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THOMAS

The Man Who Went Missing

John 20 tells the story of Jesus meeting with the disciples following His resurrection. “But Thomas, sometimes called the Twin, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. The other disciples told him, ‘We saw the Master.’ But he said, ‘Unless I see the nail holes in his hands, put my finger in the nail holes, and stick my hand in his side, I won’t believe it’” (vs. 24, 25, *The Message*).

Thomas was a member of a very select group of people who shared the privilege of being with Jesus during His entire ministry. He had heard His sermon on the mount and parables and witnessed His miracles. He was one of the disciples who scattered during Jesus’ death on the cross. Following the resurrection, he decided not to meet with the disciples.

There have been many reasons given for his absence from the upper room during Jesus’ appearance to the disciples. Perhaps he felt this would only be a pity party—remembering the great

things that Jesus did in the past, but with no hope for the future. He may have lost hope in the cause. The hope was that this great news of salvation in Jesus would be spread to the entire world; that many would respond and be saved; but now this message had lost its appeal. I imagine that the primary reason that Thomas was absent was because he believed that Jesus was dead. Who would lead them now? Who would follow the words of a dead saviour? Who would believe in a future eternal life promised by a dead man?

Sometimes we remove ourselves from church for similar reasons. We may lose hope or become impatient with the wait. We feel overlooked or underappreciated by our church. We may feel slighted by another member or the leadership and distance ourselves from the church services.

Jesus responded to Thomas eight days later in the same room. “Take your finger and examine my hands. Take your hand and stick it in my side.

Don’t be unbelieving. Believe.” Thomas said, “My Master! My God!” (vs. 27, 28). The sight of Jesus was sufficient for Thomas, and he would remain faithful to his calling for the remainder of his life.

Jesus added the following words for our benefit: “Even better blessings are in store for those who believe without seeing” (v. 29). May we be found in the services where the name of Jesus is spoken—in the church service on Sabbath, as well as other times. May we take the opportunity to hear Jesus speak to us in our personal devotions. We are challenged to be present with Jesus so that He can give us the encouraging words we need to hear.



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The Importance of Effective Delivery Systems

In her new book, *The Moment of Lift*, Melinda Gates highlights the critical importance of effective delivery systems whenever there is a new technology, lifesaving support, remedy, or solution that could benefit people in general and women more specifically. In the chapter titled “Empowering Mothers,” Gates shared several touching examples of how answering the challenge of delivery determined whether or not poor mothers could acquire and successfully adopt simple health practices that could save their and their children’s lives. She pointed out that “the challenge of delivery reveals the causes of poverty. You learn why people are poor. You don’t have to guess what the barriers are. As soon as you try to deliver help, you run into them” (p. 49).

As an example, Gates writes about Dr. Agnes Binagwaho, the former health minister of Rwanda, who championed the cause of “putting a skilled birth attendant at the side of every

mother in labor” (p. 47). Dr. Binagwaho was serving as a pediatrician in France in 1994 when she started hearing the startling accounts of the Hutus killing the Tutsis in the Rwandan genocide. “Almost a million people were murdered in a hundred days, during the genocide. Half of [Agnes’] husband’s family was killed” (p. 48). The ravages of the genocide left the country in very bad shape. The health care system was among the worst in the world.

“Agnes and her husband decided to return to Rwanda, after the genocide had ended, to try and help rebuild. Circumstances were extremely difficult. Almost all the nation’s health workers had either fled or been killed, and wealthy nations weren’t giving health aid. A week after she arrived, Agnes nearly left” (p. 48). Grippled by her compassion and empathy toward those who couldn’t leave, “[Agnes] stayed.” She “became the longest-serving health minister in her country’s history and spent the next two decades

helping to build a new health system for Rwanda” (p. 48).

“Under Agnes, the health ministry started a program where each Rwandan village (with 300 to 450 residents) would elect three community health workers—one dedicated solely to maternal health. These and other changes have been dramatically successful. Since the genocide, Rwanda has made more progress in making birth safer than almost any other nation in the world. Newborn mortality is down by 64 percent. Maternal mortality is down by 77 percent. A generation after Rwanda was considered a lost cause, its health system is studied as a model” (p. 48). This came about because they started addressing the challenges of delivery.

In India, Gates shares about a woman named Ati Pujiastuti. “As a young woman, Ati had enrolled in a government program called Midwife in Every Village that trained 60,000 midwives. She completed the program when she was



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The message is clear. Without effective delivery systems, helpful and even lifesaving support...remedies or solutions cannot benefit the people who need it most.”

just 19 years old and was assigned to work in a rural mountain village" (p. 46).

As the story goes, Ati was not well received at first (a challenge of delivery). Nobody wanted her services. However, after persistence and seeking to show the villagers that she cared about them, one pregnant woman requested Ati's assistance. The birth went well, the villagers began to trust Ati, and soon every family wanted her present when mothers gave birth" (p. 47). Ati started to learn the answers as to why people were resistant to her and the services she offered, and ultimately why the services she could offer were not getting to the people they were intended to reach. When she learned why, then she could address the

"how." When she addressed the "how" correctly and with empathy, people were excited about her services.

The message is clear. Without effective delivery systems, helpful and even lifesaving support, information, technology, remedies, or solutions cannot benefit the people who need it most. This nugget of truth highlighted in my mind the critical need for effective and robust delivery systems in the work of spreading the gospel. Jesus Christ, the Bible, and we as a church may have lifesaving solutions, remedies, and a message beneficial for saving people's lives, but unless there are effective ways of delivering that lifesaving solution, remedy, or message to the people, then the people that need it most will not benefit.

Could it be that one of the reasons so many people reject or, at best, are cold to the gospel message of salvation through Jesus Christ is because we have not adequately addressed the challenges of delivering that gospel to them in a suitable way?

Eric Ollila is the new Communication/IT/Media Director for the Alberta Conference. Stay tuned for more thought provoking articles right here in AAN.



Eric Ollila
Communication/IT/Media Director
Alberta Conference

By **Beth Nichols**

The panic was swallowing me whole. It was suffocating me, constricting my chest and forcing me to breathe faster, gasping for air. My mind struggled for comprehension. “Water...HE NEEDS WATER!” My father was in the hospital. We’d traded a bedside vigil for a restless sleep just hours before. The cancer he’d been living with for a decade had found a way to self-destruct and was nearly finished incapacitating his liver. He had always despised hospitals. For him, they were a torture chamber of poking, prodding, and drugging and they had the deft ability to suck all the joy out of life. He was unable to tell us at this point, but we knew he would reject the only options they had left. A feeding tube. A machine that would take over breathing when he couldn’t anymore. Medical heroics that would only prolong the inevitable. He couldn’t eat or drink anymore.

In my bed at home, I had been jolted awake by the half-formed thought that he wasn’t eating or drinking and I needed to get these necessities to him or...the unthinkable would happen. My mind raced and I frantically thought, “What were they thinking? He could get by without food but he had to have water!” I wanted to rush to the hospital but I was paralyzed by fear. My husband desperately tried to calm me down to no avail. I was hyperventilating

and I tried to breathe into the paper bag he brought me, but nothing helped and I was becoming light-headed. I knew this must be a panic attack but I didn’t know how to stop the irrational terror or physiological response. I don’t remember if I had the capacity to cry out to God but I knew He was the only one who could help me.

Suddenly, out of nowhere, the words of a hymn played through my mind. I realized I’d heard this song in dozens of church services but had never really listened to the words I was singing before. I started reciting, not singing, the lyrics and I felt a calm come over me as I repeated the beautiful words. “Under His wings, I am safely abiding. Tho’ the night deepens and tempests are wild. Still I can trust Him; I know He will keep me. He has

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Under His wings, I am safely abiding. Tho' the night deepens and tempests are wild. Still I can trust Him; I know He will keep me. He has redeemed me and I am His child.”*

redeemed me and I am His child.” I imagined my father cradled beneath His wings while the shadow of death hung over them both. He wasn't alone. He was safe. “Under His wings, under His wings, who from His love can sever? Under His wings, my soul shall abide, safely abide forever.” His body might fail, but his soul was safe with Jesus and nothing could touch him under those wings. In that moment, I surrendered the care of my father to the one who had formed him in his mother's womb, who had walked this life by his side, who at this moment was with him, aware of his vitals and never slumbering.

