

Lamp Letter

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From the Word

"Test me in this," says the Lord Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it."

Malachi 3:10



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God Was Our Realtor



David and Noi Lopez, members of the Madison Community Adventist Church, are pictured above with their daughter, Dara Rasami Lopez Sinouhassy. David works for the state of Wisconsin, and Noi works as a full time mother. They recently moved to the Madison area from Florida.

Our pastor, Abraham Swamidass, preached a sermon about how all the riches belong to God and what would we do if God entrusted us with additional resources.

During this time unfortunate events forced us to sell our house in a hurry. My wife and I talked about Pastor Swamidass' sermon and decided that we would make God our partner.

We prayed about the house and came up with a specific amount we needed in order to pay our debt and prepare for the uncertain future that we were going to face. We promised God to return to Him any amount over the part that we needed to pay our bills.

We could not afford to put money into fixing the house or work with a realtor. The house was in reasonable condition and we put it on the market in July 2014. Shortly after we listed our house, we found out that two of our neighbors were planning to sell their houses; their houses are nicer. We prayed about it and let God be our realtor. We had a few showings but no offers. In August 2014, we received a very low offer. Accepting the offer would've meant that there would be no money left for the church other than tithing. My wife said, "What if it is the only offer we get?" I reassured her that our prayers would be answered. I was equally worried, but we decided that we would remain firm on our trust in God.

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President's Perspective



Mike's Sabbath Schedule

February

- 7 Milwaukee Northwest
- 14 Elder's Retreat
- 21 Woodland Community
- 28 AHS Mission Conference

March

- 7 Madison East
- 14 Oxford
- 21 Oakland
- 28 Vacation

April

- 4 Living Faith
- 11 Fond du Lac
- 18 LUC Children's Leadership Conference
- 25 WA Alumni Weekend

May

- 9 Hispanic Brotherhood
- 16 Pathfinder Fair
- 23 WA Graduation

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The Year of Evangelism

“Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season...For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine.” Paul’s wise council to Timothy is fitting for us today as well.

God has called each one of us as Christians to proclaim the good news of salvation far and wide; to share of His soon coming to our neighbors and friends. One of the most common and effective ways we can proclaim God’s loving message is through public evangelism.

While some decry public evangelism as old-fashioned and ineffective, the results continue to demonstrate that holding evangelistic series, whether in a rented hall, a church, or even in a home, reaps wonderful results in bringing people to Christ and to His church.

This year, 2015, has been designated in Wisconsin as “The Year of Evangelism.” Pastors, teachers, lay-people and youth are stepping up and accepting the challenge for every church to hold some type of public evangelistic outreach this year. Currently over 80 evangelistic outreach events are planned across our conference. Some churches are even holding multiple campaigns.

What a golden opportunity it is for us to invite neighbors, friends, Bible study interests, and relatives to listen to the Word of God. I invite you to spend time each day praying that God will guide you to someone you can build a relationship with and invite to hear the Bible preached. I am sure that many of your fellow church members first heard the Adventist message through an evangelistic series. They would not be in church today if someone had not responded to God’s call to preach His message.

God has a thousand ways to reach people for His kingdom. I pray that we each will listen to the promptings of God’s Holy Spirit so that we can be a part of drawing someone close to Jesus this year.

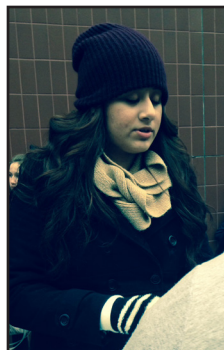
Michael H. Edge

Wisconsin Conference President

WA Students Serve People on State Street

On a cold misty Sabbath in November, four Wisconsin Academy girls along with faculty Jeanine Carter and Karen White, helped feed over 100 homeless people on State Street in Madison.

“It was a great experience,” said Jeanine. “My husband and I both have a burden for the homeless. When you touch their cold, hard hands, it really melts you.”



