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AROUND THE UNION



Helping our neighbors

Lake Union ACS directors call for prayer and support of those devastated by the recent tornados.

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2021: The Year in Herald stories

Near the end of 2020, the Lake Union president at the time, Maurice Valentine, and I sat down virtually to map out our *Herald* themes for the year. We scanned the horizon for a mix of relevant topics that covered a major issue and pointed our readers toward Jesus. I don't think any of us imagined that the new year would include a worsening pandemic and a reported 800,000 U.S. deaths to date.

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Lake Union Communication staff changes announced

The Lake Union Conference promotes Felicia Tonga to assistant director of Communication and brings Katie Fellows on full-time as assistant Communication specialist.

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Teacher mobilizes students to support Oxford community

When news of the Oxford school shooting reached my school in Canton, Michigan, it affected my students, myself, and my fellow teachers.

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ADDITIONAL NEWS & INFORMATION

GENERAL CONFERENCE

ADRA Ignites National Campaign in Indonesia to Protect Elderly During the Pandemic

The <u>new project</u>, <u>Elderly First</u>, is designed to help those of advanced years to get communities access to the vaccine in four provinces.

Five Lessons Learned During the COVID-19 Delta Surge

AdventHealth Central Florida Division physician leaders published findings related to <u>pandemic learnings that improved outcomes.</u>

Drinking Water Donation Will Be ADRA's First Measure of Disaster Relief in Southern Bahia

As a result of this first action, the <u>Adventist humanitarian agency will</u> <u>allocate R\$50,000 for the delivery of drinking water.</u>

NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION

Miracle on the Tundra

A desperate search, and an <u>answer to prayer, bring glory to God in</u> Alaska's tundra

In total, six new and revised classes cover a wide range of issues in various contexts, including African-American history; Black cinema; socioeconomic struggles and inequalities resulting from legal frameworks; and race, class, and gender in American history.

Adventist Community Services Across Multiple Conferences Get Ready to Assist in Six Tornado-Ravaged States in the U.S. While ACS disaster response teams have not yet been deployed, they have been active in preparation for response.

"We Can Still See the Hand of God Leading His People"

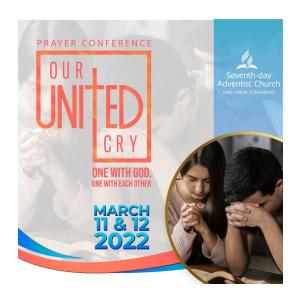
A holiday message from the NAD president and first lady as 2021 draws to a close.

ADVENTHEALTH

Heart-Healthy Ingredient Swaps for Your Holiday Recipes

They may taste good, but they're not so good for your heart. Show your loved ones' hearts some love this year by opting for hearthealthy ingredients in your recipes that are sure to get a lot of compliments.

EVENTS AND RESOURCES



Are you seeking revival in your prayer experience? The Lake Union Conference would like to invite you to our annual "Our United Cray: One with God, One with Each Other" this coming March 11-12, 2022 with speakers Mark Finley, G. Alexander Bryant, Deeann Bradgraw, Jerry Saraun, and Chanda Nunes. Register now \$65 before registration closes February 8, 2022.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Your Best Pathway to Health Mega Clinic is coming to Indianapolis, April 14-21, 2022 and they need your help! Volunteer positions for cardiologists, dentists, podiatrists, interpreters, patient assistants and registration, and more are all open. Volunteer today.









Ten Days of Prayer January 5-15. As you pray through the three angels' messages, may they shine with new relevance and lead you and your prayer group into a deeper experience with Jesus.

Join at https://tendaysofprayer.org/

Registration is open!

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. The Youth Evangelism Congress will be hosted in Shipshewana, Ind., on Feb. 18-20, 2022. Register today.

Save the Date: June 3-4, 2022

Next year marks the 150th anniversary of Battle Creek Academy! To celebrate this monumental achievement, BCA will combine Alumni Weekend with the celebration.

You are invited to join the Adventist Conference on Family Research and Practice for "Life in the Blender: Cultivating Resilience in Families" on July 21-23, 2022.

Keynote speakers include Ron L. Deal, Rhonda Spencer-Hwang (DrPH, MPH, CWP), and Dr. Elizabeth Viera Talbot, PH.D.

For more information or to register, visit <u>acfrp.org</u>.

Are you apart of a Pathfinder Club? The North American Division wants to know how they can best support and



they launched a survey they would like to invite you to participate in.

Start the Pathfinder Club Survey

Pathfinder Club Survey



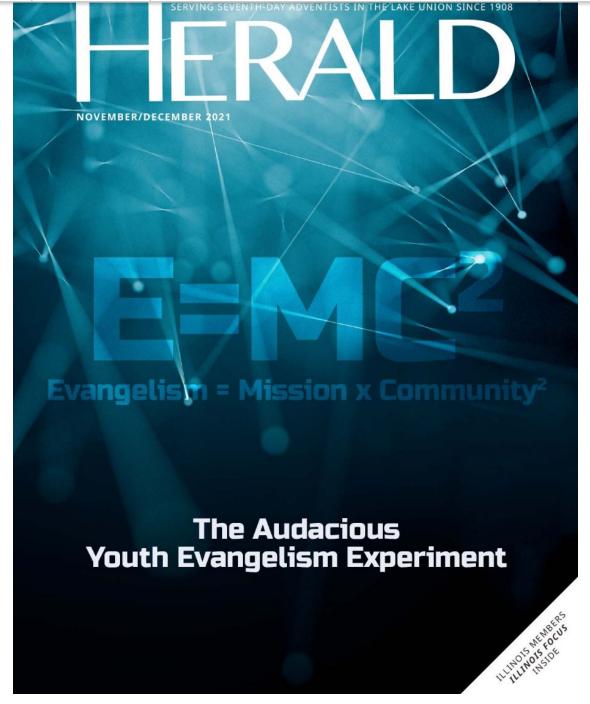
Project Safe Church exists to train leaders to take protective action in response to the systemic crisis of abuse in the Seventh-day Adventist church. The Project involves training pastors and church leaders to create a visible reporting mechanism, as well as the ability to connect victims with trained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

Visit the <u>Project Safe Church</u> website for more information.



If you know of a student about to attend or is already on a public university campus in the Lake Union, you should reach out to the conference representative for help in providing an anchor in the young person's faith journey.

Visit our <u>website</u> for a list of conference representatives.



As the pandemic continues to cause production and delivery delays, we continue to work diligently to bring you news and stories from across the Lake Union. If you haven't received this month's Herald, you can access all of our digital content on our website.

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Photos of the Week







Andrews Academy held their 48th annual Feast of Lights this past weekend. It was a spectacular night of music, scriptures and drama honoring the King of Kings, a retelling of the glorious Christmas story.

"A big thank you to all the students who worked diligently in making this such a beautiful program," wrote Andrews Academy on their Facebook page. "And a big thank you to the music directors Elsy M. Gallardo-Diaz & Marcelo Martins."

For the video of this program please go to Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/andrewsacademyaa/videos/335013764717594

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