CONFERENCE CALENDAR

Nov. 7-8—ShareHim Homeland Lay Evangelism Training—Conference Office

Nov. 7-9—Southern Union Health Meeting—Southern Union Conference Office
Nov. 7-9—Makeover: Hispanic Youth Rally—Cohutta Springs
Nov. 7-9—Teen Prayer Conference—The Oaks Retreat, Greeneville, TN
Nov. 15—Stewardship Sabbath—Thomasville Kenyon Memorial Church
Nov. 15—South Georgia Convocation—Columbus, GA
Nov. 22-23—Will Clinic (Jeff Wilson)—Ogden Road Church
Nov. 27—Thanksgiving Day (office closes at noon on Nov. 26)
Dec. 6—Health Rally—Waycross Church
Dec. 6—Stewardship Sabbath—Maryville Church

CHURCH/SCHOOL CALENDAR

Nov. 8—Coble Elementary 50 Year Reunion—Coble Elementary
Nov. 8—Bel Canto 20 Year Reunion—Coble Elementary
Nov. 8—Health Expo—Decatur Church
Nov. 9—Service Outreach Weekend—Collegedale Community Church
Nov. 9—Fall Fest Health Fair—Douglasville Church
Nov. 9—“Taste and See” Cooking Class—Apison Church
Nov. 9—Get Well/Stay Well—Ladd Springs Church
Nov. 14—Sup & Sing—Fayette Church
Nov. 16—ARW Arts, Crafts, and Hobbies Fair—Collegedale Church
Nov. 16—Sounds of the Season—GCA Church

ANNOUNCEMENTS & BULLETIN BLURBS

New! Abundant Life Seminars—October 25-November 22
The Advent Hope Church is hosting their Abundant Life Seminars from Oct. 25-Nov. 22. For more information, please contact the church at 770-843-2475.

New! Amazing Facts Series—November 2-24
The Griffin (Ga.) Church is showing the Amazing Facts series starting Nov. 2 and going through Nov. 24. Anyone in the area is welcome to attend! For more information, contact the church at 770-467-4894.

This Weekend! Teen Prayer Conference—November 7-9
This year’s Teen Prayer Conference will be held Nov. 7-9 at the Oak Retreat in Greeneville, TN, and will feature guest presenter Kevin Wilfley. Come and discover a place to connect more deeply with Jesus through Spirit-filled presentations, connect with God by experiencing a special prayer room, and be
equipped and inspired through special breakout sessions led out by youth leaders. To learn more, visit www.gccsda.com/events/deep

This Weekend! John L. Coble Elementary 50 Year Reunion—November 8

John L. Coble Elementary, in Calhoun, Ga., is celebrating 50 years of quality Christian education. Founded in 1964 on the campus of Georgia-Cumberland Academy, this school has provided the foundation of Adventist education for hundreds of students. A special alumni and friends celebration is planned for Sabbath, November 8, 2014. This special day will be filled with praise, worship, fellowship, music, history, pictures, tours of both the old and new buildings, and memories galore! Guest speaker will be Brennon Kirstein, chaplain of Southern Adventist University, and former youth pastor of Calhoun Church. Lunch will be provided after the church service. If you plan to attend and stay for lunch, please RSVP at coble50th@gmail.com. If you have pictures from when you attended Coble, please email them to the same address. Also, if you want updates and to reconnect with old friends, please join our Facebook group page, John L. Coble Elementary School Alumni & Friends or follow on Twitter @Coble50th. If you attended or supported Coble Elementary in the past 50 years, please plan be at John L. Coble Elementary on Sabbath, November 8, 2014, at 10:00 am, celebrating how far God has brought this little school!

