Training has begun for NY13 One Year in Mission Team. Together, they represent every division in the world field as well as the attached mission of the Middle East. They will spend the first six months of the year on the ground in New York City (NYC) involved in ministry, giving Bible studies, engaging in evangelistic efforts of local churches and working with other NYC young adults. Then they will each return to their home divisions and use the skills they have learned to evangelize their home territories. Drs. Claudio and Pamela Consuegra, directors of NAD Family Ministries, led the first training session. MORE

Paul Hoover has accepted the presidency of Upper Columbia Conference, to replace Robert Folkenberg Jr., who has left to be president of the China Union Mission, based in Hong Kong. Hoover has been vice-president for administration in the Georgia-Cumberland Conference.

Churches are now allowed to stream or podcast live or recorded worship service music on their website with the new Church Streaming and Podcast License from Church Copyright Licensing International (CCLI). Costs vary according to the number of members in the church. In order to obtain the new license, the church must already own the CCLI Church Copyright License. MORE

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Dwight Nelson and "The Evidence" will be on Trinity Broadcasting Network (TBN) at 3 a.m., February 13, 20, and 27 on the main channel. He will be on the TBN Church Channel at 1:30 p.m., February 10, 17, and 27.

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Special Days:
February Focus: Family Life
Feb. 2-23, Black History Month
Feb. 3-9, Christian Home and Marriage Week
Feb. 16, Health Ministries Sabbath

March Focus: Women in the Church
March 2, Women's Day of Prayer
March 3-9, Adventist Youth Week of Prayer
March 16, Disabilities Awareness Sabbath

Helpful Special Day Websites and Resources:
- Find a full list on the NAD website

Upcoming Events:
Feb. 11-12, the One project
Feb. 15-17, ReCharge Youth Leadership Training
Feb. 25-24, Alive Youth Rally 2013
Feb. 24-26, International Congress on Vegetarian Nutrition
Mar. 7, Prayer Call
Mar. 7-9, Music and Worship Conference

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The new Shalom Review newsletter from Jewish Heritage Ministries tells stories of what God is doing in the lives of Jewish people and how He is drawing them to the Messiah. You can learn where and when speaking engagements are taking place and how you can minister to your Jewish friends. Subscribe. Check out the new Shalom Adventure Magazine.

The Investigation Station: The Genesis Factor is a new Vacation Bible School program where kids investigate God's Word. Created by a team of local church VBS leaders, children's ministries directors, and pastors, it features Adventist beliefs including God as the Creator, the seventh-day Sabbath, baptism, and heaven. It was designed to connect with community children while engaging Adventist children in learning Bible truths. From AdventSource (402-486-8800) in English and Spanish.

"Culture is to a group as personality is to a person, so when we consider diversity as major topics in today's discussions of philanthropy and fund raising, it's relevant for us to understand how various population groups practice identity-based philanthropy." — Lilya Wagner, Director, Philanthropic Services, "Cashing in on Culture - How Diversity and Culture Influence Philanthropy" MORE

REACH: Community Outreach and Evangelism

A creative display and a passion for the sanctuary doctrine garnered 174 requests for Bible studies within nine days. Those requests came from the 825 people who toured the Messiah's Mansion, an outreach planned and organized by the Curriers Adventist church in Arcade, N.Y. MORE: Atlantic Union Gleaner, Nov., 2012, p. 12. (Photo: Clayton Leinweber, director and founder of Messiah's Mansion, right, along with the group that worked on the project in New York.)
NAD NewsPoints - NY13 training begun, podcast live/recorded services, new VBS, New Shalom Review

Feb. 3-9: Allegheny East Conference, with 106 churches, and 44,138 members

Daily Prayer Guide
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Daily Bible Reading Plan
Hope Channel available on DIRECTV ch. 368 and Glorystar ch 104; Hope Church Channel; Esperanza TV
Garland, TX Spanish Church Marriage Celebration Weekend - Feb 1, Fri - Garland, TX Spanish Church Marriage Celebration Weekend

NAD Christian Family Week - Feb 3, Sun

Spanish Family Ministries Curriculum Training - Feb 3, Sun

Adventist Campus Chaplains Annual Training Conference - Feb 7, Thu

Prayer Call - Feb 7, Thu 10:00 PM - Join Prayer Call anytime between 10 p.m. Eastern Time,...

the One project - Feb 11, Mon - Group rate available until January 18,...

Music & Worship Conference - Mar 7, Thu - Dates & Location: March 7-9, 2013. Andrews...

Prayer Call - Mar 7, Thu 10:00 PM - Join Prayer Call anytime between 10 p.m. Eastern Time,...

