



Adventist  
*Family Ministries*  
NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION



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## Upcoming Events

February 2016



### [Retiro de Parejas](#)

February 5, 2016

### [Retiro de Parejas](#)

February 12, 2016

### [Marriage Vows: Living the Commitment](#)

February 12, 2016

### [Christian Marriage Sabbath](#)

February 13, 2016

### [Christian Home & Marriage Week](#)

February 13, 2016

### [Christian Marriage Sabbath](#)

February 13, 2016

### [Christian Home & Marriage Week](#)

February 13-20, 2016

## From our Directors

Dear Colleagues:

February is here and the thought of Valentine's Day is evident everywhere you go. Chocolates, flowers, greeting cards - they all remind us to tell that special person in our lives that we love them and care deeply for them. Probably most of you, Family Ministries Directors, are finalizing the plans for a couples retreat or a marriage conference. Please remember to let us know about the events you are holding. Send us the information beforehand and we'll be happy to post it on our website calendar and on our Facebook page and group. Please take pictures and send us a couple of good ones, and send us a couple of paragraphs telling us about the event - where it was held, how many attended, who the presenters were, anything special that took place, etc. What you do will give others some ideas and will serve as encouragement to them. The best time to send us those items is right after the event; if you let time pass the business of life will keep you from doing it later. We appreciate your contributions to our newsletter and



[\*\*Making Magnificent Marriages\*\*](#)

February 19-21, 2016

[\*\*Making Love Last - Married Couples' Retreat\*\*](#)

February 19-20, 2016

[\*\*Mad About Marriage\*\*](#)

February 19-20, 2016

[\*\*Christian Parenting Sabbath\*\*](#)

February 20, 2016

[\*\*A Night at the Carnival\*\*](#)

February 26, 2016

[\*\*Done with Self-Harm\*\*](#)

April 10, 2016

[\*\*NAD Day of Hope\*\*](#)

April 16, 2016

[\*\*Family Togetherness Week\*\*](#)

September 11-18, 2016

[\*\*Family Togetherness Sabbath\*\*](#)

September 17, 2016



[\*\*Haitian Men's Ministries Convention\*\*](#)

February 26, 2016

[\*\*Haitian Men's Ministries Convention\*\*](#)

February 27, 2016

[\*\*21st Annual Dakota Conference Men's Retreat\*\*](#)

to the ministry for families.

**Adventist Ministries Convention 2017** (Read more.)

Please begin to plan to come to the Adventist Ministries Convention which will be held in Tucson, Arizona, on January 8-11. We will tell you more about the programming as we get closer to the dates, but for now, here's what we are beginning to plan for you:

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8, 2017

1:30-3:00 p.m. ASAM Advisory

3:15-4:45 p.m. MM Advisory

7:00-9:00 p.m. Opening Session

Monday, January 9, 2017

8:00-9:30 a.m. Worship & Leadership Session

10:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Exhibitor Expo

2:30-6:30 p.m. Exhibitor Expo

Tuesday, January 10, 2017

8:00-9:30 a.m. Worship & Leadership Session

9:45-11:00 a.m. FM/ASAM Seminars

11:15 a.m. -12:30 p.m.-FM/MM Seminars

2:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.-FM Advisory

Wednesday, January 11, 2017

8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m. Worship & Leadership Session

The advisory is for all conference directors of each ministry. We will share resources, get updates from each director, and will have time to talk about the future of the ministry. We recognize some of you have multiple ministries and the advisories may be held at the same time. We hope you will make the effort to be present at the three advisories for which we are responsible. Also, plan to stop by our area of the exhibit expo on Monday.

Thank you for all you do. We admire and appreciate you and how God is using you to bless others. May He continue to guide you and bless you richly.

March 11, 2016

[Southwestern Union Men's Curriculum Training](#)

March 18, 2016

[Race to Win-Men's Ministries English Convention](#)

March 18, 2016

[NAD Day of Hope](#)

April 16, 2016

[2016 Oregon Men's Summit](#)

April 29 - May 1, 2016

[Men's Ministries Day of Prayer](#)

September 3, 2016

[Men's Ministries Spanish Convention](#)

October 15, 2016

[Men's Ministries Spanish Convention](#)

November 12, 2016



[Rosario Singles Retreat](#)

April 1-3, 2016

[Set Free Global Summit](#)

April 4, 2016

[NAD Day of Hope](#)

April 16, 2016

[Single Adult Sabbath](#)

May 21, 2016

[Camp Hope Fall Singles](#)

Drs. Pamela & Consuegra  
NAD Family Ministries

Ministry on the Move

## Christmas for a Single Mom

On Monday, December 21, 2015, several single adults and S.H.I.N.E.rs came to the Alberta Conference Office to help take Christmas to a single mother and her three children in Red Deer, Alberta. A convoy of loaded vehicles left the Conference office at 5:30 p.m. and headed to Red Deer where they met with the family, provided supper and watched each of the child aged 7, 9 and 11 years unpack a bin of clothing, school supplies and toys.



