. We try our best

to travel together, and one thing I have noticed is that the more I am with her, the more I know about her and learn from her. As disciples, the more we are with Jesus, the more we will become like Him. Jesus said, “A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone when he is fully trained will be like his teacher”—Luke 6:40, ESV. A disciple needs to be like his master. What you behold you become. The closer we are to Jesus the more we will look, act, think, and talk like Him. When Jesus said to the disciples, “Follow me,” it was because He saw that they could become like Him.

Disciples emulated the overall lifestyle of the Master; focusing more on conduct than knowledge. There is a phrase in the Mishna that is interpreted as saying, “May you be covered in the dust of your rabbi.” The ancient disciple had to be so close to his master, that the dust rising as he walked would cover them. Author Greg Ogden says, “The disciple is focused on imitation rather than information, seeking to emulate his or her master and incorporating the master's life into his or her heart and life”—*TRANSFORMING DISCIPLESHIP*, p. 86. Becoming a disciple of Jesus does not happen automatically. It's a training process. Discipleship is a journey, a process of holistic growth toward maturity. Therefore, discipleship means following Christ, becoming like Him to the point where we resemble Him. We need to get so close to Him that we become dusty disciples.

Dusty discipleship is more about becoming and being, than doing. Discipleship goes beyond what I can do for God, it's what can God do in me and through me. I like to put it this way: a disciple is someone who wants to be and become like Jesus. If we want to change the world, we need to become dusty disciples. ☺



Andrés J. Peralta, former director for the Youth, Young Adult, Pathfinder, and Adventurer ministries in the Atlantic Union Conference, has accepted a call to serve as associate youth director for Junior Youth at the Seventh-day Adventist Church world headquarters.

GODencounters Attendees Encouraged to “Experience Him”

More than 300 young adults, and those supporting young adult ministries, gathered at the DoubleTree Hotel in Leominster, Massachusetts, February 23-25, for the 2018 Atlantic Union Conference GODencounters Retreat. The theme for the weekend was “Experience Him.”

There were a number of first-time attendees at the retreat. Survey results included such responses as “The weekend was just what was needed to reconnect with God and reflect on my encounters and how my relationship was with Him,” and “It is also an eye opener that not all the youth have left the church and there are some of us still here and are looking for ways to stay and bring back those that left.”

Session presenters from around the Atlantic Union and the North American Division included Bob Cundiff, Northern New England Conference president; Elden Ramirez, Montana Conference president; Allan Martin, teaching pastor of the Younger Generation Church in Arlington, Texas; Rohann Wellington, Greater New York Conference communication director and assistant to the president for strategic planning; and Shantal Smith, pastor.

Mario Broussard II, vice principal for the high school at Spencerville Adventist Academy in Spencerville, Maryland, and co-host of the program Let’s Pray on the Hope Channel Network;



Young adults present their songs, poems, and other items during the Friday-evening open mic session.

and Natanya Vanderlaan, communication-focused facilitator, co-chaired the sessions. Representatives from all six conferences in the Atlantic Union were in attendance at the retreat.

This year, the GODencounters program materials were completely digitized. No physical programs were provided. Participants were encouraged to download the Attendify App to view the program and information about the speakers, along with other important information about the retreat.

During the Sabbath program, the group took time to thank Andrés Peralta for his ministry to the Atlantic Union youth and young adults (2016-2018), and to say farewell as he leaves to serve as associate youth director for Junior Youth at the Seventh-day Adventist Church world



Each balloon contains three prayer requests that retreat attendees spent time praying for in groups of twos and threes at the GODencounters retreat.

headquarters in Silver Spring, Maryland.

The Atlantic Union Conference Youth Ministries Department team, comprised of the youth directors and staff from all the conferences in the union, successfully coordinated the weekend event. GODencounters is specifically designed

with the needs of young adults in mind. The event provided young adults the opportunity to experience spiritual intimacy, emotional rejuvenation, and bonding with other young adults desiring to grow in Christ.

—GLENER staff



Atlantic Union Conference Executive Committee and Atlantic Union College Board of Trustees Vote to Suspend the Baccalaureate Program at Atlantic Union College

At the February 2018 committee meetings, both the Atlantic Union Conference Executive Committee and the Atlantic Union College Board of Trustees voted to suspend the baccalaureate program at Atlantic Union College at the end of the current academic semester and phase out the certificate programs in a teach-out manner no later than December 2018, due to financial exigency.

The votes were taken following receipt of an interim report from the Independent Task Force which was commissioned in 2017 by the Atlantic Union Conference Executive Committee to conduct a feasibility study of the college.



The results of the feasibility study led to the conclusion that Atlantic Union College should suspend the baccalaureate program at the end of the current academic semester and phase out the certificate programs in a teach-out manner no later than December 2018.

The board of trustees, in cooperation with the Atlantic Union Conference administration, will form a plan to guide the students, faculty, and staff through this transition period. This plan will

provide academic options and information to the students, faculty, staff, and larger Atlantic Union College family.