Over a century earlier, William O. Cushing penned the words that were a lifeline for me in those panic-stricken moments just days before I lost my father. He was a pastor

who lost his voice and his wife, right around the same time. Imagine, your career and the love of your life are taken from you and you have nothing to distract you from the grief. His prayer was, “Lord, still give me something to do for Thee!”. The creeping paralysis that claimed his voice never relented but God answered his prayer. During the remaining 30 years of his life, he wrote over 300 hymns. Under His Wings was inspired by Psalm 17:8, “Keep me as the apple of your eye; hide me in the shadow of your wings.” The theme of most of William's hymns is the idea that God gathers to Himself those who love and trust Him and it is there in that closeness that they find the safety and peace they crave.

Since time is irrelevant to God and He can move between centuries as easily as we cross to the other side of the street, it stands to reason that He could work in two or more time dimensions at once. I wonder if, as He was inspiring William to write that hymn out of his own pain and loss, He was simultaneously recalling the words to my memory, emblazoning them on my heart when I so desperately needed comfort. A corridor of communication, not unlike the fabled time machine, opened up and carried a message unaltered in its significance and power by the passage of time. AAN

*Under His Wings, Song by William O. Cushing

DEPARTMENT NEWS

More Than a Ministry to Deaf

Readers of the *Alberta Adventist News* will have become familiar with articles in each issue about ministry with Deaf people. We have covered many topics from what it is like to be deaf, to what resources are currently available to minister to deaf people here in Canada.

For years my wife's and my ministry has been concentrated on reaching out to the Deaf. We have four children, two of whom are deaf. My wife trained as a teacher of the Deaf back in the 1970's so our deaf children could, as far as possible, have a Christian education. For

some years we worked with an SDA Deaf Center in Arkansas. It was almost like a post-graduate 'live-in' course in ministering to the Deaf. Here we experienced first-hand the unique 'Culture of the Deaf' and we learned much as we lived in this small, largely deaf community.

However, this past summer I had the privilege of attending a "Special Needs" Camp Meeting which drew many hundreds of participants from all over Kenya. Theoretically, I knew about the broader scope of "Special Needs" ministry because I've been working closely

with Dr. Larry Evans, Director of the General Conference Office of Special Needs. I'm also a member of the General Conference Special Needs Committee. But attending this "Special Needs" camp meeting began to open my eyes to the broader aspects of special needs beyond work with the Deaf. My heart was touched!

At this Kenya Camp Meeting there were various different types of special needs with many attendees in wheelchairs. I was particularly impressed with the Blind and met briefly with some of them. They were



Pat Gustin, from Gospel Outreach, instructing leaders in how to teach Bible truths to the Deaf using a story method she has led out in developing. She is being interpreted into two different sign languages for leaders in deaf ministry from eleven countries at the 2018 Kenya Special Needs camp meeting.



On Sabbath afternoon at the Kenya Special Needs Camp Meeting a 'blind choir' sang in beautiful African harmony while being interpreted for the largely deaf audience.

concerned because they were no longer receiving the Braille materials. With the closing of the Christian Record [CRS] office in Canada and the CRS changing from a General Conference level to a North American Division level, it is taking time to work out how the Blind can get SDA materials overseas.

On the closing Sabbath at the Kenya camp meeting, the Blind sang a beautiful song in their African harmony. I was able to record part of it. It was so wonderful to see and hear this special group praising God in their beautiful harmony!

Here in Canada, our Canadian Union Conference Secretary, Dr. Daniel Stojanovic, is working with a special "Compassion Ministry" Committee to set up a new Canadian church organizational structure consolidating all our resources in an effort to meet the many types of special needs. Since this is brand new, with nothing quite like it anywhere in the Adventist church, it is taking

time to carefully create this new church entity. It will guide and help us in reaching out not only to Blind, Deaf, but also those with Multi-handicaps, and other types of special needs.

That brings us to the final thought. As individuals we may have met some of the special needs in our local communities. But I fear that as a church, so often these precious people have fallen through the cracks between our various organizational church departments and programs.

I want to close with a quote from Ellen White that I think sums up so well the Special Needs challenge that together we all face:

"I saw that it is in the providence of God that widows and orphans, the blind, the deaf, the lame, and persons afflicted in a variety of ways, have been placed in close Christian relationship to His church; it is to prove His people and develop their true character. Angels of God are watching to see how we

treat these persons who need our sympathy, love, and disinterested benevolence. This is God's test of our character." 3T p. 511

May God give us the deep love and concern to individually, and collectively, show God's love in a practical way to these peoples that we have so often neglected!

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WEEK AT A GLANCE

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Saturday Evening July 13

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DEVOTIONAL DAY

Wednesday July 17

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Sunday, July 14

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MUSIC DAY Thursday July 18

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1	<i>My Favorite Integrity Stories</i>	Joe L. Wheeler	\$22.39	\$18.99
2	<i>Journal: Gracelaced</i>	Ruth Chou Simons	\$20.99	\$6.99
3	<i>Brief History of God's Love</i>	Jack Blanco	\$28.99	\$21.99
4	<i>Christ's Object Lessons Magabook</i>	Ellen White	\$14.49	\$11.99
5	<i>God's Wisdom for Mothers</i>	Jack Countryman	\$19.99	\$5.99
6	<i>For the Least of These: 3rd Quarter SS Helps</i>	Nathan Brown	\$21.79	\$16.99
7	<i>Sonship of Christ</i>	Ty Gibson	\$28.99	\$21.99
8	<i>Church Triumphant</i>	Mark Finley	\$20.29	\$12.99
9	<i>Mightier than a Lion (Guide Magazine)</i>	Kathy Beagles Coneff & Laura Samano	\$17.39	\$12.99
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11	<i>My Gifts Coloring Book</i>	Ann Pilmoor	\$7.29	\$5.99
12	<i>Sanguma Tree</i>	Simon Liversidge	\$20.29	\$15.39
13	<i>1919</i>	Michael Campbell	\$21.79	\$16.99
14	<i>To the Last Man</i>	Glen Robinson	\$26.09	\$20.99
15	<i>Devotions from the Kitchen Table</i>	Thomas Nelson	\$20.99	\$6.99

	Description	Author	Reg.	Sale
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19	<i>Nom Yourself: Simple Vegan Cooking</i>	Mary Mattern	\$32.99	\$9.99
20	<i>Guide's Greatest Mischief Stories</i>	Lori Peckham	\$17.39	\$13.99
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23	<i>Secrets to Wellness</i>	Teenie Finley	\$21.79	\$16.99
24	<i>Devotions from the Mountains</i>	Thomas Nelson	\$20.99	\$6.99
25	<i>Ultimate Game (Guide Magazine)</i>	David Robinson	\$17.39	\$13.99
26	<i>Ellen White's Afterlife</i>	George R. Knight	\$26.09	\$20.99
27	<i>Beyond Ashes</i>	Marlyn Olsen Vistaunet	\$28.99	\$22.39
28	<i>One Trip to Kenya</i>	David Edgren	\$20.29	\$14.99
29	<i>Assortment of NIV Kids Bibles</i>	Kidz Bibles	\$44.99	\$19.99
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“I define connection as the energy that exists between people when they feel seen, heard, and valued; when they can give and receive without judgment; and when they derive sustenance and strength from the relationship.”

— *Dr. Brené Brown*

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ALBERTA CONFERENCE WOMEN'S RETREAT 2019



Carolyn Sutton, keynote speaker, sharing a message from 'The Great Physician'.

Keynote speaker, Carolyn Sutton, chose "The Doctor is In" as the theme of her messages for the weekend retreat of March 29-31. Three hundred and thirty-one women were blessed to hear messages reminding us that the Divine Physician doesn't require appointments, is always on call and has unlimited healing remedies. Our Heavenly Doctor is always looking for Physician Assistants and she encouraged us to sign up for this exciting and rewarding opportunity. Carolyn came to us from Alabama where she and her husband are involved in a number of ministries. A former teacher and missionary, Carolyn shared experiences of God's grace, presence and strength in her life and the challenges she has faced.

Early morning devotionals were brought to us by Massiel Davila-Ferrer. Originally from Nicaragua, Massiel has been part of the pastoral team at the College Heights Church in Lacombe for the past seven years. Her heartfelt messages touched and inspired us.

In the first of two workshops offered on Sabbath, Myla Trenchuk, an entrepreneurial Mom of four young girls and a Mindset and Success Coach, shared the healing power of gratitude. Tricia Cooper, Mom of a 20 year-old daughter and a Certified Holistic Nutrition Consultant encouraged us to make healthy choices in order to thrive rather than just survive.

