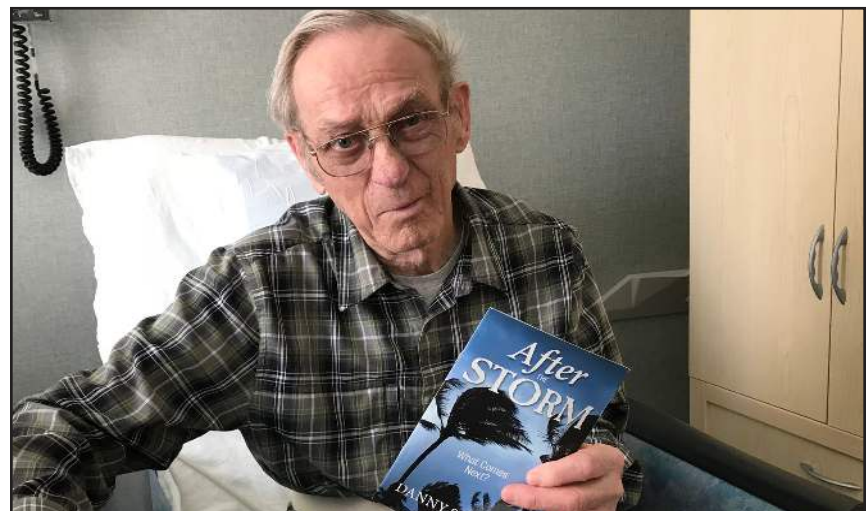


Different Kind of Medical Missionaries

As a pastor, I make my fair share of hospital visits, and while these can be hard visits at times, these are often a special time for me to get in some one-on-one talking and praying with my church members. Since being here in the Racine-Kenosha area, I've gotten to know many of my members a little better in a hospital room. One of the most fascinating things I've come across during these visits, however, is that many times I am not the primary missionary in the story--visiting and encouraging the saints as they are hospitalized. Neither are the medical staff, despite all their hard work to comfort my members and make them well again. It is, at times, the church members themselves who take up the role of missionary themselves--broken as they may be at the time--in order to reach the nurses, doctors, and various members of the local medical team, for Jesus. Not having spent too much time in hospitals myself, I have to admit that this is not something I had thought too much about before now. And I have to think that, as a patient, the hospital doesn't seem like the most obvious place to do ministry in many people's minds. Nevertheless, ministry is being done in my district by those who are hurting and vulnerable, but willing to give glory to God.

Months ago, I visited Henry Boykin, one of our elders at the Kenosha Church, who told me about how he was talking to his nurses and doctor about Jesus. He elaborated that, outside the hospital, he had many talks with his primary physician about faith. He told his physician, "I'm not just looking for



Fred Buchholz serves as a deacon in the Raymond Seventh-day Adventist church.

someone to take care of me, I'm looking for a relationship. I need to be able to talk to you about the stuff that matters." His physician consented and Henry has felt comfortable talking about Jesus with him ever since. If you have ever met Henry, you know that he talks about little other than his faith, so it makes sense that he would preface his relationship with a physician in such a way. If the doctor couldn't take faith-talk, he just wouldn't have cut it.

Last week, I had a visit with Fred Buchholz, who despite a prolonged stay at the hospital for rehabilitation, was acting as a literature evangelist. With a stack of tracts on the table next to him ("After the Storm," by Danny Shelton), he explained to me that while he was at the hospital, he was determined to pass

as many of these out as he could. He also was sharing with them his own testimony about how God saved him from a life-threatening situation when he was a young man that, logically, he should not have survived. While the medical staff may have viewed him as the one who was broken and needed fixing, Fred knew that he had Christ and that true brokenness came from separation from Jesus. In that light, it was his goal to direct the physicians to an even greater Physician: One who can heal in their lives what medicine cannot.

While there are many more examples of this kind of medical missionary, these two visits stand out in my mind. They've challenged me to be more open to and creative with ministry, even in areas of

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From the President's Desk

Faithful to His Mission

Hebrews 11 gives us a list of people who were faithful. Abel, Enoch, Noah, Abraham, and the list goes on. What is the common thread in their lives that puts them in this elite list? They lived in different times, in different regions of the world. Abel offered, Enoch had a testimony, Noah, moved, Abraham obeyed and Moses chose.