One student found herself in a conversation about the Sabbath with a young man in his 30's. He had never realized the seventh day was the Sabbath, and was really taken in by the idea. She wanted to show him

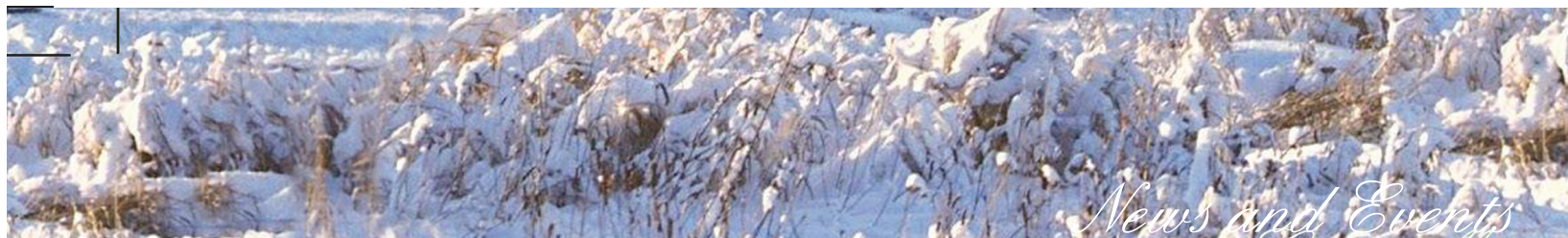
from the Bible that it was true. As she ran back to the car to get her Bible, she said, “Mrs. Carter, I’m about to preach!”



Another lady asked, “Do you pray?” “Of course,” was the reply. “What would you like to pray about?” Soon they could be seen, holding hands in the middle of State Street praying to the God of the Universe.

“We are excited about the possibilities of this ministry,” said Jeanine. “We hope to bring interested students here to serve one Sabbath afternoon a month.”

As told to Juanita Edge by Jeanine Carter
WA Student Work Coordinator & Assistant Food Service Director



God Was Our Realtor Continued...

In September 2014, we accepted an offer for the price we had in mind. The accepted offer met our needs and left more than twice what tithing would have been for the church. The day after we accepted the offer, a neighbor put his house on the market. If this had taken place just a few days before we would have lost the sale to our neighbor.

Accepting an offer that met our needs and request would have been a great end to the story, but God had more in store for us. A couple of weeks later, the buyer made a counter offer to their original offer. The buyer wanted to offer us more money for our house. We were surprised, but gladly accepted the new offer from the same buyer.

The new offer not only helped us, but also helped our neighbors. By increasing the sale price of our house, our neighbors were able to ask for more money for their houses, and we were able to give more to God.

We were reassured of something we already knew. God is faithful and his promises are eternal. We still face an uncertain future, but we trust that God will continue to provide for us.

I have always been excited to hear stories of how God performed miracles during the Biblical and ancient times in different parts of the globe. But I enjoy more when I hear a true story of Gods' miraculous intervention in our present time. David & Noi Lopez' story is another obvious evidence that God is interested in your specific situation.

I believe amazing experiences like this are a part of God's plan for Madison, Milwaukee, Green Bay, and any other city in Wisconsin. He wants to bless your life and your family and He wants to reach others and bring them in His Kingdom through your commitment and faithfulness in keeping your vows.

Do you want to step out in faith and invite God to take control of your life and even your business affairs? Give it a try. Make a vow, keep it and let God do the rest.

We in the Wisconsin Conference Stewardship Department would love to hear how God is blessing you as you keep your vows to Him. If you would, please share your story by sending it to titusnft@gmail.com. Your experience can bring encouragement and hope to others who hear it.

Titus Naftanaila
Stewardship Ministries Coordinator

"Where's the Fire?" Madison East Church



This past summer the Madison East SDA Church set into motion a Saturday night ritual, which quickly became a summertime favorite event, entitled "Where's the Fire?" Members were invited to bring a friend, a chair, bug spray, and a snack if they'd like, to a weekly Saturday night bonfire. Location changed week to week, but the theme remained the same... Closing the Sabbath with friends and family!

