Toronto West Adventist Church Claims Its Neighbourhood

June 6, 2011, Etobicoke, Ontario...OCN

Toronto West Seventh-day Adventist Church has claimed its neighbourhood as its own. There can be little doubt that lead pastor, Allan Chichester, was very intentional when he declared to a grieving congregation of people from the local community on Monday June 6, 2011, “this community belongs to our church!”

Chichester was preaching at the funeral service for 15 year-old Andrew Naidoo, who had been shot to death a week earlier just a few minutes walk from the church. Although the family is not associated with Toronto West Adventist Church, they sought its help and requested that the service be held there.

Preaching to a congregation consisting of local community people, many of whom simply turned out to express their support for a grieving family over its devastating sorrow, Chichester committed his congregation to supporting the community. High school children from five different schools heard him speak of the social ills that contributed to the hopelessness felt by some in the community. Residents from nearby homes and buildings heard
him express his dismay empathy to the Naidoo family over the loss of their son, but they also heard him declare
that hope was not lost.

“We have lost a son,” he said, “and we must rise up as community to eradicate this senseless gun violence!

“We can bring hope to this city,” he said. “We must bring Jesus to this city! We must lift up Jamestown. We must
lift up Rexdale!”

He called on the community to join with the church to become agents of hope and of change.

“We must love our neighbours,” he said. “We must help each other and care for each other!”

He concluded his message by sharing with the mourners his firm conviction in the ultimate hope in the coming of
Jesus and the resurrection of the righteous.

“A better day is coming!” said Chichester.

**It’s One Month to Camp Meeting 2011**

*June 9, 2011, Oshawa, Ontario...OCN*

In just less than one month, on Sabbath, July 9, the Ontario Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be holding
its annual camp meeting.

Final preparations are underway to accommodate an expected 8,000 plus worshippers, including children, at the
International Centre, 6900 Airport Road, Mississauga.

Church members and their friends from all across Ontario will gather together for what many consider to be the
highlight of the church’s annual calendar.

Camp Meeting 2011 is set to be one of the most meaningful ever. It will feature full and inspiring services for
teens, young adults and adults in three different halls throughout the day. Children up to age 11 will also have
separate activity-filled programmes provided for them.

Three guest speakers, Dr. Rex Edwards, Pastor Ryan Simpson and Pastor Ann Roda, will be featured during the
mid-morning and evening services.

Adults’ speaker (hall 5) Dr. Rex D. Edwards is a renowned preacher who has served the church on three
continents (Australia, Europe and North America) and continues to challenge congregations with his
captivating sermons.

Young Adults’ speaker, Pastor Ryan Simpson, Youth Ministries and Pathfinder Ministries director in the
Bermuda Conference, is a preacher, evangelist, church planter, motivational speaker, and youth leader.

For the first time at camp meeting, there will be a separate service planned specifically to meet the needs of
teens. Pastor Ann Roda, often called ‘Pastor for Families’ will be the speaker. She is responsible for
families and children from birth through High School at the New Hope Seventh-day Adventist Church in
Fulton, MD.

Programmes for children will be held in Aviation Ballrooms A, B, and C for Kindergarten to Juniors. Space
is a premium so parents are advised to arrive early to secure a place for their children.

Those unable to attend camp meeting will be able to view it live via the internet from the conference

**In Mexico, Student Killed in Kidnapping Attempt near Adventist University**

*31 May 2011, Montemorelos, Nuevo León, Mexico*
A Montemorelos University student was shot and killed minutes away from the Northern Mexican school's campus in the evening hours of May 29, officials have confirmed. The shooting -- possibly a case of mistaken identity, a city official said -- happened just hours after the Seventh-day Adventist institution celebrated its 68th graduation ceremony.

Montemorelos University student Yoselin L. Perez Ramirez, 20, a second-year visual communications major, died May 29 of gunshot wounds after an attempted kidnapping just minutes from the Adventist school's campus.

Yoselin L. Perez Ramirez, 20, a second-year communications major, died of gunshot wounds after an attempted kidnapping. According to authorities, Perez was walking into a store at approximately 8:30 p.m. yesterday when she was approached and threatened. She ran away and later tracked down and shot. She was about to return to her home in Oaxaca for the summer, according to a statement made by Ismael Castillo, president of Montemorelos University.

"This is a very sad and unfortunate situation," Castillo said in an email to staff and faculty hours after the news broke out. "Our university community mourns the loss of our student. We cling to Jesus' promise in the Bible that 'I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die.'"

Salvador Sepúlveda Trejo, secretary of public security for the city of Montemorelos, said the investigation into the murder is ongoing. In recent months, the city has seen a rise of drug-related violence, with leaders of various "cartels" operating in the area and being arrested along with huge caches of weapons.

"Everything points to what could be a [case of] mistaken identity," Trejo said.

Perez, who lived on campus during the school year, was baptized during a week of prayer held at the university last November. University leaders are making arrangements with municipal and government officials to transport her body to her parents, who work at an Adventist school in the city of Santa Maria del Tule, Oaxaca, some 850 miles to the south.

A memorial service for Perez was held in the late afternoon of May 30 on the Montemorelos campus.

"We will always remember her for her good humor, bright smile and friendship, among her other fine qualities," Castillo said.

"We will always remember her for her good humor, bright smile and friendship, among her beautiful qualities," stated a press release issued by Montemorelos University.

"Amid the current violence that threatens our country, we are convinced that through education, our institution contributes not only to the intellectual development but promotes peace and harmony to families and society," the statement said.