Each of them heard the call of God. Each of these staunchly followed the leading of God, whether to Egypt, Canaan, or even to death. Each of them was willing to risk everything to follow the call that God gave them. Whether they ever received the accolades of men, or not, at the resurrection they will hear "Well done thou good and faithful servant, enter into the joy of Thy Lord."

This camp meeting celebrates not only those faithful in the past, but challenges us to listen to God's voice and follow His leading today. For some that may mean leaving home and traveling to a foreign land as a missionary. For others it may mean leaving the comforts of home and

servicing a needy neighbor; allowing your light to shine in your neighborhood.

God is calling Seventh-day Adventists throughout Wisconsin to be Faithful to His Mission. My prayer is that at this camp meeting you will listen with an eager heart for the voice of Jesus calling you to service. I pray that your heart will be warmed by the presenters, and that you will leave camp meeting with a renewed heart; determined, that with the leading of God, with His abiding presence, and with His enabling power you will do mighty things for God.

While the faith chapter begins with Abel, the list is not finished. Daily, God is adding to that list. Men and women, boys and girls, are placing their lives completely at His command. May you and I this year be added to that list as we dedicate our lives to be Faithful to His Mission.

Wisconsin Conference President

The President's Sabbath Schedule

May

- 12 Hispanic Brotherhood
- 26 WA Graduation

June

- 16 Camp Meeting
- 23 Camp Meeting

July

- 14 Vacation
- 21 Vacation

August

- 4 ASI
- 11 Hispanic Camp Meeting

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Faithful to HIS Mission

Wisconsin Camp Meeting
June 15 - 23, 2018



Gary Thurber
*Mid-America Union
President*

1st Sabbath and
Sunday 7:30pm



Ron Kelly
*Berrien Springs Village
Church, Senior Pastor*

2nd Friday 7:30pm &
Sabbath



Scott Coppock
*Associate Director Planned
Giving & Trust Services
World Headquarters*

Mon. - Fri.



Zachary Payne
Racine District Pastor

Wed. - Thurs. 6:30am



Linda Rosen
*Superintendent of Education
School Board Training*



Adam Case
*Ministerial Director
Church Planting*



Mike Edge
*Wisconsin Conference
President*

1st Friday 7:30pm



Ernesto Medina
*Executive Director of Cen-
ter for Nutrition, Healthy
Lifestyle, and Disease
Prevention at LLU*

Mon. - Fri. 11:00am



Nathan Renner
*Discover Life SDA Church
Senior Pastor*

Mon. - Thur.



John Redlich
Rhineland District Pastor

Fri. - Sab. 6:30am



Bill Ochs
Green Bay District Pastor

Mon. -Tue. 6:30am



Deidra Roat
*Conference Clerk
Clerk Training*



Michael Goetz
Campion Academy Pastor

Mon. - Thur. 7:30pm



Diane Thurber
*President Christian Record
Services, Inc.*

Sun. - 2:00 & 4:00pm



Nicolas Miller
*Andrews University
Seminary Professor of
Church History*

Last Friday



Sheldon Bryan
*Milwaukee Central District
Pastor*

Sab. -Sun. 6:30am

More Information

Learn more about
camp meeting
speakers, division
leaders, policies,
classes, activities,
etc. on the
conference website at
wi.adventist.org.

Pastor Michael Ehm Ordained on Sabbath



We are excited to announce that on the second Sabbath of camp meeting, Pastor Michael Ehm, will be ordained to the Gospel ministry. Pastor Ehm has been serving diligently in our conference for almost five years. He has an amazing story of wandering through this world, but realizing that God was always calling him and looking after him. When Pastor Ehm finally answered God's call he began down the path of formal ministry, which has brought him to this point. Pastor Ehm's story is a miraculous reminder that God takes us where we are at and transforms us into what He wants us to be. Please join us on the second Sabbath as we celebrate Pastor Ehm's call to the Gospel Ministry.

