

## **A Sampling of Evangelism Endowment Fund Projects**

### **Abundant Life SDA Summer Camp (\$15,000)**

Submitted by: Pstr Oneil Madden, Abundant Life Church (NV-UT)

A summer camp program directed to children ages 6-11 and their families in the inner city of Las Vegas. Training and orientation will be June 21-26. July 6-31 will be the Monday thru Friday, 8:15 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. summer camp. In addition to church staff, the program will utilize 10 college students from PUC, Oakwood and Andrews universities. At the end of the program, on Sabbath, August 1, there will be a graduation and concert.

The summer camp will provide the following for about 120 children: breakfast, lunch, take home snacks, Biblical devotions, optional choir practice, arts and crafts, weekly educational and leisure outings, grade appropriate math, reading, and writing.

### **The Advente Project (\$10,000)**

Submitted by: Jeff Muhs, Pstr Ryan Hablitzel, Logan Church (NV-UT)

A project designed to reach collegiate/international university students (Utah State University in Logan) and the unchurched throughout Cashe Valley, UT in two distinct phases of growth. Phase 1 focuses on creating a respite off-campus weekend gathering place for collegiate/International students, engaging these students with purposeful spiritual experiences *TGIF - Food, Friends, Fellowship, Wandering the Wilderness*, and *Saturday Night Life*. Phase 2 will utilize the student leadership formed in Phase 1 to reach the unchurched through *First Day Farmers Market* and *Yahweh's Yoga*.

The short term mission of this project is "To engage collegiate/International students and the unchurched to become involved, integrated and invested in our church and community by utilizing local talents, the natural wonders of God's creation around us and our newly renovated multipurpose church facility to provide unique learning and fellowship opportunities." The long term mission of this project is "To develop and empower a new generation of spiritual leaders who can go and replicate similar models throughout the world."

### **Church Without Walls – South Bay (\$50,000)**

Submitted by Gerard Kiemeny, Director, L.A. Metro Region / Pstr John Jensen, South Bay Church (SCC)

A collaboration of five churches and a junior academy in the greater South Bay area to more effectively reach the mainstream, American culture, unchurched public.

The program will include monthly planning and prayer meetings of the pastors; quarterly prayer meetings by the pastors and lay leaders with refining of the specifics of evangelistic activities. There will be publicizing of all events through a variety of avenues. Events include community Sunday sports programs; marriage seminars; Gardena community fair participation (booth); feeding the homeless programs in Long Beach and Redondo Beach; community cooking schools; area-wide camp meeting for the churches and schools of this network; personal financial planning & managements seminars (Dave Ramsey's "Financial Peace University" program); CREATION Health outreach series; community health fair in Redondo Beach; public evangelism series.

### **Community Food Pantry, Thrift Store and Family/Youth Development Program (\$25,000)**

Submitted by: Jerry Waggoner, NV-UT Adventist Community Services (NUC)

The project will use the vacant properties of the conference for collaborative Community Services projects, with six participating churches. The properties create a complex from which to generate income from thrift store operation and home rental, thereby financing a multiplicity of free services and assistance to the general low-income populace, with a focus on families with children. Manpower will be supplied

cooperatively by the various churches; non-church member community volunteers will also be welcomed and encouraged to broaden the range of seminars and services that can be provided. They will establish the headquarters as both a volunteer training center and provider of services (listed on pg. 2 of request). Partnerships will be established with existing community service providers. Raise funds through donor partners, thrift store sales and property rental.

### **†fit (Crossfit) (\$20,000)**

Submitted by: Pstr Douglas Na'a, Lawai Valley Church (HIC)

A wholistic health program that promotes physical, mental, spiritual creative and relational health, with a focus on disease prevention and weight management. It will be a means to introduce the community of Kauai to the Adventist health message and to Jesus. "The Ministry of Healing," "Counsels on Diet and Foods," as well as "Creation Health" and "NEWSTART" will be used as guides in this program. There will be five main components to the program:

- 1) Motivational Mondays (weekly, exercise and cooking/nutrition classes with supportive materials);
- 2) Family Health Nights (monthly - games, healthy food, motivational videos);
- 3) Family Matters Meetings (every other Thursday evening - relationship talks [marriage, parenting, etc.] for adults and a Pathfinder program for the children);
- 4) Fit Fun (once a week outings hosted by the program, i.e. walk, run, hike or swim);
- 5) †fit Manual (complete and publish a manual with motivational thoughts, spiritual lessons, recipes and meal plans, exercise programs and health information that may be used by sister churches).

As participants form friendships with church members and feel more comfortable at the church, members will invite them to other church functions such as Wednesday night Bible study and Saturday morning worship.

