As you read the April/May newsletter - you'll be encouraged to see how our great God is smiling on His children.

We're especially thankful for the powerful prayer events in Northern New England Conference under Kelly Veilleux leadership, and in Northern California, with Naomi Parson.

The Pacific Union's West Point of Evangelism was especially infused with God's presence under the leadership of Jonathon Henderson, Jim Moon, Karen Martell, Janet Lui, Naomi Parson, Michael Roland, and other Prayer Coordinators throughout the Pacific Union. What a difference united prayer makes!

In the Upper Columbia Conference, Conference President's wife, Audrey Folkenberg, is providing seminars on Family Life throughout the conference. Her husband, Bob Folkenberg, President, translates for her into the Spanish language. How about that!

She is also leading a group of pastors' wives - in some life-changing prayer experiences. There are many other wives of Conference Presidents who are doing this. What a tremendous way to see God's power unlimited in your church and conference.

The weekly, and daily prayer teleconferences in so many places are having a profound effect. Thank you to each one participating - and more are invited - we'd be glad to have you join. These calls are making a greater contribution to the church of God than you can know.

The names above are just a few of the many names that could and should be acknowledged with gratitude for their faithfulness.

The National Day of Prayer - May 3 - is coming up very soon. We hope you are planning to pray with others in your community - in their church or in yours, for God to move in our communities and in our nation. This is an amazingly positive way to meet other Christians. We're told in 6T - to pray with and for pastors and members of other faiths.

Again, I want to give a big THANK YOU to the huge army of volunteers who are "in the audience chamber with God and are grasping the mighty arm of power." PP 203

Blessings and may His face radiate on you as He has promised in Numbers 6.

Ruthie
Thousands Tour the Sanctuary in Answer to Prayer

“To God be the glory! Great things He has done!” This old hymn has become even more meaningful to the Fort Pierce SDA Church, in St Lucie County, Florida. March 31, 2012 through April 8, 2012, the Fort Pierce church sponsored free tours to the public of the Messiah’s Mansion, a life-size replica of the ancient Hebrew tabernacle, also known as the sanctuary*. Much praise filled their hearts when over 4,000 people visited the sanctuary, with the overwhelming majority of them being “non-Adventist.” The exhibit was open for nine consecutive days, during which many protestant ministers of various denominations brought their entire congregations to experience a private tour of the sanctuary and learn the meaning of its symbolism. Several Christian schools, including home schooled students, toured the sanctuary as well. Although this project was sponsored by the Fort Pierce SDA Church, five other Adventist churches in the community joined this effort (Victory SDA; Midport SDA; Macedonia SDA, Port St Lucie SDA, Vero Beach SDA).

“The Lord’s promise was to bring salvation to St Lucie County and that is exactly what He did. We were all amazed as we witnessed the Spirit touch our neighbors’ hearts as they saw Jesus and His salvation in the symbols of the sanctuary,” says Phyllis McColister. Phyllis was the Project Coordinator and is also the Prayer Ministry Leader for the Fort Pierce Church. The Prayer Ministry envisioned Messiah’s Mansion coming to St. Lucie County after encountering the replica at the 2010 General Conference in Atlanta, Georgia. After taking it to the Lord in prayer, the project was presented to the Church Board and received their blessing and support. However, realizing their need for more workers and greater financial support, the Prayer Ministry visited more than 26 area churches of all denominations and rallied God’s people together for the common cause of sharing Jesus with those who do not know about His love and the message of salvation as seen through the sanctuary. This began hundreds of hours of planning, fundraising and organizing for more than nine long months. But if you ask anyone involved in the project, they will tell you that prayer was the greatest preparation that took place and it began long before they ever laid eyes on Messiah’s Mansion.

