Gift of Prophecy
In Scripture and History
Symposium

October 15-18, 2015
Andrews University
Berrien Springs, Michigan

The Symposium is sponsored by the Ellen G. White Estate, Inc., Center for Adventist Research, and Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary, Biblical Research Institute.
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“Your Word is a Lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path” Ps. 119:105, NKJV. The gift of prophecy brings us the Word of God through special revelation. This symposium focuses on this gift as revealed and understood in Scripture and history.

Ellen White died on July 16, 1915, 100 years ago this summer. We wish to extend a warm welcome to each participant who has come for this four-day event. Our symposium is the first of several to be held over the next five years at several Seventh-day Adventist academic institutions around the world.

We begin on Thursday evening with a general overview of the gift of prophecy in the Old and New Testaments and then on Friday morning we will look more closely at selected Biblical topics. On Friday afternoon we will consider selected historical periods. On Friday evening we will move our meetings to the Howard Performing Arts Center across the street from the seminary building. There, following two presentations, the Andrews University Wind Symphony will present a new musical composition on Adventist history by Kenneth Logan. On Sabbath we will move to the Pioneer Memorial Church. Ted Wilson, General Conference president, will speak during the worship service and during the afternoon we will consider Ellen White and the gift of prophecy. Sunday’s presentations will give particular emphasis to understanding Ellen White’s writings in relationship to the Bible.

It is our prayer that each of us will connect more closely to the Word of God, and appreciate better the prophetic work of God in these last days of earth’s history, as we look forward to the Second Coming of Jesus.

Merlin D. Burt, Jiří Moskala, Alberto Timm
Symposium Coordinators

The Berrien Springs branch of the Michigan Adventist Book Center will have an Ellen White related book sale in the Seminary Commons on the following days:

Thursday, October 16: 5:45 pm to 7:00 pm

Friday, October 17: 12:00 pm to 1:30 pm
4:15 pm to 4:45 pm
Thursday, October 15, 2015
Seminary Chapel

7:00 pm  Welcome
Merlin Burt

Opening Prayer
Niels-Erik Andreasen,
President of Andrews University

Introduction of the Special Publication
James R. Nix
Alberto Timm

Dedicatory Prayer
Ted Wilson

7:15 pm  “The Prophetic Voice in the Old Testament: An Overview” by Jiří Moskala
Facilitated by Richard Davidson

Facilitated by Richard Davidson

8:35 pm  Panel Discussion
Jiří Moskala, Ekkehardt Mueller, Ranko Stefanovic,
Richard Davidson (facilitator)

9:15 pm  Closing Prayer
Christon Arthur,
Dean of the School of Graduate Studies and Research
Andrews University
Friday Morning, October 16, 2015
Seminary Chapel

8:30 am  Welcome & Introduction
Alberto Timm

Opening Prayer
Andrea Luxton,
Provost of Andrews University

8:40 am  “Ellen White’s Dedicated Hands”
by James R. Nix
Facilitated by Jiří Moskala

9:15 am  “The Hebrew Prophets and the Literature of the Ancient Near East” by Elias Brasil de Souza
Facilitated by Jiří Moskala

9:50 am  Break

10:05 am  “‘My Heart is Fainting in Me’ (Jer. 8:18): Emotions and Prophetic Writings in the Bible”
by Chantal Klingbeil & Gerald Klingbeil
Facilitated by Jiří Moskala

10:40 am  “The Meaning of ‘To Prophesy’ in 1 Corinthians 14”
by Larry Lichtenwalter
Facilitated by Jiří Moskala

11:15 am  Panel Discussion
Elias Brasil de Souza, Chantal Klingbeil, Gerald Klingbeil, Larry Lichtenwalter, James R. Nix, Jiří Moskala (facilitator)

12:00 pm  Closing Prayer
Felix H. Cortez,
Assistant Professor of New Testament Literature in the Theological Seminary
Friday Afternoon, October 16, 2015
Seminary Chapel

1:30 pm  Welcome & Introduction
Jiří Moskala

Opening Prayer
Gerson Rodriguez,
PhD Candidate in the Theological Seminary

1:40 pm  “The Gift of Prophecy in Ancient and Medieval Christianity” by John Reeve and Rodrigo Galiza
Facilitated by Jerry Moon,
Professor of Church History in the Theological Seminary

2:15 pm  “The Reformers and the Gift of Prophecy”
by Denis Fortin
Facilitated by Jerry Moon

2:50 pm  Break

3:05 pm  “Dreams and visions in American Religious History”
by Michael Campbell
Facilitated by Jerry Moon

