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**Sixteen high school students, two pastors, and a nurse** departed early this morning for Santa Barbara, Honduras, to finish a five-year mission project at the REACH International Children's Home. The group plans to complete a protective wall around the orphanage and conduct outreach programs in the community. Please pray for their safety, and that the group will have opportunities to demonstrate the love of Jesus to the families they encounter there.

**FLAG Camps** (Fun Learning About God), the day-camp ministry of Mount Aetna Camp for kids in grades 1-8, continue to operate throughout the region. The weekday camps combine worship, arts and crafts, sports, and a daily field trip to help kids—Adventist kids and those in the community—connect with God, make friends, and have fun in a safe, Christian environment. The cost is \$100 for the week. To register, visit [www.mtaetnacamp.com](http://www.mtaetnacamp.com). There is still time to register for the following camps:

July 12-16      Park Adventist Church, Salisbury, Maryland  
July 19-23      Dover First Adventist Church, Dover, Delaware  
July 26-30      West Wilmington Adventist Church, Wilmington, Delaware

The Frederick, Maryland, church is also running a day camp under the Mount Aetna umbrella through the month of July. For more information call Pastor Alvin Payne at (240) 289-3646, or visit [www.fredericksdachurch.org](http://www.fredericksdachurch.org).

**A Youth Leaders Training Convention** is planned for September 10-12 at Mount Aetna Retreat Center in Hagerstown, Maryland. This event is for Pathfinder and Adventurer leaders, and anyone involved in youth or children's ministry. Workshop topics include organization, how to conduct effective meetings, leadership and communication, drills, planning creative activities, outreach ministry, learning styles and teaching methods, and more. For more information, contact Ann Reynolds at (410) 995-1910, or email [areynolds@ccosda.org](mailto:areynolds@ccosda.org).

## Education Update

~ Highland View Academy (HVA) has a new principal. Deborah Treviño (nee Pacheco '88) has accepted the position and is busy working out the details for the transition from San Antonio, Texas, where she works for Northwest Vista College. Faculty and board members alike are excited about the possibilities her leadership brings for the future. "Mrs. Treviño has a rich background in both the private and public sector and brings to this position a wealth of leadership ability, as well as excellent analytical, communication, and organizational skills," says conference president and HVA board chair, Rob Vandeman. "She is a strong proponent of strategic planning as well as a passionate supporter of youth ministry and fully embraces HVA's motto of 'Educating for Eternity.'"

~ Highland View Academy is sponsoring a "Demo Weekend" at the Hagerstown, Maryland, campus July 31-August 1. Prospective students and their parents are invited to check out HVA. Students will experience a sampling of academy life and have an opportunity to stay in the dorms, explore the campus, and meet the faculty and staff. Lots of activities have been planned to provide a fun and informative visit. To register, call Kim Brown at (301) 739-8480, ext. 239, or email [kbrown@highlandviewacademy.com](mailto:kbrown@highlandviewacademy.com).

~ A warm welcome is extended to the following full-time faculty who are joining the Chesapeake Education Team:

Baltimore White Marsh Adventist School, Baltimore  
Alyssa, Valenzuela—head teacher and grades K-2

Martin Barr Adventist School, Gambrills  
Lisa DeWitt—head teacher

Crossroads Adventist School, Ellicott City  
Lynette Nelson—grades 1-2

Mount Aetna Adventist Elementary School, Hagerstown  
Michelle White—grades 5-8

Eastern Shore Junior Academy, Sudlersville  
Jennifer Miller—grades K-2

Rocky Knoll Adventist School, Martinsburg, WV  
Wendy Benton, grades 1-3

Frederick Adventist School, Frederick  
Beckie Carbaugh—PreK-K and assistant to the principal

Highland View Academy, Hagerstown  
Deborah Treviño, principal  
Ricardo Woolcock, Bible, campus ministries  
Rob Herr, mathematics

**A Women's Retreat** will take place October 15-17 at Mount Aetna Retreat Center. Hyveth Williams, professor of Christian Ministry at Andrews University, is the keynote speaker. More details and registration information will be announced in the August issue of *Currents*.

**Many new church officers were elected at the 59<sup>th</sup> General Conference Session** in Atlanta, Georgia, June 23-July 3. Here are a few that may be of particular interest to Chesapeake members:

~ Ted N.C. Wilson was elected president of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. Elder Wilson is a member of the Triadelphia church in Clarksville, Maryland, where he serves as head elder. He is married to Nancy (Vollmer) Wilson, a physical therapist. The couple has three daughters. Wilson is the son of former General Conference president Neal C. Wilson, who served in the post from 1979-1990. Ted Wilson replaces Jan Paulsen (a member of Chesapeake's Spencerville church), who has served as president since 1999.

"Ted has a strong base of global support. It was evident that the Holy Spirit was leading in his selection as president. Join me in praying for him as he faces the enormous challenge of leading God's Church in such difficult times," said Rob Vandeman, conference president.

~ Dan Jackson is the new president of the North American Division of Seventh-day Adventists. During his career, Elder Jackson has served the church as a pastor, teacher and administrator. Most recently, he has been the president of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada. He is a native Canadian and, with the exception of five years of service in the Southern Asia Division, he has lived and ministered in Canada. He and his wife, Donna Jackson, have three children and four grandchildren. Jackson replaces Don Schneider, who has served as president since 2000.

~ Kenneth Osborn was elected treasurer of the Northern Asia-Pacific Division. Osborn is a member of the Spencerville church in Silver Spring, Maryland. He has served as associate treasurer for the North American Division since 1998. Osborn's professional experience includes work for the Atlantic Union Conference, Taiwan Adventist College and Academy, and the Eastern Africa Division. He is married to Ivanette (Miklos) Osborn, a nursing supervisor. The couple has three adult children.

#### **More about the 59<sup>th</sup> General Conference Session:**

~ DVD's of the GC Session are available from the Hope Channel. To order, call (888) 446-7388 or visit [www.hopetv.org](http://www.hopetv.org).

~ 69,989 persons attended the General Conference Session services held at the Georgia Dome in Atlanta, Sabbath morning, July 3, reports George Johnson, North American Division associate communication director.

~ To learn more about the General Conference Session, go to [www.news.adventist.org](http://www.news.adventist.org).

**There are two student literature evangelist programs** happening this summer. High school and college students from Adventist schools throughout North America are partnering with the West Wilmington church in Delaware and the Pasadena/Linthicum district in Maryland to give Bible studies and share literature. The young evangelists in West Wilmington are also training church members each Sabbath in the 40 Days of Prayer curriculum.

**Vacation Bible School events** are underway or happening soon in area churches. Consider supporting these friendship evangelism endeavors by volunteering to construct props, help with programming, or donate funds. And remember to invite the neighbor kids!

**Condolences are extended** to L.K. Hluna Tlau, pastor of the First Mizo church in Laurel, Maryland. Pastor Hluna's wife was recently diagnosed with cancer and given only a few days to live. The couple returned to India to be near family, and Mrs. Hluna died there on June 8. Please pray for Pastor Hluna and the First Mizo church family as they mourn the loss of their loved one.

#### **July Sunset Calendar and Offering Schedule:**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Sunset</u>	<u>Offering</u>
July 3	8:36	Local Church Budget
July 10	8:35	NAD Women's Ministries
July 17	8:32	Local Church Budget
July 24	8:27	Chesapeake Advance
July 31	8:21	Highland View Academy

Note: Sunset times published above are for Baltimore, Maryland. For Delaware and the Eastern Shore, subtract two minutes. For West Virginia and Western Maryland, add three minutes.

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