The Lord began preparing Fort Pierce church for this great work with the start of a prayer line** that has grown to an average of 18-20 people across several states and church denominations. The prayer line members come together for Scripture prayer, testimonies of thanksgiving and praise and intercessory prayer each morning at 6:00 am. For over four years, the Lord has blessed this ministry with many answered prayers but, the majority of the members count the greatest blessing of all as the way the Holy Spirit has knitted their hearts together in the love of God and love for each other. “The prayer line has been such a blessing to me and has really made a difference in my personal relationship with God,” says Joan Bynoe, the Prayer Coordinator of the Victory S.D.A. Church who joins in every morning.

In addition to the prayer line, the Lord continued to prepare the Fort Pierce church. In 2009 the Prayer Ministry planned its first 40 Days of Prayer and Fasting where nearly 70 church members participated in personal and corporate devotions using a book called “Love to Pray,” by Alvin Vandergriend. Everyone learned more about prayer and received a blessing from spending extra time with God. Once the Fort Pierce church began to understand the power and privilege of prayer, God began leading them to understand the necessity of being filled with the Spirit. In 2010 the Lord led the Fort Pierce Prayer Ministry to the book written by Pastor Dennis Smith entitled, 40 Days of Prayer and Fasting for Revival and Reformation. In preparation, the Prayer Ministry met each Friday evening for study and

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Thousands Tour the Sanctuary in Answer to Prayer (cont.)

prayer and asking for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Because of this, they experienced many answered prayers, restored relationships between brethren and notable spiritual growth of many members of the church body. Immediately following the 40 Days of Prayer, Pastor Dennis Smith visited Fort Pierce for a Prayer Summit where he preached the word of God with a humble heart and sincere conviction. It was a tremendous blessing and a spiritually high time for everyone. It was then that many of the church members began to see that God was doing something special in His church through prayer.

The long-awaited date of Sabbath, March 31, 2012 arrived and the doors of the Messiah’s Mansion sanctuary opened. On the first day 464 people toured the sanctuary; the following Sabbath 1,000 people toured the sanctuary. In total, that the gospel of Jesus Christ was shared with over 4,000 souls. Upon hearing the message of salvation in the sanctuary and responding to God’s Spirit, 1,138 precious souls have requested Bible studies. This is why the Seventh-day Adventist churches of St. Lucie County are singing God’s praises even louder these days. But please keep them in your prayers because they realize that this is only the beginning of God’s plan and that this work is much bigger than they are. They have learned that it is only as they “pray without ceasing,” surrender themselves to God’s will, and trust not in their own strength, but in the power of God, that the harvest set before them can be reaped for eternity.

Fort Pierce SDA Church will remember forever the words of Psalm 77:13, “Your way, O God, is in the sanctuary; Who is so great a God as our God?”

Terri Stanley
Communication Secretary
Fort Pierce S.D.A. Church

*Visit the project website at:  http://messiahsmansion.com/
**Prayerline: 1-760-569-7676 . Access Code: 852448#
(Mon-Fri) 6:00 am to 7:00 am
***Visit Salvation in the Sanctuary/RACE training website: www.sits.tv
Northern New England Conference—Kelly Veilleux

Here in the Northern New England Conference God is moving in mighty ways as we grow in our understanding of "Christ Our Righteousness"! We have just completed our 3rd Righteousness by Faith Rally for 2012. Each Rally has been well attended and many lives have been impacted by the beautiful messages of His Righteousness.

Our team has put together a brand new 39-lesson set of Bible Studies called "His Healing Love", along with a 2-DVD Set of 10 Messages entitled “Living in His Love”. Both of these new resources can be purchased through our NEW WEBSITE: www.inverity.org

Take a moment to visit the site and hear some great messages and see what God is doing here in our territory as we are clearly seeing the power return to the East!

For more information contact Kelly at kellyv@inverity.org

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I was working in my church office in Albany, Oregon that morning. The phone rang and when I answered it a lady asked, "Are you the pastor of the Seventh-day Adventist Church?" I said, "Yes, I am. How may I help you?" Then she told me this amazing story.