3:40 pm  Panel Discussion
Michael Campbell, Denis Fortin, Rodrigo Galiza, John Reeve, Jerry Moon (facilitator)

4:20 pm  Closing Prayer
James R. Nix
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“Why I Accept Ellen G. White’s Prophetic Ministry”  
by Ted Wilson |                                                                                   |
| 3:30 pm | Welcome & Introduction  
Jiří Moskala |                                                                                   |
|        | Opening Prayer  
Ella Simmons,  
General Vice President of the General Conference |                                                                                   |
| 3:40 pm | “How Early Sabbath-Keeping Adventists Accepted Ellen G. White as a True Prophet”  
by Theodore Levterov  
Facilitated by Benjamin Baker,  
Managing Editor, Encyclopedia of Seventh-day Adventists |                                                                                   |
| 4:15 pm | “The Foundational Orientation of Ellen G. White’s Prophetic Ministry”  
by Merlin D. Burt  
Facilitated by Benjamin Baker |                                                                                   |
| 4:50 pm | “Sola Scriptura and Ellen White: Historical Reflections”  
by Alberto Timm  
Facilitated by Benjamin Baker |                                                                                   |
| 5:25 pm | “Ellen G. White and the Adventist Mission”  
by David Trim  
Facilitated by Benjamin Baker |                                                                                   |
| 6:00 pm | Panel Discussion  
Merlin Burt, Theodore Levterov, Alberto Timm,  
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Ed Zinke,  
Vice-Chair of the Ellen G. White Estate Board |                                                                                   |
Sunday, October 18, 2015
Seminary Chapel

9:00 am  Welcome & Introduction
Alberto Timm

Opening Prayer
Angelika Kaiser
PhD Candidate, Technical University of Dresden (Germany)

9:10 am  “The Use of Scripture by Bible Writers”
by Clinton Wahlen
Facilitated by Teresa Reeve
Associate Dean of the Theological Seminary

9:45 am  “Ellen White’s Insights into Scripture in Light of the
Original Biblical Languages” by Richard Davidson
Facilitated by Teresa Reeve

10:20 am  “Ellen G. White’s Use of Scripture” by Frank M. Hasel
Facilitated by Teresa Reeve

10:55 am  Break

11:10 am  “Ellen G. White’s Use of Extra-biblical Sources”
by Jud Lake
Facilitated by Teresa Reeve

11:45 am  “Making Ellen White Relevant to Third Millenials”
by Dwight Nelson
Facilitated by Teresa Reeve

12:30 pm  Panel Discussion
Richard Davidson, Frank Hasel, Jud Lake, Dwight K.
Nelson, Clinton Wahlen, Teresa Reeve (facilitator)

1:10 pm  Concluding Remarks and Presentations

1:30 pm  Closing Prayer
Ted Wilson
Elias Brasil de Souza, Ph.D.
is the newly elected Director of the Biblical Research Institute at the General Conference World Headquarters. Previously he served as associate director and before that as a church pastor in the Southern Brazil Union and professor of Hebrew, biblical studies, and dean of the Theological Seminary at Northeast Brazil College in Bahia. He holds a BA and MA in theology from the Latin American Adventist Theological Seminary, and a Ph.D. in Old Testament exegesis and theology from Andrews University. His main areas of interest are Sanctuary, Hermeneutics, and Hebrew language. He has authored, co-authored, and published several academic publications in English and Portuguese. His is married to Magela Meire and they have two sons.

Merlin D. Burt, Ph.D.
is the founding director of the integrated Center for Adventist Research at Andrews University. He is also director of the White Estate Branch Office and professor of Church History at the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary. He has been with the Ellen G. White Estate for 22 years, first at the Loma Linda Branch Office and then at Andrews University.

He has published many articles and chapters and has served as a speaker, editor, and organizer of various conferences and symposiums. In

Previous to his academic and administrative appointments he served as a pastor in Ohio and California in the United States. He and Sarah, his wife of 36 years, have two adult sons and a daughter in college. They also have two beloved grandchildren. His hobbies include collecting Adventist related materials and woodworking. He has a passion that Seventh-day Adventists connect an understanding of God’s leading in the past to a personal living Christian experience.