### S.H.I.N.E. for a Single Mom

The mother expressed great appreciation for all the food, household goods and Christmas gifts that were presented to them to help lift her heavy load and help them to have a meaningful Christmas.

Darlene Reimche, Director  
ASAM  
Alberta Conference

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## Partnering with Parents

For 12 years the Arden Adventist Church (Arden, NC) has conducted a F.L.A. G. (Fun Learning About God) Camp, an 8 week day camp during the summer that provides Bible instruction, fun activities and child care for working parents while their children are out of school for the summer break. The camp hires high school and college youth to

## Retreat

October 21, 2015



Claudio Consuegra, DMin  
Pamela Consuegra, PhD  
Directors

### Mission Statement

Our mission of evangelism is to provide resources, training, and networking opportunities for those working to strengthen or rebuild families within the territory of the North American Division.

### Vision Statement

Healthy families for eternity.

#### From our office

We welcome submissions of your conference or union sponsored:

- upcoming events
- photos or videos of recent events
- ministry newsletters

Please email them to  
[Maria.Gregory-Hernandez@nad.adventist.org](mailto:Maria.Gregory-Hernandez@nad.adventist.org).

staff the camp. The number of campers continues to grow with over 160 registered this past summer. Ninety five percent of these campers are not Seventh-day Adventists, but children from the community and greater Asheville area from all sorts of family backgrounds. (Read more.)

In the 12 year period that the Arden Church has conducted F.L.A.G. Camp, the church has not witnessed any new church attendance, Bible studies or baptisms of non-Adventist campers or their families. The services provided are appreciated by the community (a BBB rating of A+), but no "Kingdom growth" has been experienced.

In an attempt to form deeper, influential relationships with these families, this summer the Arden Church added a three week parenting seminar conducted by Dr. Eric Bates, the senior pastor and Family Ministries Director for the Carolina Conference. After these weekly meetings, two families with FLAG Camp ties began attending the Arden Church and requested Bible studies with the associate pastor, Jeff Wait.

Dr. Eric Bates, Director  
Family Ministries  
Carolina Conference

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### Men's Ministry Initiative 2015-2016

Photos of previous HVAC training sponsored by the Southern California Conference Men's Ministry.



For more photos, please click [here](#).

Elder Charles Dolcey,  
Men's Ministry President

## Minnesota Conference

During a six-month study in 2015, the need for strengthening families within the Hispanic churches came to surface. In response, we adapted the evangelism

plan *Family to Family* of the North American Division. On determined dates we initiated a 12-month de



votional endeavor using *Conflict of the Ages* as well as NAD's Project Compassion so that the church works in a holistic manner to strengthen families within the church and reach families outside the church: Internal and External Evangelism.

The plan has been launched, distributed materials were 1,000 *Conflict of the Ages*.



We are about to begin *Bible* studies in homes and for that we're using 1,200 lessons from the *Discover*

series 1,000 videos entitled '*From Called to Baptism*' by Pastor Alejandro Bullón. Meanwhile, we are constantly in prayer to sow and reap a good harvest.

Pastor Yulian Tinoco, Coordinator  
Hispanic Ministries  
Minnesota Conference

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## **The Adventist Conference on Family Research and Practice--Call for Papers**

The Adventist Conference on Family Research and Practice is an annual conference held at Andrews University designed to provide professionals and Family Ministries Leaders alike the opportunity to be exposed to best practice strategies and research in the area of Family Therapy, Family Studies and Family Ministry in order to enhance ministry to families. We are interested in papers with a family-related practice focus for the Friday workshops, particularly those with an emphasis on integrating faith and practice. The theme of the 2016 ACFRP conference is Healthy Families: Building a Strong Foundation. Therefore, papers that research or practice across the lifespan would be of special interest. Papers will be accepted on a variety of family topics, and will be reviewed by a panel of family life experts. ([Read more.](#))

Front Desk ...

### **2016 Awareness Dates**

February 13-20 - Christian Home & Marriage Week  
February 13 - Christian Marriage Sabbath  
February 20 - Christian Parenting Sabbath  
May 21 - Single Adult Sabbath  
September 3 - Men's Day of Prayer  
September 11-17 - Family Togetherness Week  
September 17 - Family Togetherness Sabbath

Resources

[Suffer the Little Children](#)

[Porn Doesn't have to be the Norm](#)

[Sermons That Strengthen Families](#)

[PKs on FaceBook](#)

[Soldiers of Destiny - DVD](#)

[The Armor of God - DVD](#)

[The Centurion](#)

Help! I'm a Parent Kit

[English](#) | [Spanish](#)

[Help! I'm a Parent](#)

Devotional

A Follower of Jesus - Discipleship Guide

[English](#) | [Spanish](#)

Making Jesus My Best Friend - Baptismal Guide

[English](#) | [Spanish](#)

[A New Generation of Adventists](#)

A study on Marriage and family within the Church.

[Family](#), [ASAM](#), and [Men's Ministries](#) training programs AdventSource offers a handy record card for the trainee to chart their progress in the curriculum process. They are free to conferences.

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