June 2014

Congratulations are offered to:

~ The Columbia Spanish group, a growing congregation in Columbia, Maryland, that was recently promoted to company status. Members and some 15 visitors gathered recently for a celebratory Sabbath worship service. “I am grateful to the Lord for His many blessings here in Columbia. We started with only four members in October 2010, and now we are 35,” says Pastor Orlando Rosales. “With the Lord's guidance, we are confident that in 2015 we can become an organized church. How great is our God!”

~ Joseph Choi, Highland View Academy music director, who has been accepted to attend a United States Army Conducting Workshop this month. Next month he will further hone his conducting skills under the direction of several prestigious conductors while attending the Shenandoah Conservatory Conducting Symposium. He praises God for the opportunity to minister through music.

~ Those in our congregations who have recently graduated from kindergarten, eighth grade, high school, college and graduate school.

The debut concert of God’s Younique’s—teens Paris Hawk and Charles Blythe, Jr.—and their musical guests Duawne Starling, Heaven Sent and others, takes place Friday, June 13, at 6 p.m., at the Miracle Temple Seventh-day Adventist Church located at 100 S. Rock Avenue in Baltimore, Maryland. A light reception follows the concert. For more information, call the church at (410) 368-9294.

Christian music artist Steve Darmody performs in concert at the Dundalk church, Wednesday, June 25, at 7 p.m. Come and be blessed by this mid-week praise and worship event in the Baltimore area. The church is located at 6740 Holabird Avenue in Dundalk, Maryland. Need more details? Call Pastor Sedley Johnson at (443) 799-2400, or email seduljon@yahoo.com.

Campestré Hispano (Hispanic Camp Meeting) promises a weekend of rich experience under the theme, “Jesús, Nuestra Identidad” (“Jesus, Our Identity”), June 13-15, on the campus of Highland View Academy. Beginning Friday evening at 7 o’clock there is a concert by Bienvenido Javier, and a message by Abner De Los Santos, Inter-American Division vice president. Throughout the weekend he is joined by speakers Ernest Castillo, North American Division vice president for
Multilingual Ministries; Ricardo Norton, associate professor of Church Growth at the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary at Andrews University; and Rubén Ramos, Columbia Union vice president for Multicultural Ministries. Sabbath afternoon features a graduation ceremony for the students of the School of Theology and Discipleship. The camp meeting ends Sunday morning with a Garden of Prayer, music and closing message. See details online at Chesapeake Conference’s website: ccosda.org.

A special Chesapeake Conference evangelism offering will be collected at camp meeting and on Sabbath, June 28. The offering will be used to conduct evangelistic meetings and outreach in every church during the world church’s Year of Evangelism. This requires extra funding beyond the conference’s normal capacity. Your support is vital to make this a reality. You can give online or through the tithe envelope by marking your gift “Special Evangelism” under the Conference section. To learn more, visit ccosda.org.

A reunion for all who attended Greater Baltimore Academy/Edgecombe Junior Academy/Greater Baltimore Junior Academy (one school that had three names) is planned for Sabbath, July 5, at Baltimore First church located at 3291 Saint John’s Lane in Ellicott City, Maryland. Make new friends, reconnect with old ones, grow closer in your walk with God, enjoy uplifting music, and have some good, clean fun! To register for meals, lodging, and to view detailed schedules and seminar descriptions, visit the Chesapeake Conference website at ccosda.org/campmeeting.

This year, evening meetings and Sabbath programs will streamed live via the Internet for those who cannot attend in person. To access programs visit ccosda.org/campmeetinglive.

Kick-off—Camp meeting begins Tuesday evening at 7:10. There are no evening meetings for Beginners (ages 0-3). Bill Knott, editor and publisher of Adventist Review and Adventist World magazines, is the featured speaker for adult evening meetings, Tuesday through Thursday.

Morning Family Worships—Ann Roda, pastor for families at New Hope church in Fulton, Maryland, leads out in interactive family morning worships under the theme “God Loves You Like Crazy” from 8:30-9:30 a.m., Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Fun and Fellowship—There are fun activities for kids (remember the Slippy Slide?), teens (outings and adventures!) and young adults each day. Special features include a watermelon feast, outreach project, evening Film Fest, health screenings, church picnics, swimming, Friday evening songs and campfire stories (and glow sticks!), and a Sabbath morning Women’s Breakfast (8:00 a.m. at the nearby Mount Aetna Adventist Elementary School—please carpool if possible as parking at the school is limited).

