How Do You Spell "Summertime?"

C-A-M-P! And what about V-A-C-A-T-I-O-N B-I-B-L-E S-C-H-O-O-L? If you talk to a group of adults and ask about some of their most significant childhood memories, chances are that many of them will mention one of these two programs!

More than 70 youth camps are distributed across the North American Division's 50 states and 10 provinces and are run by our conference youth departments with James Black as the NAD Camps Ministries director.

Why does our Church runs so many youth camps? Because we believe in raising our youth to know God and to have rich experiences that will keep them connected with the Church. We desire to show them God through nature, relationships, experiences, great stories. We want them to learn indoor and outdoor activities such as hiking, camping, horseback riding, swimming, arts and crafts, and much more, so they will have this ability to add to their healthy enjoyment and usefulness in life.

Beyond the obvious education and entertainment benefits, one of the greatest things youth camps do for children is to help them meet new people outside their own hometown circle, to teach them how to get along with others, and even to give them leadership skills that will help them succeed in life. It’s a chance for them to see that our Church reaches far beyond the walls of their own Sabbath school and home church.

Vacation Bible School (VBS), Phyllis Washington, NAD children's ministries director, is another adventure that children look forward to in the summer. It’s a major project for the adults who are organizing it and bringing thousands of community children across the division into the Seventh-day Adventist Churches every day. It provides nearly-free "babysitting and child care" for neighborhood parents, and it draws them to the church at the end of the week to see the program put on by the children, and the crafts that they have been working on all week. It’s a great "opening wedge!" Churches are
often built by the kind of children's programs that they provide. Parents -- even non-attending and non-Adventist parents -- often will bring their children to a church-sponsored program that is especially for children. In some towns, there are very few quality children's events provided that are safe, educational, and fun. Vacation Bible School fills that billing.


Columbia Union Elects New Secretary

This morning, Robert Vandeman, president of Chesapeake Conference, has been elected as the executive secretary of the Columbia Union. Vandeman began his ministry 40 years ago, pastoring churches in Colorado, Minnesota and Maryland, where he spent 12 years as senior pastor of Chesapeake Conference's Spencerville church in Silver Spring, Md. In 1995 he joined the Chesapeake Conference leadership team, serving as executive secretary for 10 years and president for the past five. He plans to take up his new role later this summer and will serve the 2011-2016 term left vacant last month when Neville Harcombe died. More

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Union College Plans New Math and Science Complex

The new complex will replace the 66-year-old Jorgensen Hall. With $11 million already raised of the needed $14.5 million, Union launched a fundraising campaign on June 15 to raise the balance of $3.5 million in order to be able to build the new complex debt free. More
The following are positive stories that appeared this week in the news about Seventh-day Adventists in the North American Division territory.

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You are invited to attend “Emotional Health & Wellness: A Biblical Worldview in Practice” on October 12-15, in Loma Linda, Calif. This conference is designed to bring together pastors, administrators, educators, ministry leaders, doctors, psychiatrists, and students to inform and inspire best practices, increase resource accessibility, and develop international collaboration with a focus on emotional and mental health in many different aspects. Featured speakers will include Lowell Cooper, Willie Oliver, Allan Handysides, Lisa Beardsley, and Dr. Harold Koenig. More

**June 30 Deadline for ASI Exhibitors**

ASI Exhibitors should register by the end of June to have their name/contact info included in the convention program.
Review and Herals shipping from the GC building to the convention will be July 18, 19.

Registration of each booth space includes the full registration (meetings/seminars) of one assistant. The exhibitor (contact person) has a full registration with meals (included with first booth space).

Find registration information at the ASI Office or online. Contact Gail Bosarge at 301-680-6450 or asi@nad.adventist.org for assistance, as needed.

Contract Deadline for a Meeting and Event Room Reservation, you must also fill out a Meeting and Event A/V and Meal Contract to secure your reservation. Both forms can be accessed from the ASI website, Convention Registration page. The deadline is June 30, 2011.