Typical for Wisconsin, the summer season came and went too quickly and school began. However, we still were able to squeeze in a last "Where's the Fire?" on November 1st. Yes, it was cold and temperatures dropped into the low 30's. However, this did not deter the enthusiasm or turnout of our warm-blooded Wisconsin church family! Over 70 of our members pulled out their winter coats, hats and gloves, and arrived warm and ready to enjoy the finale! Surrounding neighbors saw the activity and soon joined in as well – what a great opportunity to witness!

Kent and Julie Ganske graciously hosted the final bonfire at their home, and arranged hayrides pulled by enormous Clydesdale horses. "Our last fire with the hay ride was a blast," said Julie. "It gave us a chance to connect with neighbors, many of which we had not met. One neighbor lady came and brought a friend. Both expressed how impressed they were with the whole family being included at one event, and how wonderful that a church could get together socially outside of church."

Hopefully our cold Wisconsin winter passes quickly, and we can once again enjoy another summer experience of "Where's the Fire?" with our church family and friends.

Teresa Harrison
Madison East Communication Secretary



Candee Finds Blessings Selling WA Produce



Candee Kuhn of the Tomahawk Community SDA Church took home three boxes of gourds from the Wisconsin Academy farm last fall to sell in her neighborhood. Driving to the first house she prayed, "God, help me sell the gourds, but also help me be a blessing."

At the fourth house a lady was mowing the lawn. She wasn't interested in gourds, but began sharing of her brother-in-law and son who both have cancer. "I was able to talk to her about Jesus' love and have prayer with her," said Candee. "Then she decided to buy some gourds."

A few days later the lady invited Candee to come over again saying, "I want to buy some more gourds." Candee took her gourds, but also made sure she had plenty of literature. "I always have a bag of literature in my car when I travel," said Candee.

After the lady bought more gourds, she began opening her heart, telling Candee of many life and spiritual concerns. The she said, "I had so much peace after you last prayed with me."

"After about half an hour of talking, tears, and prayers, I was able to give this lady the *Desire of Ages* and a Bible," said Candee. "It was such a blessing to be able to sell these gourds. I am in contact with her often now. Please pray for her family, and also for me. I don't think we've heard the end of this story."

As shared with Juanita Edge by Candee Kuhn
Member of the Tomahawk Church



"We're not members of your church, but can we join Walk for Life?" asked visitors to the Waukesha Church. They replied, "Yes, come each Sabbath, turn in your miles and walk around the world with us." Anyone can join Walk for Life. Learn more at wi.adventist.org or call 920-484-6555.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Treasury is busy closing out the records for 2014. As I reflect on this very difficult year financially, I am grateful that as a result of your faithfulness, we were able to end the year with a 1.91% tithe gain. In addition, our Wisconsin budget ended the year with a 10.36% gain. These increases will make a significant difference in what was projected to be a large loss for us financially. Thank you for your support and faithfulness in returning of the tithes and offerings in 2014.

Looking forward let me review with you our goals and challenges for 2015. We continue to look for efficiencies as openings or changes in personnel through moves or retirement occur. Progress has also been made at Wisconsin Academy. We have not yet achieved a balanced budget for WA but are moving ever closer to that goal. As you may be aware, we need to replace the wastewater treatment system at WA. We are awaiting results of an engineering study that is expected near the end of March. With that information we hope to be able to make a decision on whether to build a new plant or hook up with the city of Columbus for our wastewater needs.

The Wisconsin Academy Industries Lighthouse thrift store continues to grow and has become a blessing and outreach center to the community in the Columbus area while providing valuable labor for our students. We also have plans once again to have a modest farm that will provide produce for sale as well as supplement the academy cafeteria. Thank you for your continued support with donations to and patronage of the Lighthouse thrift store. Volunteers to help in our industries are always welcomed and appreciated.

We are also planning to make evangelism a special priority in 2015. Each pastor has been challenged to hold some type of outreach in each church in their district. We will be budgeting extra funding for evangelism to help all of you to touch your communities in some way with the love of Jesus.