This Weekend! Bel Canto 20 Year Reunion—November 8

Bel Canto, the fifth-eighth-grade touring choir of John L. Coble Elementary in Calhoun, Ga., is 20 years old this year! Since 1994, this select choir has been sharing Jesus through the gift of music. If you were ever in Bel Canto, or are a parent or supporter of Bel Canto, you are invited to a fun-filled afternoon of memories and music. We will celebrate Bel Canto’s past 20 years with a slide show, mass choir concert, fun, and fellowship. Please make plans now to be at Coble Elementary School on Sabbath, November 8, 2014. The Bel Canto events will be in the afternoon following the morning celebration of John L. Coble Elementary School’s 50th anniversary. A brief rehearsal will be held at 2:30 pm for the mass choir concert. The program will begin at 3:30 pm. We need your help with pictures for the slide show and old Bel Canto uniforms. If you have pictures to include in the slide show, please email them to belcanto20th@gmail.com. And, if you have old dresses or other Bel Canto attire to include in a fashion show, please email us at the same address and let us know what you have and what size it is. Even if you don’t have pictures or uniforms, please RSVP to belcanto20th@gmail.com and let us know you’re planning to attend. You will then be on our email list for updates and other communication. For updates and to reconnect with old friends, please join the John L. Coble Bel Canto Facebook page and you will receive an invitation to the Bel Canto reunion event page. We can’t wait to see all of you!

New! Sup & Sing—November 14

Join the Fayette (Ga.) Church for their Sup & Sing on Nov. 14. The evening will begin with a light, healthful supper at 6 p.m. and will be followed by singing at 7:15 p.m. Special guest will be vocal coach, speaker, and Christian professional musician Dr. Ricky R. Little. Please RSVP by Nov. 9 to churchmusicmatters@gmail.com or 859-338-2106.

South Georgia Convocation—November 15

Join guest speaker Ron Clouzet for this one-day convocation in Columbus, Ga., about “The Reality of the Holy Spirit.” You are sure to be blessed! The day begins at 9:45 a.m. with Sabbath school and includes two message, a music program, and a potluck lunch. For more information, please visit www.gccsda.com/events/HSConvocation or call 706-629-7951, ext. 340.

ARW Arts, Crafts, and Hobbies Fair—November 16

Adventist Retired Workers fellowship is extending an invitation to the entire community to attend this
event, to be held on Sunday, Nov. 16, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., in the Collegedale Church fellowship hall. Exhibitors will be showing off their many talents, including crafts and hobbies of a wide variety. Many will be offering items that are just right for holiday gifts. Also, food will be sold. This occasion is free and open to the public. Come and enjoy! Contact Pastor Jim Hoffer at 706-965-2425 for further information, or email him at kw8tjim@catt.com.

GCA's Sounds of the Season—November 16
This year the GCA Instrumental Department of Music is hosting its Fourth Annual Sounds of the Season fundraising event on Sunday, Nov. 16, at 4:00 p.m. All are invited to relax for two hours while you are waited on by our music group members. You will be provided with a special holiday meal and delicious desserts while listening to the beautiful performances of our instrumental students. Tickets are $34 each. For more information, contact Mark Torsney at matorsne@gcasda.org.

New! Free Prison Ministries Training—November 17
If you're interested in possibly getting involved in ministering to those in prison, a free training class will be held Monday, Nov. 17, from 6-8:30 p.m. at 302 Spruce Street, Chattanooga, TN. Sponsored by Prison Prevention Ministries (PPM), a non-denominational organization. For more information, call Glen Turner, PPM coordinator, at 423-622-5768 or 585-307-7715. Or you may contact John Holley, Adventist coordinator, at 423-316-6722.

Northeast Tennessee Camp Meeting Presentations
Craig Carr’s presentations from Northeast Tennessee Camp Meeting are available in MP3 and video formats. Visit www.gccsda.com/events/NETNCampMeeting2014

New! Men's Retreat Presentations
Claudio Consuegra's presentations from this year's Men's Retreat are available online. Visit www.gccsda.com/events/mensretreat14

Pews for Sale
The Standifer Gap (Chattanooga, Tenn.) church is remodeling our sanctuary and is selling our old pews. We would prefer to sell them as a whole but will piece them out individually or in smaller bundles. We have 2 4-foot pews; 19 5-foot pews; 22 12-foot pews; and 8 14-foot pews. They are canteliver style so they need to be attached to the floor. We would like $4,500 for everything, but will consider any offer. Call/text 765-430-0607 or email derekkara@att.net

Urgent! Ebola Crisis—Adventist Partners Saving Lives
More than 4,000 people have lost their lives to Ebola. But there is help and hope! You can make a big difference by going to www.hope4.fundly.com/ebola-crisis. There you can make a donation, learn more about what's needed, or join the campaign through Facebook, Twitter, or email.

