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February 27, 2020



Lake Union HERALD THIS WEEK

🌟 **Good evening.** In today's issue: News from Indiana, Lake Region, Chicago and Lake Union.

NEWS AROUND THE UNION

Statewide rally begins Ignite Indiana campaign; 560 Bible studies ongoing



Three hundred people attended a special [kickoff rally held Saturday](#), February 22 at the Glendale Seventh-day Adventist Church, featuring John Bradshaw, world evangelist and speaker/director for the [It Is Written](#) (IIW) television program.

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with Pastor Robert Costa, world evangelist and speaker/director with [ESCRITO](#) [Está](#) television program. [READ MORE](#)

Lake Region announces new Youth appointments



Kevyn Rodríguez (pictured above), a 24-year-old native of Puerto Rico, was [hired to serve as assistant Youth director](#), effective February 16.

Meanwhile, Sandrew King, current Federation president and Christian Fellowship League Eastern Division commissioner in the Motor City, was appointed Youth executive coordinator. [READ MORE](#)

Chicago pastors present at Division evangelism conference



A group of pastors, division, union, conference and church leaders met in

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[Two of the featured presenters at eHuddle](#), a North American Division Evangelism and Leadership Conference, were from the Chicago area: Shiloh Church Pastor William Lee and Bolingbrook Church Pastor David Ocegquera.

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Lake Union provides training to stem critical shortage of senior leadership in education



Superintendents, full-time principals, Andrews University Education faculty and lead teachers from each conference gathered at the Lake Union Feb. 18-19 for professional development workshops.

The group, representing younger educators without experience or an extensive knowledge base, were [provided training geared toward further equipping](#) them for when senior level positions open up. [READ MORE](#)

2020 EVANGELISM SCHEDULE

MARCH 6 & 7: Lake Union Prayer Conference, Embassy Suites, Plainfield, Indiana

MARCH 21: Impact Indiana Evangelism Rally, Impact Indiana Constituent churches

APRIL 3: Lake Union ASI, Eric Flickinger, *It Is Written*, Indiana Academy, 7 p.m.

APRIL 4: Sabbath Celebration, Eric Flickinger, *It Is Written*, Indiana Academy, 9:30 a.m.

APRIL 8-10: Your Best Pathway to Health Expo, Lucas Oil Stadium

APRIL 11: Sabbath Services at Lucas Oil Stadium – Speaker, Mark Finley

APRIL 10 - MAY 9: North American Division Evangelism Institute (NADEI) Evangelism Meetings and Field Schools, North and South Zone Ignition churches

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APRIL 17- MAY 16: Evangelistic Meetings – John Bradshaw and *I/W* Speakers, Central Zone Ignition churches

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APRIL 18-25: Hispanic Evangelistic Meetings, Robert Costa, *I/W*, Central Zone Hispanic churches

MAY 30 - JUNE 13: *Breath of Life* Evangelistic Meetings, Carlton Byrd

JUNE 7-20: General Conference Field School of Evangelism, Mark Finley

JUNE 12-20: General Conference Evangelistic Series, Ted Wilson

JUNE 13-20: Caravan of Evangelism Hispanic Ignition Churches, Alejandro Bullón

JUNE 24-26: Urban Mission Network Gathering – Vision Loft and Indy Arts Gathering, Indianapolis

JUNE 25 - JULY 4: 61st General Conference Session, Indianapolis

JUNE 26 - JULY 24: IMPACT Indianapolis, GC Youth Initiative

ADDITIONAL NEWS & INFORMATION

GENERAL CONFERENCE

Statement on the position of the Inter-European Division on the involvement of an Italian Seventh-day Adventist Pastor in the signing of the Ecumenical Charter of the Council of the Christian Churches of Bologna.

On Saturday, 25 January the pastor of a local church congregation in Italy signed a joint declaration with other faith groups which, while focused on respectful dialogue among and between different religious denominations, contained some statements which run counter to Seventh-day Adventist principles regarding inter-church relations. [READ MORE](#)

Adventist visit with Angolan leader takes national spotlight

Seventh-day Adventist Church leader Ted N.C. Wilson sought to meet Angola's president to thank him for intervening in a horrific case in which six Adventists were falsely accused of kidnapping and extortion.

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NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION NEWS

Although Adventist Pharmacy Worker's Declined by Supreme Court, Case Moves Cause of Religious Liberty in the Workplace Forward.

On Monday, February 24, 2020, a nearly nine-year journey came to an end when the U.S. Supreme Court declined to hear *Patterson v. Walgreens*. This case came out of Walgreens' decision to terminate Darrell Patterson because he failed to work on a single Sabbath in 2011. While it is disappointing that the court did not take Patterson, the fact is his case moved the cause of religious liberty in the workplace forward immeasurably. [READ MORE](#)

Hope for Humanity's Literacy Program Partnerships to Broaden Across World Church Divisions

At the 2019 General Conference Spring Meeting, two world divisions of the Seventh-day Adventist Church officially entered into a partnership with the North American Division's Hope for Humanity's (HFH) literacy program, Partners in Mission. From these partnerships, training is now occurring in India, with the new Hope 4 Kolkata program. And in the Philippines, HFH's Partners in

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ADVENTIST REVIEW

Why are so many leaving the church?

