Philanthropy: Beyond Asking for Money

Philanthropic Service for Institutions (PSI) will hold its triennial Conference on Philanthropy & Leadership Symposium entitled "Crossroads" on June 21–24, at the JW Marriott, in Indianapolis, Ind.

“The conference is being planned by and designed for chief executives officers and fundraising professionals of Adventist organizations who recognize the magnitude of charitable empowerment to the institutions and communities they serve,” says Paul Hopkins, associate director of PSI for advocacy and communication.

Speakers for the conference include Dr. Dwight Burlingame, CFRE director of academic programs for the Center on Philanthropy at Indiana University and Robbe Healey, AFCRE, immediate past chair of AFP International. Burlingame will be presenting a keynote speech on the culture of philanthropy. Healey’s keynote speech will paint a vivid picture of the future and how fundraisers can thrive.

PSI exists to empower leadership and fundraising professionals in understanding their role in philanthropy. “We want to teach them how to connect with donors in institutional success,” says Kristin Priest, associate director of PSI for programs. PSI helps people understand that philanthropy is more than just putting out your hand and asking for money. Philanthropy is a process where the entity who knows how to get things done, such as a hospital, and the one with the financial resources to make it happen meet.

PSI offers interested individuals tools for philanthropy. The conferences PSI organizes provide networking and training opportunities. The speakers that PSI includes in its seminars includes a variety of practitioners in order to provide a global view of philanthropy. PSI also trains through podcasts and webinars. PSI has scholarship opportunities and professional development grants for training in philanthropy and leadership.

To visit PSI’s website click here.

To learn more about PSI's scholarships click here.
Richard “Dick” Weismeyer, executive director of university relations for Loma Linda University, passed away early this morning, January 13, after battling cancer since 2007.

**Life Talk Radio Moves to California; Officials Cite Reorganization**

On Tuesday, January 11, The Adventist Media Center Board voted to relocate the office of LifeTalk Radio from Collegedale, Tenn., to the Adventist Media Center in Simi Valley, Calif. “We are reorganizing the functions of this radio broadcast ministry,” said Pastor Dan Jackson, chair of the Adventist Media Center board and president of the North American Division.

Director Steve Gallimore and his wife, Chare will complete their ministry with LifeTalk on January 26. John Geli, a former station affiliate director at LifeTalk, has been appointed radio program manager. Geli has more than 18 years of experience in radio broadcasting along with experience as being a station manager at other Adventist radio stations across the United States and Guam. He will be responsible for day-to-day operations. “The overall management and accounting functions will be handled at the Adventist Media Center,” said Warren Judd, interim manager of the Adventist Media Center and assistant vice president of the North American Division.

“We appreciate the commitment the Gallimores have put into developing this radio broadcast ministry,” said Jackson. “They, among other past leaders, have helped to put quality Christian programming on the airwaves — and more of that is needed today,” he said. The Gallimores have been in ministry at LifeTalk Radio since 2004.

**About LifeTalk Radio**

LifeTalk Radio reaches out to men and women for their good, empathizing with them, ministering to their needs, winning their confidence and then, through personal contact, seeks to win them to Christ and the blessed hope of Jesus’ soon coming.

Through advanced satellite technology, LifeTalk Radio broadcasts God’s message of love and redemption 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Life Talk designs the programs to strengthen spiritual life and family values, and shares them along with carefully chosen music to transform lives.

LifeTalk Radio broadcasts to approximately 70 stations across North America and internationally in Guam, Saipan, and England. Popular programs on the stations include Your Story Hour, Voice of Prophecy, the Breath of Life Telecast, and Science, Scripture and Salvation.

To learn more about Life Talk and to listen online click [here](#).

**Recalling the Haiti Earthquake**

Exactly one year ago today, Gerly Germain, pastor of the Bethanie Seventh-day Adventist Church in Tampa, Fl., received a phone call that he will never forget. “Around five o’clock that morning, my mother called me and told me that they found my dad in the rubble,’ said...
Germain concerning his personal recollections of the Haiti earthquake. His father served the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Haiti for more than 40 years as a pastor, conference president, ministerial secretary, and department director.

Although Germain lost his father in this natural disaster that killed more than 200,000 people and displaced some 1.5 million more, he had to remain strong for his Haitian congregation as they were also waiting to receive information on family and friends. Pushing his feelings aside for the moment, Germain held prayer vigils and set up his church as a collection center for medical supplies, water, canned food, and new clothing to send back to his homeland. "I was pleased to see how our community came together, not just seeing this as a Haitian crisis, but a human one," he said.

Students from Andrews University in Berrien Springs, Mich., gathered on Wednesday, January 12 in an event called "We Remember Haiti." The event raised awareness and funds for a scholarship program for the Haiti Adventist University. "We are hoping to raise $100,000 for the university over a long period to send students there back to school," said Tyler Contrell, coordinator for the event.

“Our heartfelt prayers and concerns are still with the people of Haiti who are still suffering the effects of the devastating earthquake,” said Pastor Dan Jackson, president of the North American Division. NAD sent $600,000 to help rebuild the ministry of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Haiti. Special offerings were also collected in February 2010 in churches across the Division.

The Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) has provided more than USD$4 million in aid, personnel and assets to assist Haitian survivors in the months since the earthquake. Throughout the 12 months that has passed since the January earthquake, ADRA has been focused on managing displaced persons camps, water purification, food, the distribution of non-food items, sanitation and hygiene, psychosocial support, education, and semi-permanent shelters.

Various news entities have reported that only about 5 percent of the debris from the earthquake has been removed and bodies are still being recovered. ADRA's focus remains on the long-term reconstruction of Haiti. Operating in Haiti for 30 years, ADRA is committed to the Haitian people and their country's recovery.

To contribute to ADRA's life-saving work, call 1.800.424.ADRA (2372) or give online at www.adra.org.

About the photo: Nearly 20,000 displaced people were living on the grounds of the ADRA compound during the aftermath of the 2010 Haiti earthquake. Photo Credit: Matt Herzel, ADRA International

The Adventists Goes International

The critically acclaimed documentary film, The Adventists, now airing on PBS stations in the United States, will soon begin airing internationally. Broadcasters in Romania, Italy, Poland, the Ukraine, Russia and Asia (China, Japan, Korea) have licensed the film for translation, broadcast and distribution on DVD.

The Adventists tells the story of the Church’s unique health care ministry that has made many members some of the longest-living people in the world.

"The themes we raise in the film about the intersection of faith and health care and the role theology plays in fostering a healthier lifestyle are universal themes.
That is why the film is now finding success beyond our own borders," says filmmaker Martin Doblmeier of Journey Films.

You can purchase *The Adventists* at your local Adventist Book Center or on [www.adventistbookcenter.com](http://www.adventistbookcenter.com)

**View Adventist World Online**

Check out the online edition of the January 2011 *Adventist World*. NAD stories include:

"What if You Couldn’t Buy or Sell" – page 9  
"In the Shadows of the Capitol" – page 10  
"In North America 1.1 Million Adventists Urged to Reach Others" – pages 12-14  
“Sunday’s Coming, But First …” – pages 34-39

**Announcements**

**NAD Year-end Meeting Audio CDs Available**

You can now purchase audio only versions of the devotional messages presented during the 2010 North American Division Year-end Meeting. Speakers include Elder Mark Johnson, president, Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada; Elizabeth Talbot, co-host, Voice of Prophecy; Elder Dan Jackson, president, North American Division; Elder Roscoe Howard III, vice president, Adventist Health; and Elder Jose V. Rojas, director, Volunteer Ministries.

Click [here](http://www.adventsource.org) to download the order form. You can also order online at [www.adventsource.org](http://www.adventsource.org). To order a specific devotional message, type the catalog number (listed on the order form) in the search bar at the top of the AdventSource website.

**Note:**

*Reaching Out in Love* describes the important evangelism aspect of REACH North America, the new five-year plan for the North American Division. The most effective way to REACH OUT is to do it with LOVE. People respond to love and compassion. Jesus’ compassion for lost souls is now our mission. The challenge is our privilege. Read on for ideas to Reach Out in Love.

**Jesus in Your Church Rebroadcast**

January 22 and 29 at 4:30–6:00 p.m. ET

Due to technical difficulties, the afternoon program is being rebroadcast on the Hope Church Channel.

* DVDs of *Jesus in Your Church* broadcasts can be purchased from the...
The Greatest Show on Earth: Making Sense of the Creation-Evolution Debate

NEW DATES! May 4–8
Don't miss this informative Seminar with renowned scientist, Dr. Timothy Standish and practical theologian, Dr. Ron E. M. Clouzet, presenting astounding evidence that will strengthen your faith!

Plan to participate in the second preparatory event of NET 2011. This excellent seminar is an opportunity to invite community friends and neighbors and all those interested in this hot topic of our times to your church. Five nights and five important topics to be broadcast live on the Hope Channel.

**Topic 1:**
The Way We Were: A Look at Deep Time

**Topic 2:**
The Life of Creatures: Wonder and Trouble in Paradise

**Topic 3:**
Genes and Genies: What We Know and What We Don’t

**Topic 4:**
The Flood and the Fossil: Radiometric Dating and Hard Questions

**Topic 5:**
Father God or Mother Earth: History, Presuppositions, the Problem of Evil and a Loving God

Prophecies Decoded: Can the Past Reveal Your Future

September 30–October 29
Speaker—Ron Clouzet, Director, North American Division Evangelism Institute

REGISTER TODAY!

Resource Sites:
host.PropheciesDecoded.com for more program information, organization tips, resources and registration for NET 2011—Prophecies Decoded.

(855) NET-2011 for registration and technical assistance.

www.AdventistSat.com to order equipment online.
www.AdventistEvangelism.com to order printed materials.

Subscribe to **REACH North America News**

**REACH North America News** is a must for pastors, elders, church leadership and anyone who has a passion for outreach and evangelism. If your church friends and leadership are not getting this valuable newsletter, invite them to subscribe by emailing NETCoordinator@nad.adventist.org.