Hasel Joins Clouzet to Discuss Archaeology and the Bible

Astonishing Discoveries in the Land of the Bible, a pre-NET seminar to air September 14-18 on Hope Church Channel, will be hosted by Ron Clouzet, DMin, professor at Andrews University Theological Seminary. He will be joined by Michael G. Hasel, PhD, distinguished professor of Archaeology and Near Eastern Studies at Southern Adventist University.

Hasel, curator of the Lynn Wood Museum of Archaeology and director of the Institute of Archaeology, has participated in many archaeological excavations and study tours in the Middle East. His lectures, professional expertise, and fascinating experiences will prove very enlightening to those interested in the topic of how Bible history interfaces with the latest archaeological discoveries.

To register and for resources, Early Bird discount for print materials ends June 27.

Church Signs

The Church Sign Brochure is now posted on the North American Division website. It is the same sign brochure that has been used for the past several years, with a couple of updates inserted. Please use this version until a new sign brochure can be created.
Double or Triple your Newsletter Clicks

NAD Newsletters can be a valuable resource for your ministry and church. For instance, did you know that incorporating video into email newsletters can double or triple click rates? -Forrester Research. They should be no longer than four minutes, and preferably much shorter, with an attractive setting and proper lighting, using a lapel or boom mic rather than the camera mic. Compress the video for web with programs such as MPEG Stream clip (free), Adobe Media Encoder or Compressor. Take a screen shot from the video and load it to a site such as Vimeo or YouTube which have a large viewer base. You can also place it on The Adventist Channel, and Adventist YouTube. Ensure that your videos can be played on mobile devices. (From Practicing Communicating, “Utilizing Videos in Electronic Mail,” by Chip Dizard, cofounder of Sympaticoapps.com and co-host of TechTalk.)

Free iPhone and DROID Devotional App

The Pacific Union Conference has produced a great techie and appealing sharing tool, an app called SpiritRenew. Tell your friends and family about it.

Sharing fliers are free to Pacific Union members and $8/100 to all others.
“Regarding our young people, notice this warning given by Ellen G. White to churches, ‘God has appointed the church as a watchman, to have a jealous care over the youth and children, and as a sentinel to see the approach of the enemy and give warning of danger. But the church does not realize the situation. She is sleeping on guard’ (Counsels to Parents, Teachers, and Students, p. 165).

“Satan has made our children a target and as parents and churches we are sitting on our comfortable couches and pews asleep. Potomac Conference Churches, are you sleeping on guard when it comes to the young people who sit in your pews each Sabbath?” -- Pamela Consuegra - Potomac Conference Camp Meeting, Sabbath, June 18

“The cycle of abuse follows a clearly defined pattern, it repeats itself over and over, and unless there is some intervention or the victim leaves it will continue, accelerate, and grow worse with time. Some couples begin this pattern once a year, then twice a year, then every other month, then monthly, weekly, and daily. Some couples repeat this pattern several times a day, and without intervention, the pattern can lead to serious injury and in some cases death.” -- Claudio Consuegra, Potomac Conference Camp Meeting, June 18
**Camps - Listing by Union**

**Atlantic Union**
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- Camp Adventiste Val D’Espoir
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- Camp Puqwash
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- Woody Acres Camp

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- Mount Aetna Retreat Center
- Tranquil Valley Retreat Center
- Valley Vista Adventist Center

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- Camp Au Sable
- Camp Sagola
- Camp Wagner
- Camp Wakonda
- Timber Ridge Camp

**Mid-America Union**
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- Camp Heritage
- Camp High Point
- Flag Mountain SDA Camp
- Glacier View Ranch
- Mills Spring Camp

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- Camp Lorraine
- Camp Mi\Voden
- Camp Paxson
- Camp Polaris
- Camp Tukoskoya
- Sunset Lake Camp

**Pacific Union**
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- Camp Waianae
- Camp Wawona
- Camp Yavapines
- Leoni Meadows
- Pine Springs Ranch

**Southern Union**
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- Camp Kulaqua
- Camp Thunderbird
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- Cohutta Springs Youth Camp
- Indian Creek Youth Camp
- Nosoca Pines Ranch
- Pine Lake Retreat Center
- River Oaks Camp

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Did you know that peer-to-peer sharing of the gospel is the most effective form of evangelism for children? Go Fishin’ Mission Adventure Camp is a unique “camp” experience is for children ages 4-12 and shares the joys of leading others to Christ.

