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"WATCH, STAND FAST IN THE FAITH, BE BRAVE, BE STRONG." 1 CORINTHIANS 16:13

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A Chapter of Adventist-laymen's Services & Industries

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# PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

Dear ASI Family and Friends,

Welcome to the Southern Union Chapter of Adventist-laymen's Services and Industries! We are pleased you have chosen to spend this time with us as we network, share, and fellowship together.

As we again focus on the theme, **Prepared to Stand,** and journey closer to the crisis of all time, it is appropriate for us to examine ourselves, ask "Am I prepared to stand?," and encourage each other in the narrow way.

In this time the gold will be separated from the dross in the church. True godliness will be clearly distinguished from the appearance and tinsel of it...When trees without fruit are cut down as cumberers of the ground, when multitudes of false brethren are distinguished from the true, then the hidden ones will be revealed to view, and with hosannas range under the banner of Christ. Those who have been timid and self-distrustful will declare themselves openly for Christ and His truth. The most weak and hesitating in the church will be as David—willing to do and dare. (*Testimonies for the Church*, Vol. 5, page 81)

Take a moment right now to look at our featured projects for our offering this Sabbath. As you pray for each one, give thought to how you can give of yourself and the assets that God has entrusted you. Purpose in your heart to follow God's leading however He guides you today.

May each one of us be closer to Jesus as a result of being here this weekend and truly be **Prepared to Stand for God** wherever and however He may call us.

Blessings,

Calvin Thrash President

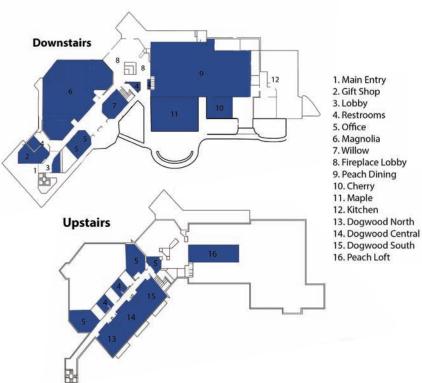
# MISSION STATEMENT

ASI—the organization of Seventh-day Adventist lay persons involved in professions, industry, education and/or services—exists to provide challenge, nurture, and experience in Sharing Christ in the Marketplace as well as support the global mission of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

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# **CONFERENCE SCHEDULE**

# **Seminar Descriptions & Locations**

7:30-8:00 am (Friday & Sabbath)	The Faith that Works by Love (Parts 1 & 2)	Nicole Parker	Magnolia
9:15-10:30 am	Watching and Observing	Scott Moore	Cherry
	Leaping Compromise (Part 1)	Isaac Olatunji	Willow
	Preparing to Stand – It's a Heart Issue	Dan Gabbert	Cherry
10:45-12:00 pm	Business Managers: Stand Up in the Great Controversy!	Michael Cafferky	Willow
1:45-3:00 pm	Transforming Difficulties into Triumphs – It's a Heart Issue	Dan Gabbert	Cherry
	Business Managers: Stand Up in the Great Controversy!	Michael Cafferky	Willow
3:15-4:30 pm	Overcoming Excuses With Scripture	Scott Moore	Cherry
	Leaping Compromise (Part 2)	Isaac Olatunji	Willow

# The Faith that Works by Love - Nicole Parker

Christ counseled Laodicea above all else to obtain "gold tried in the fire," the "faith that works by love." "Faith" and "love" are two of the most casually overused words in the Adventist dictionary. Yet the combination of the two is the secret to our church's transformation. How can I unleash this cascading cycle of faith and love in my home, church and community? Come discover afresh the beauty of our Adventist message in morning devotionals with Nicole Parker.

## Personal Evangelism - Scott Moore

A practical seminar on how to watch and observe for the working of the Holy Spirit when giving Bible Studies. In the second session, learn to overcome excuses with Scripture and allow God and His Word to do the work of conviction.

#### Leaping Compromise - Isaac Olatunji

This seminar deals with the emergence of what Ellen White termed, "The Omega of Apostasy" that would attempt to dismantle God's remnant church at the end of time. It deals with current issues that are going on in God's church along with the triumph that is to come by God's people.

#### Heart Issues - Dan Gabbert

In the first session, Preparing to Stand – It's a Heart Issue, find out "the hidden reason" for God's call to prepare to stand true to Him. In session two, Transforming Difficulties into Triumphs – It's a Heart Issue, learn the "how to" of godly preparation to stand faithful to Christ.