Health Summit New York - Mar 13, Wed - The NAD 2013 Health Summit especially for the Atlantic,...

SONscreen Film Festival 2013 - Apr 4, Thu - SONscreen was created by the North American Division to...
Prayer Call - May 2, Thu
10:00 PM - Join Prayer Call anytime between 10 p.m. Eastern Time, May...

Prayer Call - Jun 6, Thu
10:00 PM - Join Prayer Call anytime between 10 p.m. Eastern Time, June...

NY13 International Field School of Evangelism - Jun 7, Fri - GC INTERNATIONAL FIELD SCHOOL OF EVANGELISM PURPOSE To...

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HINSDALE — More than 30 people representing the four hospitals of Adventist Midwest Health are in Honduras this week to provide medical care and assistance to hosts Hospital Adventista Valle de Angeles.

The hospital representatives from Adventist Bolingbrook, GlenOaks, Hinsdale and La Grange Memorial hospitals will provide medication, medical and dental treatment and donated items to the residents living near the Honduran hospital.

Established in 1974, Hospital Adventista Valle de Angeles (Valley of the Angels Hospital) is a 30-bed facility located in the town of Valle de Angeles, which is about an hour from Honduras’ capital city, Tegucigalpa. The hospital has been one of the Global Partners of Adventist Health International since 2005.

Adventist Midwest Health takes part in an annual mission trip. Since 2006, hospital representatives have traveled to places such as Costa Rica, Ecuador, Ghana and Honduras, providing assistance to people who are in need.

“These mission trips provide much needed help to people and allow us to extend the healing ministry of Christ internationally,” said John Rapp, vice president of ministries and mission. "None of that would be possible without the dedication and commitment of the people who volunteer to take this trip every year."

Public Relations Regional Director Julie Busch is chronicling the group’s trip to Honduras online through a daily blog for family, friends and co-workers. Visit www.keepingyouwell.com to keep track of the team’s work.

Those scheduled for the trip included Tracy Daly and Mary Jo Dellaria of Burr Ridge, Dr. Lanny Wilson of Hinsdale, Dr. Luming Feng of La Grange, and pharmacist Richard Nahlik of Hinsdale.
Soup recipe makes a hearty dish out of veggie fare

By Pam Mellskog For the Times-Call Longmont Times-Call

Margaret's Soup

Ingredients:

1 large onion

1 tablespoon oil

3 14.5-ounce cans tomatoes

1/2 cup salsa

1 tablespoon cumin

1 tablespoon basil

1 teaspoon chili powder

1 teaspoon oregano

1/2 teaspoon garlic powder

4 14-ounce cans vegetable broth

2 green peppers, cut into 3/4-inch-by-3/4-inch squares

2 large squashes (or 2 small squashes and 2 small zucchinis), cut into 1/2 inch-wide slices 3 15-ounce cans of various beans, drained and rinsed

2 cups whole grain spaghetti, cooked

Directions:

Cook onion in oil until tender. Then, add next eight ingredients. Stir and cook on medium heat for 5 minutes. Then, add the peppers, squash, and beans. Simmer over medium heat for 20 to 30 minutes or until vegetables are tender. Then, add 2 cups of cooked whole grain spaghetti. Simmer 3 minutes and serve.

Yield: about 10 servings

Source: Margaret Blackerby

LONGMONT -- When Mary Ellen Briscoe's sister packed her bags for a weekend-long self-improvement retreat in Oklahoma's Arbuckle Mountains, she squirreled away lots of snacks, too.

Though the retreat was not affiliated with the Seventh-day Adventist Church, the organization rented out its retreat facility -- which included catering -- to the retreat's leadership.

Briscoe, 80, who attends an Adventist church in Longmont, explained that the denomination's doctrine says
nothing about eating a vegetarian diet.

But Adventists get that reputation because so many believe that Old Testament biblical passages promote vegetarianism, she said.

"And when my sister -- who is not Adventist -- got back from that retreat, she called me and said that they served some of the best food there that she's ever eaten, and that she was so full after every meal," Briscoe said.

To make meals so tasty that no one misses the meat, local Adventist churches often host free cooking classes for members and invite the community to join them.

Briscoe eats some meat, she said.

But most of her life she has substituted other ingredients when a recipe calls for it.

For instance, she sautees mushrooms in place of the sausage to make lasagna.

"We mostly eat this way because there are so many dishes that you can fix without meat that still taste great," she said.

Consequently, weekly fellowship dinners at her church go beyond bean burritos and rice to include attractive, nutritious and creatively prepared entrees such as Haystacks.