Camp Wakonda Work Bee May 6-11

Work bee begins at 9:00am Monday morning May 6. Come help for one, two, or all six days! Meals and cabin housing provided for those working on camp projects. Projects include:

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| Painting | Landscaping |
| Carpentry | General Repairs |
| Vehicle Mechanics | Power Washing |
| Meal Preparation | Flowerbed TLC |
| Stick Removal | Ground Projects |
| Deep Cleaning | Clean Cabin Roofs |
| Install Metal Roofs | And More! |
| Pine Needle Removal | |

Come enjoy fun, fellowship and fresh air! Evening activities are planned. Learn more by calling camp at 608-296-2126.

Camp Meeting Notices

Ask Your Leaders Bring your questions for a panel discussion with President Mike Edge; Secretary/Treasurer Brian Stephan; Ministerial Director Adam Case; and Education Superintendent Linda Rosen at 2:15 pm Sunday in Pioneer Pavillion.

Camp Meeting CD/DVD

There will not be any further CD and DVD duplicating and production. All recorded meetings will be available for free online.

Health Screening Expo

Come observe and experience how this outreach screening works. In the Pavilion 11:00-1:30 Sunday. All supplies involved are available for Wisconsin churches to use. Contact Karen Flanagan for details.

ABC Sunday Sale

Take advantage of some great buys on Sunday, June 1, at 9:00am in Pioneer Pavillion. Prices good only during this limited time sale.

Hallelujah Hustle

Run/walk event begins Sunday, June 17, 7:40am. Open to all ages. Free kid's run ages 11 & under, 7:30am.

Policy Notice: There will be a \$50 per night charge for camp meeting arrivals spending the night prior to opening night, Friday. Danger risk for accidents is vary high prior to Friday due to grounds preparation, working vehicles, etc.

Hispanic Camp Meeting:

will be held on the grounds of Camp Wakonda August 8-15. For more information contact Evelio Miranda, at 414-446-5964.

Meal Tickets

Tickets are available during camp meeting at the administration office, or may be purchased and mailed prior to June 6. Tickets not available during Sabbath hours. To order before, call LaQuita Anderson at 920-484-6555.

Prices	Adult 11-64	Child 4-10	Senior 65+
Breakfast	\$7.50	\$6.50	\$6.50
Lunch	\$7.50	\$6.50	\$6.50
Supper	\$7.50	\$6.50	\$6.50

Complete menu at wi.adventist.org

Register for Camp Meeting Online

Link to reservations on the conference website. Use your email address to log on. If you have any problems or questions contact campmeeting@wi.adventist.org. Site payments are now due in full.

Lighthouse Thrift Store Donations

A trailer to collect donations will be parked behind Apple Valley Market. Needed items include clothing, books, furniture, toys, housewares, etc. No TVs. For questions email lighthouse thriftstore@gmail.com, or call 920-623-0031.

ACS Leaders: Bring a display board of pictures to inspire others!

ACS Free Daily Drawing at Cabin

ACS Planter: Bring a tea cup and join the fun filling it with a succulent and share with someone.

ACS Classes: Monday-Friday 9:00 - noon meet at ACS cabin for knitting & crocheting class. Monday at 2pm learn easy strip quilt pattern.

New Camp Meeting Superintendent



Pastor Tom Michalski is our new camp meeting Superintendent. “I’m excited and humbled to be asked by the conference to be the Superintendent,” said Pastor Tom. “Nate Skaife is leaving some very big shoes to fill and I hope I can do as good of a job as he did. Camp meeting is a very special time in Wisconsin, and my prayer is that it continues to grow better and more fulfilling for every person who attends. Thank you for this opportunity.”

Medical Missionaries Continued...

my life that I find taxing or uncomfortable—on a plane, at the hospital, standing in line at the DMV. This has caused me to ask the question: Am I bringing glory to God in everything I do, or are there some areas that are off limits because they’re all about me? It’s a needed challenge in all of our lives. How will you bring glory to God today, regardless of the circumstances?