## Business Managers: Stand Up in the Great Controversy! – Michael Cafferky

What the Great Controversy means for business is seldom, if ever, talked about by Christian managers. It is the great "elephant in the room." This seminar will discuss the various ways that faithful Christian business managers can find their place alongside Jesus Christ in the Great Controversy, explore the fundamental purpose of business in terms of the Great Controversy, and explain ways in which faithful followers can stand up to the forces of evil.

# **Exhibit Hours (Located in Maple)**

**Thursday, April 9.** 1:00 pm - 5:30 pm (Set-up)

8:30 pm - 9:30 pm

**Friday, April 10.** 9:00 am - 6:00 pm

8:30 pm - 9:30 pm (Except commercial booths)

Sabbath, April 11 1:30 pm - 6:00 pm (Except commercial booths)

8:30 pm - 10:00 pm

# THINGS TO KNOW

# **Audio/Video Streaming and Recording**

Network 7 Media Center will be recording meetings at this conference. The main sessions will be live streamed online at the www.asisouthernunion.org website. After the conference, the messages will also be posted on AudioVerse where you can find them again later.

### Internet

WiFi is available throughout the conference center and in all the motel rooms.

#### **Badge Identification**

Badges must be worn at all times. It is your pass to enter all events, including the general sessions and seminars.

#### **Cell Phones**

Please turn off your cell phone during general sessions and seminars.

#### Meals

A limited number of meal tickets are available for purchase at the registration booth on a first-come, first-served basis. The deadline to purchase meal tickets is Friday afternoon at 5:00 pm.

## **Prayer Room (Peach Loft)**

In prayer we enter the presence of God, the audience chamber of the Most High. The work that must be done can never be accomplished by merely using better plans or new devices. It will not be finished by might or by power, but by the Spirit of God. It will be finished by prayer and deeper consecration, by people who know their God and who go forward in faith. The Peach Loft will be open at all times for the purpose of bringing our heartfelt praises and requests to our Heavenly Father.

# **WEEKEND SCHEDULE \***

# THURSDAY, APRIL 9, 2015

6:30-8:30 pm Keynote Address — Magnolia

Scott Moore: Sound Doctrine

Members in Action:

WDNX EAP

Seminar Introductions

Musicians: Dave and Marlene Colburn

## **FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 2015**

7:30-8:00 am Morning Manna — Magnolia

Nicole Parker: The Faith that Works by Love (Part 1)

8:00 am Breakfast

9:15-10:30 am Seminars — (see page 4 for description)

Scott Moore: Watching and Observing
Isaac Olatunji: Leaping Compromise (Part 1)

10:45-12:00 pm Seminars

Dan Gabbert: Preparing to Stand – It's a Heart Issue
Michael Cafferky: Business Managers: Stand Up in the Great

Controversy!

12:30 pm **Lunch** 

1:45-3:00 pm Seminars

Dan Gabbert: Transforming Difficulties into Triumphs – It's a

**Heart Issue** 

Michael Cafferky: Business Managers: Stand Up in the Great

Controversy!

3:15-4:30 pm Seminars

Scott Moore: Overcoming Excuses With Scripture

Isaac Olatunji: Leaping Compromise (Part 2)

5:00 pm Supper

6:30-8:30 pm Evening Devotional — Magnolia

Scott Moore: Standing in the Faith

Members in Action: ASI Internships Peru Projects

Fowler Industrial Plating Faith Partnerships

Beehive

Musicians: Dewar Brothers & TRUTH 1

# SABBATH, APRIL 11, 2015

7:30-8:00 am Morning Manna — Magnolia

Nicole Parker: The Faith that Works by Love (Part 2)

8:00 am Breakfast

9:15-10:30 am Sabbath School — Magnolia

Roger Miller: Baptism and the Temptations

Members in Action: AudioVerse Elijah Radio OASIS Radio College Press

Musicians: TRUTH 1 & Dave and Marlene Colburn

10:45-12:15 pm Divine Service — Magnolia

Scott Moore: It Takes Bravery

Members in Action: Amazon Life Savers World Youth Group Creel Tarahumara Mission

Musicians: TRUTH 1

12:30 pm **Lunch** 

2:30-3:30 pm **"Prepared to Stand"** Panel Discussion

3:30-5:30 pm Local Outreach

3:45-4:45 pm EASEA Choir Concert

5:00 pm Supper

6:30-8:30 pm Vespers — Magnolia

Scott Moore: You Are Not Strong Enough

Members in Action: Asian Aid OCI Reports Network 7

Musicians: Dave and Marlene Colburn, Dewar Brothers, TRUTH 1

## **SUNDAY, APRIL 12, 2015**

8:00 am **Breakfast** 

<sup>\*</sup> For information on children's programming (ages 0-17), please see page 8.

# CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

# Cradle Roll/Kindergarten (Ages 0-6). Leader: Berta Vega

Your little ones will be learning in this class lessons in obedience, perseverance and helpfulness through Bible heroes. They will also enjoy nature by going on a hayride. We will also enjoy touching the animals God created in our visit to the petting zoo, and feeling and touching God's nature in our creek walk. Your children will experience all this and more in our children's program.

Room: Dogwood 1

Room: Dogwood 2

**Room: Dogwood 3** 

# Primary/Junior (Ages 7-12). Leader: Laura Krum

In the Primary/Junior department, ASI at Cohutta Springs is a blast! On Friday the camp staff will take your young people on many fun adventures from horseback riding to a thrilling trip across the lake on a zipline. In the evening we'll close out the day with a bonfire worship to welcome the Sabbath. All young people are welcome to attend a special Sabbath School on Sabbath morning. After lunch and a song for the adults' afternoon meeting, there will be a scavenger hunt and a creek walk available. Come join us!

# Earliteen/Youth (Ages 13-17). Leaders: Raymond & Tricia Dewar

Following the theme of Prepared to Stand the Earliteen/Youth department has specially formulated activities in conjunction with Cohutta Springs staff that will bring to life object lessons about "preparing to stand". We will look at Bible characters of Joseph and Daniel who have been respected, as examples to emulate and draw out lessons from their experiences. You won't want to miss out on our time together. You will be richer in experience for having spent time with us.

# **Children's Meeting Times:**

Thursday:	Friday:	Sabbath:
6:30-8:30	9:15-12:00	9:15-10:30
	1:45-4:30	2:30-3:45
	6:30-8:30	6:30-8:30

# FEATURED MUSICIANS

## **Dave and Marlene Colburn**



Dave and Marlene Colburn, pianist and violinist, are known for their refreshing, sacred instrumental music. As recording artists, Dave and Marlene are featured musicians on 3ABN and Hope TV.

The Colburns currently reside in Duluth, GA where Dave is the Treasurer for Atlanta Adventist Academy. Marlene, an orthopaedic physical therapist, enjoys raising their two sons,

Elliott and Enoch, who are looking forward to the arrival of a little sister in June. The Colburns enjoy gardening, hiking, camping, and bird-watching.

## **Dewar Brothers**



Jonathan and Matthew enjoy sharing Christ through their musical talents. Jonathan, from a young age, sang in church and in recent years has sung at many area churches and camp meetings. Matthew has played his violin for 6 years and sings through his instrument. He enjoys sharing his talent for the Lord in camp meetings and church services.

Both Jonathan and Matthew are no strangers to ASI SU as both have shared in previous Spring Conferences. At ages 16 and 13 the Lord is laying a good foundation of service in music for these two young men.

# **TRUTH 1 (Totally Relying Upon The Holy One)**



Alicia & Lorelle Evans (sisters), Karen Cottrell, and Denise Pettit (Pianist)

TRUTH 1 started back in 2004 when Denise heard Karen, Lorelle and Alicia sing for church. Denise approached the ladies after the service and told them about a group she started back in Atlanta years earlier and asked if they would like to start their own singing group. They agreed readily and the three of them

have been singing with Denise as their pianist ever since.

Over the years, school, work and distance have separated the group but that hasn't kept them from singing for Jesus! They've managed to continue their ministry despite the obstacles and look forward to sharing their music with many others.

**Photo. Left to right:** Lorelle, Karen, Alicia, Denise (the young lady is Denise's daughter)

# **SPEAKERS**

# **Scott Moore**



Pastor Scott Moore pastors the Lady Lake, FL and the Leesburg, FL SDA Churches. His passion is helping others to understand that being a Christian is a life of absolute freedom and joy. Scott, and his wife Melanie, have been involved in ministry together for the past 12 years and have five children ranging from age 12 to 21.

**Being Prepared to Stand** is encapsulated in the verse: "Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall." 1 Corinthians 10:12 - SM

## **Nicole Parker**



Nicole Parker holds a Master's degree in Biblical counseling and is working on a Master's degree in pastoral ministry from Andrews University. She is the adoring wife of Alan Parker and the homeschooling mother of three energetic children. On their website, heartthirst.com, they share practical resources to enrich relationships with God and others.

