Once Again...It's Time!

On Wednesday, August 7, convention attendees from around the world will begin checking in at the 2013 ASI International Convention registration desk in Orlando, Florida. It's the second year for the convention theme, "It's Time...To Be About Our Father's Business." It's also an officer election year, so many will arrive early to take part in the election process.

The annual ASI International Convention is a rich opportunity to learn how to share your faith effectively—from others who are doing it every day! It's also a great place to get questions answered about the challenges of lay ministry and outreach. This year, a special program is planned that will answer questions on end-time issues and events, along with the usual inspiring Members in Action stories and lineup of speakers and seminars.

If you can't attend in person, watch the general Sessions live on 3ABN. After the convention, all Sessions and Seminars will be posted on the ASI and AudioVerse websites, so you can see what you missed and share it with others. Download the ASI Ministries app for easy access to convention information from your smart phone.

Additional links that might interest you:

- Convention Schedule
- Rates & Registration
- Lodging & Transportation
- Meals & Local Attendance
- Children & Youth (Youth Convention)
- Music & Media
- Meetings & Events (other groups and organizations)
You are warmly invited to attend the special ASI Youth For Jesus baptismal service at 7:15 p.m., Tuesday, August 6, 2013, at the Umatilla Seventh Day Adventist Church, 1400 N. Central Ave. in Umatilla, Florida.

Your presence will demonstrate support for the YFJ youth as they witness the powerful results of allowing Jesus to work through them over the past six weeks. Be blessed as you see the results of your contributions to the YFJ program.

YFJ has been in full swing since July 7 on the LIFE campus in Lady Lake, Florida—with 42 enthusiastic young participants. Jon Holland, the program's field supervisor, taught the first official class on how to give Bible studies. The students have been conducting outreach and evangelistic meetings in Lady Lake, Leesburg, and Umatilla.

Parents and supporters have received daily email updates about the group's activities. On Monday, July 15, the students gave back to the community by helping out at a local wildlife animal sanctuary not far from Lady Lake. The sanctuary is home to black bears, monkeys, tigers, wolves, panthers, and bats that have been rescued from around the country.

"Youth For Jesus had to make room for more cages (specifically, each animal had one acre of land). We raked out weeds, cut down dead branches and trees, hauled dead branches from trees that had fallen, pulled weeds, and dug cactus out of the ground," said Lindsey White, a YFJ Bible worker from Keene, Texas. When the students were finished, they'd cleared away more than 10 large piles of branches, trees, roots, cacti, and other brush, ready to be picked up and hauled away. Overall, they cleared approximately 150 square feet of ground.

"While being there and seeing everyone working together ... I
“...teamwork is the most vital part of helping others,” Lindsey said. “It didn’t matter what or why we were doing this; it only mattered who we were doing it for, and that was for Christ.”

The group was also blessed by a day of fun and relaxation at the beach, which left them refreshed to carry on their labor for souls. As of July 30, 11 decisions for baptism had been made at the Lady Lake site, 4 at Leesburg, and 2 at Umatilla. For the YFJ students, those decisions are the best reward of all.

Visit the [Youth For Jesus](http://www.youthforjesus.org) website.

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Notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, August 7, 2013, at 2:00 p.m., at the Rosen Shingle Creek Resort in Orlando, Florida, Adventist-laymen’s Services & Industries (ASI) will conduct its **Biannual Business Session** for the purpose of electing officers and directors, receiving a report of activities during the prior two years, reviewing financial statements, and conducting such other business as may properly come before the voting delegates as defined by the ASI Constitution and By-laws. (Scroll down for complete meeting schedule.)

**VOTING ELIGIBILITY:**

- All ASI Board members
- All appointed ASI members (executive ASI secretaries of conferences/unions)
- All organizational members (for profit and nonprofit)
- All personal members (retired/former organizational members)
- Honorary members

Delegates must be present to vote.

Associate/Associate International members are not eligible to vote.

New or continuing ASI chapter presidents automatically join as voting members of the ASI Board and will give chapter reports during the ASI Board Meeting.

The Biannual Business Session is an open meeting. A list of voting-eligible attendees will be available onsite.

**MEETING SCHEDULE & LOCATIONS:**

**ASI Missions Inc. - Monday Aug. 5**
5:00 p.m. - Buffet Supper (spouses welcome)
6:00 – 9:00 p.m. - ASI Missions Inc. Board Meeting
Wekiwa 1

**ASI Board - Tuesday, Aug. 6**
8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. - ASI Board Meeting
12:15 p.m. - ASI Board/ASI Staff Buffet Lunch (spouses welcome)
Wekiwa 1/2

**ASI Biannual Business Session - Wednesday, Aug. 7**
8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. - ASI Convention Registration
2:00 p.m. - ASI Biennial Business Session (Panzacola F3/4)
6:45 p.m. - 66th Annual ASI Convention Keynote Session

Meeting locations will also be posted on the Convention Registration page of the ASI website and by notice in the summer 2011 issue of Inside ASI magazine.

God bless each of you,

*Ramon Chow*
Secretary-Treasurer
ASI-North American Division
Your end time questions wanted!

Posted on **Jun 24 2013**

Every year, we see new evidences of the shortness of time. The news reports are filled with reports of unprecedented atrocities. Is God really in control?

Join church leaders and ASI members in exploring answers to this and many other questions regarding the final scenes of earth’s history. Submit questions you have about end times to be answered and discussed by panelists participating in the Sabbath afternoon program, August 10, at 4:00 p.m., at the 2013 International ASI Convention in Orlando, Florida.

**Event Moderator:** Don Mackintosh  
**Panelists:** Mark Finley, Ted Wilson, C.D. Brooks, Ed Reid, Lewis Walton, and Andi Hunsaker

Email your end time questions TODAY to end.times.question@gmail.com.

"We are not now able to describe with accuracy the scenes to be enacted in our world in the future, but this we do know, that this is a time when we must watch unto prayer, for the great day of the Lord is at hand" (*Selected Messages*, book 2, p. 35 (1901)).