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AROUND THE UNION



Singer Scott Michael Bennett Reflects on Accident That Nearly Claimed His Life

For Scott Michael Bennett, the Michigan-based Christian singer and songwriter, Jan. 21, 2023, began how many of his tour days begin. "Up at 3:30 a.m. getting ready to head to the Evergreen Church in Boardman, Ohio to preach and sing this morning," he posted on Facebook, where he has amassed over 5,000 followers. "What they don't know is that I am praying even while all of the church members are in slumber, for the Holy Spirit to move on their hearts and draw them closer to their Creator today as we celebrate Sabbath together," the post continued.

At the morning concert, which doubled as a morning worship service for the Evergreen Church, Bennett was slated to share songs and stories about the purpose God has for each person. "He doesn't want us to live life on accident, but rather deliberately and with a driven purpose," Bennett later told the *Herald* in a set of written responses. "I share the testimony of how my family came into the Adventist church years ago, and it always inspires the audience to live actively for Jesus."

However, Bennett never gave the concert in Boardman, Ohio. Instead, at 5:42 a.m., he was in a car accident, which according to first responders, nearly claimed his life.



Peterson-Warren Academy Receives \$100,000 Donation

A Lake Region Conference School in Inkster, Michigan was the grateful recipient of a generous donation. A check for \$100,000 was bequeathed to Peterson-Warren Academy by the estate of Elodia Jones, a long-time supporter of Adventist Christian Education.

Being a careful steward of God's blessings, Jones, a former member of Bethel Church in Lansing, Michigan, defined how the money is to be used: library enhancements, improvements to the parking lot, and upgrading the computer lab.

PWA principal Lynnette Jefferson was ecstatic to hear the news of this generous gift and responded that "God continues to bless PWA right when we need it." The funds came just as they were looking at options for upgrading their computer lab. "Our daily virtual collaboration with other schools in the conference for team teaching, as well as our virtual Spanish class, necessitates a good strong computer lab as well as solid internet connections. These funds will help ensure that we have all of that and then some." She ended, saying "We serve a mighty God who continues to take care of His children."

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Michigan to Distribute "The Great Controversy"

On April 15, Michigan members will take to the streets of Detroit to knock on doors and distribute 100,000 copies of "The Great Controversy."

Michigan Conference is joining with local churches and Streams of Light International to personally distribute a package of literature that contains one

The outreach effort closely aligns with the General Conference and North American Division's Great Controversy book project. Streams of Light is a self-supporting ministry based out of the Central California Conference.

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National Geographic Explorer Returns from Research in Brazil

Daniel Gonzalez-Socoloske, professor of biology at Andrews University, Fulbright scholar and National Geographic explorer, recently completed an extended research trip to the Amazon Basin of Brazil, where he studied alternative detection techniques for Amazonian manatees. Gonzalez-Socoloske, who specializes in mammal ecology and conservation, spent five months at several locations along the Amazon, analyzing species interactions and participating in preservation efforts.

"I'm specifically interested in how species are adapted to the various environments that they live in and how they modify those adaptations when there are human induced changes to those environments," he describes. "One of the principal aspects of understanding species ecology is to know where they are and how many there are. Some of these basic questions are really challenging with certain species. Manatees can be very cryptic, particularly Amazonian manatees, where their habitat is almost entirely dark water. This makes studying them really, really difficult."

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IN THE NEWS

Battle Creek Academy Choir to perform at Lincoln Memorial

The Battle Creek Academy Choir visited Washington D.C Wednesday for a U.S. History trip, according to trip organizers. The choir first performed at the North American Division of Seventh-day Adventist Church for a morning worship, according to a Facebook post. However, the local music group is set to perform at the historic Lincoln Memorial on Thursday. [\[WWMT\]](#)

Becker's Healthcare Recognizes AdventHealth as Top Place to Work

AdventHealth has been recognized by Becker's Healthcare as a top place to work in health care. The 2023 list of 150 hospitals, health systems and health care companies is meant to call attention to how the honorees "invest in their employees' wellbeing, satisfaction and fulfillment," according to Becker's,

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Ham deli slices		8	6.9 oz	4.89	5.35	39.12	41.32
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April 28-29 2023

GUEST SPEAKER: Neil Nedley, M.D., President, Weimar Institute

SEMINAR: Guilt-free Selfcare: Find It - Use It - Share It! FRIDAY, APRIL 28th AT 4:30 P.M. CT
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Tinley Park Convention Center, Tinley Park, IL 60477
LODGING: Hampton Inn Chicago/Tinley Park until March 28th

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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.

Lake Union Conference
7th Bilingual Youth Congress

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MAIN SPEAKER: PR. ARNALDO CRUZ

Conectate :: June 2-4, 2023

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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.

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