"I am a nurse here at the Corvallis hospital (Good Samaritan) in the ER. We have a lady here who is having severe heart arrhythmias. She needs immediate medical attention, but she won't let us touch her until the pastor of the Seventh-day Adventist Church comes to pray for her. She told us she knows God will heal her if the pastor from the Seventh-day Adventist Church prays for her. Can you come help us?" I was touched by the sincerity and anxiety I heard in the voice of that nurse. I assured her I would come immediately.

Right after I hung up the phone I got into my car and headed west to Corvallis. On the way there my mind began to think over this unusual situation. I knew I would most certainly be observed by several medical personnel. I wanted to be a good witness to them, but I also knew the lady in question, whom I probably didn't know, had some very high expectations. While I knew God could heal her, I also knew that God does not always choose to heal us. Sometimes, for reasons that seem mysterious to us, He chooses to let disease take its course. I didn't know what kind of Christian this woman was, or even if she was a Christian. So, how could I pray for that lady's healing in front of the doctor and nurses with credibility and at the same time help prepare her for the possibility of a "no" answer from God? Of course, I prayed a lot as I neared the hospital.

When we pray for the sick, or for any physical thing we need, the Bible teaches us to pray according to the will of God (1 John 5:14). Spiritual needs are always a "yes" answer from God such as forgiveness of sin, the gift of eternal life, or strength to obey His commands. Physical needs are an entirely different matter because it is not always in our best interest for the Lord to give us physical blessings such as money (it might make us more selfish or deny us the privilege of labor), health (we might become too independent as in the case of Paul, 2 Corinthians 12:6-7), or other things we think we need that God sees would lead us away from heaven. When Jesus prayed in the Garden of Gethsemane to be released from death he prayed, "Yet, I want Your will to be done, not mine." Matthew 26:39.
Parents United in Prayer—Jeanie Reed

The Lord God through Jesus Christ holds out His hand all the day long in invitation to the sinful and fallen. He will receive all. He welcomes all. It is His glory to pardon the chief of sinners. He will take the prey from the mighty, He will deliver the captive, He will pluck the brand from the burning. He will lower the golden chain of His mercy to the lowest depths of human wretchedness, and lift up the debased soul contaminated with sin. MH 161

"For I will contend with him who contends with you, and I will save your children." Isaiah 49:25

Ever since the prayer conference (Oregon Prayer Retreat, March 30-April 1, 2012; "The Prayer Life of the End Time Generation" Presenter, Ty Gibson), thoughts have been fomenting in the back of my brain. During Holy Ground on Sabbath eve, my group of ladies were focused on praying for their children, as many of them seemed to have spiritual needs at that time. So I listed them out, and we prayed for each one of them.

That stuck with me and I realized how much parents truly want to pray for their offspring. So I grabbed a prayer buddy at church and we started PUP (Parents United in Prayer). A week later we have 16 parents and over 40 ‘kids’ in our prayer group in just one week. The kids range in age from 2 to over 40. It is so exciting to know that each one is being lifted in prayer at least 16 times every day. How awesome is that! There is so much power in collective prayer. We have to tap into it more.

Northern California Prayer Retreat—Naomi Parson

The Northern California Conference Annual Prayer Retreat met at Leoni Meadows for the eleventh consecutive year March 16-18, 2012 with over 200 attending. Guests came from all areas of the Conference to hear Pavel Goia with the theme of “Believing Like Jesus”. Pavel Goia, a pastor from Lexington, KY explained God’s love in action and how to understand God’s will and how to be effective in serving Him. Goia shared from God’s Word and from the many, many answers to prayer that he has experienced through his faith and persistence in the power of prayer. Many stories are included in the book about his life, One Miracle After Another, by Greg Budd as well as new stories consistent with his life and walk with God.

