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Lake Union HERALD

THIS WEEK

❄️ **Good evening.** In today's issue: We've got news on New Albany Church, Andrews University, a Sabbath accommodation case in Wisconsin and a young adult leader mentoring at-risk youth in Detroit.

NEWS AROUND THE UNION

Members overjoyed at outpouring of generosity



Every year for the last 10 years New Albany Church in Northern Indiana has presented a Christmas program, but during last month's program, members experienced something on a level not seen before—a remarkable outpouring of generosity.

Pastor Eric Freking's goal has always been to raise money for an Adventist overseas ministry, since he feels the need is greater over there than here in the U.S. He always wanted to keep funds within the Adventist Church.

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Andrews University issues enrollment and rankings report



As the 2019 fall semester concluded on the Berrien Springs campus, and also at partner locations and with individual distance education students around the world, Andrews University took the measure of its progress, success and challenges through a variety of internal and external measures and statistics. [READ MORE](#)

Celebration of Community Engagement held at Andrews University



Andrews University continues to expand efforts to be a blessing to those beyond its campus. The first annual Celebration of Community Engagement took place on Thursday, Oct. 24, 2019, in Buller Hall. The event began with a poster session, then moved into Newbold Auditorium for formal presentations.

Christon Arthur, provost, welcomed those present, saying, "Community engagement takes 'random acts of kindness' one step further.... Meaningful community engagement is sustained. We're talking about planned, intentional, sustained engagement. [READ MORE](#)

MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

A Wisconsin federal judge granted Walmart an early win over a U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission lawsuit alleging the retail giant engaged in discrimination by rescinding a man's job offer because he refused to work on his Sabbath, ruling that Walmart had offered reasonable accommodations. The EEOC filed suit in 2018 on behalf of prospective employee **Edward C. Hedican**, a Seventh-day Adventist, claiming Walmart engaged in religious discrimination and retaliation under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 by refusing to accommodate his request for religious accommodation and then rescinding its offer of employment in retaliation. Source: [360 Law](#) (*subscription*)

on the web-based program, "Right This Minute," for his mentoring program, Caught Up. One of his mentees, Harley James, earned a full-ride scholarship to Michigan State University. Source: [Right This Minute](#)

2020 EVANGELISM SCHEDULE



JANUARY 24-27 - *IT IS WRITTEN (IIW)* TRAINING WEEKEND, INDIANAPOLIS

FEBRUARY 14-16 - LAKE UNION YOUTH EVANGELISM CONGRESS, SHIPSHAWANA, INDIANA

FEBRUARY 22 - STATE-WIDE EVANGELISM RALLY JOHN BRADSHAW, *IIW* - ENGLISH RALLY ROBERT COSTA, *IIW* - SPANISH RALLY, INDY CENTRAL HISPANIC CHURCH

MARCH 6 & 7 - LAKE UNION PRAYER CONFERENCE; PLAINFIELD, INDIANA

MARCH 21 - IMPACT INDIANA EVANGELISM RALLY, IMPACT INDIANA CONSTITUENT CHURCHES

APRIL 3-4 - LAKE UNION ASI AND INDIANA CONFERENCE SABBATH CELEBRATION, INDIANA ACADEMY

APRIL 8-10 YOUR BEST PATHWAY TO HEALTH EXPO, LUCAS OIL STADIUM

APRIL 10 - MAY 9 NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION EVANGELISM INSTITUTE (NADEI) EVANGELISM MEETINGS AND FIELD SCHOOLS, NORTH AND SOUTH ZONE IGNITION CHURCHES

APRIL 17- MAY 16: EVANGELISTIC MEETINGS - *IIW* CENTRAL ZONE IGNITION CHURCHES

APRIL 18-25: ROBERT COSTA, *IIW* HISPANIC EVANGELISTIC MEETINGS

JUNE 1-20: GENERAL CONFERENCE FIELD SCHOOL OF EVANGELISM

JUNE 13-20: TED WILSON, GENERAL CONFERENCE EVANGELISTIC SERIES

JUNE 13-20: ALEJANDRO BULLÓN CARAVAN OF EVANGELISM HISPANIC IGNITION CHURCHES

JUNE 24-26: URBAN MISSION NETWORK GATHERING – VISION LOFT AND INDY ARTS GATHERING, INDIANAPOLIS

JUNE 25 – JULY 4: 61st GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION, INDIANAPOLIS

JUNE 26 – JULY 24: IMPACT INDIANAPOLIS, GC YOUTH INITIATIVE

ADDITIONAL NEWS & INFORMATION

NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION NEWS

North American Division Hosts Religious Freedom Prayer Breakfast

More than 100 people from diverse faith traditions attended the second annual [Religious Freedom Prayer Breakfast](#) hosted by the Seventh-day Adventist Church in North America (NAD). The event held on Jan. 16, 2020, recognized Religious Freedom Day in the U.S., and included prayer for elected officials, the community, the nation, for peace and places of worship, and for unity of spirit.

Local community join to honor slain Mile High Academy student

Mile High Academy, local Denver churches, and the community have joined together as they [honor the life](#) of one of their students who passed away on Tuesday, Jan. 14, 2020.

ADVENTIST RISK MANAGEMENT

Safe guarding the church's finances in three easy steps

"I never thought it would happen to our church."

Too often, these words are spoken after a church experiences financial loss. A financial loss can happen at any time and create significant consequences—including loss of the congregation's trust, litigations, or prosecution of church members. To prepare safeguards, we must ask: [what causes financial losses?](#)

FAITH FOR TODAY

Roy Ice [named](#) to replace longtime "Faith For Today" speaker/director Mike

EVENTS AND RESOURCES



RUN FOR KOSRAE, A 5K RUN & WALK.

