Chicago 75% full

About 600 of the 800 available places at the Chicago gathering (February 11-12) have been taken. Thank you to all those who have registered!

If you would like to have your name included in the participant book given to everyone, please make sure that you register by December 4. We have to go to press early due to the special cover we have ordered.

Registration is now $195 and the final date to register is January 1.

Once you have registered, remember to
1) Reserve your hotel room
2) Consider a Conversation
3) Explore the Intersections

Speaking of Jesus: An Affectionate and Honest Conversation About Christ and Adventism

Explorations at the Chicago gathering (February 2013) ---

Alex Bryan -- How can our church move beyond the ways of both Pharisees and Romans? Is there a Third Way? (1 Corinthians 1:23)

Emily Flottmann -- How can the church lose the mystery and wonder of Christ? How can we re-enter the world of the Godly Unknown? (Luke 5:1-11)

Tim Nixon – The gospels include the tragic tales of religious people who reject Jesus. How does this happen? (Matthew 23:37-39)

Sam Leonor – How did Jesus speak to people beyond the community of faith? What does evangelism in the way of Jesus look like? (John 6:35-42)
**Why Attend a Gathering?**

by Kessia Reyne Bennett

When I was fifth grade I went camping with my friend Nicole and her family. And oh, I was woefully ill-equipped.

I didn't have a sleeping bag, so I brought a queen-sized blanket from home. Down where I lived in the Sacramento Valley, it never seemed to get too cold, so I couldn't conceive of the night-time temperatures we would face up in the mountains. As everyone else drifted off into peaceful sleep, I felt the cold air from head to toe. For hours I lay there exhausted but too cold to sleep. Then somewhere in the darkest hour of the night, I acted in desperation and let the family's obese and slobbering Rottweiler into the tent. She curled up into the corner and started snoring and I snuggled right up against her. She was smelly, but she was warm, and the warmth of another body was just what I needed.

"Also, if two lie down together, they will keep warm. But how can one keep warm alone?" Ecclesiastes 4:11, NIV.

Even in our high-tech, online, virtual world of social media, person-to-person contact has not lost its power. There’s something about seeing a face, holding a hand in prayer, blending voices together in music that can't be matched by emails, blogs, or books. And you and I are living in a world that fights the supremacy of Jesus with every resource, we're living in cultures that constantly pressure us to let go of the Christ from our Christianity. It can be cold and dark--and how can one keep warm alone?
The One project gatherings are designed to return the heat of Christianity to those who come, and the power of these gatherings does not lie primarily with the eloquence of the speakers, the charisma of the leaders, the melodies of the music, or the quality of the food. In gathering together Seventh-day Adventists from all over the world with one focus---"Jesus. All."---we have found that the warmth of Christ in our lives is magnified, intensified, brightened. How can one keep warm alone? So come, join us in Chicago, Newcastle, or at Newbold. It just wouldn't be the same without you--- and you just won't be the same after!

Newcastle Gathering: July 2013

Thanks to Leighton and Joanna Darby, who have scouted out several locations in Newcastle for our gathering next July. We have now secured the city hall. This allows us space for a maximum of 300 people. Early registration rates are in effect until April 4 next year. Confirmed presenters thus far are: Dily Brooks, Alex Bryan, Lisa Clark Diller, Japhet De Oliveira, Joanna Darby, Tim Gillespie, Eddie Hypolite, and Sam Leonor.

England Gathering: November 2013

The One project gathering in England will be hosted on the campus of Newbold College. Registration is open with a discounted rate of $120 for everyone and $99 for students. We are limited to a maximum of 300 people.

Confirmed presenters thus far are Alex Bryan, Sam Davis, Japhet De Oliveira, Tim Gillespie, Brandy Kirstien, Sam Leonor, Bjorn Ottesen, Terry Swenson, Ian Sweeney, and Laurence Turner.

Denmark Gathering a Wonderful Blessing

This month 160 people from Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Finland, Germany, Poland, England, USA, and other nations met together at the Naerum Adventist Church for the One project gathering in Denmark, the second One project gathering in Europe.
The Denmark gathering brought together meaningful worship, stimulating presentations, thoughtful discussions, and international fellowship to reconsider and refocus participants on “Jesus. All.”

The gathering ended with footwashing, taking the bread and juice of the Lord’s Supper, sharing blessings and anointing, and singing: until all were united in fellowship, holding hands around the venue in a large circle, an expression of what Jesus had done in the hearts of those present.

"It was such a blessing to see so many friends and co-workers enjoy the inspiration, the challenge and uplifting of Jesus, when the One project came to Denmark. The One project has truly been a blessing for me personally, and for my ministry over the last couple of years, and it was amazing to see so many people close to my heart having the same experience with Jesus that was mine, when I first attended. May the Holy Spirit continue to remind us that it is truly all about Jesus." --Thomas Rasmussen, Youth Director, Danish Union of Churches Conference

See pictures of the event [here](http://theoneproject.cmail1.com/t/ViewEmail/r/D1794A5D846C53B4/C6A7D8F1CD14787140EE66FE10287772[11/27/2012 4:15:16 PM]).