The Atlantic Union Conference will continue to work with the Independent Task Force to conduct a study and further research how Adventist higher education can effectively be delivered to the young people of the Atlantic Union Conference constituency. We solicit your prayers for wisdom as we move forward during this time.

Atlantic Union College Board of Trustees and Atlantic Union Conference Executive Committee

OFFICIAL NOTICE

Atlantic Union College Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special constituency meeting of the Atlantic Union College Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists will convene at 10:00 a.m. (registration will begin from 8:30 a.m.) on Sunday, May 20, 2018, at Machlan Auditorium on Main Street, Lancaster, Massachusetts, 01523.

The purpose of this meeting is to give an update on Atlantic Union College, hear an interim report on the result of the feasibility study, and a report from the Board of Trustees (BOT) concerning the academic degree suspension process, and any other business which may properly be brought before the body.

The members of this corporation are the members of the board of trustees of Atlantic Union College; representatives of the College who shall be regular, full-time employees elected by the college officers and academic and auxiliary department heads not to exceed one-third of the total number of constituents excluding General Conference of Seventh-day Adventist representation; the local conference educational superintendents, senior academy principals and either the secretary or treasurer of each local conference of the Atlantic Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists; the members of the executive committee of the Atlantic Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists; the members of the North American Division and/or General Conference Committee of Seventh-day Adventists in attendance at any meeting of this corporation; the North American Division and/or General Conference delegates shall not exceed five percent (5%) of the total number of delegates; the president and other elected officers of the Atlantic Union College Student Association; six lay persons and six denominational employees each, appointed by the executive committee of each local conference in the Atlantic Union Conference territory, plus one additional representative for each 10,000 members and major fraction thereof for local conferences having 10,000 or more members; up to 15 Atlantic Union College alumni who are not included in the other categories, selected by the AUC alumni executive committee.

G. Earl Knight, President
Avis Hendrickson, Secretary



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ALUMNI WEEKEND 2018

April 20-22, 2018

Sabbath Speaker: Michelle Hill, '07

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auc.edu/homecoming.

Bermuda Youth Respond to the Call to Follow Christ

Jesus worked diligently to mentor the band of 12 youthful followers in a way that would impact the world down through history. Today, the Bermuda Conference youth leaders are following in the footsteps of the Master by encouraging young adults, and not-so-young adults, to take a year-long journey with a teen by serving as a spiritual and lifestyle mentor. The “Discipleship Year” initiative kicked off with the “Called to Follow” Youth Revival and “Call to Discipleship” rally that took place February 16-18.

More than 150 people attended the weekend event, which included intensive training and worship services at both the Hamilton church in Hamilton, Bermuda, and the Bermuda Institute in Southampton, Bermuda. Atlantic Union youth directors, Mark Tamaleaa, Northern New England Conference, and Ariel Manzueta, Greater New York Conference, joined local directors and leaders in presenting workshops that informed the young people and the young-at-heart of the benefits of whole-life discipleship. All of this was done with the aim of achieving the Bermuda Conference Youth Ministries Department’s commitment to seeing their youth become fully mature disciples of Christ who confidently share their faith with others.

The conference-wide gathering of teens, young adults, parents, and potential mentors experienced a high-impact weekend, starting with the Friday-evening message on February 16 through the compas-

sion service projects on Sunday, February 18. David McKenzie, Northeastern Conference youth director, shared powerful messages of praise, and appealed for complete surrender to walk with the Lord. The Saturday-evening social was structured with team games and activities that encouraged working together in fun ways.

The rally concluded with compassion service projects across the central and eastern end of Bermuda. These ranged from a beach cleanup to putting together care packages for seniors and children in foster care. Young people helped with painting at a community recreation center and supported a cancer care agency with their fundraising walk. Bermuda Conference associate youth director Chanel Bean had a smile on her face as she visited to support and work with several of the compassion groups. “The excitement and enthusiasm they showed, being in service to our community, was such a blessing,” said Bean.

Teens responded to the appeals to follow Christ when they committed or re-committed themselves to Him at the conclusion of each message. The youth ministered to each other and to the adults as they led in music, prayers, and games, and as they joined in the mentorship workshops. They encouraged each other, their parents, prospective mentors, and people in their communities to join them in ministry through service projects. Youth leader Tracey Richardson said, “It was a great experience!” and young adult Samone Tucker-Outerbridge used social



David McKenzie, Northeastern Conference youth director, makes an appeal during the “Called to Follow” youth revival.



Bermuda Conference president Kenneth Manders, second from right, stands with, from left, Mark Tamaleaa, Northern New England Conference youth director; Nashonie Chang, Greater New York Conference Adventist Youth area coordinator; Chanel Bean, Bermuda Conference associate youth director; Cyril Millett, Bermuda Conference youth director; Andrés Peralta, General Conference associate youth director; and David McKenzie, Northeastern Conference youth director.

media to say that it was “an awesome weekend!”

This rally had a huge impact on the teens and young adults of the Bermuda Conference thanks to the support of the Atlantic Union Conference Adventist Youth Ministries leadership. Andrés Peralta, former youth director for the Atlantic Union Conference, worked with the Bermuda Conference youth director, Cyril Millett, over several months to plan and pull together this youth rally. Peralta helped to make this

major youth initiative happen, even as he was accepting the call to be an associate youth ministries director at the Seventh-day Adventist Church world headquarters.