### **Discipleship Miracles (\$11,000)**

Submitted by: Pstr Pablo Maldonado, San Francisco Latin American Church (CCC)

A 5-year plan targeting Hispanic people of first generation and bilingual groups of second and third generation with the goal to establish two churches, one Hispanic and one to plant a group of second generation.

### **Drive-Thru Prayer (\$5,900)**

Submitted by: Pstr B. J. Boles, Las Vegas Mountain View Church (NV-UT)

This project will establish a prayer center in the church parking lot where individuals can simply drive up and have prayer with a prayer warrior while they remain in their car. It targets all the people who pass the church on a daily basis but in particular parents who are bringing their children to school (there are three schools in addition to the SDA school that is next to the church; one of these schools is directly opposite the church). The program will focus on Monday and Friday mornings at first, during the time slot of 7:30-8:30 a.m. when the number of cars is in the thousands; the program will expand as needed.

This program will, firstly, increase community awareness of the Mountain View Church and let them know the church cares for them. Secondly, the activities of the church will be promoted and made known (with invitation to attend) to these individuals by:

- Making them aware of activities of the church and invite them to come to one of the many activities that occur regularly
- Providing free water bottles with labeling customized with the church logo and website information
- Providing brochures or handbills with information about evangelistic meetings that are set for September and October
- Providing free NT Bibles for those who would like one - these NT Bibles will also have the church's logo and website information and will also include a Discover Bible Study Card.

### **Educate, Communicate & Change the World (\$10,000)**

Submitted by: Noreen Vargas, NV-UT Hispanic Women's Ministries (NV-UT)

This program will target Hispanic women to offer them church-sponsored ESL classes using the Pearson-Longman textbook "Side by Side, Plus, Book 1," conducted at the conference's Hispanic churches one or two nights a week. After each ESL class, a short Bible study in Spanish ("La Fe de Jesus") will be provided by the pastor or an elder, giving the participants a chance to get to know and feel comfortable with the spiritual leaders. Refreshments will then be served, providing time for the students to mingle and chat with church members. As they become more familiar with the church leaders and members, invitations will be given to attend other follow-up church activities from health fairs and cooking schools to worship services and evangelistic meetings.

Judy Barcelo, EdD, will train the volunteers who will be taking the role of teachers. Training sessions will be in Las Vegas, Salt Lake City and Reno.

With the resources from the Pacific Union, the women who are baptized will receive a Women's Bible, a Hymnal Book, a Conflict of the Ages series, Biblical movies, Adventist Hymnal CD, and possibly Roku.

### **Eternal Life LPFM Radio (\$11,000)**

Submitted by: Pstr David Resendez / Shawn Pemberton, Stockton Central Church (NCC)

Establish a low power fm (LPFM) radio station that will reach the majority of the population of Stockton, CA, promoting the various outreach ministries of the local church and providing programming from 3ABN Radio as an affiliate.

### **Evangelism for the Hearing Impaired Population (\$2,000)**

Submitted by: Bob Plubell & Pstr Gary Jensen, Central Valley Deaf Ministries (CCC)

A 16-meeting evangelism series for the deaf and hard of hearing with Pastor David Trexler, who is deaf and uses sign language to preach. The first seven meetings will be at the Stingley Community Center at the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services Center, which is a place of assistance to over 500 deaf and hard of hearing individuals and a place in which they are comfortable; the rest of the meetings will transition to the Fresno Central church. Evangelism theme will be "Truth for Today, Hope for Tomorrow." Voice over interpreters will be provided for hearing people who accompany deaf friends or family.

### **Evidence-Based Health Ministry: The Discerning Leader (\$5,000)**

Submitted by: Betty Cooney, SCC Health Response Steering Committee (SCC)

Health ministry is a tremendous opportunity for authentically connecting with the community, following the example of Jesus in meeting people where they are and addressing their felt needs. This is a project to equip pastors, elders and other church leaders with the skills necessary to understand and interpret the credentials and claims of health educators, programs, and materials, and how to differentiate between legitimate sources of health information and those that are spurious — they will develop the skill set and confidence enabling them to effectively integrate health ministry into the mission of their church. The course will be hosted on Moodle, an open learning software platform used by many universities, and will be taught by Lee Berk, DrPH, of Loma Linda University.

### **The Family in Crisis (\$2,000)**

Submitted by Thomas Csapo, Pstr Mike Kim, Vallejo Drive Church (SCC)

A drug prevention program to educate young people in elementary and high school about the harmful effects of drugs, especially marijuana. Distributing literature and having other after school programs for alternative solutions against drug abuse. Monthly teaching guides for teachers and parents with news and information about tragic events, updated information, and articles from positive role models. Invite non-SDA families to participate in a drug free club and tutor less capable non-SDA students by our best SDA students.

