



June 3, 2021



# Lake Union HERALD

THIS WEEK

## AROUND THE UNION



## Congratulations to the Lake Union 2021 academy graduates

It's graduation season and families, educators and the Lake Union Conference family are celebrating the accomplishments of the 2021 student classes. Here's a list of academy graduations you can view:

- [Andrews Academy](#)
- [Indiana Academy](#)
- [Wisconsin Academy](#)
- [Battle Creek Academy](#)
- [Great Lakes Adventist Academy](#)
- Grand Rapids Academy
- [Hinsdale Adventist Academy](#)



## Adventist History Podcast nears

The Adventist History Podcast is a monthly podcast which tells a story of the Seventh-day Adventist Church from 1844 to 2015. This project, launched by Illinois Pastor Matthew Lucio, is akin to a spiritual genealogy, helping Adventists understand why their church is the way it is and to help raise the bar of religious literacy to those non-Adventists who tune in out of curiosity.

[Listen Here](#)



## The Gospel and Mental Health

According to the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI), about one in five adults in the U.S. — 43.8 million — experiences mental illness in any given year. Many of these individuals turn to their church or their personal faith in search of support and guidance in times of emotional distress. Despite the prevalence of mental health concerns, there is still a stigma attached to mental illness in many of our churches.

[Read More](#)



## Bridge the Gap with Conectate this Friday and Sabbath

The pandemic doesn't stop Conectate from taking place. Though different this time, we can still have this virtual Hispanic Youth Congress to connect with God and other youth throughout our Union. [Register today and join us this Friday and Sabbath, June 4-5.](#)

[Watch Video](#)



## Lake Union staff bids farewell to president

As Maurice Valentine prepares to make his transition to his new post at the North American Division, the Lake Union Conference staff reflected and shared their appreciation of his time as both executive secretary and president to the Lake Union area. A video showcasing some of the memories made was shown at the June 3 virtual farewell reception.

[Watch Video](#)

### IN THE NEWS

## Final Play basketball tournament to kick off summer in Benton Harbor

The Harbor of Hope Seventh-day Adventist Church will host a One Final Play basketball tournament and community event June 10-13 in front of the church at 769 Pipestone St. in Benton Harbor, Michigan.

*[Herald-Palladium subscription needed]*

[Read More](#)

### 2021 LAKE UNION CAMP MEETINGS

**We know you are excited to get back to your annual camp meeting traditions. Here's a quick glance at this year's upcoming Camp Meeting dates and details.**

#### [Illinois Conference](#)

- Family Camp Meeting, Camp Akita, July 28-31, 2021

#### [Indiana Conference](#)

- Indiana Academy, June 14-19, 2021
- Hispanic: Timber Ridge Camp, September 3-6, 2021

#### [Lake Region Conference](#)

- Camp Wagner, June 23-26, 2021 (Virtual)
- Hispanic: Camp Wagner, September 3-6, 2021

#### [Michigan Conference](#)



- Hispanic: May 28-30, 2021 (Virtual)

### [Wisconsin Conference](#)

- Camp Wakonda, June 18-26, 2021
  - Hispanic: Camp Wakonda, August 11-15, 2021
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## ADDITIONAL NEWS & INFORMATION

### GENERAL CONFERENCE

#### **Adventist Unveils We of the Never Never Statues**

Local Seventh-day Adventist representatives have attended the [unveiling of statues dedicated to a classic Australian novel with Adventist connections](#).

#### **As the World Celebrates No Tobacco Day, Church Addresses Wholistic Health**

The Health Ministries Department offers a [variety of resources to meet today's social, physical and psychological concerns](#).

#### **Filipino crowned as Heroes II Bible Gaming Trivia App World Champion**

The final day of the Heroes II Bible Trivia Game World Championship is over and [Ian Grey Antoni Segui, 14, has emerged as champion among 16 finalists from around the world](#).

#### **Family Camp Strengthens Marriage Relationships in Almaty, Russia**

During the May holidays, [Christian families of the communities of the city of Almaty, Russia, had the opportunity to gather](#) in a beautiful and picturesque place for fellowship, education, and recreation.

### NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION

#### **Adventist Church in Canada Issues Statement After 215 Unmarked Children's Graves Discovered**

The statement comes after the discovery of the [unmarked children's graves at the former Kamloops Residential School site](#).

#### **Extended, "Gamified" Sonscreen Film Festival on Gather.Town Connects Students with Growing Filmmaking Network**

Six sessions spread over six weeks yielded time for exposure to [career possibilities for attendees](#).

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## EVENTS AND RESOURCES

#### **Mission at Home Medical Clinic**

AMITA Health will be hosting a free clinic to the public on June 19, 2021, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Glendale Heights Sports Hub in Glendale Heights, Illinois. Families and children are welcome to receive free medical services, including: COVID-19 vaccinations, dental exams, diabetes and nutrition education, and much more.





**The Youth Evangelism Congress is an event unlike any other.**

Every two years, senior youth & young adults ages 16-35 in the Lake Union Conference gather to be empowered and receive resources for evangelism back in their local churches and communities. [Click here to learn more.](#)



After evaluation of current state health department policies regarding Covid-19, it was unanimously decided to postpone the 2021 Lake Union Camporee to 2022.

