Pathfinders will participate in a three-day InStep for Life Challenge at the International Pathfinder Camporee to be held in Oshkosh, Wis., August 11-16. The registration deadline is May 31 (limit: 2,000 people), so don't delay, and join the many Pathfinder clubs that are getting in shape now.

This video will tell you more about it, including all about day two, which will include the "Muscular Challenge" with sit-ups, push-ups and burpees. What's a "burpee?" Watch the video and find out! Learn MORE and sign up. Pathfinder Clubs, sign up NOW, before this challenge is full!

Life Talk Radio (LTR) ownership will be retained by the NAD, as decided after a very positive discussion of the Adventist Media Center Board of Trustees on Apr. 28. John Geli, who has successfully managed the operations and programming for several years, has been appointed as manager/director. John will be working with Adventist affiliate member station managers to fine tune the operations of LTR.

LTR is a satellite radio programming resource currently providing Christ centered programming 24 hours a day to over 100 affiliate stations across North America and internationally. If you are interested in affiliating your current or future station with LTR, contact: 800-775-HOPE (4673). Listen Live and learn more.

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[Photo: Reinert with her advisor, Dr. Jacqueline Campbell]

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A memorial service for pastor and evangelist Don Gray has been rescheduled for May 31, at 3 p.m., at the Rockwood Church in Portland, Ore. The original service scheduled for Feb. 8 was cancelled due to inclement weather. Gray, Northwest born, raised and educated, was well-known throughout the Adventist world church for his tireless work in soul-winning and evangelism. He died on Jan. 11. MORE

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Adult Ministries is opening the door to people with a heart for prison ministries to assist in this project. MORE

Christian Record Services for the Blind is conducting a short follow-up survey regarding their Annual Day of Giving, which was April 12. This survey is open to all NAD pastors and church members. The deadline to submit is Thursday, June 5. Survey link

A health website especially for sharing with the public has been created by NAD Health Ministries. Facts with Hope will feature evidence-based health videos that can

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May 26-30 - This coming week, please pray for the Rocky Mountain Conference with 100 churches and 17,332 members.
be shared on social media, linked on your websites and blogs, shown at church or used as a resource in presentations. A total of 12 videos on various aspects of health will be posted within the next month or so, and one or two videos will be added every month. Check it out and share.

**CALLED: A Visit to Frisco, Texas**

“Visiting Adventist Congregations’ began with the question of what it would be like if we could give every pastor a weekend off to visit another Adventist congregation. Obviously, budget would not permit such a reality but we could virtually do it through the power of a documentary series. Come, take a weekend off and visit different churches through the eyes of different pastors as they learn how other pastors do ministry.

**REACH: Community Outreach and Evangelism**

“I was in prison, and ye visited me.”

Kathy Lang, a Prison Ministries volunteer, shared a letter she received from an inmate: “I was singing the song ‘Jesus Loves Me’ last week over and over and the guys asked me if I knew any others. So I pulled out the ones you sent me and we had a wonderful time praising the Lord and lifting everyone’s spirits around here.... You should have been here to hear it! It was truly music made for heaven – 180 guys singing their hearts out... I read a few of the letters and Bible verses that you sent me...”

MORE: [Mid-America Outlook, December 2013, p. 23](http://us2.campaign-archive2.com/?u=84ac041b8b705798057dab6f2&id=1e4e936aed&se=3075540be8[5/22/2014 3:08:57 PM]) (Thinkstock photo)
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There's a new doctor in the North American Division. Katia Reinert has just successfully defended her dissertation to earn her Ph.D. in Nursing from Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Md., and will officially graduate in August.

For her doctoral dissertation she examined the role of religious involvement (spirituality, religious coping, gratitude, forgiveness) as protective factors for mental and physical health outcomes among Adventist survivors of child abuse, neglect and witnessed abuse in the home. She chose that emphasis because child abuse and neglect are a major public health issue, and there is a very strong association between early trauma and adult chronic disease.

"I think this is an area that health professionals, church leaders, health ministry directors need to include when we discuss healthy lifestyle," she said. "Also, I chose to study the protective role of religious involvement and spirituality because I believe that there is hope despite the worse possible trauma someone might have suffered in their life. God can bring healing if we apply the principles He has taught us."

She continued to explain that "forgiveness, gratitude, spirituality and positive religious coping were noted to reduce the negative mental health outcomes among Adventists who had a history of early trauma."

"On the other hand," she said, "negative religious coping was linked with worse physical health outcomes, particularly among women. Thus, there is much we need to do to encourage people to use these positive virtues in an effective way."

Reinert received a National Institutes of Health research training grant for Interdisciplinary Research of Violence in the Family.