Schools this project is already involved in: Glendale Adventist Elementary & Junior High School; Hueneme High School, Oxnard; La Crescenta High School. Mr. Csapo also receives invitations to English and Hungarian schools and churches, as a guest speaker with his video presentation.

#### **Greater Modesto Area City-Wide Evangelistic Series (\$20,000)**

Submitted by Cesar De Leon / Amber Williams, Central California Conference (CCC)

A project to unite all the six Greater Modesto Area churches' resources, personnel and talents to work together to reach the Modesto area's 430,000 inhabitants with the gospel; also, to bring awareness to the local academy, using it not only for educational purposes but also for evangelism, uniting educators and pastors in evangelistic activities.

Chad Kreuzer will be the presenter. Meetings will take place in the Central Valley Christian Academy gymnasium. The first series of April 17-25 will be an "Overcoming Seminar" and will act as pre-work, gaining decisions to accept Jesus and interests for the meetings to follow in October. Heavy focus will go on the follow up of these interests, with about 10 CROSS Trainers and members from each church prepared to give Bible studies. Between April and October, the churches will partner with AMEN to held a free health initiative, similar to Bridges to Health. The October 2-24 series will be Kreuzer's standard prophecy seminar to reap those who are ready for baptism, with plans to involve the new members in New Member classes, personal Bible studies and mentoring, and music and felt-need programs to which they can invite their friends and family.

#### **Indo Asian Evangelism Project (\$3,500)**

Submitted by: Pstr John Joseph, Yuba City Church (NCC)

An evangelism program directed to the Sikh, Hindu, and Muslims of East Indian descent and Christians from other denominations in the Yuba City, Marysville, Olive Hurst and Live Oak areas.

#### **Karen Refugee Bible Work (\$1,000)**

Submitted by: Pstr Richard Smith, Terri Saelce, Ehsu Tway, El Cajon Church (SECC)

Provide a ministry for thousands of Karen refugees in the San Diego area. Develop interests in Bible studies, giving Bible studies, mentoring others in giving Bible studies, nurturing discipleship and body of Christ communion.

#### **Lego Summer Camp (\$3,000)**

Submitted by: Shawnta Davis-Ferguson, Pstr David Hudgens, East Palo Alto Church (CCC)

An affordable summer enrichment camp at a minimal cost for children from low-income families. A steady rotation of education and business professionals, including college students, will volunteer their time toward this effort. This program of child-centered activities will create a conduit for evangelism by distribution of church literature to the families as well as invitations to revivals and various church events on an on-going basis. Social media, email and texting will be used to be in contact with parents during the program and throughout the year.

#### **Life of Victory Evangelism Campaign (\$15,000)**

Submitted by: Pstr Omar Palmer, Sparks Church (NV-UT)

The Sparks SDA Church exists for the holistic development of the community in which it exists with a primary focus on soul winning and spiritual development. This project intends to harness all those aspects in "taking the gospel to the people" in the form of community outreach evangelism which, due to the transient nature of the area, will reach out to those who are less fortunate and low income, and also a great number of immigrants. The programs throughout the year will be climaxed in August with a tent evangelistic effort in the heart of the community.

### **Lovely Girls Conference (\$35,000)**

Submitted by: Pstr Andrea Trusty King, San Bernardino 16th Street Church (SECC)

The Lovely Girls Conference aims to impress upon the young ladies of San Bernardino and surrounding areas of their worth, purpose and divine design, challenging girls to be the young ladies God has called them to be. Opportunities will be offered for Bible studies - Bible counselors will be on hand at each event. It will connect girls with colleges - Oakwood University will be partnering with the project. San Bernardino is an impoverished area with a neglected and exploited segment of the population, where more kids are dropping out of elementary school than high school, with some very young girls being recruited into sex trafficking for as little as fingernail polish and hot Cheetos.

There will be three pre-events in the summer that lead up to the conference: a Fun Day with a 50-foot water slide that includes doing servant evangelism outreach in the community as the event is advertised; host an essay/spoken word contest on our divine design; connect with the San Bernardino schools and guidance counselors to assist in identifying girls that would be blessed by this conference. Relationships have also begun with community organizations that will partner in connecting with young girls in the community.

The two-day Conference will take place in September with a variety of music, activities, plenary sessions, and breakout sessions with high impact speakers and sensory sessions where participants will do crafts and projects and learn object lessons about life, God, themselves and self esteem/self-image. It will culminate with a testimony and concert by Jamie Grace, artist of the song "Every Little Bit of Lovely," and distribution of a 40-day devotional that includes a 40-day challenge to each young woman. In November there will be a post event — a celebration/graduation after the challenge is completed.