Even in the time of limited resources we must not forget the purpose of this great movement to give the message of Jesus to a world so in need of the Savior. Jesus says that the harvest is ripe but the laborers are few. While the task may seem impossible and the resources limited we know that all things are possible as long as we are out to accomplish the will of our Father.

So I encourage you not only to be faithful in the giving of tithes and offerings, but just as importantly, be faithful in the use of the talents that the Lord has given. The talents though very different, can all be used for His purpose if we dedicate ourselves fully to Him.

Thank you again for your prayers and support as we move forward to doing our part in spreading the gospel in these closing days of earth's history.

Brian Stephan
Executive Secretary/Treasurer

"The Lord God is a sun and a shield; the Lord bestows favor and honor, no good thing does He withhold from those whose walk is blameless. O Lord Almighty, blessed is the man who trusts in You."

Psalms 84:11,12

FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT

	2014 (39 Weeks)	2013 (39 Weeks)	% Change
December Tithe Income:	\$945,717.65	\$892,433.33	+5.97%
YTD Tithe Income:	\$6,686,665.28	\$6,561,476.63	+1.91%
December Wisconsin Budget:	\$41,030.85	\$33,971.63	+20.78%
YTD Wisconsin Budget:	\$299,043.98	\$270,968.76	+10.36%

Lima, New Pastor in Milwaukee North District



Eusebio Lima Morales is the new pastor for the Milwaukee Northwest Spanish District as of January 1, 2015. Pastor Lima graduated from Montemorelos University with a BA in Theology. While there, he met Eulice, his wife, who graduated with a degree in Elementary Education. Pastor Lima pastored in Mexico for five years. He has been working most recently as a Bible worker in Milwaukee.

He and his wife have one daughter, Eliza, who attends Milwaukee SDA School. In his free time, Pastor Lima enjoys jigsaw puzzles, being with his family, and playing with Edz, their pet dog from Mexico.

Juanita Edge
Communication Director

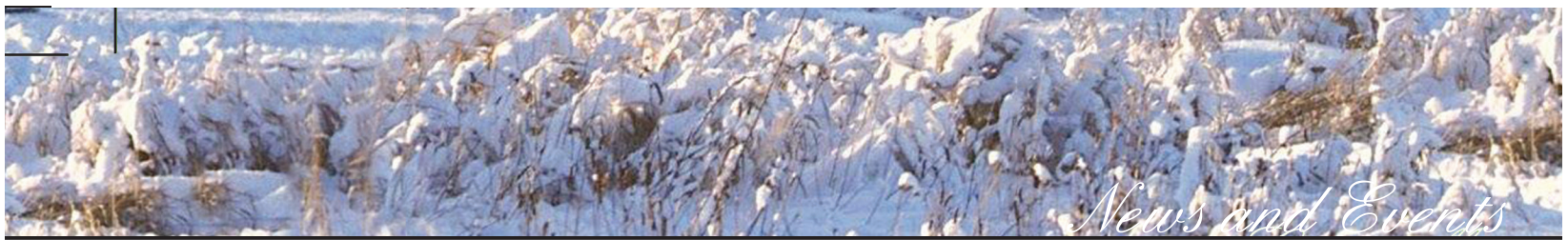
New Church Building Dedicated in Menomonie



Between 80 and 100 people gathered to celebrate the dedication of their new Menomonie Seventh-day Adventist church building on October 24, 2014. They sold their previous church building to the Menomonie hospital for expansion. The first Menomonie church began back in 1931 with the merging of two other church families, the Lucas Church and the Knapp Church.

Two former pastors of the Menomonie congregation, Pastor Art Miller and Pastor John Johansen, came to share in the dedication service. Mike Edge, president of the Wisconsin Conference held the morning worship and dedication service.

