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Together We Can...

Together We Will!

This year, Wisconsin Academy enrolled one hundred and forty-eight students (did someone say "Amen"?!?). As dormitory deans scrambled to clean and furnish additional rooms and extra classes are added to busy staff, another drama is being played out in *your home*.

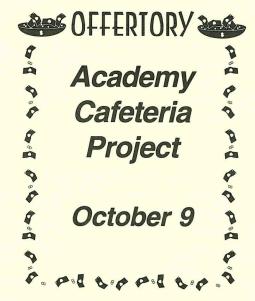
At the Conference Constituency last September 20, we voted to go ahead with a one million dollar updating for our academy cafeteria. If adequate pledges and donations are *quickly* realized, construction could begin as early as next spring! With increased enrollment, spring would not be too soon.

The Need: Our present cafeteria was constructed in 1949 (three years before this editor was born). Its food storage facility, food preparation equipment, and even the flooring are in need of immediate replacement. Estimates of the cost of renovation of the existing kitchen exceed \$500,000. A report of options was delivered to our constituency. Our delegates carefully listened to the options and voted a new cafeteria as the best solution for the long term benefit of our students.

The Response: "Together We Can" is the buzzword that describes the academy building program. It also describes a process of banding together to lift a project that none of us could lift alone.

The Method: Fund-raising began with a silent campaign. Without

fanfare, they approached the pastors, the teachers, the Executive committee and even the K-12 Committee to obtain their support.



Elders Don Corkum and Ray Hubbartt then traveled throughout Wisconsin sharing details of the project with church leaders and inviting participation in updating our academy. As of this time, about \$600,000 has been pledged or donated for the project.

The Kick Off: Beginning on September 11th, presentations will begin in every Adventist church in Wisconsin sharing the plans with whole congregations. On September 18th, October 2nd and October 9th, three brief videos will be shown explaining the program and inviting every member to participate in prayers, pledges and donations.

Your Part: The most important thing you can do is pray! Pray for our academy students, our staff, and pray about what the Lord will have you to do to help lift this project. You will be amazed at the answers you receive from God if you but ask Him what He would have you do. In Christ's Object Lessons, P. 333, the servant of the Lord declares, "All of His biddings are enablings," When we ask God to show us what He wants us to do, He makes His will known. He also gives us the means to fulfill His will!

Is Jesus speaking to you? You may not know if you don't ask. I urge you to enter into partnership with God. Together We Can . . . and Together with God We Will!

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Presidential View



One of the truly inspirational stories of Scripture is that of Nehemiah rebuilding the wall of Jerusalem amid all the distractions and opposition of neighboring

peoples. As several leaders of his adversaries tried to get him off the wall to talk with them, Nehemiah gave an answer that challenges us today. In Nehemiah 6, we read, "That Sanballat and Geshem sent unto me, saying, Come, let us meet together in some one of the villages in the plain of Ono. But they thought to do me mischief. And I sent messengers unto them, saying, I am doing a great work, so that I cannot come down: why should the work cease, whilst I leave it, and come down to you."

As we face the last part of 1999 and the end of the decade, century and millennium, these words are important:

Do we see the work that we are doing for God as so important that we will not be distracted by the appeals of voices surrounding us? Do we recognize that the work we are doing for God is a great work? God asks all of us to have a plan to win souls for him. It may be giving Bible studies to a neighbor or friend. It may be participating in the small group program. It may be helping with Net 99 or Acts 2000. Perhaps a crusade is being planned for your church this fall or next spring. It is so easy to have external or internal voices to encourage us to leave this important work. However, if we, as Nehemiah, say, "I am doing a great work, so that I cannot come down or cannot leave", then we give distinc-

This year we are engaged in a project to build a new cafeteria for Wisconsin Academy. It will take the

tion and honor to the work of Christ.

Northern District/ASI

The Northern District Meeting is a spiritual high point of the year for those who dwell in the Northern part of the state. This year, the meetings will be held in Rice Lake on October 16.

We are fortunate to have Dr. Willard Regester, M.D., as the featured speaker this year.

Dr. Regester is a dynamic Christian having seen 120 people baptized within two years by his effective sharing of our message.

ASI members are urged to attend and be part of this spiritual blessing. Dr. Regester will focus on "sharing Christ in the market-place", a key reason for A.S.I.'s existence. If you own a business or take part in a supportive independent ministry, ASI is the group for you. Plan on attending these thrilling meetings and be blessed.

commitment of everyone to be successful. It is easy to get sidetracked with some other interest or by some voice of opposition. Then we must use Nehemiah's response, "We are doing a great work, we cannot leave it."