"I am so grateful to God who initiated this process," she writes, "Who sustained me, and also completed what He started. I was very blessed to be at Hopkins as it is the number-one doctoral program in nursing in the country. I learned much that will help me serve God better in the current role I am in at NAD. To Him all the glory! I can't wait to have more time to do ministry now!!! Although, I realized halfway through the course that I was doing ministry there also! Lots of opportunities to witness and share God's love with that group!"

Photo: Reinert with her advisor, Dr. Jacquelyn Campbell (and the "Hopkins frog," a tradition at the School of Nursing).
Dr. Vinita Sauder, currently vice president for strategic initiatives at Southern Adventist University, has accepted the invitation of the Union College Board of Trustees to serve as Union’s next president.

The appointment will fill the position soon to be vacated by John Wagner when he retires in June. Wagner joined Union College for a third time in 2011 to help complete the $14.5 million *Our Promising Future* campaign and build the new Krueger Center for Science and Mathematics.

Although Union College has experienced growth both in the student body and on the physical campus in the form of new and remodeled academic facilities, it was the people who attracted Sauder to the small Midwestern campus. “The personal nature of Union College and the culture of the campus is very appealing to me,” she said. “Union has a strong spirit. It is evident in the way you treat your students and the way the students lead.”

But her attraction to Union goes even deeper. “I was interested in transitioning to a presidential role on a small campus because I know what makes for a good education.” Sauder can draw from her own published research comparing outcomes in Adventist education to public universities. “It’s that personal connection available on a small campus. That doesn’t mean Union can’t grow. But what Union has now is something very special—something that some colleges lose as they grow. We need to hold on to that spirit.”

Sauder’s extensive experience in higher education began as the public relations director at Southern Adventist University (then Southern College of Seventh-day Adventists) in the early 1980s. Since then, she has taught in the School of Business and Management, served as vice president for Marketing and Enrollment Services, and now in her current role as vice president for strategic initiatives.

During her time as an administrator, she served as part of a team that positioned Southern Adventist University for substantial growth. “We developed a strategic plan,” she explained. “We developed a new way of looking at things by taking best practices from many other schools—including those outside the Adventist system—and re-engineering a lot of processes to create growth.”

During the 12 years she directly led the marketing and enrollment initiatives, Southern saw an 83 percent growth in enrollment—adding more than 1,400 students.

Sauder hopes to bring to Union similar processes and strategies to create growth. “Union has a strategic plan in place,” said Sauder. “I am looking forward to joining the administrative team to help accomplish the vision and goals that have been laid out.”

After earning a bachelor’s degree in journalism from Southern Adventist University in 1978, Sauder worked in public relations and as a reporter until joining the Southern staff in 1983. She later earned an MBA from the University of Tennessee Chattanooga School of Business in 1989 and then a doctorate in leadership from the Andrews University School of Education in 2008.

“Dr. Sauder understands and resonates with the Union College culture,” said Thomas L. Lemon, chair of the Union College Board of Trustees. “Her experience as both a faculty member and an administrator in Adventist higher education has prepared her for this new role, and I believe she will interface well with our current administrative team to effectively lead Union College into the future.”

Sauder and her husband, Greg, will transition to Lincoln later this summer. The parents of two grown sons, they look forward to exploring a new hometown. “We love to travel and we love small towns. Sometimes we like to just get in the car and visit a small community,” she said. “I think Lincoln will be a good fit for us. We’re looking forward to experiencing all that Union and Nebraska have to offer. I can’t wait to get involved and support the Union College...
team as they accomplish their goals and move to the next level."
Donald Leroy Gray: An exceptional life of service to God

1926 to 2014

Don Gray, long-time evangelistic visionary for the Seventh-day Adventist Church, died Saturday, Jan. 11, 2014, in Portland, Ore. He was 87. Memorial services have been scheduled for the Rockwood Adventist Church in Portland, Ore., on Feb. 8 at 3 p.m.

Gray, Northwest born, raised and educated, was well-known throughout the Adventist world church for his tireless work in soul-winning and evangelism.

He was born in Klamath Falls, Ore., on March 19, 1926, to Irving Ellsworth Gray, and Ethel Rhodes. Ethel died of cancer when Don was only seven. At age 13, Don went with his two younger brothers, Bucky and Herby, to live with their uncle Herbert Rhodes in Portland, Ore. Herbert and his wife Edith, raised Don, Bucky and Herby as their own children. Don graduated from Portland Union Academy in only three years, and went on to Walla Walla College, in College Place, Wash., where he thrived as a straight-A student. In just three more years he earned a bachelor’s degree in theology.

While at Walla Walla College, Don met Marjorie Mason in the library, and it was love at first sight. Don and Marjorie were married shortly after he graduated from college and spent the next 65 years of their life together doing the Lord’s work.

