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AROUND THE UNION



John Wesley Taylor V Elected as President of Andrews University

On March 7, 2023, the executive session of the Andrews University Board of Trustees elected John Wesley Taylor V to serve as the seventh president of Andrews University (and 25th president overall since Andrews University first began as Battle Creek College).

Taylor will serve as the next Andrews University president and will continue to fulfill the Legacy of Leadership that is a hallmark of the University and is the inscription on the J.N. Andrews sculpture in front of Pioneer Memorial Church on the Berrien Springs campus.

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Reports of Continued Growth at the Spring 2023 Lake Union Executive Committee

Among the reports were growth in tithe and baptisms, meeting the teacher shortage crisis head-on, and encouraging members to "get back to the basics" of Bible study.

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33 Pathfinder PBE Teams Advance to Union Finals

The Lake Union Pathfinder Bible Experience teams will test their knowledge on the book of John and its corresponding Bible Commentary, on Sabbath, March 18, 2023 at the Berrien Springs Village Church.

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Paying It Forward After 43 Years

It was more than four decades ago when a powerful tornado ripped through the small town of Kalamazoo, Michigan. Rated F3 on the Fujita scale, the tornado killed five people, injured 79, and had an estimated damage of about \$50,000,000.

"I was 33 years old when the storm hit Kalamazoo. It was a scary time. The tornado went straight through downtown. I had family members who had to seek immediate shelter because it was unexpected," said Marjie Shade, current secretary of the Kalamazoo Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Among the buildings damaged was a Mormon ward that lost its place of worship. The members of that ward sought refuge from neighboring churches that could withstand the brutal storm, but faced resistance from one after another. Finally, after a last desperate attempt, the Mormon congregation approached the Kalamazoo Seventh-day Adventist Church. To their surprise, the members of that church opened their doors and allowed the ward to worship in its building free of charge.

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EVENTS AND RESOURCES





The Next Big Thing

What: 180° SYMPOSIUM 2023 **When:** March 27-29, 2023

Where: Andrews University \ Virtual

Submit a paper or come to participate in the discussions and recommendations with youth ministry practitioners, administrators, and academicians.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: cye.org/180
OR CONTACT STEVE CASE <a href="mailto:via emailto:via email

March 25, 2023 is Safety

Sabbath. Churches across North America (and beyond) will hold fire drills on Safety Sabbath to help their congregation be equipped in case of a fire or other emergency. When you register for Safety Sabbath, Adventist Risk Management, Inc. (ARM) provides drills and actionable resources as well as flyers, videos, and graphics to reach out to others.

Register Here









What: ASI Lake Union When: April 28-29, 2023 Where: Tinley Park Convention

Center in Tinley Park, IL **Guest Speaker:** Neil Nedley,
M.D., President, Weimar

Institute

For more information, visit www.asilakeunion.org.

Conectate :: June 2-4, 2023

Join main speaker Pr. Arnaldo Cruz on June 2-4, 2023 for Lake Union Conference's 7th Bilingual Youth Congress, Conectate. The congress will be held at the Howard Performing Arts Center on the campus of Andrews University.

Catch the early bird registration rate through Feb. 28 at conectateluc.com.

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



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Mission to the Big Cities

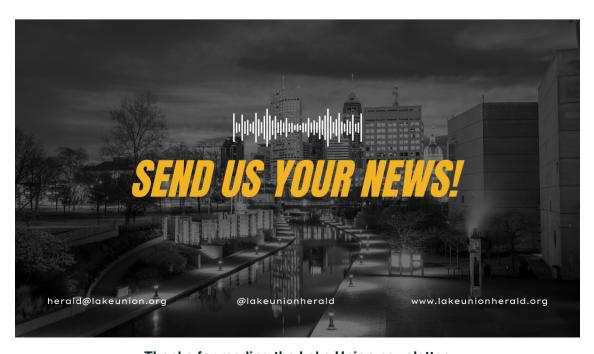
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Video of the Week



Reaching out to your neighbors may seem like an intimidating task. However, for one church, what started as an evangelistic series flier left at a door turned into a massive community project that now touches the lives of hundreds of people every Sabbath afternoon. Neighbors in Need, an initiative launched by the Anderson Seventh-day Adventist Church, distributes 300 hot vegetarian meals every Sabbath afternoon to their community located on the outskirts of Indianapolis.

Full story here >> Indiana Church Feeds Hundreds Every Week



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