A wide variety of activities in the Prayer Room encouraged participants to a more meaningful prayer experience. Many of the women participated in an anointing service and were blessed and encouraged by special prayer. Early risers joined in a prayer walk.

Lovely decorations made us feel like we were relaxing in a spa and thoroughly enjoying a weekend of pampering. Food tasted especially delicious because we did not need to do anything except eat and enjoy. Massage and manicure appointments, shopping at the ABC or Marketplace, essential oils to care for the 5 senses were all available options to enhance the experience. ▶

DEPARTMENT NEWS

Although we all enjoyed the event, some of the attendees experienced extra special blessings. Two of these ladies were Gina Guibouche from Lacombe and Lena Molony from Dawson Creek. Having only seen a picture of her aunt, Gina thought a lady at the Retreat really looked like the aunt in that picture. Lena came to the Retreat with her friends never expecting that her niece would be there. What a thrill for them to meet and get acquainted over the weekend!

Plans are well under way for the 2020 Retreat to be held the weekend of April 17-19. Dilys Brooks, chaplain at Loma Linda University, will be bringing messages based on a “Better Together” theme. Dilys describes herself as “a change agent, who desires to be used to extend the boundaries of the Kingdom.” Start planning now to attend and we can be ‘Better Together’! —Submitted by Jenny Nickel



Gina Guibouche and her Aunt Lena Molloy were delightfully surprised to meet for the first time at the Retreat.



A vibrant young Praise Team from Calgary led us in singing praises.



Upper Lake, Peter Lougheed Park. SAGE group on Winter Retreat, preparing to hike into the woods.

Annual SAGE Alberta Winter Retreat Takes Place at William Watson Lodge

The annual SAGE Alberta Winter Retreat took place at William Watson Lodge in Peter Lougheed Provincial Park March 4-7, 2019. This year sixteen attendees participated in beautiful hikes, snowshoeing, cross country skiing, fellowship, worship time with singing and devotional thoughts and great food. William Watson Lodge made available to us three of

their new cabins which were comfortable and spacious. A high-light of our SAGE year, many expressed that they wouldn't want to miss it next year. Accompanying this report are two pictures of our hiking excursions. Not pictured were those who wished to have a relaxing time at the cabins, emphasizing that each can participate according to their preference.

Submitted by Phyllis Corkum, SAGE Alberta Communications



At Troll Falls, Hike of approximately 2 miles round trip near Kananaskis ski hill.

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PLAN TO ATTEND THE ALBERTA WOMEN'S RETREAT 2020!

Our Guest Speaker, Dilys Brooks, is the Campus Chaplain of Loma Linda University where she provides spiritual care for the students, faculty and staff. She is passionate and enthusiastic about assisting individuals of all ages to know Christ personally and accept His call to become change agents in the world for the kingdom of God. She is happiest when she is preaching, teaching or singing about Jesus. Dilys is a partner in life and ministry with Dr. Delroy Brooks, the Pastor of the Juniper Avenue Seventh-day Adventist Church in Fontana, California. They are raising their children Micah and Matea along with their dog Snow in Colton. Her life is informed by Matthew 6:33: *"Seek first the kingdom of God."*

LOCATION:

Cambridge Hotel (formerly the Sheraton) in Red Deer

GUEST SPEAKER: **Dilys Brooks**

THEME: **Better Together**

THEME TEXT:

Ecclesiastes 4:9-12





ENCOUNTERS WITH



MAIN AUDITORIUM SPEAKERS



Randy Roberts
Vice President of Spiritual Life and Mission for Loma Linda University Health

Friday, July 12, (7:00 p.m.)
 Saturday, July 13
 (10:45 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.)

Randy Roberts was born in South America of missionary parents. He holds a number of degrees and served as a chaplain, professor, and since 2000, the senior pastor of the Loma Linda University Church. He has also been serving as Vice President of Spiritual Life and Mission for Loma Linda University Health since October, 2016.

Randy has spoken nationally and internationally, has written articles for various publications, and authored a book. He and his wife, Anita (Justiniano) Roberts, have a son and a daughter.

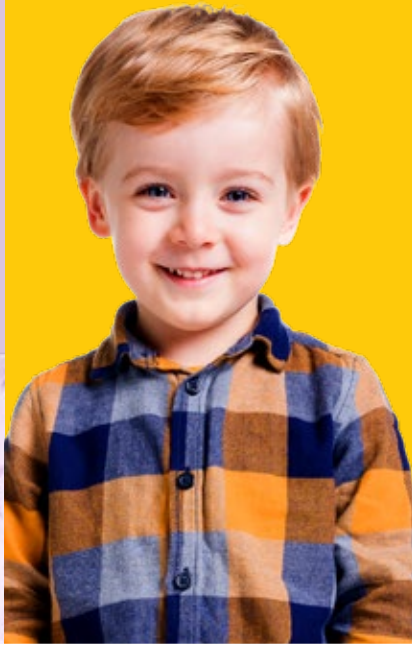


Pastor Joedy & Judy Melashenko
Melashenko Music Ministries & Gospel Outreach Ambassadors

Monday, July 15 &
 Tuesday, July 16
 (7:00 - 8:30 p.m.)

Joedy Melashenko has served as a teacher and pastor for 45 years. He and his wife, Judy, recently retired as Youth and Young Adult Directors for Quiet Hour Ministries, having coordinated and led out in over 50 short term mission projects. They are still active in their music and preaching ministry and in 2018, they signed on as Volunteer Musical Ambassadors for "Gospel Outreach."

"Gospel Outreach" sponsors more than 2200 Indigenous Bible Workers in the 10/40 Window and their efforts have added more than a million church members.



ALBERTA CAMP MEETING

JULY 12-20, 2019



Lonnie Melashenko
Columbia Union Conference Revivalist

Wednesday, July 17 &
Thursday, July 18
(7:00 - 8:30 p.m.)
Saturday, July 13
(3:30-5:00 p.m.)

Lonnie Melashenko begins his 45th year as a gospel minister and radio-TV evangelist. Born in Regina, Lonnie was one when his father joined the Voice of Prophecy King's Heralds Quartet. Lonnie would grow up to serve as speaker-director for the Voice of Prophecy and has received numerous awards for excellence in broadcasting. He has served as Vice-President for Spiritual Services and Missions for the Kettering Health Network, and currently is the Columbia Union Conference Revivalist. Lonnie, married to Jeanne (Jones), is also well known as a musician and author.



Leslie N. Pollard,
Ph.D, D.Min, M.Div, MBA
President of Oakwood University in Huntsville, Alabama, USA

Friday, July 19
(7:00 - 8:30 p.m.)
Saturday, July 20
(11:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.
& 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.)

Leslie Nelson Pollard serves as the 11th President of Oakwood University in Huntsville, Alabama. He brings extensive preparation to his service and calling having earned the following degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Master of Divinity, Doctor of Ministry, Master of Business Administration (MBA), and Doctor of Philosophy.

Dr. Pollard has served in a variety of pastoral and administrative capacities. He is an international speaker, a book author and contributes regularly to numerous publications.

Dr. Pollard and his wife, Prudence (LaBeach) Pollard, have two daughters, two sons-in-laws and 3 granddaughters.

PLENARY SESSION



Jo Ann Davidson

Monday, July 15 – Friday,
July 19 (11:00 a.m. & 12:15
p.m.)

Daughter of missionary parents, Jo Ann is a professor of systematic theology in the Andrews University Theological Seminary—the first woman to teach in the Theology department. She earned her Ph.D. in Systematic Theology from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School. Jo Ann has authored several books and written articles for numerous publications. Jo Ann finds great fulfillment in her many roles as wife, mother, daughter, sister, auntie, teacher, musician, student and Seventh-day Adventist Christian. Her husband, Richard, is also a professor at Andrews Seminary.

MORNING DEVOTIONAL SEMINAR SPEAKER



Don MacLafferty

Saturday, July 13 –
Saturday, July 20 (7:00
– 8:00 a.m.)
Monday, July 15 – Friday,
July 19 (9:30 – 10:45 a.m. &
4:00 – 5:15 p.m.)

Don MacLafferty has four top roles in his life: a disciple of Jesus Christ, a husband to his wife April, a dad and life mentor to their three children, and visionary leader in discipling children and families to Christ. After serving for many years in pastoral ministry, Don founded Kids In Discipleship and serves as the President.

Don is passionate about family, the discipleship of children and their parents and the leadership development of those who are called by God to champion these priorities.

SEMINARS



Josué M.

