

Local Church Budget

June 6, 2026

A son took his elderly father to a restaurant for an evening dinner. His father, being very old and weak, while eating, dropped food on his shirt and pants. The mess that he made disgusted the other people in the restaurant, however his son remained calm. After they were finished eating, the son, who was not embarrassed at all, quietly took him to the restroom, wiped off the food particles, removed the stains, and combed his hair.

When they came out, the entire restaurant was watching them in dead silence, not able to grasp how someone could embarrass themselves publicly like that. The son paid the bill and started to leave the restaurant with his father. An older man among the people called out to the son and uttered the words, "You have left a lesson for every son and hope for every father." The restaurant went silent.

Paul writes in Romans 15:1, "We who are strong have an obligation to bear with ... the weak, and not to please ourselves". As part of our stewardship responsibility on earth, we are required to care for each other. We are to show compassion and have empathy, and to love our neighbors as ourselves. As we return our tithes and offerings today, let us give knowing that we are taking care of those who are in need, just as God takes care of us.

Our offering for today is for the local church budget.

NAD Women's Ministries

June 13, 2026

Today is Women's Ministries Emphasis Day which is a special Sabbath to celebrate the meaningful contributions women make in their homes, churches, and communities.

Every day, women step up to minister in ways that truly matter, following the words of Jesus in John 13:34 to "Love one another as I have loved you." They minister across generations with compassion and purpose by praying, mentoring, discipling, and comforting those walking through life's hardest seasons.

Whether organizing health fairs, abuse prevention workshops, or teen mentorship programs, women create opportunities for healing and growth, as well as hosting gatherings that foster joy, laughter, and fellowship. Women deliver meals, provide household goods for struggling families, and support cancer patients. They lead evangelistic efforts, facilitate Bible studies, and help other women grow spiritually. In both quiet moments and public places, women are the hands and feet of Jesus by living out His love in practical, powerful ways.

Women's Ministries empowers women to grow as leaders by offering training, resources, and spiritual development to help them serve more effectively. Recognizing that education is a key part of leadership, Women's Ministries supports collegiate women attending Adventist universities through the Women's Ministries Scholarship Fund.

When you give to Women's Ministries, you're investing in lives transformed by women committed to loving like Jesus. Join us in empowering women to serve, grow, and lead in the name of Christ. Thank you for generously supporting the women of North America in our mission to make a tangible difference for eternity.

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June 20, 2026

During the 1992 Olympics, British sprinter Derek Redmond was favored to win the 400-meter race. But halfway through, he tore his hamstring and collapsed in pain. Determined, he got up and began hobbling toward the finish line. Suddenly, a man pushed past security and ran onto the track—it was his father, Jim Redmond. Ignoring the officials, Jim wrapped his arm around Derek and said, “You don’t have to do this.”

Derek, through tears, replied, “Yes, I do.”

His father held him up and said, “Then we’ll finish together.” Step by step, they moved forward, with Jim supporting his son all the way to the finish line. The stadium erupted in cheers—not because Derek won, but because of the incredible display of a father’s love. Jim didn’t care about medals or records. He just wanted to be there for his son.

Just like that, God runs to us in our pain, carries us when we can’t go on, and helps us finish the race. “I will be your God through all your lifetime, yes, even when your hair is white with age. I made you and I will care for you. I will carry you along and be your Savior” says Isaiah 46:4.

God, our Supreme Father, loved us so much that He adopted us as His children. 1 John 3:1 says, “See what kind of love the Father has given to us in that we should be called God’s children, and that is what we are!”

Today, let’s give in appreciation for what our heavenly Father has done for us. Our offering for today is for the local church budget.

Combined Youth Ministries

June 27, 2026

Camps are not just places of social interaction and connection. They are also places where visions are reinforced. Before graduating from high school, Anthony Reid had a strong desire to further his education. He was not a Christian yet. Two years after graduating from high school he became a member of the church and soon after applied to a Seventh-day Adventist college. Upon acceptance, he was excited. However, he suffered disappointment when the financial support he was hoping for did not materialize. Fortunately it did not remain that way for long.

Following this seeming disappointment, he attended a youth camp in his local conference. It was the best decision ever. It was so inspiring and motivating that it resulted in him returning home with renewed vigor to attend college. That very year he enrolled in a student worker study program. Four years later he graduated as a ministerial student.

Indeed, Jeremiah is right when he said God has great plans for us. Jeremiah 29:11 reads, “For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope”. Camps can be the birthplace of Godly inspirations that will affect its attendees for eternity.

As you worship through giving today, consider contributing to camp ministries. Someone attending camp might be inspired because of your gift. Our offering today is for Combined Youth Ministries.