### **O.R.E. (Operation Rescue Education) (\$30,000)**

Submitted by: Alberto Ingleton, SECC Hispanic Ministry of Education / Norma Alban (SECC)

This project is an original pilot plan to be developed in the 2015-2016 school year and implemented in 46 Hispanic churches of the conference. The goal is to promote Adventist education and to help meet the needs of the families in these congregations to provide that Adventist education to their children in order to continue developing and strengthening the biblical principles taught in the home and developed in the church. It will create a model of Ministry of Education following God's plan of joining the family, the church and the school as a united front to carry out effective internal evangelism with children and young people, rescuing them from secular education and retaining them in the church. The 2015 target goal is that each church "rescues" five new students of the public schools into an Adventist academy and retains them in the 2015-2016 school year.

- Orientation meeting on April 12, 2015
- Each church represented will receive the first "talent" (seed money) of \$1,000 with the commitment to multiply it, to promote Adventist education, etc.
- The second "talent" of \$1,000 will be given to the churches after a successful assessment in September 2015 by the Directors of Education.
- Report and share information on successful programs, resources and strategies
- Plan Education Fairs in each of the six county areas.
- Evaluations will be continuous during the process

### **The Parenting Lab (\$2,000)**

Submitted by Pstr Steve Blue / Tami Cooper, Escondido Church (SECC)

Stage specific parenting classes on infancy, childhood, and adolescence for the local community and church members, providing resources through a Christian based network of collaboration with professionals and Christian educators. The three stage specific classes will be held sequentially, consisting of lecturing and parenting labs.

### **Revelation: Age of Elohim (\$10,000)**

Submitted by: Pstr Michael Kelly, II, Mt. Rubidoux Church

A Revelation Seminar with an “Age of Ultron” feel (set to be the biggest movie of the year in 2015 and possibly of all time, a sequel to the second highest-grossing film of all time, “The Avengers”). The goal is to capitalize on our world’s newfound craze for superheroes and draw their attention to one of the most amazing books in the Bible, the book of Revelation

The seminar is a contemporary program. Dealing with prophecy more than just for information but how the various prophecies and principles in the book of Revelation are able to apply to our everyday lives. In the study guides, fill in the blanks questions are used but the main thrust is questions that lead to deeper meaningful discussions. The program will be portable for home study groups as well as other churches. For churches the program will include all the graphics, videos, and materials for the church to do their own pre-work as well as marketing and advertising, with the choice to play the DVD of Pastor Kelly preaching or to preach their own live sermon.

### **Senior Youth & Young Adult Ministry (\$10,000)**

Submitted by Gerard Kiemenev, Pstr Iki Taimi (SCC)

This project’s objective is to connect, equip, and build a unified network of Senior Youth and Young Adults for the Kingdom of God, on both a major and local scale, using these methods:

- Annual mass gatherings (i.e. 1House Gathering) with workshop for life training and practical evangelism
- Pastor led, bi-annual retreats for collegiate students to have an intentional time with God
- Hold multiple trainings for:
  - Youth and Young Adults professional life lessons
  - Creating digital and technical presence for direct access to senior youth and young adults (i.e. phone apps, websites, streaming capabilities and video)
  - Youth in the creative arts, especially in the use of worship

Create a constant presence in which the young adults and senior youth have instant and consistent access, through training videos, blogs, an app, and actively flowing social forums.

### **The Stockton Project (\$25,000)**

Submitted by Pstr Edwin F. Brown, Valley Community Church (NCC)

A ministry for the community of Stockton targeting African Americans and other minorities consisting of:

1. Distribution of 100,000 copies of “Steps to Christ”
2. Open Valley Community Church Doors three days a week for food and clothing distribution, intervention coaching, Bible studies, and job training
3. Mid-year evangelistic 4-week reaping meeting

### **W1SE (Win 1 Soul Eternally) (\$3,000)**

Submitted by: Brenda Siofele, Fuamatala Toaetolu, Xcell Church (SECC)

“W1SE” is a strategy for reaching the “least of these.” It is easily replicated by any church or ministry. It is a pilot project that is innovative and works better with the personal involvement of church members, providing an avenue for church members to step out and serve in their area of passion as well as help the church become more effective in evangelizing, with a hands-on personal approach that is more appealing to today’s generation.