Don was ordained as a minister of the Seventh-day Adventist church — the youngest man at that time to be ordained as a minister in the Oregon Conference. During the next few years Don pastored a number of small churches in rural Oregon. A number of these churches needed new structures, or physical improvements, which Don, with the help of the members, undertook with the sort of zeal and enthusiasm he carried throughout his life.

Don and Marjorie welcomed a daughter, Donna, in 1950, followed soon after in 1953 by a son, Randy.

Don developed into an excellent public speaker, and the desire to expand his ministry toward soul-winning took him into the next phase of his life. Desiring to reach larger groups of people, he began to hold evangelistic meetings in air tents, due to the lack of adequate auditorium space. Don incorporated visual media with his sermons and found it was a very effective tool in capturing the minds and hearts of those in search of a better life.

Throughout the next few decades Don’s zeal for public speaking and evangelism grew. The hope of eternal life became the main focus of his life. Don and Marjorie wrote seven books on witnessing and the message of salvation through Jesus Christ. But the development of their most effective tool began in the early 1960s when they wrote a set of 24 Bible lessons. During the next few decades these lessons were translated into more than 76 languages, eventually produced as CDs and DVDs with animation and graphic illustrations. These sets were distributed throughout the world, reaching millions of lives with one simple message: Jesus love you and me, and is the way to salvation.

Don and Marjorie traveled the world promoting evangelism for the Seventh-day Adventist church in Russia, China and Europe. They worked closely with George Vandeman and It Is Written, the Voice of Prophecy, Mark Finley, Pacific Publishing Press, and many of the church’s organizations in a worldwide witnessing, and evangelistic effort. Don was one of the pioneers in multimedia approach to communication and witnessing, at one point overseeing the It Is Written Advent Digital Media project to produce cutting edge evangelistic graphics.

At all times, Don’s tireless dedication to soul-winning was paramount. The North Pacific Union and Oregon conferences once mutually awarded him a plaque of accomplishment in which they referred to him as “the
unstoppable Don Gray."

Don is responsible for the origination and establishment of a number of Seventh-day Adventist churches. Perhaps one of the most notable such projects began in collaboration with Dr. Robert Nutter in Grand Terrace, California. They purchased a bankrupt country club and its nine-hole golf course, and turned it into a church complex.

In June 2010, Marjorie passed away from complications of Alzheimer's. Heartbroken, Don lived on with his continuing passion for witnessing, but health issues began to erode his physical stamina and mobility. His son Randy remembers clearly a conversation a few months before his father's death when Don said he needed to get out of his care home so that he would be able to help others. His heart was bigger than his strength. Don closed his eyes for the last time Sabbath morning, Jan. 11. There is no doubt that Jesus will say to him "Well done thou good and faithful servant."

Randy says, "he was a devoted husband, loving father, and a true witness for Christ. I am proud to call him my father. He was truly a great man."

Don is survived by his son, Randy, of Chico, Calif.; sister, Helen Winkle, of Ukiah, Calif.; and one granddaughter, Mindy Stannard, of Portland, Ore. His daughter, Donna Stannard, died in 2007.

*Details provided by Randy Gray.*

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PORTLAND -- With the help of a virtual reality machine, Portland's Adventist Medical Center is teaching employees what it's like to be schizophrenic.

"We believe they need to have a better understanding of mental illness so they can provide better care," said Dr. John Custer.

The machine mimics the mind of a schizophrenic person, with multiple images and noises bombarding the viewer.

"There's a lot of stimulation and you don't know where to focus," said Adventist employee Scott Conlee. "Every voice seems to say something valid, but it's negative."

The technology was brought into the hospital during Mental Health Awareness Week.

On Sunday, Adventist is sponsoring a walk to benefit the National Alliance on Mental Illness.

"It's no joke and the stigma of mental illness is horrendous. It keeps people from getting help," said Dr. Custer.

Scott Conlee believes the machine gave him important insight.

"We really have to focus on how we interact and explain things and make sure all our patients know they're in a comfortable and safe environment," he said.
Shady Grove Adventist Hospital is the first hospital in the state to achieve a baby-friendly designation through the World Health Organization and the United Nations Children’s Fund, according to a hospital news release.

The Baby-Friendly Hospital Initiative is a global program that encourages and recognizes hospitals that offer an optimal level of care for infant feeding, the release said. It promotes breastfeeding as one of the most effective preventative health measures for both infants and mothers.

The Rockville hospital offers daily breastfeeding classes while new mothers are in the hospital, in addition to phone support on weekdays and a free weekly support group for mothers once they are home.