Anguiano-Vega *Associate Professor and Chair of the Department of Administration and Leadership at La Sierra University*

Monday, July 15 – Friday,
July 19 (9:30 – 10:45 a.m. &
4:00 – 5:15 p.m.)

Josue Anguiano-Vega, or Josh, serves as Associate Professor and Chair of the Department of Administration and Leadership at La Sierra University. Having earned a BA, MAT and EdS, Josh most recently completed an EdD in Administration and Leadership. He has served as a teacher, a school administrator, and adjunct faculty. He has a passion for working with at-risk students, especially those from communities of color.

Josh is married to Ruth and very proud of his children, Jacob, Zachary, and Rachelle.



Michael Mupfawa

Lead Pastor of the San Diego Maranatha SDA Church, Southeastern California Conference

Monday, July 15 – Friday,
July 19 (9:00 – 10:45 a.m. &
4:00 – 5:15 p.m.)

Michael Mupfawa is the Lead Pastor of the San Diego Maranatha SDA Church in Southeastern California Conference. He is a graduate of Andrews University with degrees in Theology, Divinity, and Visual Communication. He has been a featured speaker in over 13 countries of the world

Drawing from 3 decades of Pastoral ministry, Pastor Mike delivers messages relevant to our time. He is a prolific author and an urban spiritual leader, sensitive to the plight of the less fortunate. He is married to his High School Sweetheart Lady Dee and together they are devoted parents to Steffany, Sofia and Seth.

ENCOUNTERS WITH

Jesus



W. Derrick Lea

Associate Director for Disaster Response Adventist Community Services

Monday, July 15 – Friday,
July 19 (9:30 – 10:45 a.m. &
4:00 – 5:15 p.m.)

W. Derrick Lea serves as Associate Director of NAD Adventist Community Services. His responsibilities focus on Disaster Response, Emotional & Spiritual Care, and Young Adults Emergency Services Corps Ministries. He served for over 20 years as Deputy Chief over operations for the Prince George's Country Fire/ EMS Department. This background led to the largest Muslim organization in the United States, Islamic Relief USA, asking him to lead their effort in forming a Disaster Response Team and then to lead all of their US Programs. He and his wife have two adult children.



Daniel Saugh

Pastor, Ontario Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

Monday, July 15 – Friday,
July 19 (9:00 – 10:45 a.m. &
4:00 – 5:15 p.m.)

Pastor Saugh has earned a degree in Kinesiology and Health Sciences as well as graduate degrees in Divinity, International Development and Community Health. Also holding a degree in Public health, he is currently completing his PhD. He has served in a number of churches as youth or evangelism pastor.

Currently he pastors at the North Shore and Elliot Lake Churches in Northern Ontario and serves as the Associate Director for Giraffe University, a Youth Training Ministry of the North American Division, Centre for Youth Evangelism in Berrien Springs.



Paulo Tenorio

Texas Conference Youth Director

Monday, July 15 – Friday,
July 19 (9:00 - 10:45 a.m. &
4:00 - 5:15 p.m.)

Paulo Tenorio was born in Paraguay to missionary parents. After graduating from high school, he served as a missionary in South Korea, which is when he felt God's call to ministry. After completing his Master of Divinity at Andrews University, Paulo served first as a chaplain, then as an associate pastor and the Central Texas Youth Area Coordinator. Today, Paulo serves as the Texas Conference Youth Director.

He and his wife, Ana Medel, have a daughter, Micaela Juliet, and a family pug named Lola.



Dr. Darlene Blaney

PhD, NCP, CFT
*Chair, Associate Professor
Department of
Administration
& Leadership*

Monday, July 15 – Friday,
July 19 (2:30 - 3:30 p.m.)

Darlene Blaney uses her PhD in nutrition in numerous ways - as owner/operator of Total Health School of Nutrition College which offers a diploma in nutritional consulting; presenting lectures and cooking classes internationally as a nutritionist for 'It Is Written' Television; and serving for approximately 20 years as Volunteer Health Ministries Coordinator for the Alberta Conference.

Darlene has authored four cookbooks including the CHIP cookbook with Dr. Hans Diehl. She and her husband, Ron, own and operate a Nutrition Food Store located in Eckville. They have four sons.

SEMINARS



Olaf Clausen

Director for Sabbath School at Alberta Conference of the Seventh-day Adventist Church

Monday, July 15 – Friday,
July 19 (2:30 - 3:30 p.m.)

Pastor Clausen comes from a diverse spiritual background having become a Seventh-day Adventist Christian through an evangelistic campaign. Olaf has served the church as an academy teacher, lead pastor, and currently as Director for Sabbath School, Children's, and Personal Ministries at the Alberta Conference. He holds an MA in Pastoral Ministry from Andrews University Seminary and is completing a PhD in Theology from South African Theological Seminary. Pastor Clausen has a unique ministry specialty in Jewish Ministries with both the SDACC and NAD.



Stan Jensen

Communication Director for the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada

Monday, July 15 – Friday,
July 19 (2:30 - 3:30 p.m.)

Stan Jensen has been a dedicated storyteller for over 40 years. An inspiring book, Stan read years ago, encouraged him and Gregory Crosby to meet with war hero, Desmond Doss. Together they received permission and prayers from Desmond to share his inspiring war story with the world. This story eventually became the movie "Hacksaw Ridge", with producers David Permut, Bill Mechanic, and Terry Benedict.

Stan is involved with four developing projects including one with Cleiton Schneider, called "From Gold to Dust" an incredible story of Ana Caram.

Stan is the Communication Director for the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada, and Editor of the Canadian Adventist Messenger, both in English and French.

ALBERTA CONFERENCE 2019 CAMP MEETING SEMINAR

TIME	UPPER LODGE	LOWER LODGE	AUDITORIUM
SEMINARS 9:30-10:45 M-F	Daniel Saugh <i>Health</i>	Paulo Tenorio <i>Youth</i>	Josue Anguiano-Vega <i>Education</i>
PLENARY 11:00-12:15			Jo Ann Davidson Monday – Friday
Seminars 2:30-3:30 M-F	Darlene Blaney <i>Health</i>	Lynn McDowell & Guests	Burman University
SEMINARS 4:00-5:15 M-F	Daniel Saugh <i>Health</i> (Repeat)	Paulo Tenorio <i>Youth</i> (Repeat)	Michael Mupfawa <i>Faith that Glows in the Dark</i> (Repeat)

ENCOUNTERS WITH



Lynn McDowell
Planned Giving & Trust Services/Fundraising Director
 Alberta Conference

Monday, July 15 – Friday,
 July 19 (2:30 - 3:30 p.m.)

Alberta's Director of Planned Giving & Trust Services/Philanthropy, since 2012, is an Albertan by birth and by choice. Her church school education served her well at the University of Alberta Law School, and in 2001, she was invited to take on planned and major gifts at an Adventist hospital in California, where she discovered the power of Charitable Gift Annuities. Lynn assisted Loma Linda University Health in their current \$20 million campaign, but her heart and calling are in Alberta. Lynn loves to talk with members about practical ways to do more good with their available means.



Eric Ollila
Communication/IT/Media Director for the Alberta Conference of the Seventh-day Adventist Church

Monday, July 15 – Friday,
 July 19 (2:30 - 3:30 p.m.)

Eric L. Ollila, an ordained minister, is Alberta's new Communication/IT/Media Director, and Editor of the Alberta Adventist News publication. Over the past 18 years, he has served as a bible worker, colporteur, church planter, marketing director, call center chaplain, pastor, radio broadcast speaker, camp waterfront director, communication assistant director, and assistant to a conference/mission president. He has a Bachelor of Arts (BA) in non-profit administration, from the University of Northern Colorado, and a Master of Divinity (M.Div.) from Andrews University. He and his lovely wife, Lucy, currently reside in central Alberta with their daughter, Agnes.