Seminars are offered each morning and afternoon, and 20-minute mini seminars daily at 6:45 p.m. Learn simple health remedies; how to connect with young adults; explore Ellen White’s writings and Daniel 11, and get ideas on how to improve your life with a positive outlook.

Sabbath—On Friday evening and Sabbath morning, Karl Haffner, author and senior pastor of Ohio Conference’s Kettering church, talks about God’s amazing grace. There will be two worship services in the HVA gym on Sabbath morning—one at 8:15 a.m., and one at 11:00 a.m. The Sabbath school lesson study takes place at 8:15 in the Highland View church, and a Faith Alive! Mission Report begins at 9:30 a.m. in the gym.

~ A special Music and Mission program happens in the HVA gym Sabbath afternoon, 2:30-4:45 p.m. A camp meeting choir performs. If you want to sing with the choir, rehearsals are Saturday, June 7, 4-5:30 p.m. at the Williamsport church located at 16421 Lappans Road in Williamsport, Maryland; Thursday, June 19, at HVA following the Camp Meeting evening meeting.
(about 9 o’clock); and Friday, June 20, at HVA following the evening meeting. For more information email jchoi@highlandviewacademy.com.

~ Elder Haffner speaks at the Saturday evening meeting, and camp meeting concludes with an Adventist Book Center sale.
~ A special evangelism offering will be collected on Sabbath at camp meeting. Please prayerfully consider how you can help spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ to our mission field in these last days.
~ Church picnics and the Adventist Singles Ministry picnics take place following the 11 o’clock worship service on Sabbath, June 21. The sites are reserved as follows: Dundalk/Northeast #1, Willow Brook #5, Frederick #6, Brooklyn/Glen Burnie #8, Charles Town #9, Berkeley Springs #10, Atholton #13, Middletown Valley/Catoctin View #15, Linthicum/Pasadena #18, Hagerstown #19, Williamsport #24, Adventist Singles #23.

Looking for summer camp fun for a young person? Residential and day camps are underway this month and throughout the season, but spaces are still available. Visit mtaeltnacamp.com to view sessions throughout Maryland and Delaware.

**Chesapeake Conference schools** are accepting applications for the 2014-15 school year. Reserve a space for your child now at one of the 13 area schools serving students entering pre-kindergarten through 12th grade. For a listing of schools, visit ccosda.org and select the “Find a church or school” tab, or call the conference Office of Education at (410) 995-1910 for more information. Students in Adventist schools continue to score above national averages on standardized tests. Visit adventisteducation.org to learn more.

**An Adventist Heritage Tour led by William Fagal**, associate director of the Ellen G. White Estate, is in the planning stages. Sponsored by the Triadelphia church in Clarksville, Maryland, the trip was set to take place this month but has been postponed until autumn. Travel to Massachusetts, Vermont, Maine, New York, and New Hampshire in the comfort of an Eyre coach. Joseph Bates' boyhood home, Ellen White’s birthplace, and the William Miller Farm are among the points of interest the group will visit. The cost for the five-day trip is $595.00 per person, and includes daily hot breakfast buffet, transportation, and shared lodging. Children stay free with parents but will be charged $241 each for transportation. Call Cindy Possinger at (301) 728-7817; Jeanie Tamman at (301) 460-9320; Candy Iverson at (443) 283-2334; or Mauri or Dottie Bascom at (410) 531-5294 to learn more.

**Music Opportunities:** For more details about these events, email jchoi@highlandviewacademy.com, or call (301) 739-8480, ext. 258.
~ Highland View Academy students who participate in the school’s music program may be interested in scholarship opportunities as well a Music Mission Trip to Brazil planned for 2015.
~ Want to sing in the 2014 Forever Faithful International Oshkosh Camporee Choir in August? The group will sing “The Battle Hymn of the Republic.” A few spaces are still available.

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