Zachary Payne
Racine District Pastor

Training Women for More Effective Service



On February 23 & 24 of this year, the Wisconsin Hispanic Women’s Ministry concluded the four-year Level 1 leadership seminars and started a new certification entitled “Mental Health,” with 98 attendees. Many members invited their non-member friends to attend these seminars. Such is the case of Amarilis Cornejo, from Waukesha Hispanic Church, who invited her friend Elsa Torres. After the programs, Elsa Torres commented: “I am surprised of everything I have been able to learn, I would like to continue taking these seminars.”

On February 25, 62 people completed the Children’s Ministry Certification and the course, “Ministering Parents.” At the same time, VBS was presented live. All attendees had the opportunity to see what a Vacation Bible School is like and they were also given the materials to organize a VBS in their churches. Praised be to the Lord for the blessing this has brought not only to our churches but also to our community.

Noemi Miranda
Secretary for Hispanic Ministries

FINANCIAL UPDATE

We have finally closed the 2017 books in preparation for the upcoming annual audit. I am happy to report that we ended the year with a bottom line gain of just over \$10,000 for the conference. While small, this was a huge blessing as our budget had projected over a \$200,000 decrease for the year. We thank God for your faithfulness and for God’s watch over our conference finances.

We have a similar projection of just over a \$200,000 decrease in our proposed 2018 budget. Once again, we are look forward to what blessings the Lord has in store for us this year. We are off to a good start as tithe thru February is up 10.64% over February last year. Wisconsin Budget is up 15.37% over the same time as well. Again a big thank-you for your support for this most important offering that supports our Academy, evangelism and Camp Wakonda.

Wisconsin Academy is having a positive financial year despite an enrollment of 65 students. With careful spending and a dedicated staff, the academy has a slight gain in fund balance through February of this fiscal year. The accounts receivable owed to the conference is also less than a year ago. While WA is not yet where it needs to be financially, the Academy continues heading in the right direction. One reason for the positive result is that over 30 churches have joined the YES program helping a student in their church attend WA, or sponsoring a student if they have no young people in their church. Thank-you for investing in our young people.

Alumni weekend, Wakonda work bee, WA graduation, and camp meeting are coming up soon. Keep these gatherings in your prayers as we seek to continue the precious work God has given us to do in Wisconsin.



Brian Stephan
Executive Secretary/Treasurer

FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT			
	2018	2017	% Change
Feb. Tithe Income:	\$514,156	\$477,691	7.63%
YTD Tithe Income:	\$926,210 (8 wks)	\$837,135 (8 wks)	10.64%
Feb. Wisconsin Budget:	\$23,248	\$18,455	25.97%
YTD Wisconsin Budget:	\$41,576 (8 wks)	\$36,036 (8 wks)	15.37%



Our team of 32 students, staff, and friends spent 17 days on WA's second project in the Philippines.

Mission: Philippines

On March 6, 2018, our team of excited students and staff flew from Chicago O'Hare International Airport to Seoul, Korea, in route to the Philippines where we would be conducting our 2018 International Mission Project. The following day we visited the Southern Asia Pacific Division church headquarters, the Adventist International Institute of Advanced Studies where we also visited the White Estate, the Taal Volcano, and the Mall of Asia.

Following a much needed night of rest, we headed to the pier to board the 2GO ferry for a 14 hour voyage to Coron. We docked at the Coron port at 4:30am and transferred to a small bangka boat for another two hour voyage to the island of Culion. After transferring to a small bus, we made the final 1.5 hour road trip to the small community of Botnongan, where we were welcomed with open arms by our Seventh-day Adventist church family.

Over the next eight days we supported the local church in an evangelistic campaign, ran a Vacation Bible School, a free medical/dental clinic, plus poured the foundation for the new church building. It was exciting to see Wisconsin Academy students actively involved in spreading the gospel.

On the final Sabbath 19 people were baptized in the sea. It was a touching service. One of our students commented, "I never thought I could pray with people whom I did not personally know, but as I visited in the homes of those taking Bible studies I was able to pray with them. When I saw them baptized, I was so happy knowing I had played a part."

