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News and information from the President's Office
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More Than 13,000 Bibles, 100,000 Steps to Christ to be Shared Across Columbia Union

Adapted from the Columbia Union News, April 13, 2021 by V. Michelle Bernard.

Do you ever wonder where the material that leaves Pacific Press ends up? Recently Josh Hey and Donna Hessel arranged for truckloads of Bibles and Steps to Christ—English and Spanish—to leave our docks. Here is a story of where some of those went:

On April 12, pastors and Hispanic Ministries coordinators gathered at the Columbia Union Conference headquarters in Columbia, Md., to pray over and take home (in total) more than 13,600 Bibles and 100,000 *Steps to Christ* in English and Spanish—that arrived from the Pacific Press.

“We pray a special blessing on all these Bibles,” said Dave Weigley, Columbia Union president at the event. “As [the Bibles] go forth, may they be a wonderful light so many people might know Jesus Christ as their personal Savior and prepare for the great, soon coming of Christ.”

To motivate members to engage in witnessing to their circles of influence, Rubén Ramos, vice president of Multilingual Ministries, says, “The minimum that we can do besides offering motivation and training is to give them the elements to share the good news—Bible lessons, the Bible and *Steps to Christ*.”

“Our small groups [across the union] will have the elements to share the good news to [conduct] Bible studies and to get a lot of people involved in studying the Bible. [We hope] a lot of baptisms

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will follow,” adds Ramos. You cannot imagine the impact of these materials in the hands of people. It's impossible to even comprehend what the Lord can do. If the Lord can do a miracle with only one book, can you imagine [what can happen] with the books that we distributed today?”

Ramos adds that last year was the last time the union distributed Bibles, and many of the coordinators were desperately waiting for more to distribute, as they were out of Bibles. It was worth the wait, for these particular Bibles contained built-in *Faith of Jesus* Bible studies.

Ramón Campos, pastor of Allegheny East Conference's Emmanuel Spanish church in Mt. Rainer, Md., says that each family who receives a box of food from their food bank also receives a Bible. Members then offer to study with them. “Each Bible is going to somebody that we're working with in the community, and it will be a blessing for their home.”

Walter Cardenas, Hispanic Ministries coordinator for the Mountain View Conference, took 1,000 Steps to Christ and about 300 Bibles home. He says his conference has a lot of new believers and people who don't own physical Bibles. Many of their pastors go to their neighbors and create relationships through community activities and then invite them to study together. Whenever people are reading the Word of God, it changes lives, he says, adding, “We're expecting our communities to be transformed by the Word of God.”



From Your IT Department

Stop and Think Before you Click or Respond

Cyber criminals are always changing their game trying to get you to fall for their tricks. Whether they're trying to get your login credentials, verify that they've reached a viable email address, or plant some nasty virus into your system, they never stop.

Here's an example of a seemingly innocent request. Before you respond, ask yourself: 1) Why would Dale be sending me an email from an odd email address? 2) Why would Dale need to confirm my cell phone number? If you don't know the person, don't respond at all. If the message looks like it's coming from someone you know but there's something that “just doesn't feel right”, call them up on the phone to verify that they've sent you an email message.

On Apr 16, 2021, at 10:56 AM, Dale Galusha <plife6474@gmail.com> wrote:

Hi Edward,

How's it going? Kindly confirm your cell phone number.

Regards,

Dale Galusha

President

Pacific Press Publishing Association

Sent via ipad, on Verizon Wireless 4G LTE



From Your HR Department

Finance Seminar Webcast Recording Available

Empower Retirement presented a personal finance webcast designed to help you learn the following:

- Why a budget is important and how to create one
- How to develop an Emergency Savings account
- Ways to Lower Debt
- How Empower's My Financial Path can be a helpful resource



Watch the webcast here:

<https://www.brainshark.com/empower-retirement/AdventistFinancialWellness>



Employee Updates



Margie Tooley Retires

by Doug Church

We are fortunate to have many people on the team who have had the experience of working at both Review and Herald and now at Pacific Press. April 20 marks the final day before retirement of one of the few who worked at Pacific Press, then at Review and Herald, and now back to Pacific Press.

Margie Tooley's service started in January of 1980 in Litho Department at Mountain View as a Photography Colorist. Fast forward to 1987 where she went to work at Review and Herald as a Journeyman I in Litho and then a Scanner Operator/Trainer. Like everyone else who worked in Litho almost 40 years ago, Margie's job evolved a lot over the years. By 1992, her excellent customer service skills become evident and she began working directly with customers managing print jobs as they came through the plant. Over the years she spent time doing advertising sales and managing the entire mailing program at Pacific Press. She has been a key leader on uncountable projects over the years.

Margie is someone whose contributions over a 36-year career in Adventist Publishing cannot be over-stated. She will be both difficult to replace and definitely missed by all of us who had the pleasure of working with her. Thank you Margie for everything you've done to further our mission!

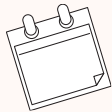


El Centinela News

Elvis Diaz (International Publications) wanted to share with us this special note:

On Sabbath, April 10, 2021, Maria Gonzales was baptized at the Nampa Spanish SDA Church by pastor Elvis Diaz.

Maria came to know about the Adventist church because someone shared ***El Centinela*** magazine with her.



Dateline

April

21 PAYDAY

May

5 PAYDAY

9 Mother's Day

19 PAYDAY

31 PPPA Holiday—Memorial Day

Publishing House in Ethiopia

Friends,

I received the following message regarding the efforts to raise funds for our fellow, publishing workers in Ethiopia.

“Dear Friends in Christ,

“Thank you for the quick and generous response to our appeal for funds to support our fellow-workers at Ethiopia Adventist Press with funds to cover the cost of a six-month supply of teff {grain} for each worker. You have sent enough to fully fill that need, and enough to do it again in six months if conditions don't change!!”

If you've followed the news at all about Ethiopia, you know that there is no sign of the economic conditions improving in the near future. So, with the help of your contributions, we've all joined with others around the globe to ease not only the hunger but a little of the worry and stress.

Thank you!

Harold Curtis

“For I was hungry and you gave Me something to eat.” (Matthew 25:35)

