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Many More Hills To Climb

Over the past few weeks, the people of South Africa have been keeping vigil over their revered hero and leader, Nelson Mandela. One of his most famous sayings quoted in his 1994 autobiography, Long Road To Freedom, was "After climbing a great hill, one only finds that there are many more hills to climb." Such is the rhythm of campus ministry. One year of ministry comes to a close with the brief reprieve of summer, and before we know it fall semester is starring us hard in the face. Campus ministers and their team of supporters have a lot of work ahead to be ready for fall semester and a new calendar year. But here's a word of caution - for now, take a breath and let the peaceful days of summer wash over you. We have climbed the summit of another completed year and now it's time to rest a bit while we ready ourselves for the work of God at the height of another fall semester. Pray long and ready yourselves for fall, but don't forget to rest well over summer, for as the beloved Madiba reminds us - we have many more hills to climb!

Pastor Ron Pickell
ACF Coordinator

News and Events

Campus Catalyst Training: Jump start your campus ministry this year with the North American Division ACF Campus Catalyst Training (CCT). CCT introduces student leaders, participating church members and pastors to the ten essentials of campus ministry helping launch, grow and sustain Adventist public campus ministry. To learn more about CCT go to: CCT Schedules for upcoming CCT events:
- University Of California, Berkeley: July 26 & 27. See UCB CCT to register.
- Australia CCT, August 7-25. See CCT/AUS for the schedule and more info.
- Hawaii Young Adult/CCT, September 13-15. For more info view and download the pdf flier at CCT/Hawaii.

"Are you tired? Worn out? Burned out on religion? Come to me. Get away with me and you will recover your life...Walk with me-watch how I do
-Central Florida CCT, October 4-6
-Miami Florida Pastors CCT, October 10
-Miami Florida CCT, October 11-13
-Texas Young Adult/CCT, November 15-17

National (Annual) Campus Ministries Conference: July 10 - 12, Atlanta, Georgia, Agnes Scott College. This year's conference will discuss Multi-Faith on college campuses. To register or more information go to: Conference

Campus Leads Campus Ministry Training, Michigan
Conference: July 24-27, Lansing MI. For more information about this campus leadership training go to: CAMPUS LEADS

ACF-GNYC Collegiate Kickoff, September 6 & 7: Church Of The Advent Hope, 111 East 87th St., New York, NY. Professor Zane Yi will present on The Wisdom To Doubt. For more information go to: ACF/NYC

Collegiate Project Mission Trip: July 3-16, Dominican Republic. Join service oriented young adults for a mission trip. This is a project led by college students and designed especially for college and university students, ages 18-24. Service coordinators will include construction, children's ministry, and community outreach. For more info go to: Maranatha (Sponsored by Maranatha Volunteers International).

Impact South Africa: July 1-13, 2013, Pretoria, South Africa. Impact South Africa is sponsored by the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventist's Youth/Young Adult Department as a world conference on youth and community services (WCYCS). (July 1-5) will focus on community service projects and Youth Congress to follow (July 8-13). Join us in South Africa bringing together world leaders of the Seventh-day Adventist church to focus on community service needs and harnessing the resources of our youth. For more information go to: Impact South Africa.

Young Adult Project: August 1-12, Dominican Republic. This mission trip opportunity is designed for the ages of 18-35 and will focus on construction, community service, new connections, and spiritual opportunities. Join this energetic group August 1-12, 2013 in the Dominican Republic. For more info go to: Maranatha (Sponsored by Maranatha Volunteers International).

InterVarsity's West Coast Faculty Conference Campus By The Sea: August 4-9, "Doing Justice, Loving Kindness, and Walking Humbly With God In Higher Education. Location for this event is Catalina Island. For more information go to: Campus By The Sea

Cruise With A Mission: September 15-22, 2013, AL. For more info go to: CRUISE.

Matthew 11:28, 29 (Message Bible)
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Campus Ministry Job Transitions/Openings
Farewell to Chaplain Ruben Sanchez
Ruben has been serving as the first chaplain/campus minister for Adventist students on colleges in and around New York City with primary responsibilities at Columbia University in connection with Church Of The Advent Hope. Ruben has done a marvelous job in organizing students and ministry for greater New York city and he will be greatly missed.

