Inter-America: Church to celebrate Vision One Million initiative through satellite program

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The two-hour celebration event, which will take place March 31, 2012, will be broadcast live via satellite through The Hope Business Channel, Esperanza TV, 3ABN and 3ABN Latino from the Parque de la Industria Convention Center in Guatemala City, Guatemala.

Evangelist Robert Costa, associate ministerial secretary for the Adventist world church, will be the featured speaker.

Adventist Churches across the Inter-American Division (IAD) are expected to be filled with visitors as thousands of church members have committed to inviting friends and neighbors for a special program.

The program will mark the first stage of aggressive efforts all across the 21 major church regions to involve one million active members in testifying in their communities during the next three years and one that falls under IAD's on-going revival and reformation initiative, organizers said.

"Vision One Million has the intent of assisting each believer to live in readiness for the coming of Christ," said Pastor Balvin Braham, associate director of the ministerial association for the church in Inter-America and organizer of the event.

Already, the Vision One Million initiative has mobilized pastors, administrators, directors and members in an orchestrated venture to motivate each believer into a personal spiritual revival through a daily prayerful life and study of the Bible which leads to sharing the good news of salvation in their communities, said Braham.

Thousands of evangelistic campaigns took place last month throughout Adventist churches and gathering centers across the IAD as part of unified efforts and an action plan which involved thousands of leaders and members of small groups in testifying of God's message of hope.

The goal is to enlist one million active committed members through Inter-America's 100,000 small groups to expanding the church and the community with a message of Hope by the end of 2015, organizers said.

In Guatemala, the church has been aggressively training some 35,000 members of their goal of 60,000, said Pastor Gustavo Menendez, personal ministries director for the church in Guatemala. Menendez has personally overseen the training of more than 10,000 in the course of nearly three months this year and attributes more than 3,500 baptisms to the discipleship initiative.

Churches across Guatemala are already planning to carry the satellite program, and the Parque de las Industrias Convention Center is expected to have some 3,000 visitors during the event.

Elsewhere in Inter-America, church leaders continue challenging members to join in the Vision One Million program, inject more spiritual revival into small groups and join forces to transmit the Good News of the Gospel.

To view the live satellite program from Guatemala City, tune in to The Hope Channel, Esperanza TV, 3ABN and 3ABN Latino on Saturday, March 31, 2012, at 11:00 p.m. Guatemala Time or 1:00 p.m. Miami Time.

For more on Inter-America's Vision One Million and prayer revival initiative and other spiritual activities visit the following links:

**Resources:**
- Revival and Reformation webpage: [http://praying4revival.org](http://praying4revival.org)

In Spanish: [http://estamosorando.org](http://estamosorando.org)

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