Ministry and mission are emphasized at the Go Fishin’ Mission Adventure Camp. The theme of this fun program teaches kids how to draw others to Jesus.—kids will learn about other cultures in the comfortable atmosphere of the local camp.

We want to BE LIKE JESUS and become Fishers of Men!

So come join the fun at the Go Fishin’ Mission Adventure Camp! It comes with a life-changing guarantee!

Day 1: Be Like Jesus—FISH

Day 2: Be Like Jesus—TEACH

Day 3: Be Like Jesus—SHARE

Day 4: Be Like Jesus—COMFORT

Day 5: Be Like Jesus—LOVE
Day 6: Be Like Jesus—HELP

Day 7: Be Like Jesus—PRAY

Day 8: Be Like Jesus—BELIEVE

Station Rotations:

**Go Fishin' Lodge**  Lean how to become Fishers of Men through songs and actions

**Camp Fire Bible**  Bible stories that emphasize missions in action

**The snack Shack**  Experience foods from different regions of the world

**Go Fishin’ Games**  Fun and exciting games for everyone

**The Boat House**  Creative crafts to take home each day

**Kids With A Mission**

Practical outreach to hospitalized children in the local community

**Operation Bibles**  Money is raised to purchase Bibles for Native American children

Camper's Creed

Because I love Jesus and I want to follow Him, I accept the challenge to share the message of His love with everyone I meet.
Vandeman Elected Union Executive Secretary

Story by Celeste Ryan Blyden

Columbia Union president Dave Weigley congratulates new union executive secretary Rob Vandeman.

The Columbia Union Conference Executive Committee today elected Robert T. Vandeman executive secretary of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in the eight-state, mid-Atlantic region.

“Rob brings to the table a depth of experience that will bring real value to our union,” says Columbia Union president Dave Weigley. “He is a seasoned administrator and has a balanced approach regarding the mission of the church.”

Vandeman began his ministry 40 years ago, pastoring churches in Colorado, Minnesota and Maryland, where he spent 12 years as senior pastor of Chesapeake Conference’s Spencerville church in Silver Spring, Md. In 1995 he joined the conference leadership team, serving as executive secretary for 10 years and president for the past five.

“Not only am I honored and humbled by the confidence shown in me for this position, but I am excited about the opportunity to be actively engaged in a wider sphere of ministry,” Vandeman said after accepting the call. “I want to be a supportive presence to the conferences and institutions throughout the Columbia Union.”

As part of his duties, Vandeman will serve on a number of boards and committees and assist Weigley in providing administrative leadership and support to the union’s eight conferences, two healthcare networks, medical college and university. His office will record and archive minutes, policies and resolutions of the union and see that each entity abides by their respective constitutions and bylaws.

He plans to take up his new role later this summer and serve the 2011-2016 term left vacant last month when Neville Harcombe died. During his transition, Edward Motschiedler, former union executive secretary, is serving as interim secretary.
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To be site of Griggs University and International Academy

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According to Elder Don Livesay, president of the Lake Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, the Lake Union Conference building is far larger than is needed to carry out the current functions of their organization. "The Lake Union Conference is looking to establish a new headquarters more suitable and efficient to the size of our staff, but still in the Berrien Springs area," says Livesay.

When it was first announced that Griggs was moving to the campus of Andrews University, the Lake Union Conference offered to help with office space needs by leasing half of its building to the University, but eventually offered to sell the entire building. The purchase will be implemented over a period of a year and a half. During this time, Andrews University and Griggs University will share the building with the Lake Union Conference. In time, the Lake Union Conference will move into a new building and Andrews/Griggs will then occupy the entire Lake Union Conference building.

During the month of June, several University offices will relocate to the Lake Union building including the Office of Development, the Center for Distance Learning and Instructional Technology and Affiliates & Extension Programs. In July, new and existing employees of Griggs University will also move into the building.

When fully implemented, this new facility will house the functions at Andrews University that are particularly are directed toward the University's external relations. Plans are also in place to more physically and aesthetically integrate the Lake Union building into the rest of the campus.

