

Community Announcements

1. **Church Media Training:** *September 16, 2026* 7:00 – 8:00 PM. It is more important now than ever for churches to have a strong and active digital presence. With the abundance of online messaging that members of our communities receive, a website alone is not enough. From an active social media presence to strong reputation management strategies and from a strong content marketing strategy to digital advertising tactics, this seminar will help your church stand out in your local community. Join us with Speaker Tim Kosaka, Digital Marketing Manager for Adventist HealthCare, as he presents a special training for any church, school, or individual who is using a digital medium.
🌐 **The Church Digital Marketing Playbook**
2. Learn how to thrive in the “optimal stress zone,” at a potluck lunch meeting of the **55+ Club** at 11:30 Sunday, Sept 13, in the Fellowship Hall of the Collegedale University Church. Licensed counselor, minister and former hospital administrator Dr. Dick Tibbits will speak about “**The Stress Recovery Effect.**” Copies of a book on this topic, co-authored by Dr. Tibbits, will be available at a discounted price of \$15 (cash or check). The club will also be taking reservations at that meeting for its annual Thanksgiving banquet coming up Sunday, Nov. 1 (\$20 for members and \$25 for nonmembers). More details to follow later on that event.
3. **You are invited to our upcoming cooking school** at the Ooltewah SDA Church. September 14 at 6 pm. Please come and enjoy a fresh meal with us.
4. **Patricia "Pat" M. Silver**, mother of Debra Silver Stama and David Silver, passed away July 14. She is former music faculty at Southern Adventist University, Andrews University, Forest Lake Academy, Shenandoah Valley Academy, and Madison College. A **Memorial Service and Tribute Brass Ensemble Concert** will be held September 27 at the Collegedale Seventh-day Adventist Church. The 40-member **Tribute Brass Ensemble** comprised of her former students will perform a concert at 12:30pm. The Memorial Service will begin at 1:00 p.m. with the graveside service to follow. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the **Pat Silver Band Endowed Scholarship Fund** at <https://www.southern.edu/tributes>
5. **Has healthcare become routine instead of a calling?** What if your stethoscope, scalpel, and prescription pad could become ministry? Join healthcare professionals for the AMEN Conference, *WholeHearted*, October 29–November 1, 2026, in Rancho Mirage, CA. Through worship, training, and fellowship, discover how God can transform your practice into a ministry. Medical & dental student subsidies available. Register now at amensda.org/conference.
6. **Georgia-Cumberland Academy** is hosting two exciting student festivals this fall! The Magnify Worship Festival (Oct. 22–24) is open to grades 6–11 and is perfect for young musicians and vocalists. Acrofest (Oct. 24–25) is open to grades 5–8 and offers a fun, skill-

building gymnastics experience for all levels. Early-bird pricing of \$40 is available through July 31. To learn more and register, visit gcasda.org/visit-us.

7. **UCY Flea Market:** UCY (University Church Youth) will be holding a flea market in the upper Collegedale Church parking lot on Sunday, Nov. 15, to benefit next summer's YiELD Mission Trip. Parking spaces will be available to rent for you to set up a booth and sell your items. A limited number of tables will be available to rent, if needed. Collegedale Pathfinders will be accepting donations to sell at the UCY booth at the Flea Market. The flea market will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for everyone's shopping pleasure. Visit www.collegedalechurch.com/ucy-flea-market for application and more information about participating and/or donating
8. **Shoe Drive:** The Collegedale Pathfinder Club is collecting gently worn used and new shoes through the final collection date of **November 30**. Now is the time to pass on outgrown shoes, shoes that hurt your feet, and to downsize that shoe collection. Collected shoes are given a second life with those in need. They should be in good condition with the soles intact, dry, clean, no holes, and still have life left in them. There are collection boxes at the four main entrances to the Church as well as Collegedale Academy High School. Shoes accepted include, but not limited to: tennis shoes, boots, dress shoes, sandals, crocs, cleats, and slippers.