Juanita Edge
Communication Director



Wisconsin Budget Goal 2% of Income Thru December 2014						
CHURCH	Membership	2014 Goal	12/31/2014	Amount Received For 2014	Amount Over (Under) For 2014	Percentage of Goal Received
Almond	42	10,935.87	10,935.87	3,935.03	(7,000.84)	35.98%
Antigo	55	5,447.07	5,447.07	1,971.70	(3,475.37)	36.20%
Ashland	32	4,448.87	4,448.87	1,373.40	(3,075.47)	30.87%
Baraboo	35	3,362.43	3,362.43	2,521.50	(840.93)	74.99%
Beaver Dam	36	6,425.81	6,425.81	2,510.90	(3,914.91)	39.08%
Beloit	37	8,899.64	8,899.64	1,305.05	(7,594.59)	14.66%
Bethel	51	9,341.83	9,341.83	4,691.28	(4,650.55)	50.22%
Chippewa Valley SDA Church	203	40,725.27	40,725.27	14,238.96	(26,486.31)	34.96%
Lena	126	24,358.90	24,358.90	5,575.82	(18,783.08)	22.89%
Clear Lake	112	25,894.69	25,894.69	5,198.56	(20,696.13)	20.08%
Clearwater Lake	73	13,553.08	13,553.08	4,086.91	(9,466.17)	30.15%
Delavan	86	19,471.43	19,471.43	3,639.91	(15,831.52)	18.69%
Durand	56	11,312.28	11,312.28	1,601.11	(9,711.17)	14.15%
Evansville	15	5,211.39	5,211.39	1,759.85	(3,451.54)	33.77%
Fish Creek	10	2,244.20	2,244.20	1,390.00	(854.20)	61.94%
Fond Du Lac Company	33	8,198.76	8,198.76	1,572.66	(6,626.10)	19.18%
Fox Valley	247	34,973.06	34,973.06	14,282.07	(20,690.99)	40.84%
Frederic	81	18,982.72	18,982.72	5,681.40	(13,301.32)	29.93%
Green Bay	558	96,986.06	96,986.06	20,115.29	(76,870.77)	20.74%
Green Bay Hispanic Church	32	826.50	826.50	147.87	(678.63)	17.89%
Hayward	35	17,388.38	17,388.38	1,251.00	(16,137.38)	7.19%
Hudson	40	9,447.70	9,447.70	678.00	(8,769.70)	7.18%
Hylandale	94	10,889.20	10,889.20	1,048.89	(9,840.31)	9.63%
Kenosha	52	2,823.93	2,823.93	429.56	(2,394.37)	15.21%
Kenosha Emmanuel SDA Co.	28	3,169.99	3,169.99	324.41	(2,845.58)	10.23%
LaCrosse	99	12,129.42	12,129.42	2,651.78	(9,477.64)	21.86%
Lakeland	23	4,622.88	4,622.88	389.00	(4,233.88)	8.41%
Lancaster	44	5,187.42	5,187.42	1,743.20	(3,444.22)	33.60%
Living Faith Co	34	14,240.27	14,240.27	1,077.31	(13,162.96)	7.57%
Madison Community	260	32,474.88	32,474.88	6,163.46	(26,311.42)	18.98%
Madison	443	81,763.40	81,763.40	17,988.05	(63,775.35)	22.00%
Madison Hispanic Company	18	4,070.14	4,070.14	57.65	(4,012.49)	1.42%
Marshfield	134	31,352.58	31,352.58	8,506.49	(22,846.09)	27.13%
Menomonie	95	16,562.85	16,562.85	6,340.38	(10,222.47)	38.28%
Merrill	15	4,182.95	4,182.95	293.50	(3,889.45)	7.02%
Middleton Fellowship of SDA	32	10,208.33	10,208.33	370.00	(9,838.33)	3.62%
Milwaukee Central	266	52,296.50	52,296.50	6,839.65	(45,456.85)	13.08%
Milwaukee North Spanish	230	29,360.53	29,360.53	2,830.79	(26,529.74)	9.64%
