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Lake Union HERALD

THIS WEEK

NEWS AROUND THE UNION



Eight baptized, including former witch doctor

On Sabbath September 12, about 50 people gathered at Camp Wakonda to [celebrate the baptism of eight new members into the Milwaukee/Madison Hmong congregation.](#)

Among the group baptized by Wisconsin Lay Pastor Chanchai Kiatyanyong and Wisconsin Conference President Mike Edge was a former witch doctor, Pa Chia.



Andrews Alums share recollections of surviving Beirut blast

Middle East University (MEU) in Beirut is home to numerous Andrews alumni and former professors. They tell us what it was like to witness last month an explosion that struck with the strength of a 3.5-magnitude earthquake.

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A Heart for Service

Andrews University Hosts Change Weekend

In its fourth annual campus-wide service opportunity, [Andrews University hosted Change Weekend](#) from Friday, Sept. 4, through Sunday, Sept. 6, 2020. Previously holding Change Day, the University took the chance to adapt to COVID-19 pandemic circumstances while still upholding its commitment to service. Over the course of the event, more than 250 students took part in the service projects offered by various organizations on- and off-campus.

ADDITIONAL NEWS & INFORMATION

GENERAL CONFERENCE

Adventist Church leaders vote One Humanity: A Human Relations Statement Addressing Racism, Casteism, Tribalism, and Ethnocentrism

The statement comes after recent events led the Public Affairs and Religious Liberty (PARL) World Affairs Committee to vote on July 1, 2020, to [explore the need to produce a new church statement on global issues involving racism.](#)

Pathfinders celebrate World Day in the drive-in model

It was at Vitória International Airport, in Espírito Santo, that [more than 350 drivers parked their vehicles to participate in the celebration of World Pathfinder Day](#) and the 70th anniversary of the Global Pathfinder movement.

Media Synergy in Evangelism Yields Thousands of Souls in the Democratic Republic of Congo

[Over 3,000 people were baptized](#) into the Seventh Day Adventist Church in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) after a robust media evangelism campaign.

Habits brought on by COVID-19 pandemic may increase men's risk for prostate cancer

One in nine men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer in the United States this year, according to the American Cancer Society. Yet men

NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION

Two Roads: The Quest Toward Healing and Transformation

A [testimony on seeking peace](#) in the midst of a hostile custody battle.

Transforming Hearts with the Arts

[Second Adventist Center of Influence](#) opens in Chicago area.

The 2020 Enditnow Virtual Summit on Abuse Aims to Equip Leaders with Tools to Help Spot and End Domestic Violence

Experts say [cases of abuse have increased](#) during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Adventist Health Appoints New Leaders to Advance Transformative Vision Through Culture, Mission, and Consumer Health

As Adventist Health continues to advance its 2030 vision to bring health and well-being into reach for everyone, the faith-inspired [health system has appointed three experienced executives to its system cabinet](#) to focus on culture, mission, and consumer health, Adventist Health CEO Scott Reiner announced this month.

Former Health Ministries and AHM Leader Tom Neslund Passes to His Rest

After an extended period of failing health, [Tom Neslund, a retired Seventh-day Adventist health leader and Adventist Heritage Ministries \(AHM\) enthusiast](#), passed to his rest in Newport Beach, California, United States, on September 8, 2020. He was 85.

On the Run From Fire, New Residents of a Clackamas County Evacuation Site Fear They'll Have to Flee Again

Tami Davidson slept in an Albertson's parking lot on Tuesday night as she and her two sons escaped the Riverside Fire in Estacada. Two days later, [she found shelter in Gladstone at the Oregon Conference Headquarters of Seventh-day Adventists, an official Clackamas County evacuation site.](#)

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EVERYONE COUNTS EVERYONE MATTERS




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- Discipleship and Racism: Can They Coexist? -
- Intersections of Mental Health and Social Justice -
- Update on Liberty Around the World -
- We Got the Mic: Social Justice Through the Lens of Millennials & Generation Z -
- Faith and Community: Inclusive or Divisive in Loving Thy Neighbor? -
- Follow up Discussion From Rallying for Disciples: Black Lives Matter Too -

COMPLIMENTARY REGISTRATION AVAILABLE TODAY AT CJCOUNCIL.ORG

Come be a part of the conversation at the **2020 Virtual Conscience & Justice Annual Convention on September 25-26**. The topic of this year, "Everyone Counts. Everyone Matters." will touch on topics of discipleship and racism, mental health and social justice, liberty around the world, faith and community, and a follow up discussion from Rallying for Disciples: Black Lives Matter too.

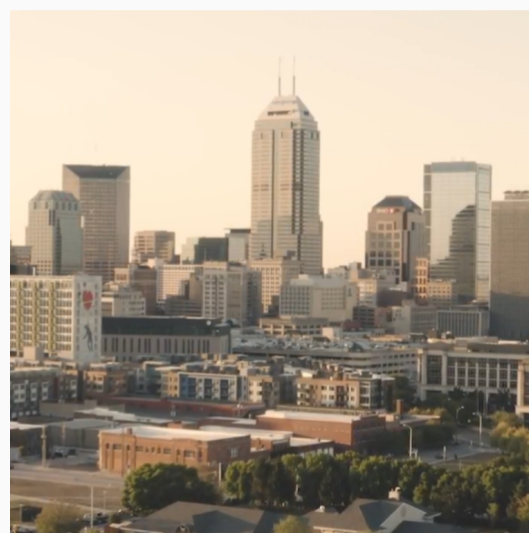
[Complimentary registration is available today!](#)

PROJECT SAFE CHURCH

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. These helpers will support victims and assist them in telling their stories to appropriate civil and/or church leaders. Check with the [Project Safe Church website](#) or your local conference office for more information about this program and getting involved.



Adventist Young Professionals aims to connect, engage, and equip Adventists transitioning from college into their careers. Founder Tim Kowasaka was inspired by the statistics of how many young adults are straying from not only Adventism, but Christianity in general. He [shared](#) about growing networks and friendships with like-minded people during the [ASI](#) Young Professionals Virtual Conference.



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



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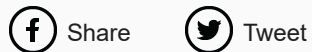
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