"Being Prepared to Stand involves the faith that works by love, the 'gold tried in the fire' Jesus counseled the Laodicean church to obtain. This faith is the single secret to coming into harmony with God. We, our families, our church and our world must crave this healing and purifying influence of righteousness." - NP

# Isaac Olatunji



Born in New York City and raised in the Washington, DC area, Isaac Olatunji Jr., PhD is a minister, author, professor, health coach and motivational speaker currently living in Huntsville, AL where he teaches in the School of Religion at Oakwood University and is a pastor of the Stateline SDA Church in the Gulf States Conference of SDA. Dr. Olatunji has served in the SDA ministry for 20 years having preached in Bermuda, Europe, Africa, Australia and North America. His passion is to preach about revival and reformation as it is in Christ, leading people the world over to love Jesus and be prepared for His coming. Dr.

Olatunji is the author of the motivational book, "You Can Fly Beyond The Sky".

"Being Prepared to Stand means upholding biblical principles at a time of universal apostasy." - IO

# **Michael Cafferky**



Michael Cafferky holds the Ruth McKee Chair for Entrepreneurship and Business Ethics at Southern Adventist University. He is the author of two peer-reviewed college textbooks on Management and Business Ethics. He is co-editor of the Scriptural Foundations for Business monographs published by Andrews University Press. Michael has given presentations on the biblical foundations for business in several countries including a presentation in 2013 on the Sabbath for the World Forum of the International Association of Jesuit Business Schools. In 2013 he received the Sharon G. Johnson Award from the Christian

Business Faculty Association, an international recognition for his Christian faith-integration scholarship in business. Michael, and his wife Marlene, have been married 40 years and have two sons, Bryan and Nolan.

"Being Prepared to Stand in the marketplaces of the world depends upon saturating our hearts with Christ's character." - MC

# **Dan Gabbert**



With 29 years of literature, pastoral, and health ministry experience, Dan currently works as a mental/spiritual wellness coach at the Black Hills Health and Education Center in Hermosa, SD. He and his wife Patsy delight to encourage guests in understanding God's restorative ways and using basic Scriptural mental and spiritual health tools to face life in a stress-filled world victoriously.

"Being Prepared to Stand means time alone with the Master to know Him - nothing replaces it. Without it, everything replaces it!" - DG

# **Roger Miller**



Roger Miller is a Diagnostic Radiologist residing in Cleveland, TN. He is a fourth generation SDA who is happily married with five children and ten grandchildren. He has authored the book "Understanding Revelation in One Day" and is involved with the ministries of Christian Resource and the Cherokee Christian Heritage Museum in McCaysville, GA.

"Being Prepared to Stand means to know and follow God in truth." - RM

# ASI SPECIAL PROJECT OFFERING

AudioVerse \$9000

AudioVerse provides a service that is free for anyone in the world, but many individuals are still unaware of it. This special funding will be used to help increase awareness of this rich resource within the SDA church around the world. The message of Christ's soon coming needs to go to the whole world, and this funding will help advance AudioVerse's ability to access many more hearts.

# **Education Assistance Program (EAP)**

\$14,000

The EAP is an education scholarship provided for the children of current OCI missionary workers and their children. One of the new projects from the EAP program is the OCI Mentoring Program called "One Thing" which is an intensive leadership program for leaders between 25 and 40 years of age. The program has three main areas of focus: helping young leaders understand their call, spiritual growth and the development of essential leadership skills. This program will also encourage succession planning to be implemented by these young leaders as a principle of sound, sustainable missionary projects around the world.

Peru Projects \$19,000

Resting peacefully along a lagoon in the Peruvian rainforests, lies the beautiful campus of Peru Projects, which seeks to reach out to the people of Peru with the message of salvation and better health. Their special focus is the nearly inaccessible tribal people and other ethnic groups spread across thousands of miles of dense rainforest and winding rivers. The goal of this project is to train couples or teams and place them in 15 of 23 totally untouched regions within the next 3 years, with a further goal of establishing solid congregations within 10+ of these regions in the next 4 years. ASI Southern Union's support will help provide the training for these pioneer missionary teams and will help to reach God's long lost children of the jungle!

# **Network 7 Media Center**

\$24,500

Network 7 Media Center provides free media support to ASI Southern Union each year through live video and streaming services, streaming events and pre-recorded ministry interviews. Network 7 also provides the well-known Mission SONlight videos for the world church. Your support will provide resources for Mission SONlight productions with two new pro grade DSLR cameras, 4 lenses and accessory kits that include batteries, chargers, lighting and cables. This will bring Mission SONlight, and Network 7 post-production for the ASI family, up to par with today's rigid standards of video quality.

