This morning, the recipient of the John Nevins Andrews Medallion is Anneris Coria-Navia, whose leadership in creating excellence in faculty development has distinguished her among her colleagues.

Coria-Navia earned her Bachelor of Music in piano performance and music education from Universidad Adventista del Plata in 1990. Five years later, in 1995, she received a Master of Music in music education at Andrews University followed by an MA in educational administration and leadership in 2001. Additionally, she earned her EdD in educational administration and leadership from the University of Southern California in 2005 and an MA in Spanish in 2010 from Miami University.

Coria-Navia is married to Benjamin Navia, a professor in the Andrews University Department of Biology, and they have a son and daughter, Lucas and Sophia. She and her family enjoy attending tea parties, reading stories, playing with Legos, imagining the ideal soccer team, making music and cooking.

In 2014, Coria-Navia began her Andrews University career as professor of Curriculum and Instruction. In 2016, she also became director of the Center for Teaching & Learning (CTL), and she continues to serve in both of these roles. As a professor of Curriculum and Instruction, some of Coria-Navia’s primary responsibilities include the design and development of graduate courses, mentorship of graduate students, serving as a dissertation advisor as well as the K–12 field supervisor, and contributing to departmental projects regularly. As director of the CTL, she is responsible for vision casting, budget oversight, program development and delivery, support for teaching and faculty life, the celebration of teaching excellence, innovation in teaching and learning, faculty wellbeing, connecting and collaboration of learning units, and University-wide professional development.

Throughout her time at Andrews, Coria-Navia has emphasized the importance of faculty development. She has served in numerous related capacities, including with the Effective Teaching & Learning Council, Teaching & Learning Conference Planning Committee, Faculty Institute Planning Committee, Faculty Policy & Development Council, and Faculty Senate.

One of Coria-Navia’s most recent projects is to establish a system-wide society for professional learning and networking for faculty in all Seventh-day Adventist institutions, as well as Adventist faculty and graduate students in non-SDA institutions in the North American Division.

For her outstanding leadership in faculty development, the faculty of Andrews University is proud to present Anneris Coria-Navia with the John Nevins Andrews Medallion.