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THIS WEEK

AROUND THE UNION



Lessons in Perseverance

The spark was God. That's how NASA scientist R. Aileen Yingst describes her involvement with numerous space missions, including the latest Perseverance Mars Rover landing.

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Illinois interim Education Superintendent appointed to permanent position

On Feb. 24, the Illinois Conference executive committee voted to remove the interim tag from Lori Aguilera's title and name her the permanent Education superintendent.

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Wisconsin Youth Director steps away from full-time ministry

Eric Chavez, who has served as Wisconsin's Youth director since July 2016, announced his decision to return to Texas. He will continue to serve until March 31.

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ASI Lake Union to host first virtual spring fellowship

ASI Lake Union leaders recorded a promotional program about the upcoming virtual spring fellowship which is themed "Faith, Not Fear." The 3ABN program is scheduled to air on Sabbath, March 6.

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IN THE NEWS

Berrien Springs native part of NASA's Mars rover project

Dr. R. Aileen Yingst grew up with Lake Michigan in her backyard, and uses that knowledge to analyze the geography on the red planet. Beginning in March, Dr. Yingst will be temporarily living on Mars time-- a day that lasts 24 hours and 37 minutes.

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Seventh-day Adventist first of several mobile food pantries

ESCANABA, Mich. (WLUC) - The Seventh-day Adventist Church of Escanaba's food pantry held the first of several mobile food drives for the year. The church will host 12 more throughout the year in Delta, Menominee and Marquette counties.

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ADDITIONAL NEWS & INFORMATION

GENERAL CONFERENCE

AdventHealth University Launches New Master's Degree in Spiritual Care

AdventHealth University (AHU) has added [a new Master of Science in Spiritual Care \(MSSC\) degree](#) to its online department in collaboration with AdventHealth, a national, faith-based health system.

Online Impact and Inspiration Through God's Grace

Young adult Brittany Winkfield is a [magazine publisher, communication pro, wife, and mother.](#)

More than 400 young leaders formed and empowered at Converge

This year's event was [not only special for being the biggest yet](#), but also for happening after a long season of isolation and gathering restrictions due to COVID-19.

NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION

Hospital Leadership Shines During Historic Storm

Faced with historic winter weather, [Texas Health Hospital Mansfield staff step up to care for each other.](#)

North American Division Executive Committee Votes Strategic Focus, Date for Elections

[The Seventh-day Adventist Church in North America moves ahead with "Together in Mission" focus](#), sets date for quinquennial elections, and refers "A Call to Live in Harmony with God and Others" document back to committee.

Oakwood University Church Hosts Water Bottle Donation Drive for Texas, Delivers Truckful of Supplies

In response to the recent Texas winter weather disaster, the [Oakwood University Church \(OUC\) and Breath of Live \(BOL\) Television Ministry conducted a "water drive,"](#) collecting more than 30,000 bottles of water as well as other essential items

Adventist Karen People in North America Gather Online to Pray During Political Turmoil in Myanmar

From February 7-13, 2021, Jimmy Shwe, a pastor and coordinator of the Karen Seventh-day Adventist Church outreach under the Adventist Refugee and Immigrant Ministries in North America, [guided](#)

the division's more than 50 Karen congregations in a bilingual week of "United Prayer."

EVENTS AND RESOURCES



Mark your calendars for March 19-20. His Invitation: Reconciliation, Unity and Latter Rain Power is designed to foster Bible study and dialogue on the issue of ethnicity and race. Presenters Drs. Gregory and Carol Allen will lead a panel discussion composed of Michigan and Lake Region pastors from the Detroit area. **Visit www.HisInvitation.org to register today.**



From **February 13 - April 3**, Lake Union Conference will be presenting **free Master Guide webinars each Sabbath at 2:30pm and 3:45pm.** Master Guide Toolbox is a leadership conference for Adventurer and Pathfinder staff. Come be inspired, connect with like-minded people, and learn how to be more effective in your ministry. Register today at CYE.org/toolbox



This year **Safety Sabbath will be March 27, 2021**, and will focus on helping churches protect against cybercrime, avoid liabilities from streaming services online, adapt child protection policies to an online environment. Sign up today to receive tips on how to prepare for Safety Sabbath and a valuable resource kit to help you protect your congregation. **Register today to learn more.**

The logo features the word "Faith" in a blue, cursive font with a yellow flame above the letter 'i'. Below it, the word "NOT" is in a small, black, sans-serif font, and "Fear" is in a large, bold, black, sans-serif font.

Don't miss this two-day virtual (and free!) **ASI Spring Fellowship on Friday, April 16 and Sabbath, April 17.** Experience power-packed presentations on total body health and wellness. For more information and details on registering, please visit: asilakeunion.org/



**Save the Date ::
June 4-5, 2021**

Conectate: Bridge the Gap

The Hispanic Youth Congress, a bi-annual evangelism event.

More details to come.

The logo consists of the words "PROJECT", "SAFE", and "CHURCH" stacked vertically in a bold, blue, sans-serif font. The letter "A" in "SAFE" is replaced by an orange shield with a white heart inside.

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. 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.



The Voice of Prophecy is excited to announce the launch of their **new flagship television and radio program, Authentic, a 30-minute television and radio program featuring Shawn Boonstra.** Those interested in learning more about Authentic and how they can bring the show to a station near them are urged to contact the ministry's production department at production@vop.com.

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Video of the Week



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