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AROUND THE UNION



Another mass shooting. How should we respond?

Our country has been shocked again by a mass-casualty shooting event at a school, this time an elementary school in Uvalde, Texas. There, 19 elementary school students along with two teachers were slain by a troubled 18-year-old with access to assault rifles.

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No parent should live like this

When I heard about the Uvalde elementary school shooting, I was in the car with my husband and children – two ten-year-olds – two fourth graders, just like the children who had been murdered.

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General Conference President leads major evangelism campaign in Indianapolis

Watch the "Revelation of Hope" series nightly on the <u>Lake Union Herald</u> <u>YouTube channel</u> and <u>Facebook page</u>. We began livestreaming Sabbath, May 21 and conclude with the final message on Sabbath, May 28 at 7 p.m. (EDT).

"Elder Wilson's powerful, Christ-centered, biblical messages are life changing. I would encourage every Adventist worldwide to tune in to listen to these meetings and if you are within driving distance of Indianapolis, please join us live for Revelation of Hope," Pastor Mark Finley says.

Watch Here



Andrews University hosts inaugural pitch competition

On April 8, 2022, Andrews University hosted its first annual Pitch Competition. Graduate and undergraduate students came together to present business and non-profit ideas to a group of judges and a live audience for the opportunity to win cash and in-kind services for their projects.

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IN THE NEWS

Walmart, religious manager settle dispute in ex-EEOC bias suit

Walmart Stores East LP and a Seventh-day Adventist former manager reached a settlement in a lawsuit alleging he was denied a religious accommodation after a conflict arose between his faith's needs and the company's staffing requirements at a store in Wisconsin, federal court records show. [Bloomberg Law - Subscription Required]

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ADDITIONAL NEWS & INFORMATION

GENERAL CONFERENCE

How Session Works: Selecting Delegates

Approximately 60,000 people are expected to attend this year, although not all of those will participate in making <u>decisions that</u> <u>affect the future of the Adventist Church.</u>

Delegates trained on electronic voting system ahead of the 61st General Conference Session.

Since the COVID 19 pandemic, Adventist Church leaders have been tasked with finding <u>a system that allows for online voting to be</u> <u>secure and to provide anonymity to the delegates.</u>

Adventist Church Introduces a Healthy Lifestyle Through Its Newly Opened Restaurant

<u>To further expand its influence on the community, the Adventist</u>

<u>Church in Iloilo, Philippines, established its first Adventist restaurant.</u>

NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION

North American Division Administration Issues Statement on Uvalde, Texas, School Shooting

As we pray, we must do more. We must find a way to end this type of heinous and senseless violence from occurring in our communities.

Adventist Community Services Volunteers Extend Help to Buffalo, New York Community

This community is still reeling from the mass shooting on May 14, 2022, at the store, which has been closed, leaving a gaping hole in the community since <u>it's the only supermarket for miles around.</u>

La Sierra University Enactus Places Third in the Nation for Entrepreneurial Outreach

It was a rollercoaster ride with an exhilarating ending that strengthened team bonds and proved a valuable learning experience as the <u>La Sierra University Enactus team placed third in the nation</u> for their entrepreneurial outreach projects in education and high-tech <u>agriculture</u> during the USA Exposition in New York on April 22, 2022.

Changing Lives

You could experience the joy of sharing your talents with our precious students.

ADVENTIST RISK MANAGEMENT

Whether pool parties, trips to the beach, or an afternoon out in a canoe, it's easy to take water activities for granted without considering the inherent risks. These are activities that may be common for families, individuals, or a group of friends; however, these activities take on a new level of risk when they are sponsored by an organization of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Be safe this summer!

EVENTS AND RESOURCES



Get ready for camp meeting!

Find all of your 2022 Lake Union Camp Meeting information in one place.