Many of the youth and young adults, parents, and mentors are looking forward to serving together. The Adventist Church in Bermuda is growing an army of cross-generational disciples who are answering the call to follow Christ!

—Youth Ministries department,
Bermuda Conference

Hundreds of Youth Leaders Attend Empowerment Summit

Hundreds of Pathfinder, Adventurer, and Adventist Youth Ministries directors gathered in Yonkers, New York, for an opportunity to fellowship, network, and receive resources for their respective ministries. More than 400 leaders from New York's five boroughs, Long Island, and upstate New York attended the Greater New York Conference (GNYC) Adventist Youth Ministries Directors Leadership Empowerment Summit on February 3 at the Saunders Trades and Technical High School.

The second annual training event evolved from GNYC's annual directors dinner. "An all-day summit seemed better to support leaders," said GNYC Youth Ministries director Ariel Manzueta. "We felt the directors needed more time together . . . to be inspired and equipped through seminars." His presentation, "The Making of a Leader," laid out the process by which God works in and



Greater New York Conference Youth Ministries leaders join together in prayer during the Leadership Empowerment Summit.

through leaders to develop character. "I wanted to show that God was already working with them before they were directors and that God is not finished with them yet," Manzueta said.

Seminars included area planning sessions, new leader orientations, and a forum where leaders shared best practices from their ministries. The conference promoted new initiatives, including the AY Silver and Gold medallions, GNYC running club, and drilling and marching. Ron Whitehead, Lake Union Conference

Youth Ministries director and the International Pathfinder Camporee director, helped to build enthusiasm for the 2019 Chosen International Pathfinder Camporee in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, August 12-17, 2019.

The day also included recognition for Andrés Peralta, newly-appointed

associate youth director for the General Conference. Peralta, who was the GNYC youth director before becoming the Atlantic Union Conference Youth Ministries director in 2016, shared a rousing devotion titled "Standing in the Gap," and expressed gratitude for the conference that had "given [him] everything." Henry Beras, GNYC president, and others offered gifts of appreciation and prayers as the family embarks on this new assignment.

It was a full day and one that Manzueta hopes benefited leaders in many ways. Most importantly, he hopes that the leaders "will understand the need to be empowered by the Holy Spirit."

—Kaara Baptiste, member, GNYC Communication team

OFFICIAL NOTICE

Greater New York Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the third regular quadrennial and fifty-sixth regular Constituency Session of the Greater New York Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will convene at 9:00 a.m. (registration will begin at 8:00 a.m.) on Sunday, June 10, 2018, at Camp Berkshire, 680-1 Berkshire Road, Wingdale, New York, 12594.

The purpose of this meeting is to elect officers and departmental directors and to transact such other business as may properly come before the delegates.

Each church is entitled to one delegate for the organization, and one for every 75 members. Each church is entitled to elect alternate delegates who may be seated at the Conference Session in place of any regular delegate not present. (Article III, Section 2:1, 2)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of the Organizing Committee is being called for Saturday evening, May 26, 2018, at 8:30 p.m., at North Bronx Seventh-day Adventist Church, 3743 Bronxwood Avenue, Bronx, New York 10469. All members of the Organizing Committee should plan to be present.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of the Nominating Committee is being called for Sunday morning, June 3, 2018, at 10:00 a.m., at the Greater New York Conference Office, 7 Shelter Rock Road, Manhasset, NY 11030.

Henry Beras, President
Alanzo H. Smith, Secretary

OFFICIAL NOTICE

Greater New York Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the third regular quadrennial and fifty-sixth regular meeting of the Greater New York Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in conjunction with the fifty-sixth regular Constituency Session (third regular quadrennial) convening at 9:00 a.m., on Sunday, June 10, 2018, (registration will begin at 8:00 a.m.) at Camp Berkshire, 680-1 Berkshire Road, Wingdale, New York, 12594. The delegates to the third regular quadrennial session of the Conference are also delegates to the third regular quadrennial session of the Greater New York Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists.

The purpose of the meeting is to elect a board of trustees for the coming quadrennial period, to receive reports, and to transact such other business as may properly come before the delegates.

Henry Beras, President
Lloyd Scharffenberg, Secretary

OFFICIAL NOTICE

Adventist Home Inc.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the regular quadrennial meeting of the Adventist Home Inc. will be held in conjunction with the fifty-sixth regular Constituency Session (third regular quadrennial) of Greater New York Conference of Seventh-day Adventists convening at 9:00 a.m., on Sunday, June 10, 2018, (registration will begin at 8:00 a.m.) at Camp Berkshire, 680-1 Berkshire Road, Wingdale, New York, 12594. The delegates to the third regular quadrennial session of the Conference are also delegates to the third regular quadrennial session of the Adventist Home Inc.

The purpose of the meeting is to receive reports and to transact such other business as may properly come before the delegates.

