



Adventist  
*Family* Ministries  
NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION



[NAD Family Ministries Website](#)

## Upcoming Events



### [International Leadership Conference: Reach the World](#)

May 10-13, 2017

### [Chesapeake Conference Developing Family Ministries](#)

May 13, 2017

### [You Are a Gift! Single Moms & Kids Retreat](#)

June 8-11, 2017

### [South Atlantic Conference NAD Certification Leadership Training](#)

July 14-16, 2017

### [ACFRP](#)

July 20-22, 2017

### [Michigan Conference Marriage Retreat](#)

September 8-10, 2017

### [Family Togetherness Week](#)

September 10-16, 2017

### [EditNow Pastors' Summit on Abuse](#)

September 11, 2017

May 2017

## From Our Directors

### Working Towards Clarity on Transgenderism

During the April GC Spring Meeting, attendees voted and published the "Statement on Transgenderism". As this phenomenon continues to grow in our society, we are all touched by it in one form or another. A son or daughter, a relative After much thought and prayer in seeking God's guidance through His Word, General Conference world-wide leadership addresses this matter with the hope it will give union, conference, and local church leaders a guide to properly address the matter as one church ministering those who struggle with issue but seek Jesus to be Lord in their lives. Please read through it and contact my office if you have any questions. The statement is accessible by clicking [here](#).



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Drs. Claudio and Pamela Consuegra  
FM, MM, and ASAM Directors  
North American Division of the Seventh-day Adventist Church

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[Carolina Conference](#)  
[Fall Marriage Retreat](#)  
September 22-24, 2017

[Southwest Region Conference](#)  
[Marriage is for Friends](#)  
October 6-8, 2017

[Michigan Conference](#)  
[Mother/Daughter Retreat](#)  
October 13-15, 2017

[Florida Conference](#)  
[Couples Retreat](#)  
October 20 - 22, 2017

[Michigan Conference Family](#)  
[Life Northwood Romance](#)  
November 3-5, 2017

[Georgia-Cumberland](#)  
[Conference Marriage Retreat](#)  
November 3-5, 2017

[Michigan Conference](#)  
[Crystal Mountain Marriage](#)  
[Retreat](#)  
November 10-12, 2017

[Montana Conference](#)  
[Caring for Marriage Retreat](#)  
November 11-13, 2017

[Michigan Conference](#)  
[Father/Son Retreat](#)  
December 1-3, 2017

[Texico Conference Marriage](#)  
[Retreat](#)  
December 1-2, 2017



[Northern CA Conference](#)  
[Christian Men's Retreat](#)  
May 5-7, 2017

[2017 Oregon Conference](#)  
[Men's Summit](#)  
May 5-7, 2017

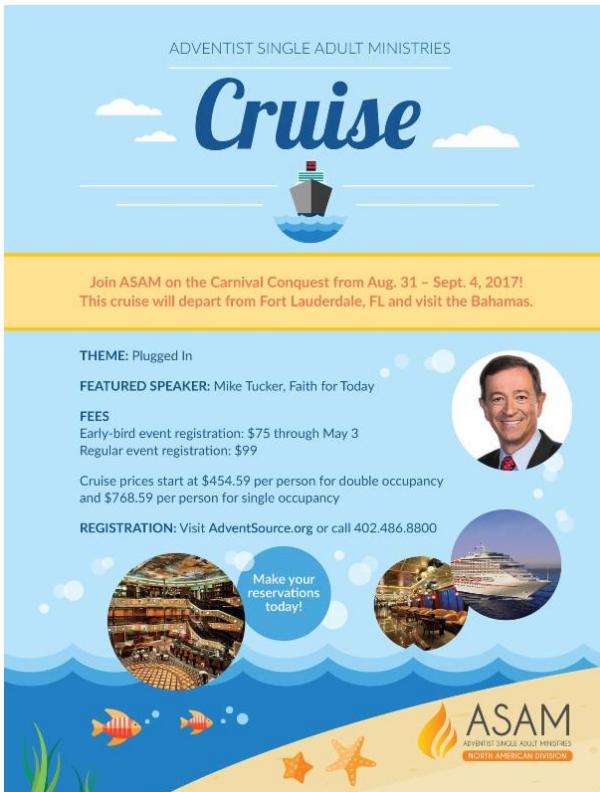
[Ohio Conference Men's](#)  
[Retreat--Band of Brothers:](#)  
[God's Mighty Men](#)  
May 19-21, 2017