Milwaukee N.West	188	29,833.59	29,833.59	2,495.67	(27,337.92)	8.37%
Milwaukee Maranatha Spanish	55	7,269.22	7,269.22	500.12	(6,769.10)	6.88%
Milwaukee Hayes Spanish	74	6,837.69	6,837.69	398.61	(6,439.08)	5.83%
Milwaukee Southside Fellowship	58	9,780.23	9,780.23	910.62	(8,869.61)	9.31%
Milwaukee C. Spanish	160	20,548.97	20,548.97	1,256.31	(19,292.66)	6.11%
Monroe	55	12,222.70	12,222.70	1,168.07	(11,054.63)	9.56%
Neillsville Company	40	1,467.84	1,467.84	91.00	(1,376.84)	6.20%
New London	45	5,930.45	5,930.45	707.73	(5,222.72)	11.93%
Oakland	57	12,061.36	12,061.36	2,368.27	(9,693.09)	19.64%
Oxford	84	26,506.16	26,506.16	11,383.00	(15,123.16)	42.94%
Portage	85	12,672.26	12,672.26	3,328.82	(9,343.44)	26.38%
Pound	32	5,082.52	5,082.52	100.00	(4,982.52)	1.97%
Prairie du Chien	21	5,731.48	5,731.48	674.00	(5,057.48)	11.76%
Racine	128	10,497.94	10,497.94	1,629.21	(8,868.73)	15.52%
Racine Spanish	43	7,641.02	7,641.02	264.16	(7,376.86)	3.46%
Raymond	159	31,246.75	31,246.75	2,893.00	(28,353.75)	9.26%
Reedsburg	53	10,513.86	10,513.86	4,008.07	(6,505.79)	38.12%
Rhineland	131	13,500.07	13,500.07	6,452.19	(7,047.88)	47.79%
Rice Lake	155	24,739.63	24,739.63	7,295.38	(17,444.25)	29.49%
Richland Center	89	11,385.43	11,385.43	1,334.38	(10,051.05)	11.72%
Shawano	34	8,205.17	8,205.17	2,843.16	(5,362.01)	34.65%
Sheboygan	122	21,687.54	21,687.54	2,915.97	(18,771.57)	13.45%
Sheboygan Spanish	65	6,328.00	6,328.00	536.68	(5,791.32)	8.48%
Sparta	32	6,280.45	6,280.45	900.06	(5,380.39)	14.33%
Stevens Point	120	13,861.45	13,861.45	6,128.56	(7,732.89)	44.21%
Sturgeon Bay	31	11,410.64	11,410.64	8,848.25	(2,562.39)	77.54%
Superior	47	8,246.90	8,246.90	2,238.23	(6,008.67)	27.14%
Tomah	50	5,645.25	5,645.25	1,156.28	(4,488.97)	20.48%
Tomahawk Community	26	7,492.33	7,492.33	2,855.69	(4,636.64)	38.11%
Watertown	42	3,735.91	3,735.91	2,203.17	(1,532.74)	58.97%
Watertown Hispanic Company	41	7,788.76	7,788.76	418.00	(7,370.76)	5.37%
Waukesha	177	35,697.73	35,697.73	4,861.30	(30,836.43)	13.62%
Waukesha Spanish Company	67	7,891.08	7,891.08	262.00	(7,629.08)	3.32%
The Shepherd's House	153	31,628.79	31,628.79	9,541.81	(22,086.98)	30.17%
Wisconsin Academy Church	313	76,232.17	76,232.17	22,161.81	(54,070.36)	29.07%
Wisconsin Conference	289	65,625.94	65,625.94	17,537.13	(48,088.81)	26.72%
Wisconsin Rapids	142	23,276.60	23,276.60	5,761.73	(17,514.87)	24.75%
Woodland Community	206	12,020.22	12,020.22	2,766.25	(9,253.97)	23.01%
Hmong Milwaukee Group		0.00	0.00	266.81	266.81	
TOTAL	7,531	1,312,295.33	1,312,295.33	299,043.89	(1,013,518.25)	23%