Henry Beras, President
Paul Fitts, Secretary

Members Prepare for Church Growth and Evangelism



Attendees praise God during the Sabbath worship service at the Northeastern Conference Evangelism Summit.

More than 1,500 people attended the Northeastern Conference Evangelism Summit held February 16-19 at the Sturbridge Host Hotel and Convention Center in Sturbridge, Massachusetts. The theme for the summit was “Unleashed to Reach the World” and it was intended to unite members and prepare them for an unprecedented year in church growth and evangelism.

More than five hotels, including the Sturbridge Host Hotel, were booked to capacity with the influx of mem-

bers who were there to learn how to conduct evangelism in creative ways in their churches and communities. Informational and inspiring seminars in English, French, and Spanish were facilitated by various leaders and professionals in the Adventist Church who provided the necessary tools to participants who were eager to revitalize their focus and win souls to Christ.

The schedule for the weekend included early morning manna, the Sabbath worship service, several general sessions and breakout sessions covering a variety

of topics, including health evangelism, digital evangelism, children’s evangelism, prayer evangelism, and more.

The evangelism summit was a vision of Daniel Honoré, who shared the vision with the Northeastern Conference departmental directors. The directors spearheaded the planning, preparation, and execution of this event.

—JeNean Lendor, assistant to the president for communication, Northeastern Conference



C. Wesley Knight, professor at Oakwood University in Huntsville, Alabama



Hyveth Williams, professor at the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary in Berrien Springs, Michigan



Roger Hernandez, ministerial and evangelism director for Southern Union Conference in Norcross, Georgia



David Franklin, lead pastor at Miracle City church in Baltimore, Maryland



The Ephesus church youth choir sings at the Sabbath-evening concert during the Northeastern Conference Evangelism Summit.

USA Students Share Their Adventist Education Experience

I have been attending Union Springs Academy (USA) for three years, and two of my older siblings graduated from USA, as well. One thing I noticed about Union Springs Academy is that when we are with other students, we really stand out, and I mean in a good way!

There is something very special and unique about the students from our school. When USA students are with other high school kids, many people notice how well-behaved and polite USA students are. Many people have come up to us and our teachers, expressing how respectful and kind USA kids are.

Another thing I appreciate about USA is how the school teaches students to become independent, responsible, and able to solve day-to-day life problems by ourselves. At Union Springs Academy we have a special bond with each other. I care for each of my classmates like a family member. Every staff member has formed a loving family bond with me and I know they love and care for me.

I came from a country where my family had to leave our homeland for religious freedom reasons to flee to another country with nothing in our pockets. After I came to the United States, I had a great opportunity to go to an Adventist church school. God has blessed my family so much by being able to receive an Adventist education. After elementary school, God opened the door for me to attend Union Springs



Mary Htoo

Academy for high school. My youngest brother has now joined me here, so we are able to see each other every day.

I have a goal of graduating with high honors and working for God. Currently, I am on the highest honor roll, so I am pleased that my studying and discipline are paying off. I wouldn't be the person I am today if I didn't come to USA. I am very thankful for all the leadership opportunities I have been able to have with campus ministries, the student association, with the yearbook, and in my daily job working in the offices. My spiritual life has grown so much since I came to the academy. I thank Jesus for Adventist education, Union Springs Academy, my parents, and my supporters for sacrificing so much to help me to attend.

—Mary Htoo, '19

I grew up in the Adventist school system all my life and had always planned to attend Union Springs Academy (USA). I was

aware how difficult high school would be and knew it was going to be a hard time for me, but that idea quickly changed as I started attending the school my freshman year.

I faced the normal freshman struggles, such as being shy and not really knowing how to fit in with all the new people at USA. Things started to change rapidly, then I realized I had so many people around me who had the same values I had, which was very comforting. The support I received academically, spiritually, and emotionally helped me to not be afraid of things in life, such as making decisions or about my future.

I will admit that even with all this support, I fell into many deep dark phases over the past four years. This came from a variety of factors, including a tremendous loss of the most important people in my life, and other traumatic events.

At times I felt I was losing hope in everything. Even though I had all these people around me, I would end up pushing them away and excluding myself, because I didn't want to bother anyone. This perception resulted in me feeling as if everyone was abandoning me and just leaving me to be alone forever, which I quickly realized was my biggest fear.

Although my journey has been difficult with many

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Ethan Sacchetti-Guerdon

them to always know they can turn to God, even when times are rough.

At Union Springs Academy, I have found the true joy and comfort, which I can attest comes from a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. God has helped me really see that my purpose in life is to serve Him. I know He has called me into His ministry and so I am planning to attend Union College this fall and major in theology.

I used to complain about all the doors I saw being closed in my life, not realizing, until later, how many new doors God has opened for me! I hope my story will be able to be a testimony to other people who may be experiencing similar struggles while still trying to find God in it all. I'm going to conclude with one of my favorite verses, "And God is able

to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work"—2 Corinthians 9:8.