BREAKOUT SESSIONS JULY 15 – JULY 19, 2019

OVERFLOW	HERITAGE CHURCH	RIVERVIEW COMMON
Michael Mupfawa <i>Faith that Glows in the Dark</i>	Derrick Lea <i>Community Services Training</i>	Don MacLafferty <i>Discipleship Training for Revival</i> AM's Only
Stan Jensen <i>Global Identity</i> Monday ONLY Eric Ollila & Guests Tue/Wed/Thurs		Olaf Clausen <i>SS Initiatives</i> Tue/Wed/Thurs
Josué Anguiano-Vega (Repeat)	Derrick Lea <i>Continuous</i>	Stan Jensen <i>How to Use Social Media to Make Your Church Grow</i> Monday ONLY

OPENING MEETING: FRIDAY, JULY 12, 7:00 P.M. – RAND

TIME	Sabbath, July 13	Sunday, July 14	Monday, July 15	Tuesday, July 16
7:00 – 8:00 8:00 – 8:30	Don MacLafferty	Fun Run Don MacLafferty 8:00-8:30 <i>Aqua size</i>	Don MacLafferty 8:00-8:30 <i>Aqua size</i>	Don MacLafferty 8:00-8:30 <i>Aqua size</i>
7:30 – 8:15				
9:30 – 10:45	Sabbath School Lynn McDowell		Josue Anguiano-Vega, Derrick Lea	
11:00 – 12:15	Randy Roberts	ABC Sale (10:00 – 11:45)		
12:15 – 1:00	LUNCH	International Food Fair 12:00 – 2:15		
1:00 – 2:00	Uniform Ministries Parade 2:45-3:30			
2:30 – 3:30		2:00 – 4:00 Family Fun Time	Darlene Blaney, Lynn McDowell & Gu	
4:00 – 5:15	Ordination/ Commissioning Speaker Lonnie Melashenko 3:30-5:00		NOTE CHA	
5:30 – 6:30				
7:00 – 8:30	Randy Roberts	Seminar Intros (7:00 – 7:30 p.m.)	Joedy Melashenko – Mon Lonnie Melashenko – Wedn	
		Concert Melashenko Family		
8:35 – 9:05			Mini Concert	



Y ROBERTS

Wednesday, July 17	Thursday, July 18	Friday, July 19	Sabbath, July 20
Don MacLafferty 8:00-8:30 <i>Aqua size</i>	Don MacLafferty 8:00-8:30 <i>Aqua size</i>	Don MacLafferty 8:00-8:30 <i>Aqua size</i>	Don MacLafferty
BREAKFAST			
SEMINARS , Don MacLafferty, Michael Mupfawa, Daniel Saugh, Paulo Tenorio			Sabbath School/ <i>Education</i> Olaf Clausen
PLENARY SESSION Jo Ann Davidson			Leslie Pollard
LUNCH			
Radio Talk Show 106.3 FM Choir Practice			Free Time
DEPARTMENTAL SEMINARS ests, Burman University, Olaf Clausen, Stan Jensen, Eric Ollila & Guests			Burman University/PAA 3:00 - 3:45
SEMINARS (repeats - 4:00 - 5:15) NGE: Seminar Schedule - Main Auditorium			Camp Meeting Concert 3:45 - 5:15
SUPPER			
nday & Tuesday Evening Speaker esday & Thursday Evening Speaker		Leslie Pollard	Leslie Pollard
Mini Concert		Choir Practice	

YOUTH SPEAKERS



Pedro Perez

Pathfinder and Adventurer Director for the Florida Conference

Meeting times will be posted in the Camp Meeting brochure

Pedro Perez is married to Claudia, by far the most intriguing woman he has ever met. They have two children, Gabriella and Alexander who bring joy to his life. (He is happy to still be able to beat them in basketball.)

Currently Pedro is the Pathfinder and Adventurer Director for the Florida Conference. Previously he has served as a youth director, Bible teacher and pastor.

Pedro dreams of raising a generation of leaders that will love and lead kids well and prepare them to meet Jesus and spend forever with Him.



Kevin Wilson

Youth and Young Adult Pastor at the Oceanside Seventh-day Adventist Church, San Diego, California

Meeting times will be posted in the Camp Meeting brochure

Kevin Wilson is the Youth and Young Adult pastor at the Oceanside Seventh-day Adventist Church in San Diego, CA. When he's not teaching or hanging out with youth, you can find him outside surfing or at his home making chai.

Currently, he's mildly obsessed about reframing the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the post-Christian mind & increasingly obsessed with his wife of two years.

AT CAMP MEETING



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John 17:3

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Registration fee is \$350.00. Contact your conference youth director for more info. www.adventistyouth.ca



The Melashenko Family Singers

Sunday, July 14
Concert Sunday Evening 7:30 p.m.

Audiences around the world have been blessed by the close harmonies of The Melashenko Family for more than 5 decades. Many are acquainted with Pastor Lonnie & Jeannie Melashenko and Pastor Joedy & Judy Melashenko through their preaching and music ministries with The Voice of Prophecy and Quiet Hour Ministries.

The patriarch of the family, Pastor Joe Melashenko, was a well-known singing evangelist for many years with the Voice of Prophecy. He was the

bass for the King's Heralds Quartet when Lonnie and Joedy were just toddlers. Joe and Anne had 5 boys, Lonnie, Joedy, Dallas, Eugene and Rudy.

Lonnie & Joedy began singing together when they were 5 and 6 years old with their parents and their younger brothers. They were all young ragamuffins growing up on the wheat-fields in central Canada. By the time the boys were 4,5,6,7 and 8 years old, respectively, they were singing in four-part harmony.

Their music has been featured on many television programs seen on 3ABN, HOPE and SAFE TV. Many have appreciated the Melashenko Family Singers in the "Family Reunion Homecoming" musical DVDs produced by the Voice of Prophecy.

LIVE Stream

Camp Meeting presentations will be LIVE streamed this year from the main auditorium. Check the Alberta Conference website for more information at albertaadventist.ca/cm2019

Audio Recordings

Wish you could hear that Camp Meeting message again or share it with a friend? All audio recordings (mp3) will be available to download free of charge at albertaadventist.ca/cm2019.

No recordings (audio or video) will be sold during Camp Meeting this year. An order form will be available at the main camp office. Orders will be processed and mailed out after Camp Meeting.



Camp Meeting Meal Tickets

(Individual):

Ages 0-3 (free)

Ages 4-9

Breakfast **\$8.00**

Lunch **\$8.00**

Supper **\$8.00**

Ages 10 and up

Breakfast **\$11.00**

Lunch **\$11.00**

Supper **\$11.00**



Meal Package Pricing:

(No Sunday lunch due to International Food Fair)

Seniors 65+ Full Package (25 meals) **\$235**

Full Package-Age 10+ (25 meals) **\$245**

Please note: There are no refunds on meal tickets.

No meal tickets will be sold during Sabbath hours. Please purchase your Sabbath meal tickets at the camp office before 9 p.m. on Fridays.

Camp Meeting

Meal Times:

Breakfast

8:00 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.

Lunch

12:30 p.m. - 1:15 p.m.

Sabbath Lunch

1:00 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.

Supper

5:45 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Please Note: Meal tickets can be purchased in advance until noon on July 10 by calling Penny at (403) 342-5044, ext 201 and can be picked up at the camp office upon arrival. Starting July 11, please purchase meal tickets at the camp office.

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RED DEER FILCAN

Menu: Okoy
(vegetable fritter) 1\$

Combo includes:

Pancit (Asian style noodles),
spring rolls,
steamed broccoli \$8

Project: Church budget

CALGARY MTVIEW

Menu: Corn on the cob \$2,
Watermelon 0.50¢,
burrito supreme \$7,
Juice, pop, water 1\$

Project: Oshkosh

SYLVAN LAKE

Menu: Taco in a bag \$6.50,
lemonade \$1.50

Project: Adventurers/
Pathfinders

OKOTOKS

Menu: To be determined

Project: Okotoks church
building fund

EDMONTON SOUTH

Menu: Chile cheese nachos \$5,
cheese nachos \$4,
float \$3, can of pop \$2,
baked goodies various prices

Project: Pathfinders

NORTHWINDS CHURCH

Menu: Vegie ginger beef,
spring rolls, noodles,
fried rice, Asian salad \$9,
banana cue \$2,
sweet potatoe cue \$2,
perogies (7) \$3.50,

carioca \$1, halo-halo \$5

Project: Building fund

RED DEER

Menu: To be determined

Project: Pathfinders

AIRDRIE

Menu: To be determined

Project: Pathfinders

INTER NATIONAL FOOD FAIR

at

Camp Meeting



Sunday, July 14
12:00 – 2:15 p.m.





News From Millwoods All-Nations Seventh-day Adventist Church

(Left to Right)
Mark and Rovi Abastilla were baptized on April 6, 2019 by Pastor Dario St Louise.

Women's Ministry “Love and Share Clothing Event”

On March 9, the Women's Ministry at the Millwoods All-Nations SDA Church in Edmonton hosted its first Love and Share Clothing Event, a fun evening of free shopping attended by many families in the congregation.