WISCONSIN ACADEMY

from the principal's desk **The Difference**



What differentiates Wisconsin Academy from other schools? Is it that we pray in class, teach creation, and require Bible courses? Is it that we send our gymnastics team and music groups on tours across the state and beyond? While wonderful and unique in many ways, these points identify characteristics of our program, not our product.

If asked what differentiates Ford from other auto makers, would we only talk about the organizational structure, employee incentive programs, or the policies that govern a workplace? No. We would surely talk about Ford's products, their quality, and their suitability for their intended use.

Why would it be different for us? Will we not talk about our graduates? Will we not talk of their character, wisdom, and knowledge that demonstrates their fitness for a life of service?

At Wisconsin Academy, we are cutting past rhetoric to the core of why we exist—to develop leaders today who will walk with Jesus into eternity. Our passion is to establish the faith of our students, to build in them a commitment to a life of Christian service, and to train them for success in God's work. Pray for Wisconsin Academy as we paddle against the flow of popular thought and culture. We may be small in numbers, but we can be mighty in faith and moral power.

Roger Dunder
Wisconsin Academy Principal

10 Days of Prayer



This past January, Wisconsin Academy joined millions of other Seventh-day Adventists around the world in the Global 10 Days of Prayer program. Why not daily intercede for the fruits of the Spirit in our lives and the lives of those we love?

Each night, for ten days, our united campus gathered in the chapel, a student or faculty shared a short talk on the daily theme and we broke up into small groups to pray. Short and simple, yet profound. No visible flames of fire gathered above bowed heads, but our lives were spiritually ignited.

In one group, a boy admitted to praying out loud for the first time. Throughout the ten days, a junior girl talked with him after each prayer time. During these talks, he told her he wanted to get to know God better, but didn't have a Bible of his own. The idea burned in this junior girl to buy him a Bible. With the help of a faculty member, she picked one out and gave it to him. Her face glowed as she talked about her experience of seeing someone draw closer to God.

A freshmen student found a faculty member during the middle of the 10 Days of Prayer and opened up to them about their spiritual journey. They talked about how before the 10 Days of Prayer, they didn't feel God really cared about what was going on in their lives at home or at school. Then, that day they spent a long time alone with God praying

and confessing. Now they had a peace they hadn't felt since they were a child. They told the faculty member that they just couldn't help smiling. After hearing the freshmen's testimony, the faculty members face lit up too. Why? Because they had decided at the beginning of the 10 Days of Prayer to secretly add this student to their prayer list. They had been praying in faith for God to draw that student closer to Him, and God in His grace, decided to give them a sneak peek into what He was up to.

Wisconsin Academy's mission is to develop leaders today who will walk with Jesus into eternity. Providing time and space for our students to connect with God is our priority here. The 10 Days of Prayer is over, but a new Wednesday night United in Prayer meeting has been started and "praying together" will continue to be a natural part of Wisconsin Academy life. May the Holy Spirit always find a home here on our campus.

Sarah Hillebert
Dean of Women

United in Prayer

Each Wednesday evening from 7:35-8:00, the students and staff of Wisconsin Academy gather in the chapel to pray together.

We invite you to join us in prayer at your prayer meetings or wherever you are.

For the most recent news and updates, visit us on facebook: search for *wisacad*.

Additional information is also available on our website: www.wisacad.org



Over 500 Attend Annual Journey to Bethlehem



This year, over 500 guests attended Journey to Bethlehem, a dramatic retelling of the birth of Jesus presented by Wisconsin Academy and local Seventh-day Adventist churches. Over 150 students, staff, and church members participated to make this free service available to the community.

A larger percentage of guests this year were friends and neighbors from the area who were invited by church members or responded to advertising. Several expressed interest in finding out more about Seventh-day Adventists and attending church.

The printed program guide provided contact information for local Seventh-day Adventist churches and an invitation to future events such as evangelistic series and health classes. It is our prayer that this event will become a first contact point with people who would never otherwise visit our church and that it will lead them to further opportunities to know Jesus deeper.

We wish to thank the pastors and members of churches across Wisconsin whose dedicated work and prayer continues to make a difference for Jesus.

If you are interested in helping out with Journey to Bethlehem next year in any way, feel free to contact Wisconsin Academy.

Greg Edge
Journey to Bethlehem Director



1 Music teacher Clinton Anderson orients guests at the welcome desk as a student soldier looks on. At the welcome desk, guests received a printed program guide, timed tickets, and a handful of "shekels" to spend in the market.