—Ethan Sacchetti-Guerdon, '18

Adventist Christian education has brought me closer to God over the past four years. It has also helped me to appreciate the friends and family I've made at USA. Without the basic understanding of God's plan and love for my life, I have no idea how I would have turned out. I do know Union Springs Academy has helped me to want to live a life of service. Recently, I went on a mission trip with my classmates and two staff members from USA. We went to the Dominican Republic to minister to people in need there. This trip really changed my life and I am so thankful I went.

More than ever, I am focused and determined to go into the medical field to help heal others, not just physically but spiritually. I am very grateful for the leadership opportunities I have gained while at USA. As the Student Association president, I am not only trying to make sure we have



Hsar Law Hsaw

fun things to do throughout the year, but I also check on how each student is doing and try to encourage them on any given day. I know I have made lifelong friends while at the academy and, most importantly, I have strengthened my relationship with Jesus and I want to dedicate my life to Him!

—Hsar Law Hsaw, '18

ups and downs, it has led me to realize my life would be so much more difficult if I hadn't grown up in the Adventist school system where I received support and love. Now, as a senior, I have had the privilege of being a resident assistant in the boys' dorm. I take this job very seriously, trying to be a role model to the guys and being there for them. Most importantly, I can encourage

OFFICIAL NOTICE

New York Conference of Seventh-day Adventists
Constituency Session

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN of the sixth regular quadrennial Constituency Session of the New York Conference of Seventh-day Adventists called to convene at 10:00 a.m., Sunday, April 29, 2018, in the Union Springs Academy gymnasium, on the Union Springs Academy grounds, 40 Spring Street, Union Springs, NY 13160. The purpose of this meeting is:

1. To receive reports and establish future plans for the New York Conference.
2. To elect conference officers, departmental directors, an Executive Committee, a Constitution Bylaws Committee, and a Board of Education Committee.
3. To consider amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws of the New York Conference.
4. To accept new churches or disband churches as may be necessary.
5. To transact such other business as may properly come before the delegates.

According to the Constitution and Bylaws of the New York Conference, Article 3, Section 2a, "Each church shall be entitled to one delegate for the organization and one additional delegate for each fifteen (15) members or major fraction thereof, each of whom must be a member of the church from which they are delegates." Lunch will be provided.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of the Organizing Committee will convene at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, April 8, 2018, at the New York Conference office, 4930 West Seneca Turnpike, Syracuse, NY 13215, for the purpose of appointing members of the Nominating Committee to serve for that meeting. According to the Constitution and Bylaws of the New York Conference, Article 5, Section 1a, "The Organizing Committee shall be constituted as follows: Each church represented at the Constituency Meeting shall choose from among its delegates, or empower its delegation to choose, one (1) member plus one (1) additional member for each five hundred (500) members or a major fraction thereof."

Miguel Crespo, President
William McNeil, Secretary

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New York Conference Association
Regular Meeting

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Regular Constituency Session of the New York Conference Association, a New York corporation, is called to meet in the Union Springs Academy gymnasium, on the Union Springs Academy grounds, 40 Spring Street, Union Springs, NY 13160 on Sunday, April 29, 2018, at 10:00 a.m., concurrently with the regular session of the New York Conference.

The purpose of the meeting is to elect officers and a board of trustees, to receive reports, and to transact such other business as may properly come before the delegates. Delegates of New York Conference Constituency Session will be the delegates for the New York Conference Association.

Lunch will be provided.

Miguel Crespo, President
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How has Adventist education impacted your life? We invite you to share your story by e-mailing gleaner@atlanticunion.org.

Northern New England Art Clinic Expanding

The Northern New England Conference (NNEC) annual Music Clinic is almost famous, with students from several conferences (including Canadian conferences) trekking to Pine Tree Academy in Freeport, Maine, for the annual event. NNEC's annual Art Clinic, on the other hand, is not as well-known as its sister event. But, it's catching up; and if you haven't heard of Art Clinic, you might want to look into it, because it offers just as much opportunity for growth and learning as the Music Clinic.

The 2018 Art Clinic was held at Pine Tree Academy February 1-3. About 170 students participated from across NNEC's schools, as well as a large contingent of homeschoolers, a group of students from Greater Boston Academy, and a smaller group of students from public schools in the region.

According to NNEC superintendent of schools Trevor Schlisner, the event is growing, both in participation and in the number of classes offered. "Art Clinic seems to grow a little each year," he said. "This last year saw more participation for homeschoolers and from schools outside

of the conference, so I think there is steadily increasing interest, and with good reason, because we are continuing to increase our class offerings. This year we had 14 separate classes, ranging from watercolor to photography to culinary arts to theatre arts to wood-carving, flower arranging, and place-setting design. Next year we're going to add three more classes—sculpture, architectural design, and acrylic painting. The truth of the matter is that, every time we bring in a vehicle for creative expression, there are students who take to it like a duck to water and find they have awesome talent, so we want to keep giving students every opportunity to discover and grow!"

Students compete for "best work" in each category and the winner is given a cash scholarship. But according to Schlisner, it's not the (very modest) scholarships that draws kids, but the opportunities to enhance their skills and make new friends. "Everything we see with Music Clinic we see with Art Clinic—astonishing talents on display, hard work by everyone involved, and intense social interaction as kids make new friends and

form bonds. It is an amazing combination that brings out the best in everyone."

