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NEWS

[Chinese Union to Adopt Ontario's Pathfinder Drill Manual](#)

June 3, 2009, Oshawa, Ontario...OCN

The Chinese Union Mission, with headquarters in Hong Kong, yesterday, wrote to Pastor Cyril Millet, Ontario Conference Youth director, requesting permission to translate the "New Canadian Pathfinder Drill Manual" for use in its field.

"As we are going to promote Adventist Youth Ministries, like Pathfinders and Adventurers in the Unorganized Territories, especially the Republic People of China, we deeply need an updated and perfect Drill Manual," said Pastor Daniel Jiao, Youth director for the Chinese Union Mission. "Your drill manual will be an indispensable guide for drilling across China, Taiwan, Hong Kong and all the Chinese companies around the world."

Ontario Conference Pathfinder specialist, Pastor Charles Leader, initiator of the manual, was overjoyed with the request.

"When we set out to revise the manual in 2006, we were simply looking to establish a consistent standard for all our clubs in Ontario," said Leader. "We did not imagine that it would have such a far-reaching effect and turn out to be a blessing to so many others. To God be the glory!"

Youth director, Pastor Cyril Millet, said that he was happy and excited that work, which was done in Ontario, could benefit others in other fields.

The manual is a complete revision of the previous drill manual that was written by a former Youth director, Bob Lehman, in 1978. Pastor Leader credits Delwin Clarke, a former Army Cadet officer and member of Hamilton Mountain Seventh-day Adventist Church, for the revision. It was completed in 2008 and subsequently, adopted by all the conferences in Canada as the standard drill manual for Pathfinders in Canada.

Halsey Peat

Countdown to Thirty-second Constituency Meetings

June 4, 2009, Oshawa, Ontario...OCN

With just one month to go before the thirty-second constituency meetings of the Ontario Conference begins on July 4, final preparations are being made to facilitate nearly 900 delegates and guests.

The meetings, to be held over two days in Hall 4A at the International Centre on Airport Road, Mississauga, will receive the reports of the Nominating Committee, Bylaws Committee, conference officers and departmental directors and any other committee that had been established at the previous session in 2005.

As a public meeting, anyone may attend as observers. They cannot speak or vote. Only registered delegates are able to participate in the business.

The nominating committee has, after three day-long meetings, completed its preparatory work and knowledge of its report is already circulating. However, the official report will shortly reach all delegates for their consideration.

The thirty-second constituency meetings will commence at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, July 4. Business will continue until the early evening, after which the delegates will enjoy a rich worship experience with camp meeting speaker, Dr. Derrick Morris.

On Sabbath morning, the delegates will be joined by close to 8,000 other worshippers when Camp Meeting 2009 commences at 9:30.

Delegates will return to the International Centre on Sunday, July 5, at 9:00 a.m. to continue the business session. It is anticipated that all business will be concluded by 6:00 pm.

In Mexico, Adventist Churches, Institutions Resume Normal Operations

June 2, 2009, Merida, Yucatan, Mexico, Libna Stevens/IAD/ANN Staff

Seventh-day Adventist churches and schools in Mexico are open and operating normally a month after an alarming number of H1N1 flu cases in the country led its government to close schools and discourage large gatherings, such as church services.

"We are thankful that things are back to normal for our churches and schools in Mexico," said Israel Leito, president of the Adventist Church in Inter-America.

Leito credited precautions taken by local church leaders for safeguarding students and church members from outbreaks of the virus.

The more than 2,500 Adventist churches in Mexico resumed worship services last month and Adventist-owned Montemorelos University graduation ceremonies proceeded at the university's church after the health alert was lifted.

Last week, world church administration announced travel to Mexico by church employees was no longer restricted.

(Source: Adventist News Network)

RESOURCES

The ASI International Convention, Aug 5-8, in Phoenix, Ariz, promises to be another high time of inspiration and networking. Learn how Adventist®-laymen's Services and Industries are active in ministry. Attend the inspiring general sessions and seminars. Contact: www.ASIministries.org.

Adventist Urban Congress, Dallas, Tex, Aug 30 - Sept 2 — Pastors, lay ministry leaders, community service leaders, learn how to transform your congregation and your community through community outreach ministries. Learn how to reach out effectively in our changing 21st Century communities through: Health, Women's, Children's, Youth, Adult, Family and Volunteer Ministries. Contact: www.plusline.org/events.php for more information and to register. *Early bird deadline June 17.*

Planned Giving: Getting the Proper Start, Sept 21-23, will be offered by PSI in partnership with the Center on Philanthropy at Indiana University's The Fund Raising School. Registration for this 3-day course is \$445 for PSI members *through June 25* — more than a 56% discount. Scholarships are available for those who qualify.