The event started at 6:00 p.m. with a finger food potluck, allowing all attendees to gather, socialize, and pray until the end of Sabbath. Afterwards, everyone dispersed to make their selection of the wares on display.

Many church members made generous gifts of gently used clothing, shoes, and accessories, which were all tagged and organized by sizes for easy shopping. Although women's clothing predominated, a selection of children's and men's apparel and children's toys were also available. All the shoppers needed to do was select what they liked and take home as many articles as they wished. Many went home with bulging bags. Women's Ministry was hoping to thus serve the needs of members of the congregation who

might be experiencing financial strain, as well as furnishing everyone with an opportunity to share with others and socialize.

The evening's success was indicated by the happy talk among participants, the depleted racks at the end of the day, and the wishes of many to see the event repeated. Women's Ministry wants to heartily thank all those who made the evening possible through their kind gifts, active help, and attendance.

—Submitted by Tony Gregory, *Communications*

Health and Temperance Workshop

A "Secrets to Living Longer and Living Stronger" workshop was conducted by the Health and Temperance Department on six Saturday evenings from January 19 to February 23, 2019. It was well attended and received. Each session consisted of four components. A health topic was followed by a Daniel study (focusing on chapters 1 through 6), then a vegan recipe demo, and finally, a fellowship time during which the participants could have their questions answered while they sampled the healthy finger snacks.

People learned about:

- The Oldest Scientific Study
- How Relationships Affect Health
- Stress and the Power of Promise and Praise
- How Thoughts Affect Health
- Addictions and the Brain
- Science of Handling the Holidays




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College Heights Church Prayer Conference

On the weekend of February 8–10, 2019, the College Heights SDA Church hosted a Spirit-filled Prayer Conference with guest speaker Kevin Wilfley, pastor of the SDA Church in Kirkland, WA. Pastor Kevin's presentations were filled with stories that helped us see prayer in a much fuller light, and the experiences he shared from his own personal prayer life encouraged and blessed us. The weekend culminated in a prayer breakfast.

Presentation Highlights:

Prayer is an attitude of generosity; something you live, not words you say. When you pray for someone, you are promising you are going to take action and help that person in some way – through listening, providing funds, encouragement, or a helping hand. We were reminded that God typically answers our prayers *through* us.

Pastor Kevin addressed prayer and healing. God wants to heal the sick, but a person's salvation is more important than extending their life a few more years. When God allows a person to be put to rest, He may be saving them from the evil that is to come. We must trust God to make the right decision. It is our business to pray and do what we can; it is God's business to bring about results. If we trust Him, we will give Him praise regardless of the answer.

We were challenged to keep asking, seeking, and knocking. As we come to our heavenly Father, believing that He is and is a rewarder of those who

diligently seek Him, we were reminded that He always reserves the best for those who leave the answer with Him. True faith lays hold of the promised blessing before it even happens. God's presence is heightened when we praise Him. Praise equals more miracles.

The question, "Are you spiritual or religious?" confronted us with the fact that we can be doing all the right things under the blanket of correct doctrines but not have a personal connection with the God we claim to follow. Prayer must be the priority of our lives if we desire to lead others to know Jesus and experience His love.

—Report compiled by Judy Gorbenko and Ellen Bell.
Submitted by Tabitha Phiri, Prayer Ministries Coordinator, College Heights SDA Church.



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Attendees enjoying Pastor Wilfley's messages



Pathfinder Band performing.

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of hope
fill you with all
joy and peace
in believing,
so that by the
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Romans 15:13 (ESV)



Giving Thanks for God's Saving Power

"Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever. Let the redeemed of the LORD tell their story—those he redeemed from the hand of the foe ... Let them give thanks to the LORD for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for mankind, for he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things."

Psalm 107:1, 2, 8, 9, (NIV)

Giving thanks to God is exactly what I want and need to do, for recently here at Chinook Winds, God blessed us with the most beautiful of all weeks—our yearly Spring Student-led Week in Spiritual Emphasis. Powerful messages and music from our young people throughout the week concluded with a baptism in our gymnasium on Friday evening for eight of our students.

I began baptismal studies with the grade-5-and-6 class, and two months later, we had 20 students give their lives to Jesus (along with three more in secondary school). The other 12 students will be baptized soon

in their own congregations. Amen and Praise God!

If you want to watch the baptism, go to the link below. I personally want to thank Mrs. Melashenko, Mr. Fillier, Mrs. Bergen, and Pastors Ghena and Joseph for their support in preparing, coordinating, and participating in this amazing evening.

Friends, God is a good God who is actively working in the lives of our young people. I kindly ask that you keep praying for us at Chinook Winds as we are intentionally teaching our students to follow God completely, serve unselfishly, and achieve excellence.

—Submitted by Paul Antunes

<https://www.facebook.com/pastorpaul.antunes/videos/996883533849210/>



CWAA Mission Trip Team: Went with the "We Care" group from YCE based at Andrews University. "We Care" did an outstanding job of taking care of us.

Chinook Winds Adventist Academy Mission Trip in Ladyville, Belize

From March 24 to April 4, 2019, Dave Elias (CWAA vice principal), Joahna Jao (science and art teacher), and I, together with four supporting parents, took 19 students on a mission trip to Ladyville Primary Adventist School in Belize. We were received with open arms by Principal Fonsi Acosta, who fondly remembered CWAA's trip back in April 2011.

The project was to prepare a 150'x40' room that would house classrooms by September 2019. With that directive, the team quickly got busy chipping concrete floors, pouring cement, cleaning, preparing walls for paint, and painting. Additionally, students led a VBS program, helped teachers correct exams, connected with students during recess and after school, and helped in the nearby orphanage.

The team enjoyed one day relaxing at a



Nathan Price, Shelby Edgson, Autumn Schultze, baptized at Ladyville Belize at the beach on March 30, 2019.

beautiful water park in Old Belize City and another day at the Island of San Pedro, where they snorkeled on the reef and enjoyed the shops and food. On Sabbath, the group led Sabbath School and church services at the Ladyville Church. When services concluded, students and church members went to the ocean where they celebrated the baptisms of

Nathan Price, Autumn Schultze, and Shelby Edgson. It was amazing! Later that day, we visited the beautiful Mayan Ruins of Altun Ha.

The trip was unforgettable and life-changing. All of us praise God for this opportunity to work and worship with our Belizean brothers and sisters. On behalf of Chinook Winds students and staff, thank you to those who helped us raise funds and prayed for us.

*Your Brother in Christ,
Pastor Paul Antunes
Chaplain, Chinook Winds Adventist Academy*

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Red Deer Church Member Honored

In an event held in Calgary on January 24 of this year, Dr. Verna Yiu, President and Chief Executive Officer of Alberta Health Services, presented Dr. Clifford Tym with the Long Service Award. The award was given to Dr. Tym in honor of his 50 years of practicing dentistry. He is now into his 51st year and is to be congratulated for his faithful service. The Tym family has membership at the Red Deer Church.

—Submitted by Sandra Heinz
Dental Administrator



Dr. Clifford Tym holding the Long Service Award with Dr. Verna Yiu, President and Chief Executive Officer of Alberta Health Services.



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Edmonton Filipino Youth singing for residents at Sherwood Care Nursing Home.

Edmonton Filipino Youth Outreach Activities During February and March 2019

The Ed-Fil youth have been very busy serving. Not only did they lead out in all the church programs during March—from midweek prayer meetings to divine worship services—they were also busy serving in the community. The youth presented an AY program at Edmonton South Church and afterward, together with some of the ESC youth, went to Royal Alexandra Hospital, presented a beautiful program, and then visited patients. Some of the church youth also participate in the monthly “Street Feeding,” in which food is given to those less fortunate in the Edmonton community.

In March, the youth celebrated Youth Month, which concluded on the afternoon of March 30 with a program for the residents of Sherwood Care Nursing Home. The residents are always appreciative and happy to have the youth come to visit. We give praise and thanksgiving to our God and Savior Jesus Christ because our youth are inspired and empowered to serve. Thank you, Ed-Fil youth, for your desire to serve.

—Submitted by *Bernardo Lacanilao*

Edmonton Filipino SDA Church Bids Farewell to Pastor and Mrs. John Wesley

Thirteen years ago, a group of Filipino Seventh-day Adventists, most of them from the Edmonton Central SDA Church, decided to start an Edmonton Filipino SDA congregation. Edmonton Central granted this request, agreeing to be the “Mother Church.”