--Benjamin Garcia contributed to this report

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EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Adventist schools are now accepting applications for the up-coming school year 2011-2012. Make sure you complete the application and submit all required documents for the processing of your children’s admissions. Reserve their spot now for September.

June 10-15
Apple Creek’s Evangelistic Seminar

Apple Creek Seventh-day Adventist Church presents SALVATION IN THE SANCTUARY, an evangelistic Seminar Revival with guest speaker, Dr. D. E. Haynes, Ph.D. Systemic Theology.
June 10 - June 15, 2011
Friday: June 10 at 7:00 p.m.
Sabbath at 9:15 a.m., 10:45 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
Sunday - Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. nightly

Location:
Apple Creek Seventh-day Adventist Church, 700 Apple Creek Blvd., Markham, ON L3R 7X9. For more info, call: (905) 946-8751.

June 11
Education Day at Latter Rain Church

Latter Rain’s Education Day will be on June 11. The guest speaker is Mark Haynal, president of CUC. Come to support Christian education. Leave with a blessing.

June 12 – June 15
Camp Frenda Work Bee

Camp Frenda is looking for **eight highly motivated, energetic individuals** to help prepare the camp for the summer camping season. Assigned work will include: cleaning of camper quarters and grounds clean-up. Meals and lodging will be provided. Please call the camp office to register (905)571-4211.

June 18
Tacoma Park Academy at Immanuel Church

Immanuel Church will be hosting a group from Tacoma Park Academy from Maryland on the 18th of June. We would greatly appreciate the support of our surrounding youth in this event as it will be hosted for AY which starts at 6 p.m. unless otherwise mentioned.

June 18
All African Day 2011

All African Day 2011 entitled ‘The Journey of Hope’ will be held on Sabbath, June 18, 2011 at the Catch the Fire Worship Center, 272 Attwell Drive, Toronto, ON at 9 a.m. Guest speaker is Pr. Geoffrey Mbwana, general vice president of the General Conference and evening vespers by Pr. Mansfield Edwards, president of the Ontario Conference. Come for a soul inspiring worship event full of spiritual fellowship and African music. Everyone is invited, African and friends of Africa. For more information, call 416-558-8510, 647-204-8717 or 905-550-6668. Email: allafrican@tla@gmail.com

June 25
Filipino-Canadian Church’s 31st Anniversary

Filipino Canadian Church is celebrating 31st year anniversary. The Orlando Filipino Church will be performing the Angklung on that date with a concert in the afternoon. Guest speaker is Elder Mark Johnson, SDACC president.

June 26
Peel School’s Teacher Appreciation Banquet

Peel Adventist School cordially invites you to attend their Teacher Appreciation Banquet on Sunday, June 26, at 4:00 p.m. at Destiny Banquet Hall, 4220 Steeles Ave. E, Woodbridge, ON. Featured speaker will be Pastor Garth Geddes. For tickets, please call 905-459-0500.
Camp Frenda Alumni

Camp Frenda is inviting former alumni to experience the Canada Day weekend at camp and celebrate the opening of our brand new Riding Centre (horse barn). Please visit our website at campfrenda.com for pricing information.

July 2
Perth Avenue Church Is Relocating

The Perth Avenue Seventh-day Adventist Church will be relocating to their new location on July 2, 2011 at 220 Bethridge Road, Etobicoke, ON, M9W 6S3. The keynote speaker for the banquet is Dr. Orville Browne. Please join us for this new start.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS/ADVERTISEMENTS & JOB OPPORTUNITY

Portuguese Bible Study – Sunday, 7:30 p.m. at College Park Church’s Spanish Room

We started a new meeting for those who are interested and want to learn and hear more about the Bible in Portuguese Language. Last meeting, we had eight people who enjoyed the Bible study so much.

If you wish to participate or know someone who would, please come and join us. We meet on Sunday at 7:30 p.m. at College Park Church in Oshawa, in the Spanish room. College Park Church is located at 1164 King St. East, Oshawa.

For more information, please contact Fabiane Campos at 289-600-9632.

Monte Carmelo Spanish Adventist Company is looking for the following members:

If you have any information, please contact Janie Cruz, church clerk: montecarmelospclerk@adventistontario.org; phone: 905-383-7565.

Kingsway College

KC, Seventh-day Adventist boarding high school in Ontario, Canada, is seeking applicants for a full time Physical Education teacher. This position also serves as Athletic Director and coordinates the intramurals sports program. An endorsement in Religion would be a plus. Applicants must have a minimum of a Bachelors degree in Physical Education and should possess or qualify for Ontario and NAD certification. Applicants must be committed to the mission and values of Kingsway College, have a strong commitment to Christian Education, and be a member in good standing of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Qualified candidates should send their resumes and names of three references with contact information to:
Scott Bowes
President
Kingsway College
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Email: bowess@kingswaycollege.on.ca
Fax: (905) 433-8078

Kingsway College’s 1-800 phone number that is listed in the Ontario Conference directory is no longer valid. Please use the 905-433-1144 number to call in to Kingsway College.

Kingsway College is now taking new student applications for the 2011/2012 school year. Please contact the Enrolment office and talk to Chris Guarin-Adap or Remy Guenin at 905-433-1144, ext. 211 or 212. You can get more information by going to our website at www.kingswaycollege.on.ca or you can reach us by e-mail at admissions@kingswaycollege.on.ca. Kingsway College strives to provide students with the highest quality...
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