Shady Grove Adventist is one of only 177 hospitals in the United States to achieve the designation.
Visiting professor talks about kidnapping of schoolgirls in Nigeria at Chattanooga seminar
By Yolanda Putman
Wednesday, May 14, 2014

Augusta Olaore, Ph.D, a visiting professor at Southern Adventist University from Babcock University in Nigeria, chats with attendees Tuesday before speaking to a group at the Development Resource Center in Chattanooga. Photo by John Rawlston.

Nigerians are hurt and angry about the kidnapping of nearly 300 girls from the northern part of the country, but they don’t know where to begin to get the girls back, said Augusta Y. Olaore, of Babcock University in Nigeria.

“They’re fighting against something that they can’t access,” she said. “If I know that behind that door there is my child, I’m going to hit on that door and pull it down. But I don’t know where to go. It’s like fighting an unseen enemy.”

Olaore, a visiting professor at Southern Adventist University, and her husband, Israel, a Babcock University administrator and Nigerian church pastor, spoke about the Nigerian girls’ abduction after a multicultural training seminar in Chattanooga on Tuesday.

It’s been a month since April 14 when Islamic extremist group Boko Haram took nearly 300 girls in the middle of the night from a college dormitory in Chibok, Nigeria. Boko Haram means “Western education is a sin,” according to news reports.

The Islamic group wants to convert the girls to Islam, give them in marriages and prevent them from getting an education. One leader in the Boko Haram said Allah said to sell the girls.

Chibok is in the northern part of Nigeria near other Arabic countries where there is a heavy Islamic extremist influence, said Olaore.

Olaore and her family lives in the Southern part of Nigeria where Muslims are not extremist. In fact there may be Christians and Muslims in the same family and girls aren’t discouraged from having an education.

The Niger and Benue rivers divide northern Nigeria from the south where Olaore and her husband live.

Nigerians in the United States have felt very encouraged by the responses in the United States and across the world toward the missing girls. When Michelle Obama spoke about the abduction on Mother’s Day, Olaore said several people in the United States called her to say they are praying for the girls’ deliverance.

More than 550 students and faculty at Girls Preparatory School dressed in red this month and formed a heart shape to support Nigerian mothers and the kidnapped school girls.

Israel Olaore said international and Nigerian government representatives should negotiate for the girls’ return.

The rule is never negotiate with terrorist, but when the victims are children, negotiators should find exactly what the kidnappers want and negotiate to get the girls back home.

President Barack Obama said there will be no U.S. troops on the ground in combat.

Olaore said she “shuttered” when she saw the picture circulating in the news media of the girls all dressed in Islamic attire.

“It was like their spirit had been captured,” she said. “Like they had been stifled and made to be the imagination of someone else.”

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Nigeria militants attack again

More than 1,500 people have been killed so far this year in attacks blamed on the Nigerian radical Islamic group Boko Haram. Its leader says the abducted schoolgirls will not be seen again until the government frees his detained fighters.

May 20, 2014
At 87, Keene man still dreaming and building

By Jhan Beaupre Keene Star

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We've all heard that phrase, “where there is no vision, the people perish.”

Perhaps that's the secret of Harold “Bud” Bradbury's long life.

Bradbury, who lives in Keene and turned 87 on April 4, retired after years of working as a contractor for the Seventh-day Adventist Texas Conference.

Bradbury has built more churches, schools and other related buildings than he can recall. The remarkable thing about Bradbury is he has always had a vision.

It was his vision for the food bank at Grandview. He designed it, and with the help of the church members, built it.

The Grandview Area Food Bank has become a huge outreach ministry for the Grandview Adventist Church and considered a model for other North Texas Food Pantries.

Bradbury also had vision to improve the Grandview Adventist Church and the church grounds. After years of dealing with a gravel parking lot, the church now has a concrete parking area, retaining wall and planter boxes.

Now Bradbury has a vision of turning the wooded acres by the church into a “park like area with a fire ring and outdoor meeting area.”

Bradbury is still dreaming and church members hope he keeps doing so for many years to come.
HINSDALE – The blessing of the hands is a symbolic gesture recognizing someone who undertakes a sacred task or duty, and few fields are better suited for such a designation than hospital staff members.

On May 8, Adventist Hinsdale Hospital staff chaplain Lynn Kumis led the hospital's ninth year of anointing the hands of the staff with blessed oil, and saying a prayer for members in each unit.

The blessing is voluntary ceremony and is open to all faiths.

"It's one of my favorite days of the year when we look at honoring our staff," Kumis said. "It's just a wonderful day to offer this blessing."

But the blessing isn't just for the nurses and physicians.

"We have to remember that we are offering the blessing of the hands to everybody that works here," she said. "Not only all faiths, but every single worker."