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This was the third year Let’s Move Day has been organized by the Blairsville Church in Union County, Ga. It is proving to be an excellent opportunity for the local church to connect with their community. The Union County Commissioner even proclaimed September 28 as Let’s Move Day. The church members had full support from Young Harris College, the Parks department, the county school system, and the county Sherriff’s Department. Including the Blairsville Church, the event was also sponsored by Union County Hospital and United Community Bank.

Let’s Move Day began with a concern for the rain that was forecast. The volunteers had spent many hours planning for a successful program. After setting up the field, they formed a circle and prayed that a safe, dry day would be bestowed upon all attending. Although it rained a mile away, God answered prayers and the park was spared.

The athletic department from Young Harris College assisted in the planning and sent coaches with student athletes who graciously assisted children as they honed their athletic skills participating in several stations. They made the day a great success for the children.

This year parents were asked to complete a survey. The church received many very positive comments. Some even suggested that the sponsors should hold this event more often than once a year. Several parents indicated an interest in the churches monthly cooking classes, lifestyle meetings, and Bible studies.

Before leaving, many parents chose some free health literature and their eager children received prizes for their participation in the activities. A happy group of people left the park that afternoon.

As attendance grows and God blesses the efforts, the church members are very grateful to be able to reach out to their local community each year with Let’s Move Day.

by Helen Lowery,

Blairsville Church Health Ministries Director
Atlanta North Hispanic Church had their second annual Let’s Move Day! event Sept. 21, 2014. There were 114 people in attendance at Brook Run Park in Dunwoody, Ga.

After a morning devotion they started with the 5K at 7:30 AM. The kids 1 mile fun run was next, and each child received a medal upon completion. Subsequently, they had a medals ceremony for the top three men and women of the 5K race. They finished off the day with soccer for kids, ladies, and men. Everyone enjoyed the fun-filled event, and they are looking forward to next year!

by Pedro J. Rosich II, Health Ministries Director, Atlanta North Hispanic Church
Southern Adventist University's large, rural campus in Collegedale recently got even bigger as approximately 250 acres on the school's eastern boundary were donated by a local family through a land trust. Similarly, a private landowner is allowing Southern to manage an additional adjoining tract, meaning a total of 400 acres will be newly available for public recreation beginning in 2016.

Administrators, students, and community members gathered for a property dedication ceremony on October 24.

Southern is using a portion of this land to create 10 miles of hiking and biking paths, which will complement the university's extensive and award-winning trails already in existence on the opposite side of campus. A one-mile trail with a spiritual emphasis is also being developed. The blazing and maintenance of these new paths will largely be handled by Friends of White Oak Mountain, a grassroots organization in Collegedale, Tenn.

The recently-donated tract—which brings Southern's total acreage to 1,300—was a contribution from two alumni who met as students at Southern in the early 1950s before graduating and getting married. Their children attended Southern, and their grandchildren currently attend.

During the October 24 event, Southern partnered with a national conservation group in the planting of two American Chestnut Trees, a formerly abundant species which struggled in the last century but is making a comeback. Thomas Saielli, Southern Regional Science Coordinator for The American Chestnut Foundation, gave a brief talk about the history of these trees and the value of land preservation.
The Griffin Church in Ga. is in the process of putting in a new baptistry and getting ready for their meetings with Doug Batchelor. They had a fire that destroyed their former church facility in 2013 and it is nice to see them getting back from that tragedy. Click here for article.

At the present time they are sending out brochures and visiting those names that they have from the media sources and inactive members to give them an invitation to come to the meetings that will begin Nov. 2. Pathfinders are making visits to the former members and also to those that have been an interest in one of the media outlets. They will also be giving brochures to people.

They are having an attendance of between 40 and 60 each Sabbath with members. They think it is possible to have 40 visitors if they work hard with the 80 names. They have about 80 interests and eight Bible Studies taking place.

by Dan Hall