"Although we will miss our good neighbors in the Lake Union Conference on our front lawn, as it were, I am pleased that in the long run the entire front of the campus will be University land and University facilities," says Andrews.

Founded in 1874, Andrews University is the flagship institution of higher education for the Seventh-day Adventist® church, located one-half mile east of the U.S. 31 Bypass in Berrien Springs, Mich.

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Union College launches campaign to build a new science and mathematics complex

Ryan Teller, director of public relations

Union alumni around the world—doctors, nurses, PAs, researchers, teachers and many more—will attest to the quality of the science education they received at Union College, not because of the facilities, but in spite of them. Union College is now working to pair its dedicated faculty with a new facility that will reflect and empower their excellence.

“Dr. [Amy] Utt’s anatomy class last semester was so inspiring,” said Emily Severs, sophomore nursing major. “I’d leave class in awe of the intricate beauty of our world. But you would never suspect how exciting studying science is at Union by looking at the ancient classrooms.”

On June 16, Union College officially launched a capital campaign to support the construction of a new science and mathematics complex to replace Jorgensen Hall, home of the Division of Science and Mathematics for 66 years.

Current plans call for an approximately 55,000 square foot, two-story complex to provide laboratory and learning spaces for biology, chemistry, physics and mathematics, with additional labs specifically designed for student and faculty research projects.

Why a new science and mathematics complex?

“Several years ago we asked the Union College campus what the next building project should be,” explained David Smith, former president of the college. “Nearly unanimously, the students and employees said we need a new science facility.”

“So many Union students come through the Division of Science and Mathematics, and so many jobs in the future are dependent on having quality education in the sciences,” said Frankie Rose, associate professor of biology and 2002 Union graduate. “This new facility is an investment in the future of Union College and will help us continue to excel in providing quality education that will lead to sustainable jobs in the future.”

More than 60 percent of Union’s student body are in programs requiring a significant number of science and mathematics classes: biology, chemistry, physics, math, pre-med, pre-dental, pre-PA and Union’s two largest majors: nursing and international rescue and relief.

“The science building is a flagship for any college or university campus,” said Tom Lemon, chair of the Union College Board of Trustees. “The building sends a statement to students and visitors about the quality of the learning experience. Union’s science and mathematics professors do an extraordinary job with an aging building and the statistics bear that out. But we can’t expect them to keep up this level of success or attract new students in our current facility.”

The administration at Union College sees trends in education that make science even more important to the institution’s future. “There has been a shift over the past few years in American higher education from more traditional liberal arts majors such as English to professional programs,” Smith explained. “Union has experienced significant growth in professional programs that make very heavy use of science education. That’s part of the future of Union College, and it is vital to invest in and increase that growth.”

A reason for research

As a freshman at Union College in 1998, Rose first fell in love with science while taking Dr. Charles Freidline’s General Chemistry class. After studying pre-medicine, he discovered a passion for research and ultimately earned a Ph.D. researching a cure for Spinal Muscular Atrophy, a rare, ALS-like disease affecting infants.

“It’s hard to describe the rush I get from researching a question that has never been answered before,” explained Rose. “I want to bring that excitement of discovery to my students at Union. A new science and mathematics complex will give us the space for scientific equipment and experiments that will directly involve...
Adventist Bolingbrook Hospital flash mob

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Adventist Bolingbrook Hospital flash mob produces dance video for breast cancer awareness.

Adventist Bolingbrook Hospital staff participate in a flash mob dance in the lobby of the facility to promote breast cancer awareness, Tuesday, June 21, 2011. The event which involved about 100 employees was video taped and will be seen in October. snapshots.mysuburbanlife.com/127228;
Woodstock congregation building church

By Leslie H. Dixon, Staff Writer
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The Seventh-day Adventist Church school on Perkins Valley Road in Woodstock was originally a small church that was enlarged over time. It has been used as a school for 75 years.

[Image]

The Seventh-day Adventist Church in Woodstock was formerly a Baptist Church in Sumner. It was torn down and rebuilt in Woodstock on the Perkins Valley Road.

[Image]

WOODSTOCK — The Seventh-day Adventist Church has begun construction on its new church and school building.

