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Lake Union HERALD

THIS WEEK

AROUND THE UNION



Lake Union calls for prayer and unity in the aftermath of U.S. Capitol attack

The Lake Union conference officers are deeply distressed by the events that transpired yesterday at the Capitol building. We applaud the call of our government leaders who have stated it is time for us to unite as a nation.

The use of violence should never be condoned by Christians (John 10:10). When there is disagreement, Jesus admonished us to "be wise as serpents and harmless as doves" (Matt 10:16).

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How we made it through

No doubt, it's been a difficult year in every corner of our land. The coronavirus pandemic is not over, either. Not even close. A third wave of infections, hospitalizations and deaths is lashing our nation from coast to coast and changing the way we do even the simplest of things.

In this feature, we revisited 12 of the people and stories we reported on in 2020, whether in the pages of the *Herald* or during one of our livestream broadcasts.

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As unrest reveal gaps in safety net, a church district steps in to help

It wasn't long after Kenosha was thrust into the international spotlight after a police officer shot Jacob Blake in the back, triggering protests which sometimes turned violent and destructive, that local church leaders began looking for ways

to help.

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Six Lake Union pastors receive ordination

Even with countless pages published about ordination, the focus of ordination to the gospel ministry distills to one factor: It is a calling. It is more than a choice for a career; because, if the Lord calls someone a numinous disease beckons one until that calling is followed.

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ADDITIONAL NEWS & INFORMATION

GENERAL CONFERENCE

Inter-American Publishing Ministries Leader Dies of COVID-19 Complications

Pastor Ervin González, publishing ministries director for the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Inter-America, died on Dec. 31, 2020, after [complications due to the novel coronavirus](#).

Inter-American Division President Thanks Church Members For Their Prayers

On behalf of my wife and daughters, [I would like to express our deepest appreciation](#) to our brothers and sisters around the world who fervently prayed for us

COVID-19 Vaccines: Addressing Concerns, Offering Counsel

[We hope that this article will answer questions, allay fears, and resolve some of the prevalent myths and rumors](#), thereby bringing

peace to the hearts of our members as they make health decisions guided by their health-care providers.

NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION

Instacart Life Lessons

COVID-19 losses, restrictions, and closures [continue to impact our lives](#) in countless ways.

Southwestern Adventist University's Class of 2024 Thrives During First Semester, Despite Pandemic

When Southwestern Adventist University's class of 2024 arrived on campus in August 2020, [they stepped into a university experience unlike previous classes.](#)

ADVENT HEALTH

How mRNA Speeds Up Vaccine Development

Many people around the world are anxiously awaiting a COVID-19 vaccine. [A handful of pharmaceutical companies are well into the development process](#) and others have begun distribution — a process that ordinarily could take years, achieved in a matter of months.

EVENTS AND RESOURCES



The Lake Union Conference invites you to participate in a **prayer summit**, to be held **virtually via Zoom on Friday, January 22 at 7:30 p.m. EST (6:30 p.m. CST).**

Guest speakers include Lake Region Prayer coordinator, Leon Bryant and Indiana Conference Hispanic Coordinator, Noel Ojeda. [Register on the Our United Cry website.](#)



Join the Indiana Conference virtual prayer summit January 9, 2021, from 3-5 p.m EST.

Members from across the state will unite together to pray for the healing of our nation, the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, and the mission work in Indiana for the new year. [Register here.](#)



If you missed our 6-part #WednesdayWorkshop series or are in need of resources, you can take a look back through our [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#) archive.

Topics included: Brand guidelines, crisis communication, newsletters, websites, photography and video, and livestreaming.



Project Safe Church exists to train leaders to take protective action in response to the systemic crisis of abuse in the Seventh-day Adventist church.

Check with the [Project Safe Church website](#) or your local conference office for more information about this program and getting involved.

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The J.N. Andrews statue on the campus of Andrews University coated in ice and snow during the pre-dawn hours. Credit: Donnie Keele

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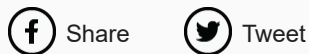
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