2 Guards haul zealous Hailey Hilgart before history teacher Tyler Cantrell as Herod. Most Jews who hope for the Messiah, like this zealous hero who will annihilate the Romans. They are ill prepared for the news of a newborn baby in a cow shed.



3 "Glory to God in the highest!" The angel choir sings, announcing the news of a newborn king to the shepherds. Comparatively warmer weather this year made the few outdoor scenes less of a challenge for the actors involved.



4 Innkeeper Bert Wredberg orders servant Kenny Leiva to clean a recently vacated room. To maintain the inn's reputation, there will be no room for a poor pregnant woman, her husband, and their donkey. Most scenes involved both students and adult actors.



5 The magi take a momentary break between scenes. Left to right: Dan Flanagan, pastor Titus Naftanaila, Jarrett Coleman, conference auditor John Ramsey, and Leah Hatcher as an angel guardian.



6 Pastor Jean-Marcel Clouzet as Joseph, and Tammie Clouzet as Mary, watch their son Julien Clouzet in the manger. Two donkeys and two sheep in nearby stalls did their part to keep the stable smelling authentic.



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Wisconsin Conference Calendar of Events

February

- 1/30-1 Lay Pastor Weekend
- 11-15 WA Home Leave
- 13-15 Pathfinder Winter Retreat - Wakonda
- 14 Conference Level PBE
- 14 Valentine's Day
- 16 President's Day
- Conference Office Closed
- 20-21 Hispanic Women's Certification - Milwaukee SDA School

March

- 1 Elementary Education Fair - WA
- 7 Conference Ministry Training - Madison East Church
- 13-22 WA Spring Break
- 20-21 Union Level PBE - AU
- 27-29 Hispanic Men's Retreat
- 28 Youth in Action Youth Rally - Milwaukee SDA School
- 31 Board of Education - WA

April

- 4 Pathfinder Area Coordinator Retreat - Wakonda
- 4 World-Wide Day of Fasting & Prayer
- 9-11 Elementary Music Festival - WA
- 15 New in Ministry - Wakonda
- 15-19 WA Home Leave
- 18 Division Level PBE - TX
- 24-25 WA Alumni Weekend

May

- 2 WA Home Show
- 9 Hispanic Brotherhood - Milwaukee
- 12 Board of Education - WA
- 15-17 Pathfinder Fair - Wakonda
- 17-18 Wakonda Work Bee
- 22-24 WA Graduation Weekend
- 25 Memorial Day
- Conference Office Closed
- 27 Executive Committee
- 29-31 Lay Pastor Weekend - Conference Office

Spanish Group Organized in Beloit



The Adventist Spanish Group in Beloit were officially organized by the Wisconsin Conference of Seventh-day Adventists on January 3, 2015. This group first began meeting in late 1996 downstairs in the Delavan Church. Today they have 35 plus members meeting regularly in Beloit. Pastor Evelio Miranda is the overseeing pastor for the Beloit group, and Pastor Leopoldino is the local Bible worker. Group leader is Ralph Rodriguez.

Juanita Edge
Communication Director

Alumni Weekend at WA April 24 and 25, 2015



Come celebrate alumni weekend at Wisconsin Academy April 24 and 25, 2015. The classes to be honored this year are: 2005, 1995, 1990, 1985, 1975, 1965, 1955, and 1945. Neil Mishleau, alumni president, would like class leaders from each of the above classes to contact him at nmishleau@yahoo.com, or call the WA office at 920-623-3300. Looking forward to April!



Deidra Roat is working full-time for the Wisconsin Conference as Church Clerk and Administrative Assistant primarily for the Communication Department.

Cindy Stephan is the new Planned Giving & Trust Director for the Wisconsin Conference. She has served nearly four years in the Trust Department and as an administrative assistant.

Bert Wredberg is transferring responsibilities as administrative assistant for Communications to the Ministerial Department.

Check the website for more calendar and event details: <http://wi.adventist.org>