Pastor John Wesley

Beginning with 36 founding members, the group has now grown to over 250 members. Senior pastor at the time of organization was Pastor John Wesley, who has continued his ministry until his retirement on April 30, 2019. We are grateful to God for His guidance and blessings and to Edmonton Central SDA Church for the devoted service of Pastor John Wesley.

On April 20, Pastor John gave his last sermon to our congregation and also officiated in the Lord’s communion service. He has served the Adventist Church for a total of 30 years. According to him, he will be retiring as the senior pastor of the Central Church but still continue to share the gospel.

Surely, he and his wife will be missed, but we wish them Godspeed.

—Submitted by *Ben Barboza*
Head Elder, Edmonton Filipino SDA Church



Pastor Wesley officiating in communion service at Edmonton Filipino Church.

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Youth Month

The Edmonton Filipino Seventh-Day Adventist Church celebrated Youth Month in March, in addition to Global Youth Day. The youth led divine worship programs on four Sabbaths, mid-week programs, a vespers collaboration with local Edmonton churches, and nightly meetings during the Week of Empowerment. The main theme for Youth Month was “Pass It On,” expressing the importance of passing on God’s Word to others.

The sermons for each Sabbath were related to “passing it on” in different ways with the following themes: “Pass It On: God’s Character,” “Pass It On: Knowing Hope,” “Pass It On: The Gift of Music,” and “Pass It On: Growth.” Each sermon was beautifully written and presented, giving everyone a better understanding of how we can pass on God’s Word.

The sermons during the Week of Empowerment addressed the theme of “Reflecting Christ” in the following ways: “In Relationships,” “In School,” “In Church,” “In Post-Secondary,” “In Social Media,” and a final summary of reflecting Christ. The Week of Empowerment was a great way to wrap up Youth Month and definitely served to bring people closer to Jesus. Youth Month was a great experience for the youth and entire church.—*By Don Mayo*

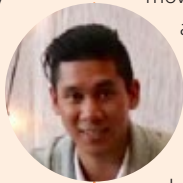


Youth Speakers Corner

The youth chosen to share their personal testimonies in the *"Reflecting Christ"* series summarized their experiences with accepting this challenge.

"The overall experience of doing a sermon/talk was a nervous but exciting experience. It was my first time presenting something I've prepared alone. Preparing it was pretty stressful. My ideas and notes were all over the place. I couldn't decide what specific angle to focus on with my topic. Even though I had an outline, I wrote down all the free-roaming thoughts, which caused me to repeat myself and use details that would have made the audience confused or overwhelmed. It's a good thing my wife is an English literature graduate. On the day of my talk, I managed to change the nervousness into excitement. I was able to step away from my comfort zone and allow myself to grow in front of the younger fellow youth. Even though I was mostly staring at the notes I prepared, I tried my best to connect with the audience by speaking from my heart and building on my notes on the spot. After sharing my message, I was relieved (phew) and happy to have made my first step into public speaking. I've definitely learned from my experience and look forward to setting 'the bar' higher for the next time."

—Paul Andrew Samson, 29



"My sermon was about reflecting Christ in the church. I chose this topic because I felt like I had a lot to share about my personal struggles in reflecting Christ in my everyday life. I had to make sure I gave myself enough time to prep for my sermon, so I booked days off from work. It was challenging to choose how to begin and end my sermon. I had many ideas. However, it was difficult to put them in order so that it would make sense to the audience. On the day of the Week of Empowerment, I felt nervous, but it wasn't overwhelming because I knew I prepared myself. During my presentation, I was excited to be sharing my message. I was proud of myself for taking on the challenge, and I hope to keep on taking a step forward to serve my Lord. Overall, this experience allowed me to reflect on my own character. Am I reflecting Jesus Christ to others? Do people see Jesus in me? I know I am not perfect, but I want to strive to be more like Jesus." —Den Joy Badelles, 22



"The process of writing the sermon was different than writing papers for school. I was reflecting more than writing, and consequently, it seemed that I barely had time to write it, as well as study for my exams. I was thankful I had helping hands to face the challenge of preparing the sermon. However, setting that aside, I felt blessed. I wanted to take the opportunity given to me to provide a glimpse into what are the struggles that youth deal with, specifically college students, with academics and moving into their careers. After the sermon, I was afraid that I was not able to get the message across to the congregation. However, a few people shared with me their experiences while in school, and I was able to learn and reflect, and I am working towards improving myself. A point from my sermon is: 'We can think of ourselves as B cells, which release antibodies that act as a defense against trials and temptations, but in order for us to do so, we need the help of God and our loved ones.' I chose this because as an immunology student, I was really excited incorporating what I have learned in school into my sermon, and I thought it was a really good fit for the message I was trying to send across." —Lovely Dyna Dagman, 21 ▶





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“Giving a sermon is no easy task. When the youth leaders asked me to be one of the speakers, I did not even hesitate and said yes. Which was very unlike me, because I think twice when I am given a big responsibility. I decided to do it because as a previous youth leader, I know that it can be challenging to find participants. Preparing for the sermon was no easy task. I had so many assignments and exams in school that I almost wanted to back out of it, but I knew with God’s help I should be able to do it. It worked out that I ended up writing the sermon just the night before, but it went well! I spoke about social media, and it made me reflect on myself. How do I use social media? Ever since my sermon, I decided to use it to the fullest extent to share about our Creator and the wonderful life we have with Him.” —**Keem Herrera, 22**

“Being one of the speakers of our Adventist Youth Ministry during Youth Month was a great opportunity. Although it was a challenging task to take on, it was completely worth it in the end. When I was asked (or more like appointed) to be one of the speakers, I was reluctant to accept the opportunity to talk in front of the church; not because it was a lot of work, but because I thought I was inadequate and not confident enough. I talked to God about it for a few days, then took the challenge knowing that God would be by my side. He would guide me, use me as His instrument to preach His gospel to the congregation. Believing that I had nothing to prove, but just watch God move and do His work, I was able to successfully deliver God’s words to the congregation.

“With our talks based on the theme ‘Pass It On,’ numerous ideas came up in my mind. In the end, I decided to talk about hope because I thought that this particular topic was one of the few ideas that is misinterpreted, convoluted, and not clearly pointed out. The idea of hope is easily dissipated into thin air due to the negativity and darkness engulfing our world today. However, hope is not defined by these descriptions, but rather it is defined as a confidence or an expectation based on certainty. The focus of the message was to bring awareness, reintegrate hope in our lives, and point out the true meaning of real hope that is found in Christ Jesus.” —**Marcel Christian Brillon, 18**

“To be chosen as one of the speakers for the Youth Month was a blessing, but scary at the same time. It was hard due to our main topic being ‘PASS IT ON.’ As a youth, it sounded like a bold and challenging task to pass anything on to someone who is older than me. I asked myself, ‘What can I pass on to someone who’s older than me? Someone who has more experience in this world than me?’ But then I realized that Jesus, at a young age, was a preacher.

“We all know God’s words, but do we know the Person who gave us those words? Do we know the character of God? As I assembled my talk, I came to realize that I was seeing qualities of God’s character in my family and friends. It inspired me that people are practicing being a living sermon by reflecting Christ’s character.

“On the day that I spoke in front of our church, I was nervous and scared. What if they didn’t see God in me or hear God’s voice? But the Bible tells us, ‘Ask and it shall be given.’ I prayed before I started my sermon and felt comfortable knowing that I was being guided and mentored by God. Let HIS works be seen in our character.” —**Japhet Cordero, 25**



Sabbath speakers for Youth Month
L to R: Marcel Christian Brillon, Summer Fiedacan,
Japhet Cordero, Moira Importante

"I felt like I was in the eye of a beautiful hurricane.' Sure, the term "the eye of a hurricane" suggests safety and shelter from destruction; however, I wanted to look at it through a different lens. I felt too safe. Too sheltered ... I felt secluded from the beautiful chaos spiraling around me in church. I never knew how it felt to belong; to feel like I was contributing; to feel like the imprint I made actually held significance.' I know we have all experienced circumstances such as these at least once in our lives, and that's why I agreed to do this sermon. I wanted to challenge spiritual minds, including my own.

"I wanted to explore exactly what happens when we decide against stagnancy and choose to step into the beautiful chaos of a hurricane. I discovered that what happens is actually growth, my chosen topic. We need to be in the beautiful chaos—the hurricane. Why? Our Saviour is coming again to reconstruct us from our destruction. We need to be in the midst of the destructive winds of our trials in order for our Saviour to grasp us and rescue us.'