Nehemiah had tremendous success because he assigned his people to various responsibilities in rebuilding the wall and they remained focused until the job was done. That spirit will be valuable to us as we face the days, months and possibly years ahead. The work we are doing for God is a great work—we cannot leave it. This is important especially when intriguing options present themselves to us.

Let's take our positions on the "wall" of the Kingdom. Let's realize that we are building a work to His honor. What a joy we bring to His heart when He knows He can count on us.

May God help each of us to be faithful Nehemiahs on the walls of building up His kingdom.

A Time of Refreshing Wisconsin Women's Ministries



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Pathfinders Bike to Jubilee Camporee at Oshkosh

For some, Oshkosh is known as a brand of children's clothing, the home of the Experimental Aircraft Association, or the site of one of North America's premier air shows. For twenty-two thousand Pathfinders, Oshkosh means **Discover the Power!**

Wisconsin Pathfinders were there! Without press notice, Dairyland Pathfinders from Clear Lake arrived Monday afternoon with newly developed muscles and slightly rosy skin. Eight of them *pedaled* (286 miles from the start) into their campsite at the EAA camp grounds in Oshkosh.

Over 22,000 Pathfinders from North America and around the world, representing 50 other nations, eagerly set up camp to enjoy the Jubilee Camporee. Youth and their leaders reflected on God's blessing to this church through Pathfindering.

Daily parades, work on community service projects, AY honor exhibits, a Pathfinder museum, EAA Air Venture exhibit, Air Shows, Master Guide Investiture, Wave Cutter rides, and an obstacle course challenge were woven into the experience of a Pathfinder lifetime.



Many Wisconsin youth had chosen and planned for their baptism during this international celebration. A record eighteen clubs statewide participated in the *Discover the Power Camporee*. Countless members from across the state came at least once during the five day event to see and support. Nightly programs were full of



Desmond Doss and Willie Oliver

music and included a speaker with a message just for youth. Special features like *spiritual celebrity*, Desmond Doss thrilled the crowd. Doss was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor.

the nation's highest military honor for valor, during service as a medic in World War II. Desmond Doss is also a faithful Seventh-day Adventist. He received a plaque of honor at *Discover the Power* for his service to his God and his fellow man.

There were also practical blessings that brought praise. "We actually had WARM SHOW-ERS," remarked one Camp Hale Colorado veteran. "The finest

facilities we have ever experienced at a Camporee" according to a Northwest Pathfinder from the Hood River, Oregon Mid Columbia Club. Those sentiments were consistently reflected as campers

packed for travel homeward.

One of the unscheduled but impressive experiences during the brief hours together were trading sessions. Small groups of PF's would meet others they had never known before by asking, "What do you have to trade," or "Are you trading pins?" New friendships bloomed as Pathfinders acquired

new treasures to show and tell.

Weather was typical for August—thunder and lightning! God's protection marked this occasion in a marvelous way. Thunderstorms gave their shows from a safe distance and allowed the unfamiliar to see a summer storm with sound and light. Miracles happened as storms simply diverted around the 22,000 campers and continued on across the state.

Pathfinders love for serving Jesus and others led them to refinishing play equipment in a local park,



Programs included the Parade of Nations

clearing trails, landscaping, and assisting ADRA in clothing collection and packing. Joy in service is not just a motto; it is reality in Pathfinder citizens for tomorrow.

Local & state volunteers gave liberally of their time to remind the young people, "You are important to God, your church and your community." Many came early and stayed late to see the project through! Praise The Lord! That kind of faithful support is what makes the difference in an all volunteer organization.

All of us like to repeat great experiences. At the next Camporee many of these Pathfinders will be leading other young people through just such an experience — one that shapes a person for life.

