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AROUND THE UNION



Delegates Elect Michigan Conference Leadership

The 34th constituency session of the Michigan Conference of Seventh-day Adventists convened on Sunday, September 24 at the Cedar Lake Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Jim Micheff (center) was reelected to serve as president, a position he has held since Jan. 29, 2018, when he was elected by the Michigan Conference executive committee to succeed Jay Gallimore, who retired. Justin Ringstaff (left) was reelected to serve as the executive secretary, a position he has held since Feb. 24, 2018, when the executive committee elected him to succeed Micheff, shortly after he transitioned to the office of the president. Michael Bernard (right) was reelected to serve as treasurer, and he has served in that capacity since the last constituency held Sept. 30, 2018.

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“Hope for the Hurting Heart” Evangelistic Series Yields 33 Baptisms

Berean Transformation Center’s (formerly Berean Seventh-day Adventist Church) members have been sowing into the lives of residents of South Bend, Indiana through a variety of outreach initiatives ministering to both adults and children. The response from community has been tremendous and a total of 33 souls were baptized in September following a “Hope for the Hurting Heart” evangelistic series led by Chicago’s Shiloh Church Pastor John Boston II.

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UChicago Medicine AdventHealth Hinsdale Named One of the Nation’s 100 Top Hospitals

UChicago Medicine AdventHealth Hinsdale was identified as one of the nation’s 100 Top Hospitals® according to an independent quality analysis provided by PINC AI™ and reported by Fortune. This is the second time the hospital has been recognized with this honor, with the first recognition coming in 2017.

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Roger Dudley, Research Pioneer, Passes to His Rest

Roger L. Dudley, who for 40 years conducted groundbreaking human-subject research in the Seventh-day Adventist Church, passed away on September 15, 2023, in Centerville, Ohio. He was 92.

One seminal study Dudley oversaw followed a sample of young people from Adventist families from 15 or 16 years of age until they turned 25 or 26, which led to the discovery that about half were no longer regularly participating in an Adventist congregation, although a larger proportion still identified themselves as Adventist.

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Andrews University School of Architecture & Interior Design Announces New Faculty

The Andrews University School of Architecture & Interior Design (SAID) has hired three licensed practicing architects who possess extensive professional experience in a range of disciplines. These team members will augment the SAID's already impressive faculty. Additionally, one team member is moving from part-time adjunct faculty to full-time adjunct faculty and another has increased her role with the program by moving from adjunct-contract to part-time status.

Collectively, these moves enrich and diversify the expertise available to current and future SAID students, along with new programming within the school's Urban Design Studio.

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Prayer Retreat, "Ignite your Spiritual Experience."

When: Oct. 13-15, 2023
 Where: Camp Akita in Gilson, Illinois

For more details, visit www.ilcsda.org/prayer-ministry.



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Lake Union Conference Youth Evangelism Congress

February 16-18, 2024
 Chicago
congress@lucyouth.org
www.lucyouth.org



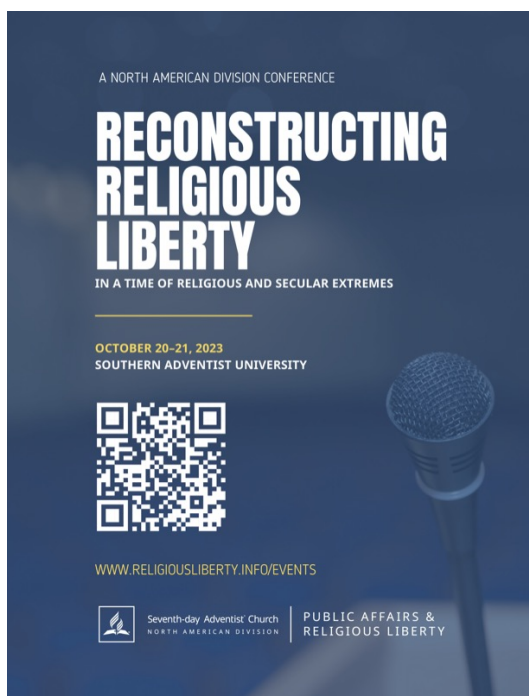
Join the Society of Adventist Communicators Convention in Springfield, Massachusetts, on October 19-21, as professional communicators attend workshops, meet for worship, and network. They also welcome Adventist college and university students.

[CLICK HERE](#) for more info and/or to register.



Health ministry leaders and others interested in starting a health ministry in their local church are invited to attend a special training weekend co-sponsored by the **Indiana Conference and AdventHealth**. The health ministry summit will take place on **Oct. 27-29 at Timber Ridge Camp**. It costs only \$25 per person.

RSVP by September 29 to Pastor Lee Whitman at 706.577.4441 or email at dleewhitman61@gmail.com.



The NAD Public Affairs and Religious Liberty ministry invites you

to "Reconstructing Religious Liberty in a Time of Religious and Secular Extremes." This two-day event will explore new ways to talk about religious freedom within a culturally and politically polarized America.

When: October 20-21, 2023
 Where: Collegedale Seventh-day Adventist Church

For more information and to register, visit religiousliberty.info/events.



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This month's issue features stories from our pastors on why they choose to preach.

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Picture of the Week



Aron Balorda is a Michigan member whose work was on display at the recently concluded Art Prize in Grand Rapids. Balorda works on articulating the messages of spiritual meaning and purpose, with the themes arising from the texts of Scripture.

This particular work portrays a dream, recorded in the second chapter of the Biblical book of Daniel, given to the king of Babylon in response to his quest for eternity. While at the time of its reception, the dream impacted the king and changed his destiny, its force, message, and meaning, continue to exert its transformative impact until this day.



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