Contact: www.philanthropicservice.com/site/1/docs/PSI_Scholarship_Program_App.pdf for a scholarship application. For more information, go to www.plusline.org/eventdetail.php?id=10178. Space is limited to the first 40 registrants so register early.

A Collection of Holiday Sermons, Adventist Preaching, Vol. 24, is now ready for distribution. It is the third Signature Edition which is themed rather than a series by one speaker. (The Collective Works of Renowned Black Preachers and The Collected Works of Pioneer Preachers are the first and second Signature Editions.) The Holiday Collection has 9 presentations that will enhance your services during holidays like New Year, Easter, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas, in addition to a communion homily. Every church, large or small, will enjoy the holiday sermons. Contact: www.adventistpreaching.com.

Graduate Certificate in Family Life Education summer intensive courses will be offered at 50% off the normal tuition price. These two 1-week intensives, July 12-17 and 19-24, will be at the Theological Seminary at Andrews University. They are custom tailored for people on the move and will be taught by leading national experts including Dr. Rene Drumm of Southern Adventist University and Dr. Curtis Fox of Loma Linda University. The goal is to develop strong healthy families in the church and the community.

The annual Family Celebration Sabbath will be held during the weekend between intensives, where sexual addictions expert Mark Laaser will be presenting on the topics of pornography and sexual addictions. Contact: reled@andrews.edu go to <http://www.growingdisciples.info>.

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In addition, use the ® after the first use of the word "Adventist" in a document. All Adventist Church Connect web sites have been updated.

The updated logos can be downloaded in several file formats at www.adventist.org/world_church/logo.

NAD UPCOMING EVENTS

For a more complete list of upcoming events, go to www.nadadventist.org/article.php?id=350

- SEEDS 2009, June 10-13, Berrien Springs MI – www.NADEI.org
- Adventist Single Adult Ministries (ASAM) Convention, July 2-4, Newport Beach, California - www.adventistsingleadultministries.org & www.focusnyc.org
- Family Celebration Sabbath, July 17-19, Berrien Springs, MI – www.adventistfamilyministries.com
- ASI Convention, Aug 5-8, Phoenix, AZ - www.asiministries.org
- Pathfinder "Courage to Stand" Camporee, Aug 11-15 - Oshkosh WI – www.camporee.org
- Adventist Correction Chaplains Conference, Aug 26-29, New England Denominational History Tour
- Adventist Urban Congress, Aug 30-Sept 2, Dallas, TX – www.plusline.org
- GIEN Internet Ministries Conference, Sept 9-12, Orlando, FL – www.plusline.org
- Children's Ministries Training, Sept 11-13, Orlando, FL – www.childmin.com
- Women's Ministry Convention, Sept 25-27, Dallas, TX – www.nadwm.org

ONTARIO COMING EVENTS

June 7

Concert at Toronto West

Rexdale Outreach Choir, "More Than Just the Music" in concert at Toronto West Seventh-day Adventist Church, 1621 Albion Road at Martin Grove, Sunday, June 7, 2009 at 3:00 p.m., featuring YES to Life, Nigel Hunter and More.

Reserve your seat with a donation of \$10.00. Doors open at 2:00 p.m.

For more information, call: 905-791-7692 or email rexdalecgc@hotmail.com.

June 13

Annual Alumni Day of University of Southern Caribbean

The University of Southern Caribbean, formerly called Caribbean Union College (Toronto Chapter), cordially invites all members and friends to celebrate their Annual Alumni Day on June 13, 2009 from 10:00 a.m.-11:00 p.m. at the Ashbury and West United Church, 3180 Bathurst St. (Bathurst & Lawrence). Keynote speaker: Pastor Laurence London.

RSVP: Claudia De Leon 416-609-8693; Dr. Fitzroy Maitland: 905-428-7425; Grace Ahyoung-Alexander 416-494-6308.

June 14

Live Healthy: Fight Diabetes!

If you have diabetes, you cannot afford to miss this exciting diabetes education event on Sunday, June 14, at the Willowdale Church. Dr. Viriato Ferreira, MD, and Daryl Dooks of Toronto Rehab will share with you "Sweet Blood: What Is Diabetes", "Move That Body: The Importance of Exercise", and "Eat Up! Nutrition for Diabetes". If you watch It Is Written, you've likely seen Dr. Ferreira featured several times. He operates VitaSalus Medical Center in Lisbon, Portugal, is the Health Ministries director for the Euro-Africa Division, and is an excellent health educator who you will learn so much from! The day begins at 10:30 am, ends at 4:00 pm, and includes three healthy lifestyle presentations, lunch, a cooking demo, physical activity, and take-home materials. Best of all, it's all FREE! Do yourself a favour, and join us on Sunday, June 14, at the Willowdale Adventist Church, 535 Finch Avenue West, Toronto (just west of the Finch / Bathurst intersection, beside Branson Hospital). Please call the church at (416) 636-2471 to register. Please visit:

<http://www.willowdalesdachurch.com/downloads/LiveHealthy2009Poster.pdf>

June 20-27

Shiloh's Children's Ministry Department

You are invited to join us for our first children's week of evangelism from Sabbath, June 20, 2009 until Sabbath, June 27, 2009.