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[Training](#)

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Claudio Consuegra, DMin  
Director of Family Ministries  
North American Division

## 2017 Adventist Single Adult Ministries Retreat



The 2017 Adventist Single Adult Ministries Cruise to the Bahamas, sponsored by the North American Division, sets sail August 31 - September 4, 2017. Group rates for cabins and early bird rate for the event end May 3, 2017. The featured speaker is Mike Tucker of Faith for Today. Plan now to join single Adventists from across North America as we fellowship and worship together.

[To register](#)  
Event: click [here](#).  
Cabins: Holly Kaiser, 402.477.2881.

### Out and About Ministry

#### Cruising for Marriage

My first time on the beautiful island of Bermuda was a Holy Spirit filled weekend. I had the privilege to present "Mastering the Art of Marriage" February 10-12, 2017, to 40 couples. It was a time of reflection, renewal and rebirth. The couples had workshops together and separately.

July 14-16, 2017

[Alaska Conference  
Men's Ministries Retreat](#)

July 14-16, 2017

[Central States Conference  
Men's Retreat](#)

August 17-20, 2017

[Michigan Conference Men of  
Faith Campout-Northwoods](#)

August 17-20, 2017

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

September 2, 2017

[EndItNow Pastors' Summit on  
Abuse](#)

September 11, 2017

[South Atlantic Conference  
Hispanic Men's Retreat](#)

September 22-24, 2017

[Carolina Conference Men's  
Retreat](#)

September 29 - October 1,  
2017

[Central CA Conference  
Men's Ministries Convention  
Chosen for Action](#)

September 29 - October 1,  
2017

[Montana Conference Men's  
Ministries Summit](#)

September 29-October 1,  
2017

[Chesapeake Conference  
Maryland Men of Faith](#)

October 7-9, 2017

[Hombres Adventistas de  
Valor 2017 \(Men's Retreat-  
Spanish\)](#)

October 13-15, 2017

[South Atlantic Conference  
Men's Retreat](#)

October 13-15, 2017

[Kentucky-Tennessee  
Conference  
2017 Men's Conference](#)

October 27-29, 2017

The men really used their "What I've always wanted to ask my wife but was afraid I would never get out of the doghouse" time to ask all sorts



Glowing shipmates.

of questions. They actually went over their allotted time which the women wanted to know what in the world did they want to know so bad. Each couple was also allowed time to have couple and one on one counseling. God blessed abundantly and beyond what we could have ever imagined. One of the most memorable was when



Charting the course of the heart.

the Holy Spirit fell on a couple and Pastor Hiesberger (Director of Family Ministries for

Bermuda Conference) performed and anointing for them.

A mature couple stepped forward to mentor this young couple. God blessed mightily. And yes the island did not disappoint. The



Pastor Ulric Hetzberger and Doctor Renee Mobley administrative assistant, Mrs. Albouy and her husband made sure I had time for a bit of sightseeing and relaxation. Thanks Bermuda, and thanks to the Trinity.

Dr. Renee Mobley  
South Central Conference

## **Minnesota Men's Ministries Moving Mightily**

One hundred and forty six men of the Minnesota Conference of Seventh-day Adventists gathered at North Star Camp on Rice Lake connected to an elbow of the Mississippi River, April 21 to 23, 2017. The men were blessed



[Michigan Conference](#)  
[Father/Son Retreat](#)  
December 1-3, 2017



Single Adult Sabbath  
May 20, 2017

[Kentucky-Tennessee](#)  
[Conference You Are a Gift!](#)  
[Single Moms & Kids Retreat](#)  
June 8-11, 2017

