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---CONFERENCE EVENTS---

High School Retreat—Jan. 31-Feb. 2
High School Retreat is a great Bible conference event for Adventist students (grades 9-12) who are not attending SDA schools. This event will be held Jan. 31 to Feb. 2, 2014. Prior participants state that this weekend at Cohutta Springs has been life changing. Save $10 per student if you register by Jan. 13. Registration deadline is Monday, Jan. 27. Register online at registration.gccsda.com or contact Alyse at 706-629-7951 (x346) or alyse@gccsda.com.

LifeGroup Retreat for Young Adults—Jan. 31-Feb. 2
Come for the weekend of Jan. 31 to Feb. 2, 2014, to experience LifeGroup training and get involved with what God is doing. Learn how to connect yourself and your peers to Jesus on a weekly basis. Enjoy great food, new friends, and beautiful Cohutta Springs. Cost is $69 and the registration deadline is Monday,
Jan. 27. Register online at registration.gccsda.com or contact Alyse at 706-629-7951 (x346) or alyse@gccsda.com.

Children’s Ministries Convention—Feb. 7-9
This year's theme is "Our Eyes are on You” and will feature guest speaker J.N. Mike Faison, a creative children's ministries presenter from Savannah, Ga. The convention will be held Feb. 7-9 at Cohutta Springs Conference Center. Register online at registration.gccsda.com; deadline is Jan. 26.

Social Media: The Good, The Bad, The Ugly—Feb. 9
This communication workshop will be presented by Ernest Staats, IT directory for Georgia-Cumberland Academy. The workshop is free and will be held on Feb. 9, from 10:00am to 12:00pm, at the conference office. Register online at registration.gccsda.com

Prayer Conference—Feb. 14-16
The theme for this year's prayer conference is "Simply Prayer: Touching the Heart of God" and will feature guest speaker Lee Venden. The weekend will also feature music by Beloved, a ladies' quartet, and a special presentation with Kenneth Brummel about the historic Washington Church in New Hampshire. It's sure to be a blessing! The conference will be held Feb. 14-16 at Cohutta Springs Conference Center. Register online at registration.gccsda.com

-CHURCH & ORGANIZATION EVENTS-

Jaclynn Huse Concert—Jan. 18
CD release concert by Jaclynn Huse for her first album entitled Wheel of Fortune. This free concert, scheduled for January 18 at 6:00pm at the Collegedale Community Church (Ooltewah, TN), will feature Shelby Huse, Judy Fetters, and The Emmanuel Quartet. Come and enjoy the fun and hear the stories behind the songs. Refreshments and the release of Wheel of Fortune will be available immediately after the program.

Evangelism Training—Jan. 18-23 and Feb. 1-8
Evangelistic meetings and training sessions will be held at the Collegedale Church in January and February. The theme is "Come Search with Me: Searching for the Reality of God," and will be presented by Dr. Subodh Pandit. Join us for the training session that will empower and equip you as a lay person to engage the culture and your family and friends and to share the gospel with confidence.

Evangelism Training: Jan. 18-23, 7:00pm-9:00pm
Public Evangelism: Feb. 1-8 (taking Feb. 4 off), 7:00pm-8:30pm

Vegan Supper Club—Jan. 19
The Knoxville Vegan Supper Club will meet on Sunday, Jan. 19, at 5:00pm at the Knoxville First Church (3611 Kingston Pike, Knoxville, TN 37919). Attendees will enjoy a plant-based meal featuring cancer-fighting foods. Participants will see live food demonstrations, and hear a presentation on "Natural
Alternatives to Addressing Cancer” by Walt Cross. Cross is a lifestyle educator, with a formal education and background in allopathic health care administration. The supper club is open to the public. There is no entrance fee, but a suggested donation of $10 per person can be made on site. Registration is limited to 50 people and the registration deadline is Thursday, Jan. 16, 2014. For more information and to register, visit knoxvileinstep.com or contact Kimberly Crider at 865-264-3894.

Larry Ford Concert—Jan. 25
This concert will be held Jan. 25 at 6:30pm at the Collegedale Community Church (Ooltewah, TN). Larry Ford is a Grammy Award winning tenor who has sung about the good news of the gospel of Jesus in the United States and more than 35 foreign countries. He has also performed in Gaither Reunion concerts. The evening will also feature Joey Tolbert. Admission is free.

Ask the Attorney Workshops—Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25
Ask the Attorney Workshops will be presented at the Chattanooga First Church on Tuesday evenings, Feb. 4, 11, 18, and 25. Come for a free workshop and light supper. Each workshop will be conducted by a licensed attorney they will address topics about wills, trusts, and other important estate planning options. Space is limited to 100 attendees per session. You must RSVP at least one week in advance. To register, call Southern Adventist University at 423-236-2832.