Dale Ziegele

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CHURCH		FOR 1999	7-31-99	7-31-99	7-31-99	RECIEVED
Adams-Friendship	18	\$930.26	\$542.65	\$187.23	\$355.42	35%
Almond	51	\$3,293.49	\$1,921.20	\$1,872.25	\$48.95	97%
Antigo	39	\$1,500.36	\$875.21	\$1,164.09	(\$288.88)	
Ashland	37	\$2,267.71	\$1,322.83	\$362.03	\$960.80	27%
Baraboo	34	\$2,630.61	\$1,534.52	\$1,636.65	(\$102.13)	
Beaver Dam Beloit	21 64	\$1,288.58 \$2,250.26	\$751.67 \$1,312.65	\$1,455.15 \$1,138.42	(\$703.48) \$174.23	194% 87%
Bethel	182	\$7,165.51	\$4,179.88	\$2,067.05	\$2,112.83	49%
Chippewa Falls	28	\$2,151.87	\$1,255.26	\$1,287.14	(\$31.88)	
Clear Lake	99	\$6,971.92	\$4,066.95	\$1,964.28	\$2,102.67	48%
Clearwater Lake	81	\$3,628.30	\$2,116.51	\$855.33	\$1,261.18	40%
Delavan	52	\$4,353.27	\$2,539.41	\$2,360.43	\$178.98	93%
Durand	44	\$2,438.70	\$1,422.57	\$639.78	\$782.79	45%
Eau Claire	137	\$8,985.23	\$5,241.38	\$3,559.29	\$1,682.09	68%
Evansville	35	\$2,560.52	\$1,493.64	\$945.55	\$548.09	63%
Fish Creek	11	\$617.19	\$360.03	\$863.00	(\$502.97)	
Fox Valley	220	\$13,504.31	\$7,877.51	\$4,935.82	\$2,941.69	63%
Frederic	64	\$6,701.44	\$3,909.17	\$4,718.38	(\$809.21)	
Gillett	29	\$1,370.53	\$799.47	\$947.50	(\$148.03)	
Green Bay	389	\$21,828.74	\$12,733.43	\$5,408.46	\$7,324.97	42%
Hayward	27	\$2,351.60	\$1,371.77	\$578.05	\$793.72	42% 61%
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Kenosha	50	\$2,473.92	\$1,443.12	\$184.50	\$1,258.62	13%
Kenosha Hispanic	14	\$2,475.52	Ψ1,445.12	Ψ104.50	Ψ1,230.02	1370
LaCrosse	62	\$4,514.05	\$2,633.20	\$1,700.60	\$932.60	65%
Lake Country	37	\$1,031.76	\$601.86	\$275.65	\$326.21	46%
Lakeland	38	\$2,237.19	\$1,305.03	\$331.26	\$973.77	25%
Lancaster	67	\$2,999.51	\$1,749.72	\$762.29	\$987.43	44%
Lena	70	\$6,198.26	\$3,615.65	\$1,624.27	\$1,991.38	45%
Madison	398	\$23,415.53	\$13,659.06	\$9,573.84	\$4,085.22	70%
Madison Community	127	\$11,000.89	\$6,417.18	\$7,069.51	(\$652.33)	
Marshfield	107	\$5,958.36	\$3,475.71	\$2,422.63	\$1,053.08	70%
Menomonie	60	\$1,477.04	\$861.61	\$327.00	\$534.61	38%
Merrill	23	\$1,204.68	\$702.73	\$376.82	\$325.91	54%
Milton	148	\$7,806.68	\$4,553.90	\$3,711.88	\$842.02	82%
Milwaukee Central	259	\$13,530.47	\$7,892.77	\$3,951.88	\$3,940.89	50%
Milwaukee C. Spanish	139	\$4,513.65	\$2,632.96	\$239.44	\$2,393.52	9%
Milwaukee N.W.	149	\$13,903.02	\$8,110.09	\$8,526.74 \$260.98	(\$416.65) \$1,271.29	105% 17%
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Milw. S.E. Spanish	82 14	\$2,538.30 \$938.53	\$547.48	\$356.58	\$190.90	65%
Moon New London	55	\$3,959.36	\$2,309.63	\$1,374.81	\$934.82	
Oakland	38	\$2,580.29	\$1,505.17	\$911.20	\$593.97	61%
Oconto	50	\$1,816.48	\$1,059.62	\$896.24	\$163.38	85%
Oxford	62	\$5,054.53	\$2,948.48	\$2,175.93	\$772.55	74%
Portage	110	\$4,308.81	\$2,513.47	\$1,773.94	\$739.53	
Pound	46	\$1,104.59	\$644.35	\$246.55	\$397.80	38%
Poy Sippi	7	\$127.26	\$74.24	\$0.00		
Prairie du Chien	20	\$687.90	\$401.27	\$137.25	\$264.02	
Racine	117	\$5,152.94	\$3,005.88	\$919.58		
Racine Spanish	72	\$1,449.84	\$845.74	\$227.29		
Raymond	118	\$5,843.12	\$3,408.48	\$1,125.64		
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Rhinelander	113	\$6,153.00	\$3,589.25	\$2,742.02	\$847.23	76
Rice Lake	122	\$8,191.43	\$4,778.33	\$6,413.80	(\$1,635.47)	
Richland Center	87	\$4,506.47	\$2,628.77	\$942.50	\$1,686.27	3
Shawano	23	\$1,638.33	\$955.69	\$215.10	\$740.59	2
Sheboygan	93	\$6,134.58	\$3,578.50	\$1,272.50	\$2,306.00	3
Sheboygan Spanish Company	28	\$1,542.51	\$899.80	\$235.03	\$664.77	2
Sparta	56	\$1,029.60	\$600.60	\$350.34	\$250.26	5
Spooner-Trego	8	\$441.86	\$257.75	\$20.93	\$236.82	
Stevens Point	45	\$2,786.72	\$1,625.59	\$1,052.26	\$573.33	6
Sturgeon Bay	22	\$1,365.49	\$796.53	\$1,682.00	(\$885.47)	
Superior	59	\$2,043.91	\$1,192.28	\$476.37	\$715.91	4
Tomah	47	\$1,430.73	\$834.59	\$275.75	\$558.84	3
Tomahawk Company	16	\$1,478.46	\$862.44	\$588.00	\$274.44	6
Natertown	47	\$2,417.70	\$1,410.32	\$1,557.30	(\$146.98)	11
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Wisconsin Conference	268	\$16,961.23	\$9,894.05	\$2,732.22	\$7,161.83	2
Nisconsin Rapids	70	\$1,844.34	\$1,075.87	\$236.35	\$839.52	2:
TOTAL	6228	\$347,641.79	\$202,791.04	\$131,141.07	\$71,649.97	6