W - Work the Field

(Five fields of ministry: 1) Food Bank; 2) Homeless; 3) Visitation; 4) Prison; 5) Door-to-Door)

1 - 1 Issue the Invitation

S - Save Lives

E - Extend God's Kingdom

**Worth It (\$5,000)**

Submitted by: Pstr Tony Parrish, Elmshaven Church (NCC)

This project seeks to reinvigorate Family Worship, providing a suitable venue whereby parents model their faith, deepen their spiritual walk alongside their children, and become evangelists in their own home. The project gets its name from this process: passing on values to children is worth it through worship. Each month a family will receive a box with all they need prepared for an age appropriate meaningful family worship. The box will include lessons, Bible readings, crafts, service and outreach opportunities, meal and activity suggestions, books and resources, as well as additional options for parents to study deeper.

In 2015 the project seeks to: Trial a beta testing phase through 100 families within the Adventist community including the Elmshaven Church; Design project logo and functional attractive packaging; Purchase supplies for creating the crafts and box contents; Purchase packaging; Generate lesson content for 3 months of boxes; Survey families as to the effectiveness and usability of the product; Research and development based; Exhibit booth materials (tablecloth, poster, etc.); Provide small stipends for contributors; Discover a shipping partner.

**Evangelism Endowment Fund: Projects & Amounts Approved - November 2014:**

**“Activohoy” (\$15,000)**

Submitted by: Pstr Oscar Pereda, Costa Mesa Spanish Church (SECC)

The Costa Mesa church wants to be defined to the members and surrounding community by two characteristics: Motivation (to INSPIRE individuals to live a new life) and Empowerment (to help them to KNOW HOW to live a new life). The “Activohoy” program would address the “Identified” needs and the “Unrecognized” needs of the Hispanic community (“Identified” needs are: poor physical lifestyle including high obesity rate, diabetes, and cancer; unsatisfactory financial decisions; low education level; immigration status problems; parenting skills; multiple families living in one small apartment; limited English language skills; various types of domestic abuse. The “Unrecognized” needs are: passionate relation with God; exceeding worth/value; authentic community; meaningful and purposeful lives). This would be a continuous program that can inspire and teach people how to live meaningful and purposeful lives, living new lives from God. It will address the identified needs and the unrecognized needs of the community and will be the face of the church in the community and local organizations. Classes, seminars and activities will be offered for adults, families and children. One goal is that the program will eventually run itself, generating the funds needed to cover expenses.

**The Angel One Project (\$10,000)**

Submitted by: Pstr Scott Ward, PUC/NAD Public High Ministries Leader / Northern California Conference Youth Pastor

The mission of this project is for Adventist teens attending academies and public high schools to reach out to non-Christian and other non-Adventist teens around them using sharing books and GLOW style tracts specifically designed to reach secular/unchurched teens. These teens will be taught how to conduct sidewalk evangelism that is based on sharing a 3-5 minute gospel presentation, sharing follow up literature, and how to pray with someone they just met.

**Asian/Pacific Ministries Crusades/Discipleship Seminars (\$10,250)**

Submitted by: Pstr Villamor Meriales, Asian/Pacific Ministries Coordinator, NV-UT Conference

Evangelistic crusades in three cities (Salt Lake City, Reno, Las Vegas), involving six Asian Pacific churches and with the help of Arnold Trujillo and Leah Jordache, who will present a one-day workshop on

evangelism and discipleship for the church pastors and leaders and, following each crusade, a discipleship seminar for the newly baptized members.

#### **Baldwin Park Church Food Bank (\$10,000)**

Submitted by: Pstr Salvador Garcia, Baldwin Park Church (SCC)

A program to provide food to needy families within the immediate and nearby communities and also to needy families within the church. Bible studies in the church given by the pastor and elders is done before the weekly distribution of the food. A program that makes the local community aware of the church and the ministries offered.

#### **Betting for Jesus, is NOT Gambling (\$30,000)**

Submitted by: Pstr Ricardo Vargas, Reno/Sparks Hispanic Church (NV-UT)