As Kumis walked into the Intensive Care Unit of the hospital, she was met with a large group of staff members who were going through usual morning rounds. Afterwards, everyone eagerly awaited the anointment – from doctors, to nurses and all other disciplinarians.

"They all play a huge role in what we do here in the hospital," she said.

The blessing consisted of Kumis applying a small amount of oil on the palms of each individual's hands. She then invited everybody to participate in a group prayer.

The blessing of the hands coordinates with National Nurse's Week, which took place from May 6-12.

Adventist Hinsdale Hospital CNO Shawn Tyrrell also spent the day blessing some of her co-workers hands and explained that National Nurses Week stems from Florence Nightingale, who is considered the founder of modern nursing because of her work during the Crimean War.

While the legend surrounding Nightingale has been exaggerated over time, it is widely accepted that she elevated nursing by treating the whole person – body, mind and spirit.

"We celebrate [National Nurses Week] once a year to recognize the fact that nurses are actually the most trusted profession since Gallop has been assessing society through a poll," Tyrrell said. "Eleven out of the last 12 years nursing has come out as the most trustworthy."

Tyrrell said the nursing team at Adventist Hinsdale is excelling "on every metric," from patient and physician satisfaction to length of stay.

She said during National Nurse's Week, it's a time for the staff to reflect on just how far they've come.

"I think it's a special chance to take a pause and remember why you became a nurse," she said.

More more information about Adventist Hinsdale Hospital, visit http://www.keepingyouwell.com/ahh.

ABOUT National Nurses Week
National Nurses Week is held annually from May 6-12, which coincides with the birthday of Florence Nightingale, who is widely recognized as the founder of modern nursing. National Nurses Week was first observed in 1954, the 100th anniversary of Nightingale's mission to Crimea.
From the Elder

We Can Put The “Three Angel’s Messages” in Most U.S. Prisons Now!

Family!

This news is “waaaay” better than “Baseball and Apple Pie!” I am talking about an answer to prayer that is directly related to Soul Winning that you can participate in!

Recently, The Hope Channel was offered, and accepted the opportunity to broadcast 24/7 in potentially each of the 4,575 prisons that house 2.5 million inmates operating in the United States Prison System that carries programming from the Trinity Broadcasting Network (TBN) and the privilege of broadcasting in prisons that do not carry TBN programming!

The verified fact is that on April 23, 2014, our office received verification of the installation of The Hope Channel in a prison in Ohio with 2,823 inmates, including 132 on Death Row. “Ride On, King Jesus!”

I will try to slow down and let you know how this initiative works, and how you can get involved. The Hope Channel, realizing it possessed the Technical Know-How, but not having the Necessary Finances, moved forward in faith by forging a collaboration called “Hope Channel In The Prisons” with the Prison Ministry arm of the North American Division Adult Ministries Department. The goal is to encourage Persons, Congregations, Prison Ministry Groups, any Entity, to assist by establishing “Hope Channel In The Prisons” using the following protocol:
1. Local Church/Entity identifies prison they want Hope Channel to be in.
2. Church/Entity contacts NAD Adult Ministries Director (in writing) jalfred.johnson@nad.adventist.org carol.barron@nad.adventist.org and identifies the Prison in which they would like to see the system installed.
3. Hope Channel approaches the managers of the project regarding the request.
4. The Project Managers investigate the situation at the prison to determine if there is an existing system already installed by them for TBN.
5. If a system exists = Lower Costs ($1,600.00 at this time).
   If no system exists = Higher Costs ($3,300.00 at this time).
6. The Project Managers then submit a Cost Proposal.
7. If response to the Proposal is “yes,” there will need to be an additional approval from the state in which the prison is located. This process differs from state to state.
8. When the state approves and funds are in hand, the system will be installed.

Family, this is an opportunity of a lifetime to impact the 2.5 million persons currently incarcerated in the United States with the Lifesaving Mindset of Jesus Christ! This window will not be “open” long.

Thank you for getting involved in this final Ministry that Jesus did before dying for our sins. Please get involved!

1. Your Prayers are needed.
2. Your financial contributions are needed. Please make checks payable to the North American Division – “Hope Channel In The Prisons”.
3. The involvement of your Local Church, Local Prison Ministries, and Local Organizations are needed!

Help us to place “Hope Channel In The Prisons” NOW!

God Bless You! MARANATHA!

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*Organizing the Sabbath School in the Local Church*

**The Sabbath School** in the local church is a unit of the worldwide Sabbath School system. It is responsible for appointing and training class leaders, developing Sabbath School programming, managing the finances allocated by the church, and organizing itself in such a way that its four purposes are fulfilled: Study of the Word, Fellowship and Nurture, Community Outreach, and World Mission emphasis.