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September	13-16		Risk Management Meetings, Milwaukee WI			
September	19		Sunday Open House Sale			
September	24	Fri.	Antigo	4:00 - 5:00pm		
September	25	Sat.	Clearwater Lake	After Vespers		
September	26	Sun.	Rhinelander	10:00 - 11:00am		
September	26	Sun.	Tomahawk	12:00 - 12:45pm		
September	26	Sun.	Wausau	2:00 - 3:30pm		
October	1	Fri.	Frederic School	1:30 - 2:30pm		
October	2	Sat.	Rice Lake	7:00 - 9:00pm		
October	3	Sun.	Clear Lake	10:00 - 11:00am		
October	3	Sun.	Menomonie	2:00 - 2:45pm		
October	3	Sun.	Eau Claire	4:00 - 5:00pm		
October	16	Sat.	Bethel SDA School	6:30 - 8:00pm		
October	17	Sun.	Wisconsin Rapids	10:00 - 11:00am		
October	17	Sun.	Stevens Point	12:00 - 1:00pm		
October	17	Sun.	Almond	2:30 - 3:30pm		
October	23	Sat.	Milwaukee Jr. Acad.	6:30 - 8:30pm		
October	24	Sun.	Kenosha	10:00 - 11:00am		
October	24	Sun.	Racine	11:00 – 12:00pm		
October	24	Sun.	Raymond	1:00 - 2:00pm		
October	24	Sun.	Woodland SDA School	4:30 - 5:30pm		
October	29 – 31		Women's Retreat			
November	6	Sat.	LaCrosse (Broers)	5:30 - 7:30pm		
November	7	Sun.	Prarie du Chien	10:00 - 11:00am		
November	7	Sun.	Lancaster	1:00 - 2:00pm		
November	7	Sun.	Richland Center	3:30 - 4:30pm		
November	13	Sat.	Green Bay	5:30 - 8:00pm		
November	14	Sun.	Lena	10:00 - 11:00am		
November	14	Sun.	Fox Valley	2:00 - 3:00pm		
November	14	Sun.	Sheboygan	5:00 - 6:00pm		
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Small Group Weekend

On August 28th and 29th, over one hundred Wisconsin people gathered at Camp Go Seek to learn about small group ministry. Pastor Don James, Small Group trainer from the North American Division Evangelism Institute, led out in a weekend of instruction and experience in small groups.

Participants learned that the fastest growing churches in the world are organized around small group cells. They learned the five key ministries that are present in small groups in these churches. Most of all, they learned to love one another and Jesus in the context of

a small group experience.

If you would like help initiating or furthering small group Bible study in your church, contact your pastor or Elder Gallimore at 608-241-5235.

The instruction took place in lecture format as well as in small groups.





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