"As a struggling senior in high school, I had difficulty understanding what God had in store for me. It still is, but because of this dynamic sermon experience, what I have learned is to put my whole trust in God and let Him challenge my spiritual mind. I have learned that constantly accepting Christ in my life (through my joys and most especially through my sorrows) will allow me to grow from my stagnancy and step into the beautiful chaos—the hurricane.

"I look forward to my future in the midst of this beautiful chaos. I look forward to my Saviour reconstructing me from my destruction, shaping me to help find my purpose as His willing servant." —*Moira Importante, 16*

Youth Speakers Corner

"I have always been such a shy and quiet person and never would have imagined myself doing a sermon in front of the church, but I did, and I am so happy that God inspired and used me as His instrument to share the word of God. All the glory to Him! God opened another door for me to be able to learn and grow spiritually. Just like everyone else, I was nervous, scared, and stressed. The moment I heard about the theme "Pass It On," one topic that immediately popped in my head was music. I had difficulty choosing where I wanted to go with the topic. Trying to narrow down such a broad and controversial subject was the hardest part for me. I asked God for guidance and knowledge to be able to deliver the right message. A quote from Ellen G. White—" [Music] is a precious gift from God that was designed to uplift the thoughts to high and noble themes, to inspire and elevate the soul"—became the inspiration for my talk. I tackled the idea of The Gift Of Music and how essential it is in our spiritual growth.

"I had a hard time balancing my time between school, extracurricular activities, and working on my sermon, but I don't regret all the stress, hesitation, and nervousness that I felt. One challenging experience will only lead to bigger challenges and experiences that will help shape my character and that will help me build a stronger relationship with God." —*Summer Fiedacan, 16*

17th Annual Filipino-Canadian Seventh-day Adventist Camp Meeting

August 22-25, 2019

The Fil-Can Camp Meeting for the next two years will be led by our youth. The executive officers are: President—Jib Labinghisa from Wetaskiwin/Camrose Church; Secretary—Japhet Cordero from Edmonton Filipino Church; and Treasurer—Lady Dianne Bondoc from Calgary Parkdale Church. The Filipino-Canadian Adventist Youth of Alberta (FILCANAYA) members are all eager to serve the Lord and His church.

The theme for this year is “That They May All Be One” (*Upang Silang Lahat Ay Maging Isa*) and comes from the prayer of Jesus in John 17:21. The main speaker will be Dr. Vic Louis Arreola, Director of Asian



Pacific Ministries for the Pacific Union Conference and North American Division. The speaker for the youth is Samuel Cadiz, Pastor of Calgary Metro Filipino Church and Calgary Fil-Can Church.

The Fil-Can Camp Meeting is not only attended by Filipinos in Alberta, but also from surrounding provinces and the United

States. The activities for this year’s meeting will include the traditional Filipino games like Patintero and Tumbang Preso. There will also be board games such as Scrabble and Chess. And, of course, there will be basketball, volleyball, and softball. Each year the Saturday night Social and Cultural Program is enjoyed by everyone. All programs and worship services are conducted in English.

Come join us for warm fellowship, worship, and lots of healthy and fun activities. —Submitted by *Bernardo Lacanilao*

For more information, please contact Jib Labinghisa by email (animaverdum@yahoo.com) or phone (780-312-0467).

²¹ that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me.

John 17:21 New International Version (NIV)



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Pastor Vic Arreola
Main Speaker



Pastor Sam Cadiz
Youth Speaker



Edmonton Spanish Youth Outreach Team.

Health Outreach In The Warburg

Wetaskiwin District

Community health presentations emphasize disease prevention and reversal

In recent months, members of the Warburg and Wetaskiwin Churches have enjoyed the opportunity to reach out to their communities with the “entering wedge” of health ministry.

On March 1, Dr. Tim Riesenberger shared in Warburg on the subject of defeating diabetes. From April 12–14, Dr. Darlene Blaney conducted a three-part Healthy Choices Wellness Workshop for our church membership and community visitors. Both presentations were appreciated by the attendees, as they provided practical advice on improving one’s health and preventing/reversing the effects of lifestyle disease.

From February 28 to March 2, Dr. Tim Riesenberger shared in Wetaskiwin on the important subjects of reversing diabetes and heart disease and preventing cancer. His clear presentations provided practical instruction on how each person can take charge of their own health.

Both the Warburg and Wetaskiwin Churches desire to share Jesus and His love with their communities. They are hoping to continue building strong relationships through community service and educational programs such as these health seminars.

—Submitted by Pastor Jason Williams, April 30, 2019

Thank you for Being Our Neighbour

The youth group at the Edmonton Spanish SDA Church braved the cold in February to visit the homes in the church neighbourhood located in Edmonton’s inner-city. They handed out cookies they had baked themselves, along with pocket Bibles that carried a sticker reading, “Thank you for being our neighbour. God Bless You.”

The youth had been looking for a way to get out in their community to connect with the neighbours and show a bit of love and kindness. The neighbours were happy to receive the cookies and Bibles, with many expressing surprise that it was simply a gift and nothing was being asked in return.

One neighbour was so happy that they even asked if they

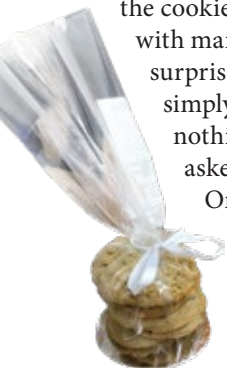
could give a hug. Another young man the group met asked if they had any food to hand out. They invited him to come to the church, where the Community Services team was able to supply him and his friend with some bread to take home.

The youth group plans to go out again as they continue their efforts to make an impact in their community.

—Submitted by Colette Cornejo



Youth Team member making sure cookies were delicious before handing them out in the community.



Elsie Violet Neumann

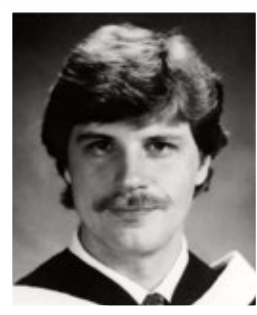
May 23, 1928 - August 2, 2017



Elsie Violet (nee Kiehlbauch) Neumann was born May 23, 1928 in Hilliard, AB and died August 2, 2017 in Devon, Alta. Voted 'Friendliest Girl on the Hilltop' when she attended Canadian Junior College, Elsie was a charter member of the Edmonton West End Church and the first secretary of Coralwood Academy. Elsie was predeceased by her husband Fred, her mother and father Lydia and Edward Kiehlbauch and brother Edwin. She is survived by her daughter Lynn McDowell (John) and grandchildren Myken McDowell and Aran McDowell and sons Henry and Blaine.

Blaine Mark Michael Neumann

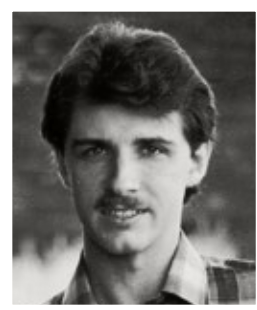
October 23, 1963 - December 24, 2017



Blaine Mark Michael Neumann was born Oct. 18, 1963 in Edmonton, AB and died Dec. 24, 2017 in Devon, Alta. Blaine completed a religious studies degree at Burman University (then Canadian University College), where he was well-known as a versatile musician, and for his baritone voice as part of CUC's traveling summer quartet. Blaine was predeceased by his parents Elsie and Fred Neumann, and is survived by his sister Lynn McDowell (John) and his niece Myken McDowell and nephew Aran McDowell and brother, Henry.

Henry Craig Fredrick Neumann

January 26, 1959 - January 6, 2018



Henry Craig Fredrick Neumann was born Jan. 26, 1959 in Edmonton, AB and died Jan. 6, 2018 in Edmonton, Alberta. Henry was the first of many student missionaries to go from Canadian Union College to the Marshall Islands. Henry was predeceased by his parents Elsie and Fred Neumann and his brother Blaine, and is survived by his sister Lynn McDowell (John) and his niece Myken McDowell and nephew Aran McDowell.

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BY LYNN MCDOWELL

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One Life or Two?

Spouses can have payments to go continuously for both their lives, but it is possible to have a contract that covers only one life or a second individual who is not a spouse.

US or Canadian Charitable Gift Annuity?

While many US charities will contract with Canadians and provide a tax receipt, a US receipt is not recognized by Canada Revenue Agency. Only Canadian charities specifically licenced to offer charitable gift annuities can provide a receipt recognized by CRA for charitable deduction purposes. The Alberta Conference holds one of these licenses.

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