**Approval** of plans, programs, projects, and the implementation of policies are the responsibility of the Sabbath School Committee. The officers of the Sabbath School are responsible to the Sabbath School Committee, which in turn is responsible to the Church Board.

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*Sabbath School* membership includes the members of every class in all divisions. Sabbath School officers, division leaders, class leaders, and other personnel should be included on the Sabbath School records.

**Anyone** indicating a desire to join may be a member of the Sabbath School. Neither baptism nor a formal transfer of church membership is necessary. No waiting period or formal application is required. The teacher simply adds the name to the class record.

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Parkview Students Make an Impact for a Homeowner

It may not quite be as dramatic as “Extreme Makeover,” but 20 eighth- and ninth-grade students from Parkview Junior Academy (Parkview) spent a week working to make an impact for a Syracuse homeowner in need of help. Their work to repair and beautify this home was all part of their “Project: Make an Impact” mission project.

Community outreach is a major part of the program at Parkview. In existence for more than 110 years, the school trains students to help others as they grow academically. These groups of eighth- and ninth-grade students, many of them refugees from Myanmar/Burma and Africa, have been fundraising since last September. Local businesses donated building supplies, food, labor, and expertise. A student’s father who is a contractor donated his time to supervise the project.

Emmanuel, an eighth-grader from Rwanda, commented prior to the event, “This is the first time I’ve done something like this, and I feel like God is using me. It reminds me of the Bible and what it says – we should help each other. I can’t wait for this project, I am so happy.”

“I am always amazed at what young people can do when given the opportunity to serve others. This is the reason I became a teacher,” project leader and teacher Mark Tamalea said. Many of the students have commented that it makes them happy when they make another person happy.

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Working Through Conflict With Tact and Finesse – Avoiding the 10 Deadly Mistakes!

When you’re dealing with conflict in the workplace, there is a right way and a wrong way to handle it. Take a look at the 10 deadly mistakes of workplace conflict:

1. Losing your temper during a discussion – It only makes you look bad and never helps.
2. Ignoring the problem and hoping it will go away – It won’t and it will usually get worse.
3. Failing to notice the problem – If you’re not spotting problems, you’re not paying enough attention.
4. Giving ultimatums when problems arise – These will lead to ill will and resentment, as well as add stress to your staff.
5. Assuming the problem is an isolated incident – It rarely is; try to spot the underlying causes.
6. Making decisions based solely on the reports of others – Examine the problem yourself before making decisions, otherwise you risk letting prejudices and personal preferences affect your decision.
7. Assuming the problem has no effect on others – Problems, even small ones, usually have far-reaching implications.
8. Not listening to others’ side of the issue – You need to be able to see all sides of the problem to make a good choice.
9. Reprimanding employees in front of their peers – No one likes to be publicly humiliated. Doing so will only lead to feelings of dislike and hostility.
10. Giving different feedback to different people for the same problem – You need to be consistent in all things, otherwise people will get confused.

Source: Manager’s Minute from NationalSeminarsTraining.com
PERSONAL MINISTRIES – SABBATH SCHOOL’S PARTNER IN MINISTRY

Single Parents Ministry, Part 2 of 2

How to Help – Treatment of single parents can mean either their loss to the church and Jesus or that they feel loved and accepted by Jesus. The difference between “losing” and “loving” is one letter.

In a time of shifting values, commit to caring for families. Minister especially to the needs of women and children because Jesus ministered to the weak and helpless. Every person is made in the image of God. The challenge is to demonstrate care in a variety of ways. Here are some ideas for congregations:

Child Care Facilities – Create a child care room, and use it frequently, not just during worship. Decorate it with colorful graphics and stock it with safe toys, Christian books and videos. Designate a supervisor, with an assistant on call in case of emergency or a large number of children to supervise. Children should never be left alone, even to take another child to parents. Offer child care during all church functions. Even during church socials when children are included, it helps to have an extra “set” of hands to cope with wiggly youngsters.

Strategies for Coping – Whether single parenthood was by choice or by default, it requires a particular set of coping strategies. Workshops taught by single parents for single parents can be a real service to the community. Possible topics include stress management, positive discipline, instilling Christian values, and money management. Ask the family life director at your church or local conference for help in finding a workshop leader and curriculum.

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Q & A

Q What is Tell The World About Jesus! all about? What’s causing this excitement? Dale Galusha, president of Pacific Press sent this news item to Network News Online.

“The world needs today what it needed nineteen hundred years ago – a revelation of Christ” The Ministry of Healing, pages 142, 143.

“That’s still true a century later. More than anything else, the world still needs to see Jesus. And perhaps the best way is to simply tell the story of Jesus and let the Holy Spirit press it home to the heart.