Farewell to Chaplain Lucien Nahum Isaac
Lucien has been serving students at the University Of California, Berkeley and the Berkeley SDA church over the last six years. Students will miss Lucien's great care for them as he moves on to pursue non profit work to end human trafficking right here in the SF Bay Area. Please pray for Lucien in his new responsibilities and for the students at UC Berkeley in a year of transition.
New York InterVarsity Invitational, *The Price Of Life* on human trafficking conference: October 4-13. For more information go to: [Price](#).

CRAVE Campus Outreach at NAD Just Claim It Miami, 2014: February 19-23, 2014. Join us for CRAVE campus outreach event at Florida International University, Miami Florida, on Thursday evening, February 20. More information will be coming at: [CRAVE](#).

### Resources

*How To Choose A College And Keep Your Faith* is a great article for students and campus ministers to check out as a reminder of the issues students face in heading off to college. Check it out at: [College](#).

Student Leadership Journal: As we ramp up for fall semester, InterVarsity has a great resource for student leaders that you might want to take a look at. Check out the Student Leadership Journal at: [Leadership](#).

XP3 College: is a great college ministry web site resource. Pastor and former campus minister, Chuck Bomar, has authored several books on students and college ministry. His latest is *Worlds Apart: Understanding The Mindsets And Values Of 18 - 25 Year Olds*. Check out these campus ministry resources at [XP3](#).

I Shall Stand Resource On College Sex and Dating: Check out I Shall Stand for books and resources on sex, abstinence and dating in the college scene. Go to: [Stand](#) for more info.

Templeton Science and Religion Series: Includes a series of nine short books concerning the sciences, humanities and religion. These books were commissioned to open intellectual doors and create discussion for readers of all backgrounds concerning the discussion of science and faith. Each expert begins with a background of their field of study with a view to the religious dimension returning to a wide variety of critical viewpoints. To learn more about these valuable resources discussing the integration of science and faith go to: [Templeton](#).

ACFLINK.ORG Web Site: ACFLINK.ORG is the best way for staying connected with Adventist ministry on non-Adventist college and university campuses. Another great connecting point is: ACF on Facebook at [ACF North America](#).

Campus Ministry Quick Start Guide: Check out the new Quick Start Guide for campus ministry at [AdventSource](#). Quick Start guides are now downloadable from the ARC Campus Ministry Resources Web Site by going to: [ARC](#).

Task Force Assistant Chaplain 2013-15 School Years

ACF Campus Ministry Director for the Georgia Cumberland Conference of SDA, Michaela Lawrence Jeffrey, is looking for a task force chaplain assistant for Advent House SDA Student Center and ACF at the University Of Tennessee, Knoxville. It is a live in position for the 2013 fall through 2015 school year. For more information see job description at [GCC](#) website. To submit a resume’ or further inquiry, contact Michaela Lawrence Jeffrey at [Michaela](#).

Florida Conference Campus Ministries

The Florida Conference recently hired Angelo Grasso as their new chaplain for campus ministries at the University Of Florida, Gainesville campus. Congratulations UF and Florida Conference Youth Ministries Department. Angelo and his family plan on relocating to the Gainesville area sometime this spring. Godspeed and blessings for ACF at UF.

Good Reads

*Campus Ministry In A Post Modern Culture*

At last! A book that interprets the challenges of campus ministry through a distinctly missional lens. This is an intensely practical and theologically substantial orientation on what it means to
Veritas Forum: The Veritas Riff Podcast continues to provide relevant, insightful commentary on today's most pressing issues. Check out one of the latest in the series of campus talks on "Why Health Care Reform Needs Spiritual Reform" by Dr. Ray Barfield of Duke University. Check it out at Veritas.

Journey Bible Study
"Come and see", Jesus said, when asked where he hung out by some of the earliest of his disciples. Journey is an invitation to join these first followers of Jesus as they embark on a personal discovery of Jesus mission and message. Journey is for long time followers and brand new seekers that are curious about who Jesus is and what he means by the coming of the kingdom. Journey is also a great resource for Friday night college large groups, weekly small group meetings and comes with a complete leaders guide for leading and teaching. Journey will soon be available on the AdventSource web site. Look for it in the collegiate section.

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