Beautiful music at the Retreat by Jolyne Simler and Jodi Dilger brought all of us into fellowship with the theme song “More than Anything.” Exciting prayer-focused programs were presented for the children and youth, leading them to experience the love of Jesus in a fuller, richer way. Powerful personal testimonies were shared Sabbath afternoon by Will Penick and Justin Montero, currently Bible Workers at the Roseville Church. Also Sabbath afternoon a train ride around the c grounds provided a “chilly” and beautiful view of the camp.

Lovely decorations and fresh flowers with a “prayer garden” setting as well as a lovely prayer room were designed to create an atmosphere for a new and fresh meeting with Jesus. Anointing times were set aside on Sabbath for those with a special need for prayer. President Jim Pedersen, Dr. Marc Woodson, Dr. Del Dunavant, Elder Ed Fargusson, Elder Robert Ross and other pastors led in the anointing service. Early morning prayer circles were a special joy as well as spontaneous prayer throughout the weekend.
Grove Christian Camp Prayer Retreat—Donna Koehn

Cindy Weeldryer, a non-adventist, when asked to print advertisements for our Prayer Retreat was taken by the title, "The Prayer Life of the End-Time Generation."

I finally said to her, "Cindy, why aren't you registering for the retreat, you seem so interested in what the subject of the retreat is?" Well, she did register. She attended every meeting including the early morning meetings. She came with camera and writing pad to take notes of the whole week-end so she could write the following article for the Cottage Grove Sentinel. Our God does mighty deeds for His children when we step out in faith for Him. Contacting Cindy was a God thing, a definite Divine Appointment!

The following is a note and article from Cindy Weeldryer, Sentinel Faith Page Editor:

What a wonderful and spiritually refreshing time we shared together! For this "Methaptist" my first "Adventist Immersion Experience" was both memorable and rewarding. I met many new brothers and sisters in Christ who touched my heart and encouraged my spirit during the time I was able to share with y'all. Kudos to you and the retreat planning team for pulling off another Christ-honoring experience and I'm sure everyone is looking forward to the next one!

RAINY RETREAT REFRESHERS PRAYER WARRIORS NEAR AND FAR

The heavy rain and the rising, fast-running Row River next to Grove Christian Camp weren't enough to keep more than 80 Seventh Day Adventists from Oregon, Washington and Idaho from gathering to learn more about the power of prayer. The topic of the three day retreat, March 30-April 1, was “The Prayer Life of the End Time Generation” and featured Ty Gibson, a Bible teacher, author, conference speaker, cable TV show host and co-founder of Light Bearers Ministry.

In the Friday night session Gibson compared the familiar image of the ancient tabernacle constructed by Moses to the human body as the place where God dwells among His people today. Gibson detailed the ritual cleansing process used in the Mosaic tabernacle and described the complex human development process.

“The part of you God is seeking to heal and have intimacy with is the mind, the innermost being. God seeks to dwell there and maintain an intimate relationship with you,” Gibson said. “Jesus was reconstructed in a whole new reality as a human embryo and God emerged nine months later into the world. Christ’s body became an interface for God to experience physical form in an earthly existence. By giving God access to your innermost being you create a spiritual renewal process. This weekend ask God to speed up the renewal process for you to become a new creation in Christ.”

Gibson delineated two types of prayer. Introspective Prayer searches the heart and leads one through a healing process. Intercessory Prayer lifts others before God and intercedes for their needs.

“When your own needs are met and your inner self is cleansed you are then able to help others who need intercession,” Gibson explained. “As we hurt and violate each other it warps our innermost being and limits our effectiveness and Christian witness. Prayer engages the heart and mind with God. Prayer should not be a prescribed, mandated ritual but a method to open a path to God. God will not force His way into the human heart and He will not make us slaves to rituals. Prayer lies within our free will and it opens paths for God to interact with those He created, which is the desire of God’s heart.”

