ADRA Canada has been providing shelter, food, water, warmth, and other necessary supplies to those fleeing the violence in Syria, Iraq, and other war-torn countries. Millions of people have been forced to flee their homes to escape conflict, risking their lives to find safety for themselves and their families. Some are now in refugee camps, some have been housed by kind strangers, others are living in construction sites, still others are homeless. Donations are making a difference.

Donate Canadian funds at [ADRA/Canada website](#). Otherwise, Donate at [ADRA International](#).

The Kettering College sonography department recently gained approval to purchase an obstetric ultrasound simulator costing a total of $42,616. The simulator, which will enhance sonography student learning by allowing them to efficiently practice ultrasound scanning in obstetrics, has a normal fetal scan and will also allow students to practice scanning fetal anomalies without being in a patient setting. [MORE](#)

The first Redwood Community Service Day was conducted by the six-decade old Redwood Camp Meeting this past summer. About 250 campers at Redwood Camp Meeting volunteered. They tackled a wide range of projects in nearby communities, including picking up 1,540 pounds of trash along the Eel River, helping at an animal rescue service, helping a local church make quilts for a local women's shelter and pillowcases for a children's hospital, and many more. They plan to make it an annual event. [MORE](#)

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**Special Days**

**September Focus: Health**
Sept. 13–19, Nurture Periodicals: ([Adventist Review], [Insight], [Guide], [Primary Treasure], [Our Little Friend])

Sept. 20, [Let's Move Day](#)

Sept. 20–26, [Hispanic Heritage Week](#)

[Let's Move Week](#)/Health Education Week/ [Vibrant Life](#)

**September Offerings**
Sept. 12, Fall Mission Appeal

[Helpful Special Day Websites and Resources](#)

[Sample Offertory Readings](#) (in English, Spanish, Portuguese and French)

**Upcoming Events:**
Sept. 10, [It Is Written Webinar](#) Training for Revelation Today

Sept. 14-17, [Nonprofit Leadership Certification Program](#)

Sept. 20, [Let's Move Day](#)
Hundreds attend 'Amazing Grace Christian Concert'

Muslim Community, Others Ask Sheriff Hammond to Recant Statement About Islam at “Prayers for Solidarity” Event

Natural health expert remembered for medical contributions

Locals take part in diabetes awareness telenovela airing on Univision

Hospitalists provide a key healthcare service

Health care pilot programs in Glendale aim to keep patients and savings in mind

Pinnacle Bank donates $100K to SWAU

Karidat, Adventist Community Services distribute relief goods

Saipan now has a donation warehouse

Healthy living, Saturday Sabbath are keys to Seventh-day Adventist faith

If you want to win souls and participate in the "Revelation Today" series, Oct. 9-31, streaming live, you would benefit by attending one of the three Webinars tomorrow, Thurs., Sept. 10. Learn about the new app that allows millions of people to watch anytime, anywhere, and connect with local churches or each other, for further conversations, study, or baptism. Register as a host site. No technical experience is required. Choose your best time. Participate in the video contest.

Last week’s issue of NewsPoints landed in the Spam folder of many recipients. Check your Spam folder for yours, or read it online at www.nadadventist.org/newspoints, where you can also download a printable PDF of nearly every issue.
Let's Move Day/Week, Sept. 20-27, is just around the corner. Register your Let's Move Day event and send information about it to NADHM@nad.adventist.org. Record your personal activity. MORE

Join the Society of Adventist Communicators (SAC) Convention in Chantilly, Va., (Wash., DC suburb), Oct. 15-17 for its annual SAC Convention for communication professionals and university students. Learn about submitting your entry for the SAC Communicators Awards. Find convention details online and register by Sept. 30 for early bird rates. Like the SAC Facebook page for the most up-to-date information.

Creating a Vibrant Health Ministry Training Seminar, Oct. 2-4, will be held in Boyertown, Pa. Health ministry directors, pastors, health ministry team leaders and members are invited to attend. This is the official NAD Health Ministries training curriculum focusing on Comprehensive Health Ministries. MORE

A short message for increasing Hispanic Heritage awareness for the upcoming Hispanic Awareness Week (Sept. 20-26) is provided here.

Facts with Hope are evidence based health messages that may be used in a church bulletin, newsletter, or during the "Health Minute" as part of church service to motivate people to choose a full abundant life. They are published monthly in our Health Unlimited Newsletter.

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A Time of Trouble

"Thousands have fled their homeland seeking safety in foreign lands, often braving unsafe traveling conditions just for the hope of a new beginning.... It really doesn’t matter what religion they follow or which deity they pray to, for in the end they are all God’s children and should be afforded the same rights that we all take for granted....

"Further reflection brought me to a new point of view, one of a cosmic perspective. What about all of us who are refugees on this planet, who are forced to live under the oppression of one who would destroy our freedom? How often do we take for granted the gift that truly makes us free and affords us the opportunity to eventually return to our true home?"
On Sabbath afternoon, August 29, the members of over 40 churches in the Atlanta area totaling close to 1,000 people, gathered in Plaza Fiesta in Atlanta to walk together and align themselves with peace and not violence. They were able to impact thousands of onlookers, get over 25,000 hits on social media in one day because of press coverage, and let the community know they care.

What were the benefits of doing this? And how would someone else go about doing the same type of thing?  MORE