“God would be pleased to see The Desire of Ages in every home. In this book is contained the light He has given upon His word. To our canvassers I would say, Go forth with your hearts softened and subdued by reading of the life of Christ. Drink deeply of the water of salvation that it may be in your heart as a living spring, flowing forth to refresh souls ready to perish.” (Letter 75, 1900, Ellen G. White.)

“Tell the World About Jesus” is a campaign focused on the sharing the book that Elder Ted Wilson, General Conference president calls, “the finest biography on the life of Christ outside of the Bible.” The full-text sharing version of The Desire of Ages is available by the case for less than $2 a book.

Inmate Spiritual Counseling Curriculum Segments

“Inmate Spiritual Counseling” with an emphasis on Volunteer Prison Chaplaincy, is the new training curriculum for those who are very serious about updating their Prison Ministry skills. The 35-hour course is offered by the North American Division Academy of Continuing Education, and will be conducted in association with the International Institute of Christian Ministry of the General Conference Sabbath School/Personal Ministries Department, which has a direct relationship with Griggs University. Continuing Education Credit is a possibility for college credits in the future.

Women’s Issues VCHP.301

DESCRIPTION

This module will acquaint the student with the major issues that women face in Department of Correction Facilities. The impact of imprisonment will be seen on the social, historical, psychological and emotional levels. Facts of imprisonment and disparities of imprisonment among women will be portrayed in this module.

OVERVIEW

This module will help the student to gain a fundamental knowledge of the impact of imprisonment of women and the devastating effects of imprisonment on families. A basic knowledge of the historical, social, economic and psychological factors, impacts on female incarceration. The student will gain knowledge of ethnicity disparities and emotional and sexual abuse from correctional employees. This module will expose the student to numerous facts of women imprisonment.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

1. To expose the student to the major issues women face in prison.
2. To expose the student to the effects of incarceration on families.
3. To gain a fundamental understanding of the inequities of female incarceration.

To gain an understanding of the social, psychological and historical significance of female incarceration

Required Resources


Analyzing Women’s Imprisonment, Pat Carlen and Anne Worrall

PRISON MINISTRY HAPPENINGS

North Carolina Prisons Focuses on Treatment for Mentally Ill Inmates

A new training program at Central Prison in Raleigh, N.C., is changing the way prison staff interact with mentally ill inmates, according to The News & Observer. The training, which began in 2012, is the first of its kind in North Carolina. In 2011, an internal report was released citing “inhumane conditions” within the all-male, maximum-security prison that compromised “inmates’ health, safety and dignity.” As a result, the prison constructed a five-story mental health unit, which opened in January 2012, and implemented crisis intervention training.

As part of the training, prison staff, including nurses and correctional officers, engage in role-playing sessions, where they act out various scenarios that may occur between an inmate and staff. Staff are taught how to better approach situations in which an inmate is acting out or is reluctant to communicate by remaining calm and allowing the inmate to make a decision rather than force him, according to The News & Observer. “It is mostly verbal,” Benny Langdon, a former Central Prison administrator who administers the training, said of the program. . . .”

[It] teach[es] them you don’t have to go hands-on. There’s less risk of being hurt. It’s effective. It just works.”

Since the program is still new, officials say they do not have enough data to measure its effectiveness, but many staff believe the training is improving the culture of the prison. “These guys are different,” Stephen Lucente, a prison psychologist, said.

Kate Show, July/August 2013 Corrections Today

editor’s p.s.

Happy Mother's Day

I’m outta here – cb
1. Did your church use the offering DVD, Give the Blind a Chance?

Yes, we used the DVD.
Yes, we used a downloaded copy.
No

2. If you showed the DVD from Christian Record at your church, WHAT was shown WHEN did you show it?

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Welcome by Dick Stenbakken
Give the Blind a Chance (English)
Give the Blind a Chance (Spanish)
The Blind Man (Sermon)
Other (please specify)

3. Please give your personal impression of the offering video, Give the Blind a Chance. (1 = poor; 10 = excellent)

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Video Theme
Call to Action
Video Quality
10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1

Audio Level

Graphics/Animation

Music

Placement of CRSB

Branding

4. Which of the printed pieces were used at your church?

Poster
Children’s Story
Braille Card
Offering Appeal Bulletin Announcement
Praying Hands Promotion
We didn’t use the printed materials.

5. Did your church distribute the offering envelopes provided by CRSB?

Yes
No

6. On what date were the offering materials used at your church?

Prior to April 12, 2014
On April 12, 2014
After April 12, 2014
Our church plans to use it later this year.
Our church did not/will not use the offering materials.

7. Was the supply of envelopes adequate?

Yes, there were enough for our church.
Yes, and we had too many for our church.
No, we did not receive enough.