The building will replace three structures that house the church, the Forestdale Christian School and the a food pantry, which church officials say is a vital community service that helps feed hundreds of families. The church building was moved to the site from Sumner in the 1950s.

Church member Scott Christiansen said the single-story building will be 10,500 square feet. It is expected to cost just under $600,000 and will be built on the church property on Perkins Valley Road.

“The church we are in now, though beloved (many in the congregation were married there) has an increasing number of structural problems and concerns,” Christiansen said.

The congregation’s first church on Route 26 burned to the ground in 1917 and was rebuilt a year later on the present site, according to a 1967 history of the church published in the Sun Journal. By 1946, the congregation had outgrown the small church and contacted the Baptist Church at Sumner Corner, which was removing its 1880s church.

The Baptist church was taken down and rebuilt in Woodstock in the early 1950s. Pews were secured from the Universalist Church on Paris Hill in Paris that was being taken down. The current church was dedicated in 1951 and the smaller church was made into the Forestdale Christian School.

The school, which houses a kindergarten through grade eight school with two teachers and 20 students, was expanded over the years, according to Christiansen.

“It consolidates a little,” building committee member Lloyd Poland said of the project. “We’ll have more usable space.”

Concerning what will happen to the old church and school building, he said, “We will explore all options.”

The church has a bell tower and bell, pews, wainscoting in the sanctuary and other original features.
Local contractors have been hired for portions of the construction, which is being initiated with the money the church has raised and a loan from the Northern New England Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

Completion of the building will depend on the speed with which the congregation is able to raise about $250,000 to complete the interior, but the building will be enclosed and weathertight by winter, Christiansen said.

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Church provides health info for community - YNN, Your News Now

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Church provides health info for community

By: Iris St. Moran

SYRACUSE, N.Y. -- It was a first for the Mount Carmel Seventh Day Adventist Church. It hosted a free Health and Wellness Expo for the community.

Furman Street in Syracuse was the go-to location for neighbors, friends and the congregation to learn how to be healthy.

The expo offered blood pressure screenings, body massages and samples of healthy food options which included lots of fruits and vegetables. The goal is to help the public take charge of their health.

"We realize within the communities sometimes people do not have enough insurance or they're not aware. Our aim is to bring this awareness to the community and most of all we're doing this at a free cost," said Registered Nurse Anstey Small.

There was also a bone marrow drive which was held in memory of a member of the church.
Crooked Creek Continues to Rebuild Community after Record Flood

By Christine Kim

Channel 2 News

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ANCHORAGE, Alaska

Residents of a rural community that flood waters hit hard in early May say they finally got internet back in their village last night, and while recovery efforts are slow they are underway.

Around 70% of Crooked Creek was underwater after an ice jam caused the Kuskokwim River to flood. The Federal government made a disaster declaration last week that allowed public assistance to be used to repair critical needs. The federal government is still reviewing an individual assistance request that would go to residents to help repair homes.

"Everybody's trying to keep the upbeat," said Crooked Creek Traditional Council President Evelyn Thomas. "We're all alive, you know, that's the big thing. Nobody died, and we're trying to stay positive."

Adventist Community Services of Alaska and Alaska Volunteer Agencies Active in Disaster are collecting donations to help rebuild smoke houses and homes.

Donations can be dropped off at the Eagle River Valley Seventh-day Adventist Church, 16931 Eagle River Road on Tuesday, June 21 or Wednesday, June 22 between the hours of 4-7 p.m. They ask, please do not leave donations outside the church at times when no one is there to receive them.

The organizations hope to send the items to Crooked Creek no later than June 27.

For a list of the specific items needed, click on the link in the sidebar titled "Smoke house material list."

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Loma Linda Leads in Longevity

If you want a long life, move to Loma Linda.

Residents of the small San Bernardino County community (population 21,000) routinely live to 100. A new study shows American woman are not living as long these days as they did a generation ago, but Loma Linda is bucking the trend.

Loma Linda, where the median income is $38,000, is accustomed to the wellness spotlight. In March Loma Linda University hosted a two-day Healthy People conference that included sessions on school garden programs, "Zoning for Zucchini" and "The High Cost of Cheap Food."