Meeting will be held on Sunday, Tuesday and Friday evenings, starting at 7:00 pm and well conclude on Sabbath evening at 6:30 pm with a concert. Plan to be there.

June 28

Praising Hands "Encore" performance concert – is scheduled for **Sunday, June 28th 2009** at 5:30 p.m. Tickets for this concert are now available. Cost is Adults - \$10 advance/ \$12 at the door. Children (6-12 yrs) - \$5. Please contact Cynthia Smith at agapetemple@rogers.com for tickets or more information. Get your tickets. They are going fast!

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June 29-July 31

Teach the Children Day Camp

The second annual "Teach the Children" Day Camp will be held **June 29 to July 31 at the Shiloh Seventh-day Adventist Church, 1090, Bellamy Road, Scarborough.**

Children 6 to 15 are encouraged to attend. Those 16 and over can register as volunteers and receive community service hours. They receive in-service training as youth counsellors and receive the Ontario Conference Youth Department certification for youth counsellors.

Learning through fun experiences is our goal. Activities for the 6 to 9 age group would include learning in Religion, Habitat, Mammals, Nature, Human Anatomy, Cultural, Vocational and Art.

Activities for the 10 – 16 summer program will include:

Fun time for everyone would include outings to Ontario Place (July 01), Toronto Climbing Academy Broadview Avenue (July 16), Neb's Fun Warehouse Oshawa, (July 23), Kid's Town, (July 30). There will be puppets and working on computers.

The fee is \$60.00 per week. Discount is available for families with two or more children!

Application forms are available from your local Adventurer and or Pathfinder director.

OTHER ADVERTISEMENTS

Teaching Position Available for the 2009-2010 School Year:

Crawford Adventist Academy (CAA)
531 Finch Avenue West
Toronto, Ontario M2R 3X2, Canada
Phone: 416-633-0090
Fax: 416-633-0467
www.tadsb.com

The following are needed for the 2009-10 school year at CAA:

High school math/computer teacher
High school French teacher
High school physical education/art teacher
High school religion teacher

Description: Crawford Adventist Academy, a K-12 day school, is located in north Toronto, one of the most culturally diverse cities in North America. This thriving school has 160+ students in its high school.

Peel Adventist School
2626 Mayfield Road
Caledon, Ontario L7C 3K7, Canada
Phone: 905-459-0500
Fax: 905-459-5464
www.tadsb.com

The following is needed for the 2009-10 school year at Peel:

Elementary (JK-8) French/music teacher
Description: Peel Adventist School, one of three schools in the Toronto Adventist District School Board (TADSB), is a 70-student, 6-teacher school located west of Toronto.

London Advent Christian Academy
800 Fleet Street
London, Ontario N5Y 1R9, Canada
Phone/Fax: 519-453-9419

Teaching Principal for Grades 1-8

Description: This culturally diverse two-year-old school is located in the North London Adventist Church. London, a mid-sized financial/university city, is located in the heart of Southern Ontario farmland.

Experience/Qualifications:

We are looking for teachers who want to lead students to Jesus, who are committed to helping students experience their best academically and socially, and are able to implement multiple strategies of instruction and assessment.

Successful candidates for any of the above positions will have the following:

Denominational and/or provincial certification.

A passion for teaching, and a love for students.

Excellent communication skills.

Experience in teaching students of varying abilities.

Excellent classroom management skills.

A commitment to offering an academic program with high expectations, yet be able to address the needs of all students.

A firm commitment as a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

The ability to work effectively with staff.

A thorough knowledge of their discipline(s).

Documented ability to work legally in Canada.

An updated resume, along with three references, can be emailed to

Frances Schander, superintendent of education, at fschander@adventistontario.org.

[Kingsway College](#)

Kingsway College, an SDA boarding high school in Ontario, Canada is searching for a director of Enrolment Services. The primary responsibilities of this position are achieving the enrolment goals of the school, managing alumni functions, and development/fundraising activities. Job requirements: Bachelor's degree and 3-5 yrs experience; excellent organizational and communication skills; ability to work in a fast-paced environment; and a strong commitment to SDA education/youth ministry. Qualified candidates are invited to contact Greg Bussey, Kingsway College President, at busseyg@kingswaycollege.on.ca.

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