Welcome...
To the new ACF Today campus ministry e-letter sponsored by the North American Division Youth and Young Adult department. Please send campus ministry news, events, resources and ideas to info@acflink.org

Word On Campus
In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God and the Word was God.” John 1:1. This month we begin a continuing examination of the ten essentials of successful campus ministry as presented in “The Word On Campus: A Guide To Public College Ministry,” by Kirk King and Ron Pickell. The first campus ministry essential is

News & Events
1. 40 Days of GODencounters, http://www.pacificpress.com/GODencounters. GODencounters is a movement of young adults wholeheartedly pursuing a 24/7 experience with Jesus Christ. Allan Martin, NAD Young Adult Coordinator and Pastor of Younger Generation Church is encouraging the GODencounters movement to launch 2011 with 40 days of wholeheartedly pursuing the living GOD. Use the book, the music, the Facebook group/page, and videos as spiritual resources. Join us as we return to the heart of GOD.

2. Connect Campus Ministry Leadership Conference: CONNECT 2011 will be held on the campus of the University of Tennessee, Knoxville (UTK), February 25-27. CONNECT is the ACF Leadership Conference sponsored by the Georgia-Cumberland Conference and the Southern Union. Our presenters this year are Adrienne Townsend, Nate Dubs and Chris Picco. See http://www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=160384277334173 for more details.

3. Adventist Youth Transition Network is partnering with Insight Magazine for a special issue on high school seniors in transition. The March 24 issue will feature four first person student articles about their experience in living their faith in college. This issue will become a companion to the already existing LIFE booklet (Spiritual LIFE For College and Beyond) following the March issue. For more information and additional resources on helping students transition to college see www.aytn.org.
4. Ohio Conference has joined the public campus ministry in a big way. In September 2010 Ohio hired campus chaplains for Ohio University in southern Ohio, Ohio State and Wright State. Darrin and Cristine Thurber have been honing their campus ministry skills at OU, Gina and David Helbley are developing the ministry at OSU while Sabrina Britany has begun an outreach to students at WS near Kettering. Please remember to pray for these new campus ministry colleagues.

5. Two more staff have been brought on in Massachusetts serving the five campuses of Western Massachusetts, Amherst. Their names are Dennis and Beverly Tier. Please remember to pray for them in their new campus ministry leadership.

6. Boulder, CO SDA church recently voted to support a campus ministry outreach of Kirk King in re-establishing an ACF presence at UC Boulder. Please pray for Kirk in his efforts.

5. S.H.O.W. (Serving Humanity Orlando Wide), February 11 5-9 pm, Free Concert @ Lake Eola Band Shell, Sponsored by Florida Hospital College and Health Sciences. For more info email Chaplain Bill Crofton @ pbjcrofton@gmail.com.

6. The Spiritual Landscape Of The 112th Congress: You may be interested to know that two members of congress are Seventh-day Adventist. To read more about the religious make up of this new congress check out: http://pewresearch.org/pubs/1846/religious-composition-112th-congress.

Campus Ministry Career Opportunities

1. ACF @ UTK is looking for an Assistant Chaplain for the 2011-2012 school year. This is a taskforce position. If you're interested in serving, please email Michaela Lawrence Jeffery at mlawrence@gccsda.com for more details. The ideal applicant is someone who is familiar with public campus ministry.

Resources

1. Two great Adventist campus ministry resource locations: Check out the new web site for Adventist Resources For Campus Ministry (ARC) at www.ar4cministry.org. Also take a look at the new Adventist Youth Transition Network (AYTN) a web site full of resources for high school seniors heading off to college: www.aytn.org.

2. Landmark UCLA Study on Students and Spiritual Development. See: http://spirituality.ucla.edu/findings/.


4. Two great programs with possible campus interest for social justice: Not For Sale - http://www.notforsalecampaign.org/ & ADRA also has a violence against women campaign called End It Now - http://www.enditnow.org/. We find that students often find an interest in the Christian faith through issues on social justice.

5. Tony Wuerfel of Blueprint for Jonas has created a new kind of devotional and music experience. He blends his music and experimental writing style to give readers new insight into their own journeys, their own stories. Tony challenges readers to view a God that has been there the entire time; a God whose reach is as constant as the north. Visit his website to view lyrics, listen to his music, and sample the devotional at www.blueprintforjonas.com


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