Adventist Church researcher Monte Sahlin said survey findings show that the cause of members leaving the Adventist Church has less to do with doctrinal disagreements "than with problems people experience in their personal lives."² Church historian David Trim also said the "creeping secularization" of our world is a factor.³

This begs the question: If knowing our doctrines does not sustain members during personal crises or fortify them against secularism, is there something missing from our teaching? [READ MORE](#)

EVENTS AND RESOURCES



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By answering [these questions](#), you're helping us gain a clearer understanding of what you expect to see in these pages, which will help us produce a magazine that is a true reflection of interests and concerns to our Lake Union members.

Submit your answers by March 31 for a chance to win a \$50 Amazon gift card. Watch for survey results in the June/July issue of the *Herald*.



RUN FOR KOSRAE, A 5K RUN & WALK

A fundraiser to build a gym for students on the Pacific Island of Kosrae.

Sunday, March 29 @ 9 a.m.
Starting location at the Wellness Center on the campus of Andrews University

www.kosraelakeunion.org



Toolbox for Club Ministry is a leadership development conference held at Andrews University, which is focused on training Adventurer and Pathfinder staff.

February 28-29, 2020 | winter conference

March 13-14, 2020 | spring intensive

Click [here](#) for more information, or contact clubmin@cye.org.

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March 6-7, 2020

Speakers include:

- **Jerry and Janet Page**, General Conference Ministerial Department
- **Melody Mason**, author of the bestseller "Dare to Ask for More"
- **Mark Finley**, renowned evangelist and assistant to the GC President
- **James Black**, NAD Prayer Ministries director

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EASTER PASSION PLAY

Reservations are now open for April 11, 2020, at Andrews University!

Rotations fill fast, so get your tickets while you can at <https://passionplay.andrews.edu/>.



Historic Village Tours

Planning to visit the Battle Creek Adventist Historic Village around the time of the General Conference Session? Beware you'll need to [register](#).

Meals available from on-site mobile kitchen.

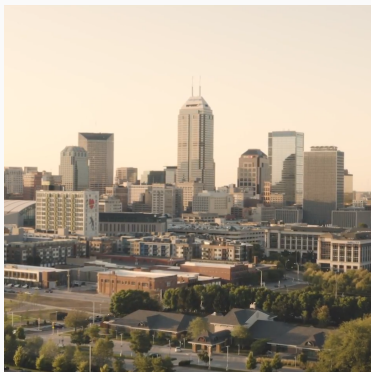
Hours from June 21st – July 12th
Sunday – Friday: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Sabbath: 1 p.m. – 7 p.m.

IMPACT is a youth and young adult event that takes place during General Conference Session. It is designed to help Adventist Young people...

- Get connected with their global church and its functionality
- Build relationships with other youth from around the world



Register [here](#).



ONE YEAR IN MISSION PLUS is an initiative in the Lake Union and an expansion of the [C.A.M.P.U.S.](#) Missionary Training Program.

If you know of committed Seventh-day Adventist young people with a desire to take the 2020-2021 year off from school to make a difference in the lives others, please contact: www.campushope.com/oyim



Conscience & Justice Council Conference

Los Angeles | September 24- 27
 Featured speakers include:
Michael Pfleger, The Faith Community of Saint Sabina
Carlton Byrd, Breath of Life
Barbara Williams-Skinner, Skinner Leadership Institute
Larry Johnson, Brotherhood Against Drugs
Andrea Trusty-King, 16th Street Church
Robert Ericksen, author, *Theologians Under Hitler*
 More info at cjcouncil.org



Adventist Medical Professionals Clinician Well-being Conference and Family Retreat

"Restoring Faith in Medicine"
 October 2 and 3
 The Hyatt Lodge - Oak Brook, Illinois
 Registration coming soon!
www.amp.lakeunion.org
 For additional information, email: heather.hoffman2@amitahealth.org

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

The 31st annual convention of the Society of Adventist Communicators takes place October 15-17, 2020, at the Hilton Chicago Oak Brook Hills Resort & Conference Center in Oak Brook, Illinois.

www.adventistcommunicators.org

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Featured Video





Lake Union Vice President [Carmelo Mercado](#) is on Let's Pray, talking about the Lake Union Prayer Conference. Join [Let's Pray LIVE](#) co-host [Season Cromwell](#) at the Prayer Conference in the Indianapolis area on March 6 -7. Registration ends tomorrow, 2/28. NO onsite registration available.

Join us as we seek the Holy Spirit ahead of the General Conference Session 2020. #ourunitedcry

Learn more [➔](#) [Ourunitedcry.org](#)

Register [➔](#) adventsource.org/events/lets-pray-a-united-cry-for-the-holy-spirit-2020-584.

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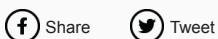
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