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AROUND THE UNION



Former Wisconsin President Mike Edge Passes to His Rest

Former Wisconsin Conference President Mike Edge passed away after a short battle with cancer. He served the Lord for 20 years in the Wisconsin Conference: First as youth director from 2000-2010 and then as president from 2010-2020.

In a Wisconsin Conference Facebook [post](#), he was described as a "faithful follower of God and trusted in His timing and His plan." The post continued, "Throughout his illness, he and his family have been at peace knowing that they were in God's care and are looking forward to the resurrection day when there will be no more pain and no more tears."

A memorial service will be held on Sabbath, June 3, 2023, at 4 p.m. at the Calhoun Seventh-day Adventist Church, 1411 Rome Rd. SW, Calhoun, GA 30701.

Please join us in praying for his family during this difficult time.



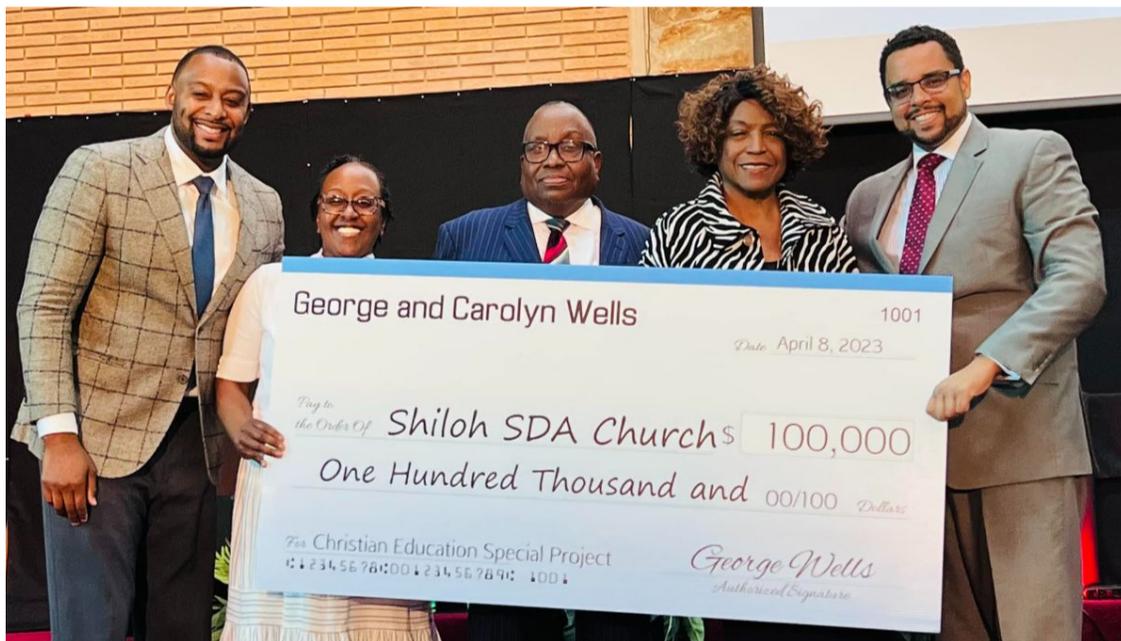
Despite Bad Weather, Wisconsin Evangelism Seminar Shines Through the Storms

The Frederic Seventh-day Adventist Church in Wisconsin held a six-week Revelation Seminar titled "Keys to Revelation," with speaker and pastor Scott Manly.

"Opening night, we were challenged with a storm forecasted to bring 4-8 inches of snow," says Manly. "By the time of the meeting there was only an inch of very wet slush. Yet, even with the threat of this snow storm, which started earlier in the day, we were delighted to see some 28 visitors show up at the church!"

A couple weeks later, the topic was the Law of God. The weather forecast again threatened to keep people from attending.

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Chicago School Receives Generous Donation

The Shiloh Seventh-day Adventist Church School located in the heart of Chicago's Southside was the recipient of a \$100,000 donation from George and Carolyn Wells. According to a Shiloh Church Facebook [post](#), "Wells was born in the cotton fields of Mississippi and as God has blessed his businesses in Chicago he has blessed many others. His philanthropy is rooted in making a difference in the world around him. George Wells believes that because God has blessed him he desires to give back. He gives God all the Glory! Join us in asking God to continue to bless the Wells family and those that they will touch with their generosity."