This was the third annual regional prayer retreat for Seventh Day Adventists held at Grove Christian Camp in Dorena. Retreat organizers said evaluation forms praised the beauty of the site and its excellent staff, the quality of the teaching and prayer times, and the inspirational praise and worship music. This was the first year the retreat was open to non-Adventists.

Donna Koehn, a Cottage Grove Adventist and member of the retreat planning team, said she is aware of many local (non-Adventist) prayer warriors who would be blessed and encouraged by this annual retreat. “I hope more local individuals seeking to enhance their prayer life will consider attending this retreat in the future,” Koehn said.

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West Point 2012—Karen Martell, Michael Roland, Jim Moon

West Point 2012, a Pacific Union Conference event, at the Marriott San Mateo San Francisco Airport Hotel, April 8-11, 2012 was an opportunity for Pastors, Church Leadership, and laymen to come together to learn new and innovative strategies for outreach, discipleship and evangelism. Those who attended left the event not only with new knowledge but empowered by the Holy Spirit for Ministry, some even had discovered new ministry opportunities. The prayer track was one of fifteen workshops for discipleship enrichment. Attendees came from several states around the Pacific Union Conference. The Pacific Union Conference Prayer team, composed of Prayer Leaders from each of the conferences in the Union, was a vital part of the West Point Event.


Each of these members were directly involved in every aspect of the conference. The prayer room became the “War Room,” as individuals were lead by the Holy Spirit to commit their lives and talents to God in a new way. The prayer room, put together by Naomi Parson and her team from Northern California, Joyce Mulligan from Central California, and Anita Roberts from Southeastern California Conference, had storyboards depicting how prayer impacts all areas of ministry and how every ministry in the church should be a prayer team. It was open from early morning until late at night.

Michael Roland, prayer coordinator in Southern California, Prayer Ministry Communications and prayer media development for the Pacific Union shared his testimony on Sunday night, during the plenary session, and related what happened to him during a West Point Conference four years ago. He then invited the attendees to participate in a prayer time. In groups of twos and threes they prayed for each other and what they wanted God to do for them during West Point.

Michael remembers what happened to him when he attended that event.

I’ve Got Oil

It is like precious oil poured on the head, running down on the beard, running down on Aaron’s beard, down upon the collar of his robes. It is as if the dew of Hermon was falling on Mount Zion. For there the LORD bestows his blessing, even life forevermore. ~Psalm 133:2-3

Four years ago I attended WestPoint (of evangelism) for the first time; it was also the first year that WestPoint had included a prayer-track. I remember that year vividly; that was the year that I wrestled with God for the three and a half days we were there.

It was the final hours (even minutes) of WestPoint 2008 and the prayer room was packed to overflow capacity. There were people standing out in the hallway trying to press in to hear what was being said. Praise after praise was being lifted up to God for what He had done over the past days. It was in that room, in that environment of prayer and praise that I finally ended my struggle with God. Suddenly the room became quiet and I realized my opportunity to be obedient to the Spirit’s voice. I slowly raised my hand. Karen Martell called on me, “Yes Michael?” I described how I had been wrestling with God and how I was losing the struggle. It was a time in my life when I didn’t see much hope or much future for myself in God’s service. It was in my brokenness that I turned to Derek Morris and said, “I don’t know why; but I think God wants me to ask you to pray for me.”

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Derek looked at me and said, “Oh, brother, I wish I had come prepared. Because I would like to anoint you; but I didn’t bring any oil.”

“I’ve got oil!” Karen held up her hand.

“I’ve got oil!” Janet said.

“I’ve got oil!” …

That day, one-by-one, prayer-by-prayer, blessing-by-blessing, everyone in that room was anointed and prayed over. Think about that for a moment— Think about what God must have been up to for that to have happened—

We returned to WestPoint 2012 “Connecting to Christ” with high expectations for what God would do.