—Scott Christiansen, communication director, Northern New England Conference



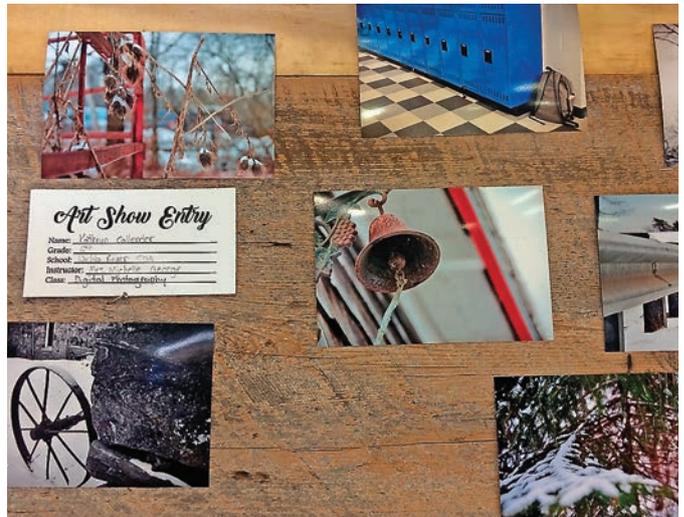
Homeschooler Ethan Hodson completed this woodpecker for the 3-D woodcarving category.



Fifth-grade homeschooler Riley Tardif completed this photography entry.



The artistic place-setting competition was especially competitive this year.



Sixth-grader Kathryn Callender competed in the photography category.



This is seventh-grade homeschooler Andrew Dombrowski's entry in the watercolor painting category.

Estabrook Third Grader Wins Poster Contest

Elizabeth Runnals, a student at Estabrook Christian School, recently won the Cassella Poster contest offered exclusively to third-graders in Vermont and New Hampshire. Her illustration was chosen for the 2018 Cassella Calendar, and it emphasizes the fun and importance of preserving our environment.

Runnals is a talented young artist and enjoys adding a creative flair to all assignments. Her portfolio contains many impressive illustrations and sketches of her observations in the natural world that are of great interest to her. The



Poster contest winner Elizabeth Runnals, stands with Ellen Busl, Estabrook Christian School principal/teacher, right, and Tricia Hicks, teacher's assistant.

school and her family will receive several complimentary copies of the 2018 calendar.

The Estabrook Christian School is the education ministry of the Plainfield Seventh-day Adventist Church in Plainfield, New Hampshire.

—Ellen Busl, principal/teacher, Estabrook Christian School

Third Annual Camp Meeting Century Ride to Be Held in Northern New England



Nine cyclists from last year's second annual camp meeting 100-mile ride are, from left, David Cuke, Steve Deroche, Jean Dodard, Keith Holland, Doug Houck, Maitland DiPinto, Scott Christiansen, Karen Jenkins, and Bob Cundiff.

Adventists in Northern New England have a history of promoting health and outdoor activities. They also have a history of quietly doing big things.

In keeping with this history, the Northern New England Conference is again sponsoring what they believe is the only camp meeting century ride in existence.

The 100-mile bicycle ride is now in its third year. This year, participants (and their bicycles) will board a bus very early in the morning on Tuesday, July 10, and will be driven to Jefferson, New Hampshire, where they will fill up their bottles at a roadside spring and begin their 100-mile ride back to camp meeting in Freeport, Maine.

The course has a few significant hills, but since it starts on the shoulder of Mount Washington and ends close to sea level, there is an overall drop of 1,800 feet over the course of the ride. The route, which mostly parallels rivers, is dotted with roadside springs and there are several bathrooms available. Lunch is provided at about the

half-way point at a park in South Paris. For those who experience mechanical failure or find they just can't finish, a "sweep" vehicle makes regular passes along the route.

If you have ridden at least 50 miles on a single ride and would like to attempt a century ride, and if you have a good bike that is well-maintained and ready for a 100-mile ride, then call Scott Christiansen at the Northern New England Conference at (207) 650-7443 and reserve a spot on the ride. Space limits participants to 12 people. There is no fee for participation.

—Scott Christiansen, communication director, Northern New England Conference



Reaching Greater Hartford—Together

What would bring together almost 110 Seventh-day Adventists from 22 churches in both the Southern New England and Northeastern conferences at 9:30 on a Sunday morning? Their passion to learn and plan how to use Christ's method of evangelism to reach the greater Hartford area and beyond—together.

Tom Dombrowski, pastor of the Connecticut Valley Adventist Church (CVAC) in South Windsor, Connecticut, hosted this assembly with CHAT (Community Health Advocate Training), a lay-developed ministry that trains and establishes church members to work together with their church to reach their community through a sustained cycle of Christ's method of evangelism.

Area pastors, local church leaders, and conference officials were invited to join the collaborative. The word got out, drawing some from as far away as Boston, Massachusetts, and Rochester, New York. What awaited them was a clear affirmation that God is at work.