This project targets casino workers, young adults, gamblers, alcoholics and Hispanics within a 10-mile radius of the Reno/Sparks Hispanic church. The plan includes the purchase of video equipment for broadcasting on TV and Internet; printing of casino chips, T-shirts and water bottles with the messages in Spanish, "Betting for Jesus, is not gambling," "I bet for Jesus," "I am a winner with Jesus" and handing them out inside the casinos to the workers and the people gambling, at the Sparks Marina and Malls; advertise on social networks and with flyers, postcards and posters; start a program at the local radio station and have articles in newspapers weekly; have Church at the Park with an Adventist/Christian band, free food and materials to hand out; a drive-thru prayer booth with offer of free Bibles when people sign up for Bible Study; "Life Saving Kits, Open in Case of Crisis" for casino employees with a small Bible, a water bottle, a granola bar and small literature; work with community to establish programs such as ESL classes, cooking schools, hair dressing, small car repairs; train and motivate lay workers to carry out the load and set up teams of the church members to divide the different tasks; involve all new members in evangelistic as well as recreational and social activities; adopt a visitation schedule with the pastor and elders to the newly converted and all prospects; teach the SS teachers regarding new baptismal classes and provide them materials; work with the elders and members in small groups, being sure they have the supplies they need, providing new and old members friendship, support, motivation, compromise and sense of membership; motivate all new members as well as old members to be missionaries for Christ; Have a Summer Camp Meeting in 2015 where all members should participate and the new members can find themselves being involved actively; promote participation from the new members in the different ministries.

#### **The Broken Vending Machine (\$6,500)**

Submitted by: Pstr Todd Rosspencer, High School Youth Pastor, Redlands Church (SECC)

Using a "broken" vending machine as the gimmick, along with assistance from "undercover" teens, to attract and draw in public high school and junior high teens. At the end of each vending machine incident the undercover youth ministry teens pass out business cards that say, "Follow the Vending Machine," and provide Twitter, Instagram and Facebook addresses to follow the Broken Vending Machine and learn about its next appearance. On going to the social network sites they will find that the Vending Machine has its own persona and celebrity-like status with a full profile, photos, videos of appearances and an increasing number of followers – the vending machine is fun and devoid of the stigma that many teens project onto churches. The Machine begins to post online and "tweet" about its next appearance and continues to show up at other high schools, skate parks, outdoor malls, etc., in order to gather more followers. After months of appearances and connections being made with youth (on-site or online), the machine will promote and host a community talent show at a local park with prizes for a variety of categories, culminating in a voice speaking from the vending machine and Pastor Todd will emerge from the vending machine and segue into comparing the free gifts from the vending machine with the free gift of salvation through Jesus. The teens from the church youth group will share testimonies of their own lives and how Jesus has made a difference. At the end the youth in attendance will be invited to: visit for a fun youth group event at the church; join Pastor Todd for Bible studies at that park; commit their lives to Jesus.



### **Corona SDA Church Reading Center (\$12,000)**

Submitted by: Pstr Gary Tabor, Corona Church (SECC)

Recent studies have revealed that students in Corona have some of the lowest reading scores in the nation. Facet 1 of this project will establish a Reading Center at the church to meet the needs of children who are 1-2 grades behind in their reading levels. It will be promoted as *Healing the Future of Our Children* and will be staffed by members of the church in conjunction with the LSU School of Education. This program goes beyond a normal tutoring program in that the church is working with LSU (and SECC) to develop a curriculum that will offer a reading certificate to its students which would include education and teaching reading at the church's center.

Facet 2 of the program will be the establishment of a Parent's Center where classes or seminars will be held on a variety of topics or interests, taught by pastoral staff, members of the church, or guest lecturers if needed. There will also be an area where parents can read or watch DVDs. Adventist material will be available. Thus the reading needs of the children are being met and also the needs of the parents, getting to know them, gain their trust, and be enabled to share the Gospel with them.

### **Evangelism Program (\$5,500)**

Submitted by: Pstr Roman Tsyganiuk, Sacramento Slavic Church (NCC)

An evangelical program offered to the Russian and Ukrainian population, inviting their radio listeners as well as the community. It will be a combination of programs to learn the principles of our doctrines, a stop smoking program, a program for the prevention of various diseases, and a program for family relationships.

### **Financial Peace (\$2,000)**

Submitted by: Pstr Chris Chong, L.A. Central Korean Church (SCC)

A 9-week personal finance seminar for members and community, primary resource being the materials offered by Financial Peace University (Dave Ramsey). This program will teach people how to get out of debt and to manage their finances in a way consistent with Christian principles.

### **Glendale Communitas Initiative (\$50,000)**

Submitted by: Pstr Mike Kim, Vallejo Drive Church and Pstr Todd Leonard, Glendale City Church / Jason Schlatter (SCC)

A project to advance the health and well-being of the approximately 30,000 Glendale residents who are below the poverty rate and struggling to make ends meet. This will be accomplished by facilitating and leading mutually collaborative efforts of local businesses, congregations, nonprofit organizations civic leaders, and members of the community-at-large to actively serve those in need. The Communitas Initiative will build partnerships with other congregations, faith organizations and nonprofit organizations to identify the individuals and families who meet the criteria and are likely to benefit from the program, and for an entire year Communitas will surround those recipients with the best services, mentors and caring hands that Glendale has to offer, asking only that they commit to volunteer their own time and acquired skills to those who follow. Will focus on areas such as financial and employment challenges, health and education. The unique approach of Communitas is to bring together individuals and organizations within the community who are seeking to make a difference and have something to offer, representing a broad spectrum of coordinated support.