[Oregon Conference Singles](#)  
[Spiritual Retreat](#)  
July 7 - 9, 2017

[South Atlantic Conference](#)  
[NAD Certification Leadership](#)  
[Training](#)  
July 14-16, 2017

[Florida Conference Conexion](#)  
2017  
July 21-23, 2017

[Florida Conference](#)  
[Single Parent Retreat](#)  
August 4-6, 2017

[Northern CA Conference](#)  
[Broadway to God's Way](#)  
August 25-27, 2017

[NAD Single Adult Cruise](#)  
August 31 - September 4,  
2017

[EndItNow Pastors' Summit on](#)  
[Abuse](#)  
September 11, 2017

[Central States Conference](#)  
[Single Adult Retreat](#)  
September 15-17, 2017

with five messages from Powerful men seeking God.  
Dustin Hall, pastor of the Southview church in Minneapolis.



The End and the Beginning  
save!"

On Sabbath evening, Robert Fast-Horse decided to be re-baptized in Rice Lake. Following the first song of the evening meeting, the men were surprised to hear that there was going to be a baptism to follow immediately.

After Robert gave a short testimony, Pastor Hall lead everyone down to the swimming area where Robert was baptized. It was one of the highlights of the evening!

This was the 23rd year of the annual Minnesota Men's Retreat. This was the fourth year that the retreat was held at our own North Star Camp, owned and operated by the Minnesota Conference. Access the event photos by clicking [here](#).



A new man rises

Dr. Claudio Consuegra, Director  
Men's Ministries  
North American Division

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## Speakers for the Adventist Conference of Family Research and Practice (ACFRP), July 20 - 22, 2017

Derek John Morris Derek Morris currently serves as President of Hope Channel, Inc., and host of Hope Sabbath School, an in-depth interactive study of the Word of God broadcast worldwide on Hope Channel. Prior to joining the Hope Channel team, he served as associate secretary of the General Conference Ministerial Association and Editor of Ministry, an international journal for pastors. Born in England, his greatest joy is found in helping people to experience a life-changing encounter with the Lord Jesus Christ. Morris has two doctoral degrees: a



John Morris Derek



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## 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).

DMin in Practical Theology from Andrews University and a DMin in Preaching from Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary. He is the author of 5 books: Powerful Biblical Preaching, The Radical Prayer, The Radical Teachings of Jesus, Radical Protection, and Radical Evidence.

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Shaanti Feldhman is the keynote speaker for ACFRP to be held at Andrews University. Her research findings have served many and are presented concisely for deeper understanding. She received her graduate degree from Harvard University and was an analyst on Wall Street before unexpectedly becoming a social researcher and best-selling author. Today, she applies her analytical skills to investigating eye-opening, life-changing truths about relationships, both at home and in the workplace. Her groundbreaking research-based books, such as For Women Only, have sold more than 2 million copies in 23 languages and are widely read in homes, counseling centers and corporations worldwide.



Shaanti Feldhman

Where the "Only" series revealed the often-unseen needs of men and women, her newest multi-year research projects, published in The Surprising Secrets of Highly Happy Marriages and The Good News About Marriage, are giving couples and the culture hope that great marriages are possible, likely, and simpler than most people think.

To find out more about ACFRP, please click [here](#).

### Front Desk ...

## 2017 Awareness Dates

May 20 - Adventist Single Adult Ministries Sabbath

September 2 - Men's Ministries Sabbath

September 10-16 - Family Togetherness Week

### Resources

**Online Training:** [Family Ministries](#), [Men's Ministries](#), and [Adventist Single Adult Ministries](#)

### [Family Faith](#) 2017 Devotional



**Help! I'm a Parent II**  
(ages 8-12)  
[English](#) | [Spanish](#)

## OTHER RESOURCES

[Every Good Marriage Begins with a Funeral](#)

[Help! I'm a Parent: Parenting Kids with Different Abilities](#)

[Biblical Research Institute Newsletter](#)

Welcome to the Family  
[English](#) | [Spanish](#)

[New Books for Juniors](#)

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

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](#)

[Coming Out Ministries](#)

[The Story of Desmond T. Doss](#)

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