We are encouraging everyone to work together in raising \$75,000 for a mission gym that will not only benefit the school and church but will also provide opportunities to witness to others on the island.

www.kosraelakeunion.org.



Get ready senior youth and young adults...

Save the date for the Lake Union Youth Evangelism Congress, coming Feb. 14- 16, 2020 to Shipshewana, Indiana

<https://www.lucyouth.org/>



LAKE UNION PRAYER CONFERENCE Our United Cry

Coming to the Indianapolis area
March 6-7, 2020

Speakers include:

- **Jerry and Janet Page**, General Conference Ministerial Department
- **Melody Mason**, author of the bestseller "Dare to Ask for More"
- **Mark Finley**, renowned evangelist and assistant to the GC President
- **James Black**, NAD Prayer Ministries director

www.ourunitedcry.org



Dentists, dental hygienists & assistants, ophthalmologists, surgeons, anesthesiologists; plus many other medical specialists and non-medical volunteers needed

April 8-10, 2020
Lucas Oil Stadium, Indianapolis

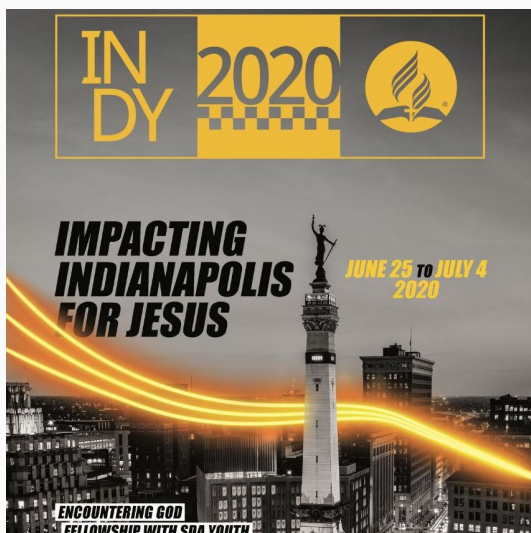
Registration is now open!



EASTER PASSION PLAY

Reservations are now open for April 11, 2020, at Andrews University!

Rotations fill fast, so get your tickets while you can at <https://passionplay.andrews.edu/>.



IMPACT is a youth and young adult event that takes place during General Conference Session. It is designed to help Adventist Young people...

- Get connected with their global church and its functionality
- Build relationships with other youth from around the world
- Receive practical training in global youth initiatives

Register [here](#).

ONE YEAR IN MISSION PLUS is an initiative in the Lake Union, an expansion of the [C.A.M.P.U.S.](#) Missionary Training Program.

If you know of committed Seventh-day Adventist young people with a desire to take the 2020-2021 year off from school to make a difference



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

The 31st annual convention of the Society of Adventist Communicators takes place October 15-17, 2020, at the Hilton Chicago Oak Brook Hills Resort & Conference Center in Oak Brook, Illinois.

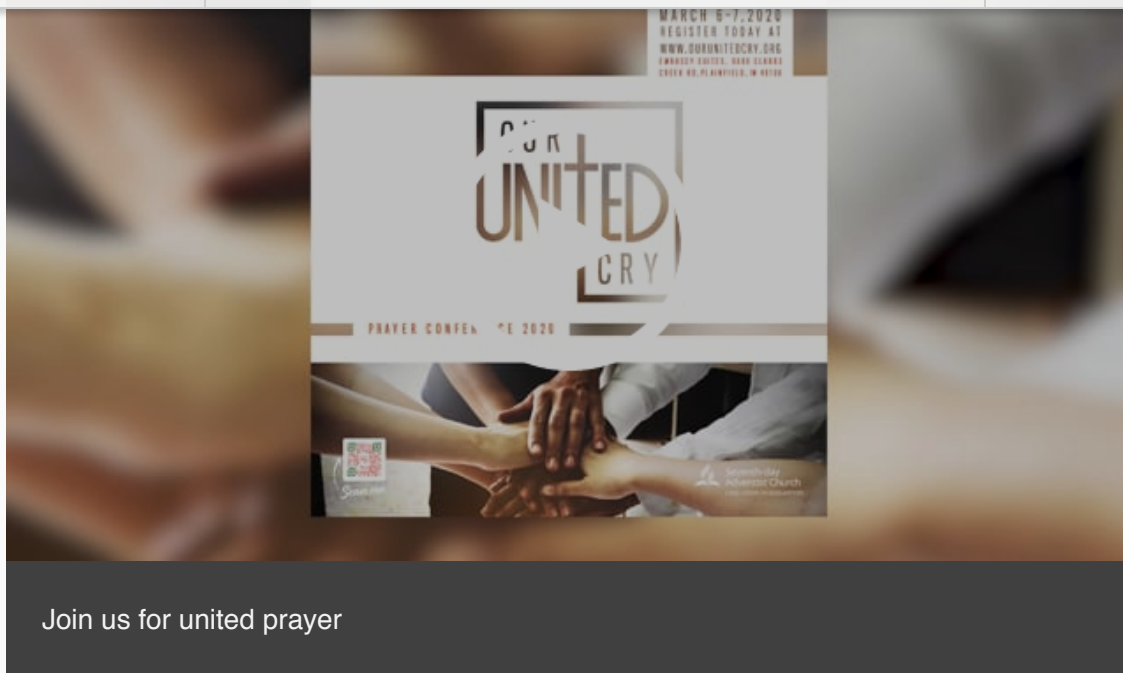
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