Set Free

Francis Zabala's journey with God felt like a constant struggle. The 21-year-old would routinely listen to gospel music and read the Bible but before long he'd fall back into old habits. "A few steps forward, and then a few steps back," he notes wryly.

Things finally came to a head Halloween 2021. This was the first time he stepped foot in the Elmhurst Church in Illinois. A family he knew had invited him to a fall festival there later that evening. He told them yes, he'd go, but in the back of his mind he was thinking of a party he would attend.

At home that evening, his father invited him to the same fall festival and Francis feigned having a stomach ache. His parents suggested Francis stay home and get some rest.

"As they were backing out of the driveway something told me, 'Don't go to the party, don't go to the party!'" Francis quickly jumped out of bed, ran out of the house, down the driveway and informed his parents that he had changed his mind and would go with them.

The next morning Francis awoke to the news that there was a shooting at the party he was planning to attend.

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OTHER NEWS

[2024 Pathfinder Camporee granted exclusive use of Energy Capital Sports Complex](#)

Scheduled for Gillette in August 2024, the camporee is a major six-day religious festival put on by the Seventh-day Adventist Church. It is projected to bring 55,000 people to the community and will be closed to the public.

During its meeting on May 16, the council voted to approve a measure granting the camporee exclusive use of the ESCS and its facilities between 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. from Aug. 6 to Aug. 9, 2024. [[County 17](#)]

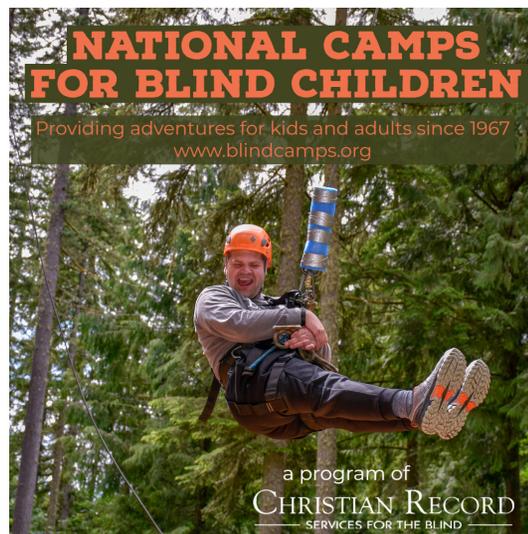
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Attention Adventist communicators, technologists, and media professionals: The worldwide GAIN community is hosting a continental "GAIN Americas" conference June 7-11, 2023. The \$99 registration includes all conference meetings, panels, and snacks. Meals for the event can be pre-purchased for \$119. A variety of optional programming is available for an additional fee, including a trip to the unforgettable Sight and Sound Theatre's production of Moses. [Learn more here.](#)



National Camps for Blind Children, a ministry of Christian Record Services is proud to partner with Timber Ridge Camp in Spencer, Indiana this summer. On **June 18-25**, the camp will provide confidence-building opportunities for individuals ages 7-65 who are blind and visually impaired as they participate in a variety of summer camp experiences. For more information about our summer camp programs visit www.blindcamps.org.



You are invited to join the NAD Myanmar Youth Convention on July 5-9, 2023.

Where: Andrews University campus at 8975 Old 31, Berrien Springs, MI 49103.

Age 12-17 is \$125. Adults are \$150. **Register at nadmam.org.**



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Where: Virtual
When: July 20-22, 2023
Registration: ACFRP.org

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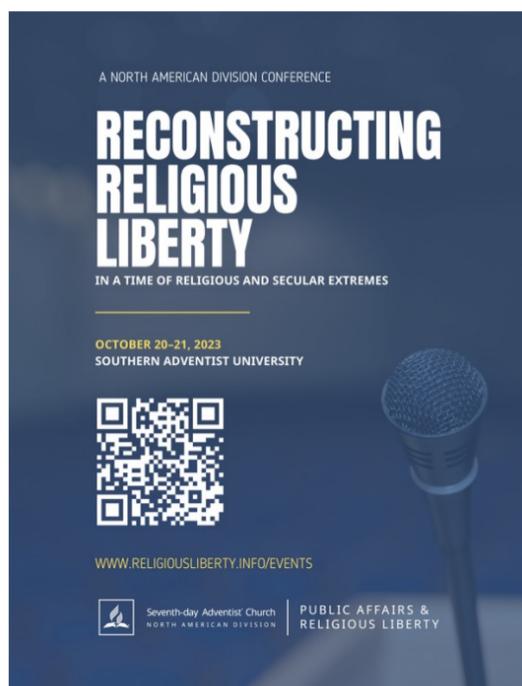
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When: October 20-21, 2023
Where: Collegedale Seventh-day Adventist Church