## **Faith Partnerships**

\$3000

Islam remains one of the largest groups of people who have yet to clearly hear the Three Angels' Messages of Revelation 14:6-12. God has raised up the Adventist movement to share that message with the world, including Islam. The Three Angels' Messages for Islam project is designed to coherently and intentionally connect

with the thousands of Muslims who are here in the USA and the Southern Union, specifically. ASI Southern Union funding will help to give this often-neglected part of the great commission renewed strength in the Southern Union region.

## **Amazon Life Savers**

# \$5000 plus overflow

Through a partnership with ADRA Brazil and the Adventist Hospital of Manaus, Amazon Life Savers takes volunteer healthcare professionals into hard to reach villages to provide urgently needed medical and dental care. Through these first contacts with villages that have no SDA presence, doors are often opened to the Gospel. Specially trained Pioneer Workers are then placed in the communities to live with the locals with the end goal of starting a new SDA Church—making true disciples who will in turn continue to serve God in that region. The money from ASI will go to provide small monthly stipends to the Pioneer Workers across the Amazon Region. There is a team of two in each community and Amazon Life Savers' goal is to have at least 30 trained Pioneer Workers in un-entered communities next year.

#### **Creel Tarahumara Mission**

# \$5000 plus overflow

Tarahumara Indians were originally inhabitants of much of the state of Chihuahua, but retreated to the high sierras and canyons such as the Copper Canyon in the Sierra Madre Occidental on the arrival of Spanish explorers in the 16th century. The area of the Sierra Madre Occidental, which they now inhabit, is often called the Sierra Tarahumara because of their presence. With widely dispersed settlements, these people developed a tradition of long-distance running (made famous by the book Born to Run), up to 200 miles in one session through the rough canyon country. Since 1993, Creel Tarahumara Mission has helped plant 7 churches through health outreach to theses indigenous people groups. The funds from ASI Southern Union will help fund the completion of the construction of two churches in communities with large populations of Tarahumara Indians.

## **ASI SU Internship Program**

# \$4000 plus overflow

ASI Southern Union is excited to roll out a new project that will help provide mission and service-focused college students with summer internship opportunities. This year's support will help match students with ministries and provide funding to assist with the internship expenses. We are confident that this exciting project will mutually help our students and ministries while planting the ASI spirit in the hearts of many future members!

#### Recruitment

# \$4000 plus overflow

A small part of this years offering will go to promote and encouraging more people to enjoy the fellowship, spiritual blessings and business networking that each of you enjoy here at ASI!

# **EXHIBITORS**

Adventist Heritage Ministry	Alice Voorheis
Center for Online Evangelism	David Sharpe
Eastlex Machine Corporation	Volker Schmidt
Family Heritage Books	Henry Cowen
Healing Journey of Recovery	Jan Grentz
Heritage Academy	Lee Dimick
Instituto de Capacitacion Adventista del Peten (ICAP)	Patricia Sutton
Laurelbrook Academy	Rich Sutton
Network 7 Media Center	Christy Beason
Outpost Centers International	Craig Harding
Staying Healthy with Essential Oils	Debi Chambers
TEACH Services	Timothy Hullquist
Uchee Pines Institute	Cal Thrash
Wildwood Lifestyle Center & Hospital	Colleen Louw
World Youth Group	Henry Stubbs
3AngelsTube	Delroy Brown
ASI Musicians	

# **WELCOME NEW ASI MEMBERS**

- College Press
- Commercial Interiors
- David A Wagner DMD PA
- Learning Avenue Inc
- RTS Publishing Company
- S.O.S. Air Inc

- Safe To Surf
- Sequatchie Valley Sanitarium Inc.
- The Lane Consulting Group
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- Daniel Schlender, Associate Member
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# **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

# 2015 ASI International Convention "LIFT HIM UP"

August 5-8, 2015

Spokane Convention Center

Spokane, WA

Featuring: Ted Wilson and Kyle Allen

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# **2016 ASI Southern Union Spring Conference**

April 7-9, 2016

Cohutta Springs Conference Center

Crandall, GA

Featuring: Ty Gibson

# **2017 ASI Southern Union Spring Conference**

April 6-8, 2017

Cohutta Springs Conference Center

Crandall, GA

Featuring: Mark Finley



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