The plenary speakers were surrounded in prayer before each presentation and prayer team members prayed with each workshop presenter. Each day was started by early morning intercessory prayer time. Promise cards and prayers were distributed to everyone. Clusters of people were seen praying in the hallways in response to the “May I Pray with You” buttons we wore. We had the privilege of praying with pastors and church leaders throughout the conference. Guests in the hotel came to the prayer room and poured out their hearts and were lifted before God’s throne room.

By God’s grace, WestPoint 2012 was saturated in prayer.

The theme for the prayer-track was The Connection between Prayer and Ministry for Yourself—Your Church—Your Community. Pastor Jonathan Henderson’s messages on prayer were Prayer that Changes God, Prayer that Changes You, and Prayer that Changes Circumstances. Worship and prayer times were punctuated by music composed by Pastor Jim Moon, which fit the situation and messages. Our closing workshop “Consume Me”, conducted by Jim was an experience in song and intercession. “Make my Life Your Song. God, Make My Life Your Prayer.”

Prayer that Changes God was the first prayer workshop. Jacob would not let go until God blessed him (Genesis 32:26). The gentile woman pleaded with Jesus until He healed her demon-possessed daughter (Matthew 15:21-28). And there are other examples of wrestling with God in prayer and refusing to give up until our prayers are answered (Luke 11:5-9; 18:1-8).

“Wrestling with God.” That’s where this story began; that’s where our prayer-track started; and that’s where our testimony continues.

We met Mark, a young man who was wrestling with God. Mark, perhaps had better sense that I. (He didn’t wrestle for three and a half days; it was more like three and a half hours.) But the prayer team remembers when Mark entered the prayer room that first night. We could tell that God had brought him to us; there was a sense of God being at work. Mark was in a place in his service to God where he wanted Divine direction; he recognized his need for God’s help. Mark asked question after question about prayer. He became so convicted about the power and importance of prayer that he went to his church pastor the next morning and requested permission to change his workshop schedule. He wanted to attend all the prayer-tracks. His pastor, agreed, but was curious to know what Mark had heard about prayer that had caused him to make such a sweeping change in his schedule.
West Point 2012 (continued)

The prayer team encouraged Mark to invite his pastor to join us in the prayer room if he had opportunity to. It was such a wonderful joy to meet Pastor Bill McVay. The prayer team was blessed with the opportunity to pray for Pastor McVay, Mark, his wife Wendy, their head deacon, Kim and their whole church. And we prayed that the blessings we asked upon the leadership of the Eureka Seventh-day Adventist church would be poured out upon all God’s churches and upon all church leadership.

But all that has happened at WestPoint 2012 (and all that has happened since) takes me back to a simple prayer lifted up by Brad Newton just minutes before the first meeting. “Dear Father,” Brad pleaded, “if there are any pastors or church leaders who are discouraged or who are weighed down with their responsibilities, please dear Father, fill them with Your Spirit; give them a renewed faith and confidence.”

Dear reader, are you discouraged by circumstances in your church, stresses in your home or distractions of life? Or, perhaps, you just want God to take you to the next level in your relationship with Him.

Are you wrestling with God?

Hold on! Don’t let go! Stay in God’s presence. Ask Him to renew that faith you had when you first answered His call to ministry. Ask for His Spirit to be poured out on you without measure. Do not give up until you hear Him answer…

“I’ve got Oil.”

Iowa-Missouri Conference—Gail Coridan

We are greatly blessed to have a pastor's wife, April Randall, of South Missouri who has been faithfully creating prayer rooms for the use of her churches, and for other conference events. Her initial inspiration came through Pastor's DVD #10/NAD Church Resource Center which was given to her pastor husband through the ministerial department. Since creating the first prayer rooms for their churches, April's ministry has grown to include the last two of our yearly Shepherdess retreats and last summer's pastoral families' retreat.