In the final phase of our mission project we returned to Marcilla, the site of our 2016 church building project. Pastor Daniel Malabad, President of the Palawan Adventist Mission, came to conduct the church dedication ceremony and to show appreciation for the work Wisconsin Academy has done in advancing the gospel in this remote area.

Leaving was difficult. We realize more than ever how beautiful it is to be part of the worldwide family of God. We now have brothers and sisters in the Philippines that will forever be bound to our hearts by cords of love. Over the coming months we will work remotely with those involved in church construction to see that the project is completed. We also continue to support a lay Bible worker to mentor the newly baptized members. Please keep this project in your prayers.

Roger Dunder, principal
Wisconsin Academy



WA junior Josué Hilario assists a dentist with extractions. Many patients came to the dental clinic with multiple rotten teeth.



WA sophomore Abigail Lopez passes a cement block on the church construction site. Afternoons were very hot and humid.



A new believer gives her life to Christ through baptism. Nineteen people were baptized while we were there, and more are preparing.



The church we built two years ago in Marcillia as it stands today. Our group took part in the dedication of this beautiful house of worship.



WA junior Devonte Lee and freshman Liz Hilario prepare to snorkel over a coral reef. We were blessed by the great beauty of the islands.

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(920) 623-3300
3. Discuss finances with our business manager, Darlie Gagatam
(920) 623-3300 ext. 302

Academy Day 2018!

We are excited to invite you to Academy Day on May 6, 2018!

Academy Day is designed to give prospective 7-11th grade students the opportunity to visit classes, talk with teachers, eat "cafe" food, tour the campus, make some new friends and just "get a feel" for academy life.

Students will also have the opportunity to earn scholarships in an area of their interest. There are also special meetings for parents and sponsors designed for them to ask questions and find the answers they need.

We look forward to seeing you at Academy Day 2018! Please register at the address below:



www.wisacad.org/admissions/academy-day-2017/

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Calendar of Events

May

6 Wisconsin Academy Day
6 Adventurer Fun Day
6-11 Wakonda Work Bee
12 Hispanic Brotherhood Day
13 Mother's Day
14 Rice Lake Delegate Orientation
18-20 Pathfinder Fair
19 WA Spring Concert
25-27 Wisconsin Academy Graduation
30 Executive Committee

June

8-10 Hispanic Women's Retreat
11-14 Camp Meeting Pitch
15-23 Camp Meeting
24 Camp Meeting Strike
22-24 Hispanic Couples Retreat
26 Board of Education
27-7/1 Blind Camp

July

1-8 Junior Camp
8 JAHWI Sports Day
8-15 Tween Camp
15-22 Teen Camp
22-29 Family Camp I
29-8/1 Family Camp II
31 Executive Committee
31 Board of Education

August

1-5 ASI Convention
5 Hispanic Camp Meeting Pitch
6-9 NAD Teacher Convention
8-12 Hispanic Camp Meeting
12-14 Pastor's Meetings
19 Nominating Committee for
Constituency
24-26 Public Campus Ministries
Retreat
26 SAL - Hispanic
28 Board of Education
29 Executive Committee
31-9/2 SEEDS Conference



Pennie Wredberg, principal/teacher in Petersen Elementary, has accepted a position in the Rocky Mountain Conference. Her husband, **Bert Wredberg**, Administrative Assistant to the President, Secretary/Treasurer, and Ministerial, is leaving as well.

Leah Steffen, teacher in the Milwaukee SDA School north campus, is transitioning with her husband to Ohio.

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Camp Meeting Choir

Come share your musical talents through two musical selections, one of which is "What a Beautiful Name" by Hillsong.

Orchestra: following the evening meetings on Thursday (alone), & Friday (with choir)
Choir: Saturday & Sunday after pm meeting
• Monday-Friday 1:00pm in pavilion
• Friday final rehearsal with orchestra following the evening meeting
Brass Ensemble & Organist: following evening meetings:
• First Friday (perform 1st Sabbath)
• Second Friday (hymn for 2nd Sabbath)
• Second Sabbath instruments tune at 9:00am