8. Where do you recall seeing advertising for the Christian Record Annual Day of Giving?
CRSB Annual Day of Giving website: www.CRSBday.org
NCBC News
Facebook
Twitter
Vimeo
YouTube
Adventist World
Adventist Review
Adventist News Network (ANN)
Called (SDA pastors app)
Called website (via NAD Ministerial)
Union conference magazine
Union conference website
I don’t remember seeing any advertising for the CRSB Annual Day of Giving.

Other (please specify)

9. Did you visit the CRSB Annual Day of Giving website, www.CRSBday.org?
   Yes
   No
   I'm not sure.

10. If you visited the Day of Giving website, www.CRSBday.org, what content did you use and when did you use it?

Welcome by Dick Stenbakken
Give the Blind a Chance (English)
Give the Blind a Chance (Spanish)
Tips

Viewed
Privately
Intro
Church
Offering
Church
Sermon
Sabbath
School
Intro
Sabbath
School
Mission
Offering
Afternoon Vespers
Program
Program
Meeting
Didn't
view/didn't
show
website
content.
11. I feel the Christian Record Annual Day of Giving is a good project for my church.

Yes. We have blind or partially blind attendees at our church regularly and we know they appreciate the audio, braille, or large print materials from Christian Record.

No. We don't have any blind or partially blind attendees, so we have no interest.

No. Even though we have blind or partially blind attendees, we think they can take care of themselves.

Uncertain. We don't know enough about how Christian Record makes a difference for eternity in the lives of blind adults and children.

12. Share your comments and/or suggestions regarding the Christian Record Annual Day of Giving.

13. Please complete the demographic information below.

Church: 

City/Town: 

State:  -- select state --
Inmates Appreciate Heaven-sent Music

Kathy Lang, a Prison Ministries volunteer correspondent, shared the following letter she recently received from an inmate named Charles.

I was singing the song “Jesus Loves Me” last week over and over and the guys asked me if I knew any others. So I pulled out all the ones you sent me and we had a wonderful time praising the Lord and lifting everybody’s spirits around here. We dedicated “Shall We Gather at the River” to you. You should have been here to hear it! It was truly music made for heaven—180 guys singing their hearts out and loving every minute of it.

I read a few of the letters and Bible verses that you sent me out loud to the guys at our little Sunday church meeting. They think you’re heaven sent, just like I told them you were.

I asked them if they would like to write to you. They said as long as I get letters that inspire and give hope, and I’m willing to share with the rest of them, we should keep it like that until I get ready to leave. Then I can pass on your info to one of the other guys.

It’s unanimous. You’re truly an earth angel; we all love you around here. Take care of yourself and may God bless everything that you are a part of.

Stone Ridge School Develops its Mission

As the seasons change in Duluth, Stone Ridge Christian School is also changing. In October the Indian Village was completed. Teacher Rudy Carlson set up a teepee and a wigwam, and also crafted an authentic looking fire pit. The village sits on a rock outcropping and has become a favorite play area for the students.

With Native American blankets, baskets and imitation food items found by Mrs. Carlson at local garage sales, the village has everything it needs for active imaginations.

Recently the school’s garden was harvested for the final time this season. The produce has been used for lunches and at times sent home with visitors to the school. The garden beds have been weeded and hoed and are ready for next year’s growing season.

During the winter months the school plans to offer community classes.

So far a camera class, sewing class and parenting seminar are under consideration. Also, Stone Ridge Christian School now has its own website.

In support of its mission mindedness, the school is taking steps to begin production of its own one-hour educational show titled For Kids By Kids in conjunction with the local public television station. The program will feature cooking, storytelling and art segments done by the students, as well as tips from Mr. Carlson on how to complete homework more effectively.


Students at Stone Ridge Christian School benefit from lunches that include produce grown in the school’s garden.

What type of follow-up is happening after the meetings?

DI: Several months after the meetings in 2015 we are planning a major rally. This may very well be the largest gathering of Seventh-day Adventists in the Cities. We are anticipating Shawn Boonstra and Robert Costa returning for this event. Additionally, we hope to have a collaborative youth rally happening on the same day and at the same location.

In my role as youth director, I want to say that we want the youth to be involved in evangelism! We will be having several 2014 youth rallies, all of which will be pointing to this culminating event in 2015.

EB: Jeff, that is exciting! We will be doing everything we know how to do to further the kingdom of God through these evangelism efforts. Our prayer is that God’s Spirit will lead in people’s lives, guiding them to make decisions to be baptized and be a part of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. We are hoping to realize at least 1,000 new members from these meetings.

1Mission: To help people realize they are accepted in Jesus Christ, and come to know, love, serve, and share Him.

Vision: Recognizing that Jesus will return soon, we will all actively engage in ministry.

2For more information on the seminars go to www.mnsda.com.