In an unprecedented event, South Windsor's mayor, Saud Anwar, M.D., gave an opening address, not to extend a welcome, issue a proclamation, or express appreciation, but to request help. Anwar entered politics to improve health outcomes for his community. A lone voice in the political realm, he turned to what medical research has proven works: the healthy lifestyle



Kathy Yawingu, M.D., Northeastern Conference's Health Ministries director for the Connecticut area, left, and Eduardo Garcia, N.D., Southern New England Conference's Health Ministries director, right, share opening exercises with Tom Dombrowski, pastor of the Connecticut Valley church.



Saud Anwar, M.D., South Windsor's mayor, addresses the group.

promoted by the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

"We are working on healthy aging here in South Windsor," Anwar shared. "In Loma Linda (California), the SDA faith community made a difference. They've been able to increase the lifespan of the people."

Anwar envisions making South Windsor a model for replicating Loma Linda's

community health outcomes throughout greater Hartford and Connecticut.

"We should be able to do it here," he said with a winsome smile and a gesture toward his audience. "We have all the ingredients—we have an SDA church!"

Those who gathered that day are praying, working out schedules for CHAT training events, and looking

for time and ways to come together in response to a call that requires "concentrated action" and the "harmonious working of our people" (CHRISTIAN SERVICE, p. 75).

For where there is one wise mayor who recognizes the church's purpose and potential, there are thousands looking for the hope and wholeness that God wants us to share. If you would like to be part of the greater Hartford CHAT initiative, or want more information, please contact Tom Dombrowski at (860) 617-4333.

—Sandra Dombrowski,
communication liaison, Connecticut Valley church

Church Member Leaves Gift of Love to Church

She was diagnosed with congestive heart failure, a condition that causes the heart to work harder than it should. Dorinda Benson possessed a joy and purpose that couldn't be contained in her weary body. As soon as I met her, I noticed the confident peace of a warrior.

Understanding that her days were few, I could detect no sign of fear. In our few meetings, she shared her final wishes and we talked about leaving a legacy. Her zest was contagious; we quickly became friends.

Benson reflected with gratitude upon the work the Lord had provided throughout her working years and her ability to raise her niece and nephew. She

chuckled at the number of times she had to move from one apartment to another to secure affordable housing. Through her many years, as a domestic worker and caregiver, she was grateful that she was almost always in a position to help others.

Living most of her life in the City of Philadelphia, the Lord provided a way for her and her niece, Deborah Lebron, to move to Windsor, Connecticut, to live out her last few years in a rural setting. As we met in her apartment to discuss plans, I took inventory of her modest estate. Some personal belongings, a few hundred dollars in a single checking account, and a small life insurance policy

comprised the entirety of her holdings. It seemed that when her time arrived, the final services, burial, and the associated expenses would exceed the value of her combined assets.

Benson wanted to leave a gift of love and appreciation to her church by giving to the Southern New England Conference and to Breath of Life Ministries. I didn't believe a gift would be possible, but I chose not to express my thought. I simply documented her wishes. A few weeks later, Benson went to her rest.

Lebron planned and hosted a lovely memorial service for her aunt in Windsor and another in Philadelphia. Amazingly, after all the expenses and liabilities of the estate were accounted for, there were more than ample funds to act on the joy-filled, faithful wishes of a precious saint.

Often when working with God's faithful soldiers, as they make their bold faith-filled plans, I feel so unworthy. These are holy interactions. The Spirit of God is there; the various places where we meet seem to become sacred, holy ground. Eternal declarations of faith and Spirit-inspired commitments are forged.

The thought of it brings me to my knees in solemn awe.

As we seek the Lord's strength, energy, wisdom, and compassion, to carry out the gospel ministry, let us give heartfelt thanks for those who have gone before us, opening doors, creating opportunities through their Spirit-inspired gifts of love. Let us be ever mindful of the

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faith of our fathers and the sweet mothers-in-Israel who have been faithful to the cause of Christ.

Imagine how many hearts will be reached because of Benson's passion for gospel ministry. Imagine the difference each of us can make.

—Tom Murray, *planned giving/trust services/stewardship director, Southern New England Conference*

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Teen Camp	July 1-8
Junior Tween Camp	July 8-15
Adventure	July 15-22
Family Camp 1	July 29-August 5
Family Camp 2	August 5-12
Homeschool Family Camp	August 19-24

CAMP VICTORY LAKE

Contact: For more information, call Camp Victory Lake at (845) 229-8851, or visit www.campvictorylakenec.com.

