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AROUND THE UNION



Two ministries partner to boost aid to Cuba

The pandemic forced Cuba to close airports and lock down borders to combat the spread of the virus, which caused tourist travel to plummet--an important source of hard currency--plunging the nation into one of the worst food shortages in nearly 25 years.

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Leading coronavirus vaccine researcher to speak at Andrews

On Thursday, Jan. 28, 2021, at 4:30 p.m. (EST), the Andrews University Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry will host an online presentation by Kizzmekia Shanta Corbett, PhD, senior research fellow and team lead for coronavirus research within the Viral Pathogenesis Laboratory (VPL) at the Vaccine Research Center, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID). Corbett will address the safety and effectiveness of the coronavirus vaccines.

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Ken Bacon named president and CEO for AdventHealth's Multi-State Division

Ken Bacon has been named president and CEO for AdventHealth's Multi-State Division, effective March 1. In his new role, Bacon will oversee the strategic direction, development and expansion of the entire division, which spans five regions comprised of 20 campuses across eight states, including the four Adventist hospitals in the Chicagoland area.

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Lake Region member receives award for commitment to justice

Claudia Allen was awarded the inaugural Drum Major for Justice Award from Washington Adventist University for her commitment to engaging social justice work through writing, speaking, and organizing for structural change, particularly within the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

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ADDITIONAL NEWS & INFORMATION

GENERAL CONFERENCE

10 Days of Prayer Event Impacts Thousands

Over 82,000 participants registered to receive the daily prayer focus emails in January.

ADRA Italy Implements Project To Combat Disability Prejudice

The experiment was carried out among groups of students (450 in all), aged between 11 and 15 years old attending secondary schools in the Municipality of Florence.

NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION

Walla Walla University Nursing Students and Faculty Receive COVID-19 Vaccine

Students and faculty in the Walla Walla University School of Nursing received the first of two Pfizer COVID-19 vaccines on Wednesday,

Jan. 13 2021.

"Three Angels for Kids" Curriculum Now Available

Educator Sandy Doran has authored a <u>two- to four-week curriculum</u> for Adventist schools

New Resources Released by NAD Family Ministries

Drs. Claudio and Pamela Consuegra, NAD Family Ministries directors, took full advantage of the COVID-19 pandemic quarantine from home, not only by having hundreds of virtual speaking appointments via Zoom, but also by <u>researching and authoring six new resources</u>.

EVENTS AND RESOURCES



Religious Liberty Sabbath:: January 23 -- Your Religious Liberty Offering will sponsor Liberty magazine subscriptions to high-level government officials, federal, state, and provincial judges, and prominent social and religious leaders throughout North America. Your generous gift will also be used to support the North American Division litigation fund resources needed to defend and preserve your religious liberty in court when necessary. And a portion of your offering is returned to your local union to aid in religious liberty promotion and education.



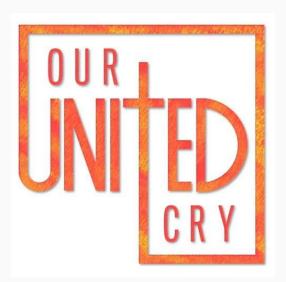
In honor of those who dedicated their lives to full-time gospel or educational ministry in the Seventh-day Adventist Church, the church has released the Seventh-day Adventist Clergy and Educator Memorial Medallions.

For more information, please contact Vicki Thompson at Vicki.Thompson@lakeunion.org or call 269-473-8221.



Cruise With A Mission :: Center for Youth Evangelism is planning a December cruise!

Experience beautiful new places with amazing people, fun activities and a unique way to serve! The Mexico Riviera Cruise will depart San Diego, Cali., on December 12-19, 2021 with stops in Cabo San Lucas, Mazatlan, and Puerto Vallarta, Mexico before returning back to San Diego. Learn more.



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. ST).

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



If you missed our 6-part
ednesday orkshop
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 hurch exists to train leaders to take protective action in response to the systemic crisis of abuse in the Seventh-day dventist church.

Check with the <u>Project Safe</u> Church website or your local conference office for more information about this program and getting involved.

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