The University, operated by Seventh Day Adventists, focuses on health sciences. Among the programs it offers is a Healthy Neighborhoods Project that provides outreach to "eliminate health disparities among residents."

The benefits of the healthy lifestyle followed by Seventh Day Adventists – who make up a sizeable portion of the Loma Linda population – is well documented, said Sylvie Welhausen, a clinical nutritionist at the university.

The Seventh Day Adventist faith prohibits caffeine, alcohol, smoking and unhealthy eating. Many practitioners are vegetarians, and the city requires all food establishments to offer vegetarian choices, Welhausen said.

Health experts blame the nationwide drop in longevity, particularly in women, on increased smoking and obesity.

Welhausen is determined to avoid that fate in Loma Linda. She is currently leading a fight to keep McDonald's out of the community.

One restaurateur, Mike Samaan said that his Demiana Deli offers salads, pasta and other non-meat dishes.

"They are prepared like my grandmother used to cook," he said.
Heal One Mind - Heal The World

A multi-disciplinary, multi-cultural conference hosted by Loma Linda University and the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists devoted to advancing a Biblical framework for generating, sustaining, and applying theory, research, and practice in the promotion of emotional health and wholeness. The conference and summit will convene students, practitioners, clergy, administrators and scholars in mental health and religion (and other related fields) to inform and inspire best practices, increase resource accessibility, and develop international collaboration.

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WHAT WILL YOU LEARN FROM “EMOTIONAL HEALTH & WELLNESS”?

If you are a PASTOR, this conference will help you learn new skills on how to deal with families and couples in distress, or minister to those that are sick emotionally or physically.

If you are an EDUCATOR or TRAINER of the next generation of professionals in the art and science of healing human brokenness, this conference will help you process the powerful impact of developing your curriculum and clinical training around Biblical worldview assumptions about what makes humans flourish or derail.

If you are a CLINICIAN in Ministry, Chaplaincy, Family Education, Psychology, Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy, Psychiatry, Nursing, or Medicine, you will learn how you may hone your thinking and skills in helping others address spiritual issues in a way that is respectful of your clients’ tradition, and faithful to a Biblical worldview.

If you are a CHURCH LEADER or ADMINISTRATOR IN A FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATION that educates and trains the next generation of professionals in the art and science of healing emotional distress, and if you are a leader in an organization whose mission is to address the emotional needs of your community from a faith-based perspective, this conference will help you articulate your values, discover how to resource your programs more effectively, and develop a distinct edge in a very competitive market.
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worldview as applied to emotional health and wellness, evidence-based information, target strategies, and working models to help meet the pressing needs for emotional and spiritual care in your organization and community. Models aim at helping you integrate your faith into your teaching, clinical training, ministry, and organization’s mission.

TRANSLATION - All plenary sessions will be translated into Spanish. Each day, one of the seminars will be presented in Spanish and translated into English.
Overview

This conference brings together a superb group of experts on the promotion, prevention, and treatment of emotional health from a variety of academic and faith backgrounds, offering four days of intense, thought-provoking presentations along with practical skills that you can take home with you. You will hear cutting edge plenary lectures from renowned speakers, and select to attend workshops from amongst ten different tracks that will focus on specific skills development ranging from Church-based interventions to individuals and communities, Addictions, Psychotherapy, International Mental Health, and Whole-Person Care to the Medical Patient, to research strategies, clinical education and supervision, curricular development, and organizational leadership applied to the promotion, prevention and healing of emotional health.

What are the potential benefits of attendance?

- Promote the application of a biblical worldview to the development of emotional wellbeing locally and internationally
- Emphasize the development of practical skills that can help you transform your teaching, clinical practice, and ministry
- Challenge educators, clinicians, and administrators to fulfill their mission to extend the healing ministry of Jesus
- Include basic ideas about science, human nature, and human destiny as informed by the Scriptures to enhance the welfare of individuals and communities
- Understand the skills required to minister to individuals, families, and communities from a whole-person care perspective
- Support the goals and objectives of faith-based organizations in their mission to provide spiritual care to those in need of service to restore their emotional health