What began as just a "try" has become a meaningful appointment for ministry in April's life and in the lives of her fellow ministry colleagues. At the most recent Shepherdess Retreat, one pastor's wife told of the tremendous burden she carried at the time of last year's retreat. She determined to wrestle with God in prayer in the prayer room until answers would come. Late at night and early in the morning she stayed and stayed and received no peace until God presented Ezekiel 36:26 to her. She held on to the hope of that promise. The living and powerful word of God became a discerner of the thoughts and intents of her heart and began to penetrate to the core of the issue. She was tutored by God in His school of grace until her pastor husband invited her to speak to the church in a devotional message that brought insight and blessing to other members struggling through lack of peace within the church.

We rejoice that "God is not unrighteous to forget April's work and labor of love, which she has shown toward His name, in that she has ministered to the saints, and does minister." Hebrews 6:10 We rejoice, also, that those who have made use of the room have shown the same diligence and obtained the full assurance of hope in Jesus' name. Needing peace at home or in your church? Try creating a prayer room!
Arizona Conference—Susan Skelton

“The Great Hope” Project is an initiative led by the General Conference President, Ted N. C. Wilson. The challenge to the world field is to personally read “The Great Controversy” this year, then distribute 200 million books worldwide as part of the Church’s “Tell The World” initiative, and a complement to the Revival and Reformation emphasis. In Arizona, our conference is challenging each church to purchase and distribute 1000 copies of the abridged version “The Great Hope”. As an incentive, the conference will pitch in an extra 100 books for each 1,000 purchased. These books can be ordered through any ABC in the U.S. at a special rate of $.39, through May 15, 2012.

I’m excited about this project, because of the eternal impact that it will have on those who receive and read the book, as well as on church members who share their faith by distributing the books. With the upcoming deadline on the special pricing in mind, I approached my pastor with the request to ask the finance committee and church board to purchase up to 2,000 books. He was very supportive of the idea even though economic times are tough and there is no money for things outside the budget like this.

Since I’d be asking for more money than many of our church departments have in their budget for the whole year, I asked people to pray, including Vicky, a viewer of Good News TV (our local Adventist channel) who responded to a free offer she saw on TV for a free Great Controversy book last year. The book was hand-delivered by a church member, and now she is a very active part of the church family, and helping with this particular project. As I asked her to pray for the 2,000, she sounded disappointed, because she was hoping for 4,000 or 5,000 books. I realized that although I thought I was asking in faith for double the conference goal, Vicky’s witness made me realize that I was limiting God.

Going into the meeting, I wasn’t sure what to do, but knew a team was praying. I proposed the 2,000 but mentioned to the committee about Vicky and her desire for many more books. After some discussion, the finance committee approved the 2,000 books plus a couple hundred full versions of the book for our church members to read. This was a huge answer to prayer already! Then, another miracle happened. While waiting for the church board meeting to convene, the finance committee chairman came to me privately and said he would personally match the church’s 2,000 books and donate another 2,000! With the Arizona Conference match of 100 free books per thousand, plus the full versions, God provided 4,600 total books! Praise the Lord!

I encourage you, my fellow prayer warriors, to pray for a rich harvest of souls from this worldwide project and encourage your church to participate even if money is scarce. Remember, the special price is through May 15, 2012. God is faithful, and we will rejoice as we see souls in heaven as a result eyes being opened to the truth for these times that is contained in these books. For more info, visit http://greatcontroversyproject.adventist.org/.

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Central California Conference—Joyce Mulligan

We have a 10 year old church member that was very recently baptized, about two weeks after her mom was baptized. We had a series of health seminars approaching, and on the Wednesday before they were to start, after prayer meeting had concluded, she approached me and asked if she could take some fliers and GLOW (Giving Light to Our World tracts) to school with her. She attends a public school here in Turlock, CA. I gave her a stack of each and didn't think too much more about it. The weekend that the seminars concluded, she again approached me and told me she had taken the fliers and GLOW that I gave her home. She laid them out and thought about each person she would be giving them to. She then taped the GLOW to the flier that she thought that particular person could use at this time. The next day she took them to school and passed them out. The kids in her class were so excited. When it was time for silent reading, they all took out their GLOW to read! They were so excited, asking her where they could get more. One student even advised her "Man, you should be selling this stuff, not giving it away!"