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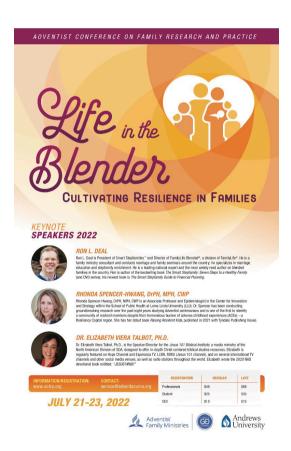
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Andrews Univeristy Theological Seminary, and Dr. Christina Wells, MD, MPH, Lake Region Conference Health Director and Host, for **Biblical Strategies for Emotional Healing** this Sabbath.

Emotional Healing this Sabbath, May 28, at 4 pm (CDT). **Watch**

live: Lrcsda.com/live.

Join Pastor Ted Wilson for Revelation of Hope from May 21-28 at 7 p.m. (EDT) at the Warren Performing Arts Center in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Especially designed for busy people, you are invited to come as you are to find peace and confidence for your future. This program will be available in English, Spanish, French Creole, Kinyarwanda, and Mizo. Free admission. Free study materials. Free parking. Register at www.AttendSeminar.live/Indianap olis

Save the Date: June 3-4, 2022

This year marks the 150th anniversary of Battle Creek Academy.

BCA will combine Alumni Weekend to mark this monumental celebration.

You are invited to the "Life in the Blender: Cultivating Resilience in Families" conference on **July 21-23, 2022.**

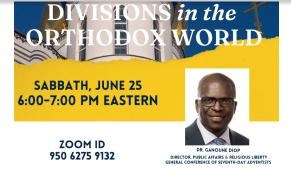
Keynote speakers include Ron L. Deal, Rhonda Spencer-Hwang (DrPH, MPH, CWP), and Dr. Elizabeth Viera Talbot, PH.D.

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

Join Dr. Ganoune Diop, Director for Public Affairs & Religious Liberty at the General Conference, for *Divisions in the Orthodox*World to examine the deep religious conflict behind the Ukraine-Russia war.

When: Sabbath, June 25
Where: Zoom (ID: 950 6275
9132) & the NAD Public Affairs &
Religious Liberty YouTube Channel

Time: 6-7 PM (EST)



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The Adventist Christian Fellowship (ACF) Institute invites all ACF student-leaders, campus chaplains and pastors, conference and union youth and young adult ministries directors, and any leaders desiring to learn about ministry with and for students on public campuses from an on-campus student perspective.

When: July 26-30, 2022 Where: Indiana University in

Bloomington, IN

Register online at ACFlink.org



2022 Lake Union Camporee Registration is Open! The Lake
Union Camporee is back this year
with the same awesome speaker
lineup and activities planned.

When: September 15-18, 2022 **Where:** Berrien County Youth Fairgrounds in Berrien Springs, Mich.

Register online at luc.camporee.org



Medallions are available to those who dedicated their lives to full-time gospel or educational ministry in the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

For more information, please contact Vicki Thompson at Vicki.Thompson@lakeunion.org or call 269-473-8221.



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.

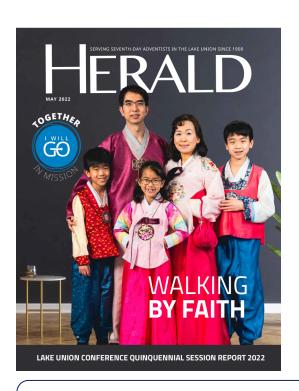
If you know of a student about to attend or is already on a public university campus in the Lake Union, you should reach out to the



the young person's faith journey.

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

What's inside the *Herald*



See inside the May 2022 issue

Take a peek inside the latest *Herald*.

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Video of the Week



The Adventist Community Health Initiative, under the leadership of Randy Griffin, along with his wife, Kathy, has had a tremendous impact in the Lake Union over the last several years. However, the ministry was paused because of the coronavirus and at the Lake Union Constituency Session, President Ken Denslow announced plans for a scaled down version to return. He cited two principal reasons for the scaling back: Doing a clinic almost every weekend was taking a toll on the Griffins and the couple is now managing the Three Angels Store (formerly Indiana ABC).

This video highlights the work of that important ministry over the past six years.

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