### **Health Empowerment Series – Keys to Your health Beyond Traditional Medicine (\$40,000)**

Submitted by: Pstr Larry Meager / Valerie Rhaney, Thousand Oaks Church (SCC)

Lectures by recognized Adventist health professionals in medium and large public venues, focusing on health promotion, disease prevention and longevity. Attendees will be informed by these speakers of Monthly Guest Sabbaths at the church and follow up health programs designed by the speakers, also to take place at the church and including the areas of health, nutrition and longevity, mental health and

spiritual wellbeing/development. There will also be monthly guest speakers at the church and smaller health ministry events that will focus on relationship development and spiritual growth and commitment. It is felt that the affluent and secular people of Thousand Oaks can be reached for Christ through our health message and ministry when no other method would immediately interest them.

#### **Kids Fit For Christ (\$2,500)**

Submitted by: Pstr Richard Lee / Ann dela Roca, Loma Linda Korean Church (SECC)

A project promoting K-6 aged children's physical and spiritual fitness and awareness that our body and mind belong to God. Engaging the children through age-appropriate speakers, hands-on booths, and ending with a family 5K.

#### **Loma Linda University Church UReach Ministries (\$20,000)**

Nine outreach ministries projects of the UReach Ministries, Burton Clark, Director: Door to Door Outreach; Collaborative Homeless Outreach; Meals on Wheels - Assistance; Re:Live Thrift; UReach Cycling; Trips for Kids; Re:Live Community Events; UReach Ministries - Volunteers; Morning H.O.P.E. Hour at the Station.

#### **Ministry to Minority Businesses in Richmond: Faith, Family, and Finance (\$11,000)**

Submitted by: Pstr Rudolph Peters, Beacon Light Church (NCC)

A project targeted to the secular working professional, specifically minority-owned businesses and their employees as well as the community. Church members will be trained to approach businesses asking them to become sponsors of a quality weekend motivational seminar. and to encourage their employees to attend. With the business sponsorships, the seminar can be offered at no charge to attendees. The seminar will address Faith, Finances, and Family, thereby offering substantive training and motivation to the businesses' employees; it will be made available to the community as well. Following the weekend program, a free follow-up program called "Spirituality and Success" will be offered weekly for 12 weeks, during which attendees will be told about the salvation offered by Jesus Christ and how to live a saved life, using *Ministry of Stewardship* by Ellen White and materials from iGiveSDA.org, an online resource of the NAD Stewardship department.

#### **Mission Possible (\$10,000)**

Submitted by: Pstr Adrian Pressley / Rhonda Williams, Maranatha Church, San Diego (SECC)

A project to train youth in various age categories how to do effective outreach, then send them out into the community, with adult supervision, to effectively witness to their own peer group. Baptize the new young believers and integrate them into church life, train them to become disciples, and send them out. Three programs for Children 5-12, Youth 13-17, and Young Adult 18-25.

#### **Omega House Men's Ministry (\$30,000)**

Submitted by: Pstr Rannison Kennedy, Tucson Maranatha Ministry Church (AZC)

This project targets adult men who are homeless or ex-prisoners or recovering from chemical dependence. The Omega House is the building in which these men can be housed and in which the program is administered to help these men to achieve stable employment, independent housing, and self-sufficiency, and including bringing them to a knowledge of Jesus Christ. (A DVD was provided with a 12-minute tour of the Omega House telling about it and with personal testimonies from some of the men the program has helped)

#### **Perris 5<sup>th</sup> Street Church Community Baby Shower (\$10,000)**

Submitted by: Pstr Wade Forde, Perris 5th Street Church (SECC)

A quarterly baby shower for expectant mothers and mothers of small children, giving them access to resources that will empower them, equip them, and redirect their path in a positive way. Stir up

conversation among mothers by which we can introduce Christ, provide spiritual, tangible, and educational support, and foster ongoing relationships with community families, especially children.

### **PROSPER (\$30,000)**

Submitted by: Pastr Nicholas DeLima / Jodi Leslie Matsuo, Kona Church (Hawaii Conf)

A health evangelism initiative where the promotion of overall health and well-being will be used as a means to attract people to the gospel and prepare them for the third angel's message. The focus of the message – PROSPER – is based on results from National Geographic's Blue Zone study. Specific components of the project include: plant-based diet; physically active lifestyle; weekly seventh-day Sabbath; regular participation in community service; healthy socialization/fellowship networks. Those who accept the challenge to take charge of their health and adopt overall healthier behaviors will use a health record for tracking. A kick-off event will promote the program. Marketing techniques (radio, newspaper, flyers, social media, church website) will provide education on the various components and promote related activities within the church and around the community. An end-of-program-year event will conclude the program.