Engagement and Marriage Preparation Weekend—March 14-16
Couples who are planning on getting married this summer or who are seriously considering marriage are invited to attend a special weekend at Southern Adventist University. Couples will learn the secrets to successful marriage, the importance of a spiritual foundation, how to communicate effectively and resolve conflict, and how to deal with unresolved issues from the past. In addition, there will be practical and fun exercises using a well-established curriculum that has benefited hundreds of couples. The presenters will be Barry and Lilly Tryon and Alan and Nicole Parker. The event will take place from March 14-16, 2014 on Southern’s campus. For details, contact the School of Religion at 423-236-2976 or the chaplain’s office at 423-236-2787.

Camp Turnaround—April 4-6
Camp Turnaround is a bereavement camp for children ages 7 -17 who have experienced loss due to divorce, abandonment (foster care), or the death of loved one. The camp will be held April 4-6 at Cohutta Springs Conference Center. For more information, contact Peggy Hallman at 706-695-0648 or phallman@cohuttasprings.com.

Attention Pastors: Prepare-Enrich Marriage Counseling Training/Certification
If you are interested in doing premarital or marital counseling, then you will want to attend a special certified training program on the campus of Southern Adventist University on Sunday, Jan. 19, 2014, at 9:00am. The program uses Prepare-Enrich, which is one of the most extensively used premarital programs in the United States. Just one day of training will enable you to become certified in this valuable program. If you take this course through the Prepare-Enrich website, the cost is $225; however, we are able to offer a live seminar at a price of $175 with an extra $25 discount for pastors and ministry leaders.
The $150 cost includes a full resource kit, certification, and other counseling tools. For more information on Prepare-Enrich, visit their website at prepare-enrich.com. For information about the training, please contact Dr. Alan Parker at parker@southern.edu or to register for the Prepare-Enrich training workshop directly, please click here.

Chattanooga Students Selected to Perform on Popular NPR Music Show; 'From the Top' Taping Broadcast in Chattanooga on Jan. 23
From the Top, the preeminent showcase for young musicians heard weekly on NPR stations across the country, is coming to the Tivoli Theatre in Chattanooga to tape a radio broadcast on Jan. 23 at 7:00pm. The popular program will feature the amazing performances and captivating personal stories of extraordinary young classical musicians from across the country. This episode is brought to the Tivoli by Southern Adventist University’s WSMC Classical 90.5 FM and is sponsored by Memorial Hospital. Tickets are on sale now and can be purchased by calling 423.757.5050 or visiting wsmc.org.

The broadcast taping features several young musicians, five of which are from East Tennessee. The performance will showcase the McCallie School Guitar Quartet, which includes Chattanooga students Drew Shikoh, Matthew Norris, Ralston Hartness, and Griffin Jayne. Also featured will be pianist Mayuki Miyashita, from Maryville, Tenn. In addition to From the Top, the Tivoli event includes performances by the Chattanooga Youth Symphony and Southern’s Symphony Orchestra during a special pre-broadcast performance.

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Caleb McKinney, student representative, and Ed Wright, conference president, lower the tree into the hole for planting.

(From left) Nancy Gerard, Grant Tuttle, Kevin Kossick, Kurt Allen, Caleb McKinney, Ed Wright, Caryn Payne, Dennis Steele, Leslie Wurl, and Greg Gerard.

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In 1962, ground was broken for the new school. Spirits were high and the conference was united in sacrificial giving to make possible this new boarding academy. In December of that year, with a nearly completed administration building standing, more than 250 volunteers came to the site of the future school from across the conference to plant 200 dogwood trees, beautifying the entrance road.
A year later, the famous Penny Campaign was launched, and children from Georgia and Tennessee collected pennies to raise money for the music building. Together, the young people collected 3.4 million pennies and brought them to the campus on March 15, 1964. It was a high day of celebration with 3,000 guests gathering on campus to hear music by the Calhoun High School band, listen to the governor of Georgia speak, and watch the tons of pennies be unloaded into a special bin constructed for holding the pennies that day.

On Dec. 16, 2013, the academy held a celebration to commemorate the Dogwood Day planting event, with conference officials, alumni, and guests participating in the planting of a pink dogwood tree on campus. A special chapel service was held, and Greg Gerard, principal, shared a brief history lesson on the work of the church in this place since 1914, as well as the story of how GCA came to be. Students, staff, and guests then exited the chapel to witness the planting of a dogwood tree between the chapel and the GCA Church.

God continues to pour out His blessing on this school, and our hearts are filled with gratitude as we reflect on the history of Georgia-Cumberland Academy.

Nancy Gerard, GCA director of alumni and development

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