Session 1	July 8-15
Session 2	July 15-22
Session 3	July 22-29
Session 4	July 29-August 5
Full Session	July 8-August 5

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Young Adult Camp	June 24-July 1
Teen Camp	July 15-22
Junior Camp	July 22-29
Family Camp	July 29-August 5
Blind Camp	August 5-12

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Junior Camp	July 1-8
Tween Camp	July 8-15
Teen Camp	July 15-22
Family Camp 1	July 22-29
Family Camp 2	July 29-August 5



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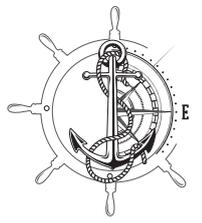


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Utica, NY	8:06	8:14	8:21	8:28
Syracuse, NY	8:10	8:18	8:25	8:32
Rochester, NY	8:16	8:24	8:31	8:38
Buffalo, NY	8:20	8:28	8:35	8:42
Keene, NH	7:53	8:01	8:08	8:15
Manchester, NH	7:50	7:58	8:05	8:12
Portsmouth, NH	7:47	7:55	8:03	8:12
Brattleboro, VT	7:54	8:02	8:09	8:16
Burlington, VT	8:01	8:09	8:17	8:24
Rutland, VT	7:58	8:06	8:13	8:20
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

ATLANTIC UNION

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OBITUARIES

BRODIS, Roger F.—71; b. Nov. 4, 1946, in Lincolnville, Maine; d. Jan. 18, 2018, in Biddeford, Maine. He graduated from South Lancaster Academy, did his undergraduate studies at Atlantic Union College in Lancaster, Mass., and graduated with his master's degree in education from Andrews University in Berrien Springs, Mich. He served as a teacher for more than 25 years in Michigan,

Alaska, Colorado, Minnesota, Hawaii, and most recently at the Florence M. Lombard Christian School in Saco, Maine. He also served as a camp director in Arizona. He loved mountain climbing and reached the summit of both Mt. McKinley and Mt. Kilimanjaro. He is survived by his wife, Geraldine "Gerry" Gehring Brodis; his children, Crystal Brodis, Eric Brodis, and Mark Brodis; step-children Seth Andersen, Wayne Brown, Amanda Chalmers, and Jillian Dazey; a brother, Gary Brodis; two sisters, Bette Carter and Arleen Cohen; and 12 grandchildren.

LONGE, Janice W.—81, b. Aug. 3, 1936, in Northfield, Mass.; d. Jan. 24, 2018, in Vernon, Vt. She was a member of the Mountain View church in Vernon, Vt. She graduated from Atlantic Union College in Lancaster, Mass. She is survived by her sister, Carol Chamberlin of Brattleboro and several nieces, nephews, grandnieces, and grandnephews.

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In January 2018, the Seventh-day Adventist Church in North America (NAD) launched the magazine ADVENTIST JOURNEY, the first division-wide magazine the NAD has published. This 16-page publication wraps around the 32-page ADVENTIST WORLD international edition, a General Conference magazine.

Previously, the NAD's 16 pages of content and advertising were integrated into the ADVENTIST WORLD, creating a 48-page hybrid unique to the NAD.

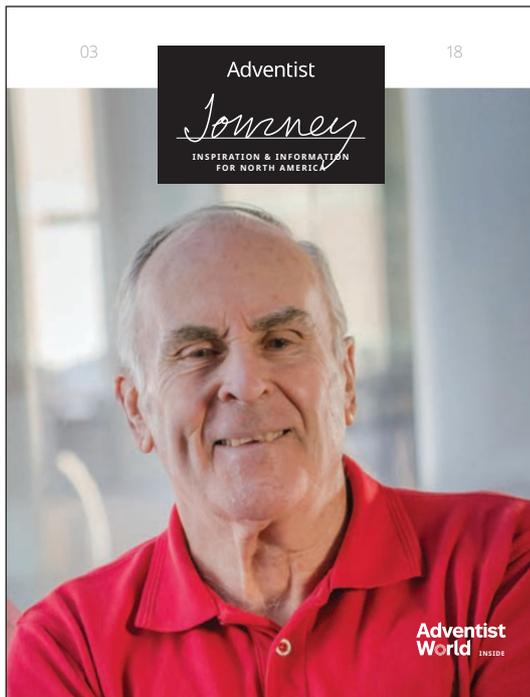
"We are pleased to continue our partnership with ADVENTIST WORLD, but also excited to more clearly highlight content that tells the NAD story," said Kimberly Luste Maran, NAD Communication department associate director and editor of the new magazine. One main difference in the ADVENTIST JOURNEY's content will be a stronger emphasis on God's workings through His people in the division, which include the stories of church members across Canada, the United States, Bermuda, and the Guam-Micronesia Mission.

"Our journeys are not the same, but we are Adventists. And as we progress toward a deeper relationship with Jesus—and greater understanding of our role in His saving work—we journey together," Maran said.

Showcasing the nature of the journey is the magazine's name plate (logotype), which retains, in a black box on the cover, the

same font for "Adventist" each month while changing the word "Journey" monthly, handwritten by the church member featured on the cover. The individual's Adventist journey is told in a short blurb on the table of contents, with an Internet link to view the entire story.

"This magazine has been designed to encourage all of us to follow our Lord on the path that He's laid before us," said Daniel R. Jackson, NAD president. "While



ADVENTIST JOURNEY is the first division-wide magazine published by the North American Division.

we all have unique experiences in life, as we follow Jesus, all our paths merge into His. . . . Through God's grace we will share the NAD story and inspire our members."

"We hope this magazine helps illuminate our journey with content meant to offer inspiration, information, fellowship, and dialogue," added Maran.

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