### **Shadow Conference (\$7,500)**

Submitted by: Pstr Craig Hadley, Redlands Church (SECC)

The Shadow Conference is a gathering for the doubters. The first one was held last summer and was made available to college students. It featured a chance for real, candid conversations about faith. Forty-two college students gathered in Laguna Beach for two days as they discussed the tough issues facing faith: homosexuality, creation/evolution, gender equality, and the relevance of faith in 2014. It was done without hype or gloss; no lights, no recording equipment, no sound systems – it was a space where conversation felt genuine. With subsidy it was possible to charge attendees only \$30 and before it ended multiple students asked if it would be offered again next year.

This project would offer a Shadow Conference retreat for college students (ages 18-24) and a second retreat for young professionals (ages 25-35). Both Christians and non-Christians will feel at home at the Shadow Conference. It is felt they can get 100 participants at each conference. The grant would help get top-shelf speakers and keep the cost down for participants.

### **Skills for Life (\$10,000)**

Submitted by: Pstr Jerrold Thompson / Weldon Allen, Hope Community Church (SECC)

This project will provide a Trade School for Building and Technology, giving people variable skills that will produce employment and give them skills for life. The School of Building will teach people from ages of 18-54 in carpentry, drywall, and how to lay concrete. The School of Technology will teach people from 16 and up how to produce, record, edit, and master. Church leaders will work with contractors, music and video producers, community officials, city officials, and the school district to create a successful program. This project will show others the love of Jesus through practical means.

### **South Bay 2015 NADEI Evangelism (\$75,000)**

Submitted by: Cesar De Leon, Ministerial Director, Central California Conference

A multi-site evangelistic program in the South Bay area. Sixteen churches will join in an 11-month evangelistic outreach with participation by 15-20 Master of Divinity students from the NAD Evangelism Institute at Andrews University (Dr. Ron Clouzet, Director). Meetings will be designed to target the Bay Area population, characterized for having the highest educated segment of the USA population per square mile. Preliminary events such as bridge-building seminars, evangelism rallies, friendship evangelism training, prayer warrior training, revival meetings, missional small group equipping, interest follow-up equipping, apologetic series and the main event, "Prophecies Decoded" reaping series, are all planned and scheduled for a span of 11 months.

### **THRIVE Company Evangelism (\$50,000)**

Submitted by: Westney White, Literature Ministries Director, Nevada-Utah Conference

THRIVE (Teach Heal Revive Integrated Volunteer Evangelism) is an evangelistic team of mostly volunteer workers who are trained as Bible Workers, Colporteurs, Evangelists and Medical Missionary certified lifestyle coaches who are aggressively going to the major cities, spreading the gospel through preaching, personal ministry and health coaching services. THRIVE is organized and run at the local church level; the THRIVE director is the conference literature ministries director. Phase One is a focus on reaching communities' health needs with literature, in home lifestyle coaching, cooking classes, depression recovery classes, and other health related events. Phase Two is the spiritual preparation focus in which members are trained on how to do personal soul winning, how to make friends with strangers, how to write and give Bible studies, and how to run an evangelistic campaign. Phase Three is the reaping phase in which a public evangelistic meeting is held in coordination with a health outreach, including health screenings and a mini clinic. The last phase is the preservation phase in which the new members are being disciplined and trained to continue learning and share their new faith with the community.

### **Vietnamese Television Broadcasts (\$50,000)**

Submitted by: Pstr Isaiah Duong / David Parks, Orange County Vietnamese Church (SECC)

Television broadcasts produced at the Orange County Vietnamese Church with Pastor Isaiah Duong as the speaker. The half-hour broadcasts are designed to cover the entire Seventh-day Adventist message and to lead people into SDA Church membership. The broadcasts have been on the air since June 2013. They are on the Vietnamese channel in Orange County, which covers all of Southern California, and on the Vietnamese Network which covers all of North American, and on ROKU and on the Internet which covers the whole world. There have been 10 baptisms into the OCV Church and several thousands of calls or written responses requesting prayer, Bible studies, inquiring about the nearest Vietnamese Adventist church location, asking questions about topics that were presented or requesting additional materials.

### **Young Adult Resource Website: [www.GenU.tv](http://www.GenU.tv) (\$40,000)**

Roy Ice, Loma Linda University Church. No summary available