**REACH North America News** is archived weekly on the AdventSource website, www.AdventSource.org. Search for “Reach” to find the newsletters.
Adventist Community Services e-Reporting

For the past year, ACS has hosted free web-based E-Reporting software that registers your clients and records services provided to your community. This includes all community services provided by ACS and all ministries or groups in your church. Activities could include visiting or assisting the sick or elderly, feeding the homeless, tutoring or mentoring children, or providing goods for those in need. The software also captures basic volunteer, income and expense information.

This means no more paper reports to send to your conference or the North American Division. Once you enter the information into the database, you, your conference, your union and NAD can generate a variety of reports.

To watch the Adventist Community Services E-Reporting video from NAD Church Resource Center click here.

Adventist Information Ministry

Adventist Information Ministry (AIM) is the North American Division Evangelistic contact center. AIM assists the church’s ministry outreach efforts, typically media, by helping organizations build relationships with their clients. AIM provides Seventh-day Adventist operators to answer calls from persons expressing interest in Bible studies, prayer, or pastoral guidance. Operators also provide order placement services and help interested callers find the nearest local Seventh-day Adventist church.

To learn more about AIM click here.

Adventist Preaching

Adventist Preaching, a collection of sermon series presented by some of the more renowned preachers in the Adventist church, was created to provide sermons for churches without speakers. It was also created to give members the opportunity to build a personal DVD library of favorite preachers.

This preaching resource is especially valuable for multi-church districts that share a pastor and often find themselves without a speaker for church, vespers, prayer meeting etc.

Click here to visit the Adventist Preaching website.
Sabbath School

Established as a major setting for religious education in the Seventh-day Adventist Church, Sabbath school exists to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Its website provides tools for Sabbath School programs in local churches. Click here to visit the website. To visit the NAD Adult Ministries website click here.

To download adult Sabbath School materials click here and look under "Adult Sabbath School Materials" and click and save the compressed file.

Hope Channel

Hope Channel is the global television network of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Its website provides programming schedules and links to Hope Channel broadcasting in English and other languages. Click here to visit the network's site.

Click here to view schedules for Hope Channel and Hope Church Channel.

NAD Education Webinars

Two exciting and useful webinar series have been designed for Seventh-day Adventist Educators, the Pathways Series and the Technology Series.

The Pathways Series (held 1st Tuesday of each month - through April, 7–8p EST ) focuses specifically on the different components of the Pathways program. The upcoming topics are Multi-grade 5-8 Strategies, Principles of Classroom Assessment, and Literacy Records/Progress Reports.

The Technology Series (held the 3rd Thursday of each month through May, 7–8p EST) features a variety of topics of interest to educators with all levels of technological expertise including topics such as Visual Thesaurus, Marketing Your School's Website and more.

To register, go to the NAD Education website, and click on "EDUCATOR TOOLBOX" (if you don't already have an account, you will need to create one and request a guest password) then "TDEC TECHNOLOGY."

2011 Camp Meeting Schedule

For more than 100 years, the Seventh-day Adventist Church has been conducting camp meetings. These convocations, held annually, are spiritual renewal gatherings for members of the Church and their guests. Each conference in the North American Division plans a ten-day or weekend camp meeting filled with seminars and sermons that teach about biblical principles, healthier lifestyles, practical living principles, and more. Please check your local conference website for additional information on your camp meeting.
Women's Ministries

Women's Ministries in the North American Division exists to encourage, equip, promote, and challenge Adventist women in their journey as disciples of Jesus Christ and members of His Church and to bring women's unique perspectives to the issues facing the Church.

Women's Ministries now offers a bible study series. "Journey of Joy: Healthy Emotions and Holy Hearts" is an 11-part DVD Bible study series especially for women. DVD lessons were by Carla Gober, PhD, MS, MPH. Director, Center for Spiritual Life and Wholeness, Loma Linda University.

Discover how you can experience joy even during life's darkest moments. Examine the connection between a woman's emotions and her spirituality. Uncover new ways to study Scripture. For more information click here.

Click here to view the NAD Women's Ministries website.

ViewPoints

During a special call to first year Pathfinders at the Australia Union Pathfinder Camporee on January 8, Pastor James Black Sr., director of youth and young adult ministries for the North American Division said to a crowd of about 300 standing around him, "Most of you will be 18 years old in ten years. I challenge you to stay close to God because the church is going to need you then just as much as we need you now. King Josiah was not too young to be used by God and neither are you. I have seen your strength this week. You have shown strength that doesn't run away from mud but endures it. You have shown strength that doesn't run away from rain but plays and sings in it. Now give that strength to God."

The Camporee was held in Toowoomba, the same city where the inland tsunami took place this past Monday, January 10. Pastor Black is safe and was able to make it out of the area the day before the water came flooding through the city. All attendees of the camporee are safe as well. If you would like to donate funds to assist with flood relief in Toowoomba, please visit adra.org.

"Unity in the church is not uniformity, but unity of purpose," said G. Alexander Bryant, secretary for the North American Division, at the the North American Division Union President's Cabinet meeting in Lake Mary, Florida on January 11, where they were discussing strategic planning and other issues facing the North American Division.