[Click here to read more.](#)



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

Conectate: Bridge the Gap

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**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, California, on December 12-19, 2021 with stops in Cabo San Lucas, Mazatlan, and Puerto Vallarta, Mexico before returning back to San Diego. [Learn more.](#)

**Attend Andrews University while in high school!**

Enrich your high school experience and get ahead with University Credit for High School Students. Enjoy small classes taught by Christian faculty in a diverse environment. Open to grades 10-12. Take one or two classes per semester and request dual credit at your school.



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## SAVE THE DATE!

**Your Best Pathway to Health Mega Clinic** is coming to Indianapolis, April 14-21, 2022.

[See website for more information.](#)

**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.

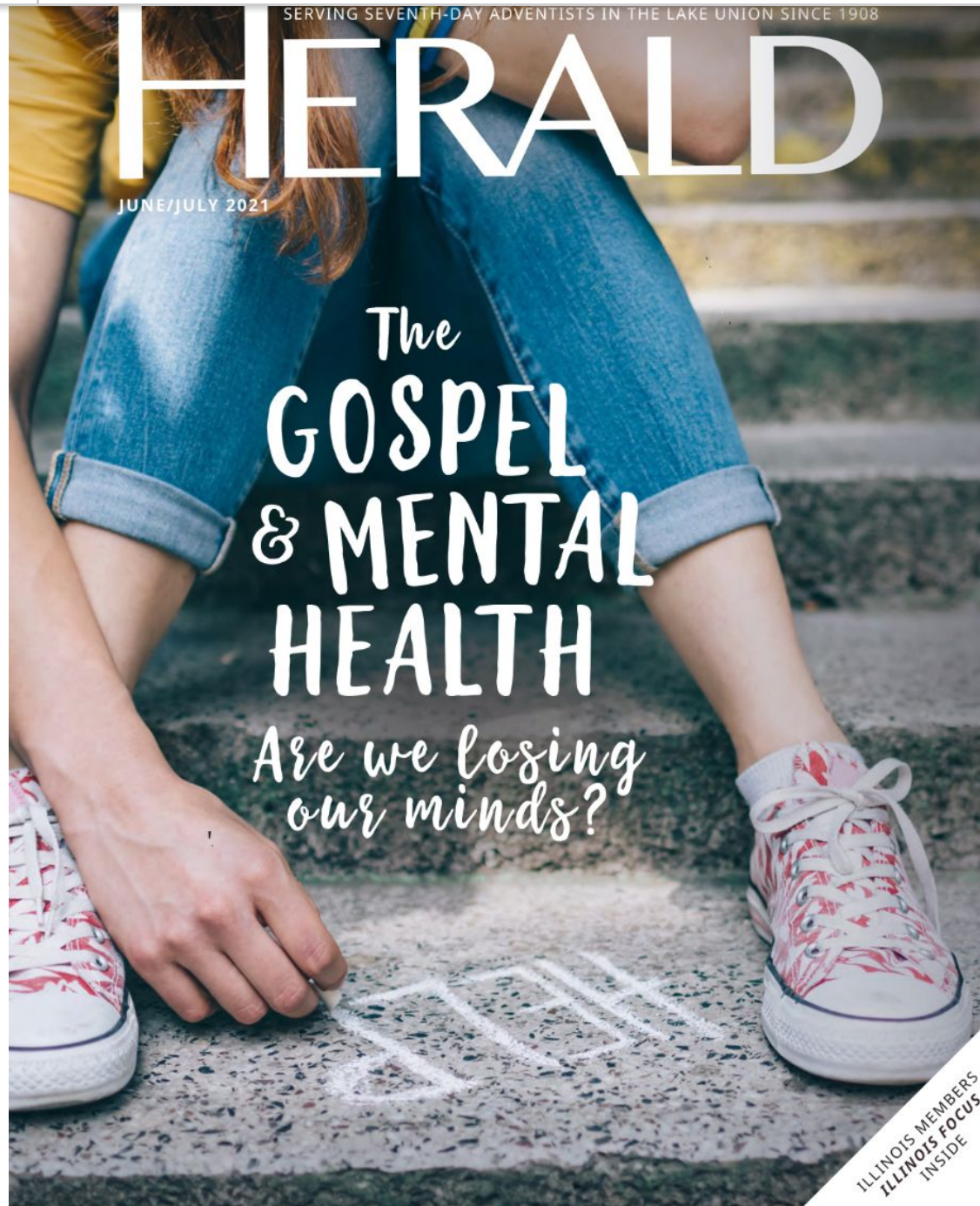
Visit the [Project Safe Church website](#) for more information.

**It Is Written is pleased to announce a brand-new children's evangelism resource: *Buried Treasure*.** The comprehensive 21-day program is specially designed to minister to children up to 12 years of age during an evangelistic series, Vacation Bible School, Sabbath school, or similar event. *Buried Treasure* is produced by My Place With Jesus, It Is Written's ministry for children. [Learn more.](#)

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## VIDEO OF THE WEEK





In celebration of Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Heritage Month, we aired "Caring for our Neighbors: Asian and Pacific Islanders Under Pressure," featuring panelists celebrating the influence and contributions of the AAPI community and examining some of their various challenges, including anti-Asian hate crimes.

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