To make them, buffet visitors stack corn chips on their plate and then build a so-called haystack with brown rice, chili beans, chopped onions, avocados, olives, lettuce and tomatoes.

Briscoe sometimes shares another favorite called Margaret's Soup after another sister -- not the one pleasantly surprised by vegetarian fare at the retreat.

The soup-making sister, Margaret Blackerby of Oklahoma City, wrote her recipe decades ago and used simple, but very nutritious, ingredients such as onions, tomatoes, peppers, squash, whole grain spaghetti and three different kinds of beans.

"I've been making it for years," Briscoe said. "And when my daughter is sick, she still calls and says, 'Mom? Will you make me some of Margaret's soup?' That's comfort food for her."

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SMYRNA, Ga. -- Emory-Adventist Hospital at Smyrna has earned the Quality and Patient Safety Award from the Partnership for Health and Accountability. The Cobb County hospital won the second-place award in the Hospitals Less than 100 Beds category for its project, "Improving Safety through Effective Communication Practices."

"Improving patient safety and satisfaction is a priority of hospitals statewide," Georgia Hospital Association (GHA) president Joe Parker said in a statement. "We applaud Emory-Adventist Hospital at Smyrna for its revamped focus on communication and subsequent increase in patient and employee satisfaction."

The hospital's project had a goal of improving the culture of safety, increasing patient satisfaction and providing tools for effective employee-to-manager communication.

To do this, Emory-Adventist took steps like installing communication white boards in patient rooms, making follow-up phone calls to discharged patients and holding monthly lunches with the COO where employees got the opportunity to ask questions and voice concerns.

Results of the changes showed that patient satisfaction scores improved by 11 percent. Employee satisfaction rose to 4.61 on a 5.0-point scale.
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August 2012 was a time of outreach, spiritual growth, and a test of faith for members of the Curriers church in Arcade, New York. After two years of planning and praying, the Messiah’s Mansion arrived on the afternoon of August 7. God blessed the endeavor in ways that could not have been imagined ahead of time. With fewer volunteers than the church or the Messiah’s Mansion team had hoped for, the set-up was finished more than one day early. God provided a much-needed day for the Messiah’s Mansion team to catch up, and it was a sense of relief for Curriers church members.

The nine days of tours went by quickly. Of the 825 people who went through the display, many were pastors of other denominations, some were organizers for non-Adventist Christian camps, and others were Seventh-day Adventists. People came from Canada, Michigan, Alabama, Rochester, Buffalo, Niagara Falls, and other places. Many expressed their heartfelt appreciation for this life-size display of the Mosaic Sanctuary. In all, 174 people requested Bible studies.

Many seeds were planted and some misunderstandings were corrected. For example, some visitors thought that Seventh-day Adventists didn’t believe in Jesus. Thankfully, they were shown that Adventists not only believe in Jesus, but are willing to follow Him as He leads them through the plan of salvation, as is evident in the layout of the sanctuary. As for the many Adventists who took the time to go through the display, over and over many shared that they now have a better understanding of the sanctuary and the plan of salvation.

The team of young people who traveled with Clayton Leinweber, director of Messiah’s Mansion, were an incredible group. Camp Duffield was a big part of what made the event a success. They provided food and shelter for much of the time that the Messiah’s Mansion team was in town. Many members took time out of their busy schedules to help make the event a success. Some have formed close friendships that will last for eternity.

—Melissa Conrad, member, Curriers church

28 Attend Vacation Bible School at Gouverneur Church

The Vacation Bible School (VBS) community outreach program at the Gouverneur church has been an ongoing ministry for the past six years. Each year they have experienced a steady increase of children. This year 28 children from the community attended, only two were members of the Adventist Church.

The theme for the VBS program was “Fruits of the Spirit” (“Let’s Get Tootie Fruity”). This year some of the mothers also volunteered wherever help was needed. While volunteering, they received a taste of the Bible lessons taught to their children. Reaching the parents for Jesus by way of their children is a real possibility.

Twenty-eight children attended Vacation Bible School at Gouverneur church this year, only two were members of the Adventist Church.

The Sabbath closing program was an opportunity for family and friends of the children to see and hear about all that the children learned through the week. The children showed off their talent in music, poems, and scripture memorization. There was also a slideshow presentation.

The church was full during the program with no empty pews! A potluck meal was provided following the program that allowed the children to show all their crafts, including windsocks, birdfeeders, and oil lamps made out of canning jars, potpourri, and pine cones. Church members are praying that the impact on those who attended VBS will help them make their decisions to be in heaven.

—Milton L. Armstrong, elder, Gouverneur church