One child from the class asked her how to get bible studies, so she asked her parents, and the little girl, with her own mother's permission began bible studies and has come to church when this child gave her testimony herself before the congregation.

Victor and his 6 year old son were walking around Pier 39 in San Francisco. As they wandered about, they noticed an older couple sitting at a table. They looked a little bit sad. Victor urged his son to take a GLOW tract to the man. The little boy walked over to where the couple sat and handed one to the man saying, “Here, this is for you.” The man took it without comment and the father and son started walking away. Soon, the man came after them and said, “Thank you so much for this tract. It is exactly what I need.” Victor was able to pray with him before leaving. Isn’t God amazing that He is even able to use little children to spread His word to a lost and hurting world!

Prayer Volunteers Needed—Amazing Facts

Amazing Facts is looking for volunteers to pray for the prayer requests that come in each day. Spend a few minutes each day praying for one or more of the 40 plus emails they receive each day. There is a form where you tally the type of request (family, health, etc.) and what country the requestor is located in. If you are interested or know someone who is interested email Cyndee Holm at Amazing Facts CHolm@amazingfacts.org

NAD Prayer Ministries Website

Have you been to the www.NADPrayerMinistries.org website lately? It has been reorganized and new items have been added. There are many different resources available to help you in your prayer ministry.

Do you have something that you would like to share on the website? Send it to NADPrayerMinistries@gmail.com.

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Upcoming Events

Canada—Youth prayer Rally, Sandy Lake Academy, Nova Scotia, Canada, April 27-29, 2012.

Rocky Mountain Conference — Prayer Weekend May 11, 12, 2012. For more information go to: http://dl.dropbox.com/u/4473014/Let%20It%20Rain/PrayerMinistry2.pdf

Canada—Holy Spirit Weekend (May 18-20) at Pugwash, Nova Scotia with Pastor Dennis Smith

Northern New England—Spring Prayer Retreat May 24-27, Transformed for translation through Christ our Righteousness! Philippians 3:20-21

Southern California—Prayer Conference October 12-13, Loma Linda University Church

Do you have an event planned? Advertise it on the www.NADPrayerMinistries.org website. Send your flyer to NADPrayerMinistries@gmail.com

Weekly Prayer Calls

No one can measure what God is doing as a result of His people who come together every week (by phone) to knock on the doors of heaven with their praises, worship, and requests. Our thanks to Karen, Kelly, and Marian for creating the climate for prayer and growth. God is working, and leaders are realizing that God is blessing as a result.

Tuesday at 7:00AM- PDT – 641-715-3840 - access code 514343#
Karen Martell leads her prayer Coordinators in their powerful circle of intercession.

Wednesday at 6:30 AM – EDT - 712-451-6100 - access code -3687072#
Kelly Veilleux and others hold a powerful prayer session.

Also on Wednesday – 7:30 AM – CDT – 712-432-0031 – access code-270973# This group is led by Marian Parson, and her great group meets expecting God to hear and answer, and He does.

If you haven't formed the habit of joining one of these groups, be assured that they will add a deeper dimension to your spiritual journey. You'll learn from others, and your presence will encourage and strengthen the group. Thanks again to Karen, Marian, and Kelly for their powerful leadership.

Next All Night Prayer Call

Join the North American Division Prayer Ministry team on Thursday, June 7, 2012 for an all-night prayer call starting at 10:00 pm Eastern Time to 5:00 am Eastern Time. Call 712-432-0031; access code is 435650#.

NOTE: There will be no all night prayer in May. It is the National Day of Prayer. Please join in prayer with your local community.

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