

NAD Youth Ministries Network Update

YPAC – Youth, Pathfinders, Adventurers, Camp

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A. CENTRAL CALIFORNIA CAMPMEETING

I had the privilege of sharing the good news with the youth at Central California. They have *real* camp meeting. The highlight of my experience was when a young girl named Christa insisted on being part of a televised baptism that was preplanned. Christa did not care about pre-plans. She said, Pastor James Black you must baptize me today. We did! Praise God.

B. CENTRAL CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE JR. YOUTH DIRECTOR

I met with the Administration and Conference Coordinators as they assess their needs for a new leader. I am convinced that this conference is serious about position the new leader to be successful. If God is calling you to Central California to lead Pathfinders and Camp Wawona, send your resume to Dennis Seaton or call 559-347-3000.

C. BANGKOK MISSION TRIP UPDATE

Over 400 Youth and young adults are sacrificing their Christmas and New Year's time in Bangkok, Thailand *to give rather than receive*.

Please pray for the following groups as they make their final plans:

Oregon Conference, Pacific Union College, SDA Church in Canada, Pacific Union Conf. Group, La Sierra University, Southwestern Adventist University, Southern Adventist University, Southern New England Conf., Bermuda Conf., Allegheny East Conf., Filipino Capitol SDA Church – Maryland, Northeastern Conf., and Claudette Temple's Group,

Group talent needed - The Princess of Bangkok and the NAD are planning a huge Sabbath afternoon Youth Rally. The forum for the rally is on drug prevention and healthy living. If your group can sing, drama, Clown, etc. please contact our onsite organizer, Markie Bazy @ markie_bazy@yahoo.com

Deadlines - Group Leaders – You will receive information on an upcoming teleconference. We just want to make certain we are together as a division team.

D. 2004 NAD YOUTH MINISTRIES LEADERSHIP CONVENTION

The Organizing team just returned from Denver. We met with the local leaders and they are excited. Fliers were mailed directly to you to distribute to your constituents. If you need more please contact AdventSource@ 800-328-0525. Bulletin inserts are also available upon request. This is your convention. One of the greatest need in NAD, is committed, well trained leaders. Youth, Pathfinders, Adventurers, Teens, Senior Pastors, Youth Pastors, Day & Resident Camp Directors are all welcome. For more detailed information visit www.adventistyouthministries.org. **NOTE:** Airline, and early bird discounts etc. The convention will sell out at 3500. We need every youth leader to challenge every church in NAD to send at least one senior youth representative for training.

E. GEORGIA CUMBERLAND YOUTH LEADERSHIP WEEKEND

GCC Youth Ministries Leadership Weekend, October ---, 2003 at Cohutta Springs Conference Retreat Center. Special guest: Steve Case, Bailey Gillespie and Music by Faith First. For more information contact GCC Youth Ministries Dept. @ 706-629-7951

F. MID-AMERICA UNION *YOUTH 4 YOUTH*

I wished I could have stayed longer. Over 300 Youth were fired up for Jesus. They committed themselves to look out for each other. The theme was “Youth 4 Youth, Safe in Christ” I wore their t-shirt through the airport. It was a good conversation piece. Ron Russell, Tobin Dodge, Elder Ramirez, and Derral Reeves, Go guys! You did an awesome job.

G. **IMPACT ST. LOUIS** – You can make a difference. Plan to join us as we loose 300 youth and young adults on the streets of St. Louise during the General Conference session. Plan to bring your group. Stay tuned.

H. BAYDA PATHFINDER CAMPOREE

The BAYDA Camporee was a huge success. The spirit of God was poured out to over 4000 Pathfinders from California to Bermuda, and from Canada to Miami. The rain also showed up. When the dust settled, 17 Pathfinders were baptized. *Read more at www.camporeebayd.org.*

I. NAD FOF CAMPOREE

Over 5000 are already registered. Our camporee executive director, Ron Whitehead and our leadership teams is taking nothing for granted. If you come to Oshkosh you will not be disappointed. Make plans now. Register early. *For the latest update visit www.camporee.org*

J. GEORGIA CUMBERLAND PATHFINDER LEADERSHIP CONVENTION

This training event drew over 250 leaders. The theme was “Walking In His Moccasin”. In my Friday night and Sabbath messages, I challenged the leaders not to step into His moccasins unless they are willing to go where Jesus went. Good job John Safford and team!

K. PACIFIC UNION ADVENTURER LEADERSHIP CONVENTION

On September 5-7, 2003 at Leoni Meadows Conference Retreat Center, over 200 leaders from around the Pacific Union were recharged for service. Special guest included Glen & Darlene Milam, and Noelenne Johnson. I had a great time! Congratulations to Northern California, Alice Merrill, Ron Stretter and Terry Bolton for being a great host. *See Photos @ AdventistYouthMinistries.org.*

L. ADVENTURER NEWSLETTERS visit www.adventurer-club.org

M. SUMMER CAMP EVANGELISM

Each year thousands of young people are introduced to Jesus through Summer Camp ministries. That's nice, coming to Jesus while having fun. I want to thank the Camp Directors and hundred of staff who commit them to leading present and future church leaders to the kingdom of God. *See special feature soon@ www.sdacamping.org*

N. DIGITAL PHOTOS – We will feature you. Please send edited news articles with photos and we will share your youth with other youth.

O. SOON TO RELEASE – WEBSITE NEW LOOK

www.pathfindersline.org

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