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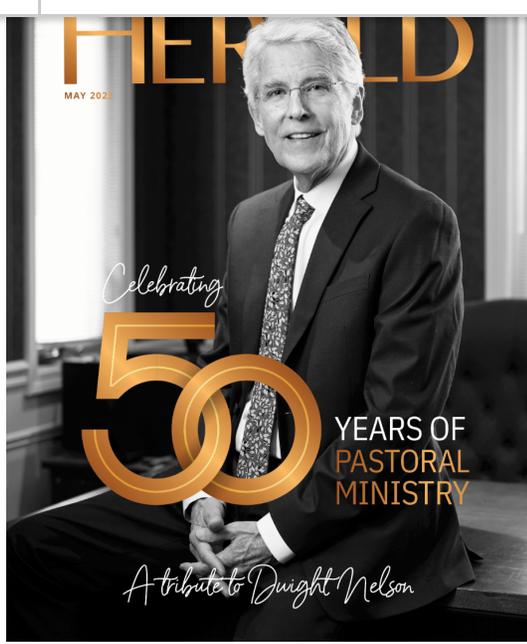
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Project Safe Church exists to train leaders to take action in response to the systemic crisis of abuse in the Seventh-day Adventist church. The Project involves training pastors and church leaders to create a visible reporting mechanism, as well as the ability to connect victims with trained practitioners.

Visit the [Project Safe Church website](#) for more information.



May 2023

This month's issue highlights Dwight Nelson's 50 years in ministry, plus summer camps and camp meetings.

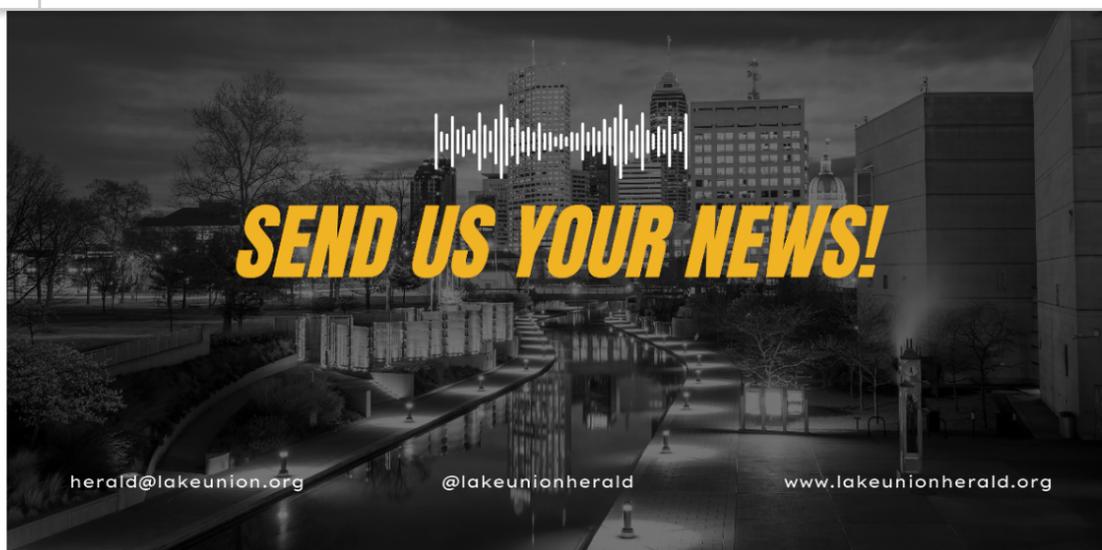
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Photo of the Week



Angela Pulley lead a cooking class at Camp Au Sable that centers on making a difference in the local community of Grayling, Michigan. Approximately 20 visitors from the local area were in attendance at a recent gathering. The first cooking class began in November with six visitors, and they are witnessing steady growth with the four events held thus far. One of the community members (pictured top right) assisted in the demonstration.

"I've not seen anything like this before," Angela says about the interest in the community regarding what they're doing at Camp Au Sable.



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