Michael W. Campbell, Ph.D.

is assistant professor of Historical/Theological Studies at the Adventist International Institute for Advanced Studies (AIIAS) in Silang, Cavite, Philippines. Prior to this he was a pastor in Colorado and Kansas. Born in Texas to Canadian parents, he studied theology and history at Southern Adventist University before he obtained graduate degrees at Andrews University. He has published numerous articles in scholarly and denominational periodicals, including work as assistant editor of *The Ellen G. White Encyclopedia* (Review and Herald, 2013). He blogs actively at www.adventisthistory.org. He is married to Heidi Olson and they have two children, Emma (age 7) and David (age 5). He enjoys camping, gardening, and bird watching, as well as helping with Adventurers and Pathfinders.
Richard M. Davidson, Ph.D.

is J. N. Andrews Professor of Old Testament Interpretation at the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary at Andrews University, Berrien Springs, Michigan. He has been a part of the Andrews faculty since 1979.

Born in California, Davidson attended Loma Linda University in Riverside, California, graduating in 1968 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in theology. Two years later he earned his Master of Divinity degree from the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary at Andrews University. He also received his doctorate in Biblical Studies at Andrews in 1981. His doctoral dissertation was titled “Typological Structures in the Old and New Testaments.”

Davidson has presented over seventy scholarly papers at professional meetings, and has written numerous articles for refereed journals and Adventist denominational papers, as well as various chapters in scholarly books. Additional publications include the following books: Typology in Scripture (Andrews University Press, 1981), A Love Song for the Sabbath (Review and Herald Publishing Association, 1988), In the Footsteps of Joshua (Review and Herald Publishing Association, 1995), Biblical Hermeneutics (in Romanian; Editura CARD, 2003), Flame of Yahweh: Sexuality in the Old Testament (Hendrickson Publishers, 2007), and (co-authored with Leonard Brand) Choose You This Day: Why It Matters What You Believe about Creation (Pacific Press, 2013).

He is married to Jo Ann Mazat Davidson who also teaches at the Theological Seminary. They have a daughter, Rahel, and a son, Jonathan. Davidson enjoys backpacking, mountaineering, cross-country skiing, and tennis.
Denis Fortin, Ph.D.


Born in Quebec City, Canada, Fortin received a Bachelor of Arts degree in pastoral ministry from Canadian University College, Alberta, in 1982. He earned a Master of Divinity from the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary of Andrews University in 1986 and a Doctor of Theology (PhD) from the Université Laval, Quebec, in 1995. His dissertation studied the developments of three Adventist denominations in Canada in the nineteenth century. Prior to coming to Andrews University, he served as a pastor in the Quebec Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. He currently serves as associate pastor of the One Place Fellowship on the campus of Andrews University.

Fortin has authored a number of publications on Adventist history and theology. He is co-editor of the *Ellen G. White Encyclopedia* (Review and Herald, 2013) and in 2004 he published *Adventism in Quebec: The Dynamics of Rural Church Growth, 1830-1910* (Andrews University Press).

Fortin is married to Kristine Knutson, director of the Student Success Center at Andrews University. Their children are Mark, Erika, Kimberly and her husband (Andrew Fish).
Rodrigo Galiza, MDiv

is a PhD student in the Department of Church History in the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary at Andrews University. His doctoral research deals with the agents of impurity in the Temple as described in the Dead Sea Scrolls and the works of Church Fathers. He has done some work in the Hebrew University of Jerusalem (2013-2014). Since 2014, he has been teaching and translating courses on Jewish Backgrounds of the New Testament and Geography of the Bible into Portuguese for e-teachergroup (an Israeli based company with students from all the world).

Frank M. Hasel, Ph.D.

is the dean of the theology department and the director of the Ellen G. White Study Center at Seminar Schloss Bogenhofen (Austria). He has been a member of the Biblical Research Committee of the Inter-European Division (EUD) since 1995 and is newly elected as an associate director of the Biblical Research Institute at the General Conference. Born in Southern Germany, he received his theological training in Germany, England, and the U.S.A., where he earned a Ph.D. in Systematic Theology from Andrews University in 1994. His dissertation dealt with the use of Scripture in Theology and is titled “Scripture in the Theologies of W. Pannenberg and Donald G. Bloesch: An Investigation and Assessment of its Origin, Nature and Use” (Frankfurt/

Chantal Klingbeil, M.Phil. and Gerald Klingbeil, D.Litt.

enjoy team-teaching and are passionate about young people in the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Chantal, born and raised in South Africa, serves in the Ellen G. White Estate as an Associate Director and is an engaging speaker and author. She holds a M.Phil. degree in Linguistics from Stellenbosch University, South Africa, and focuses in her work upon children, youth, and young adults. She has worked as high school teacher, university professor, home school mom, author, and editor. Gerald, originally from Germany, serves currently as an Associate Editor of the *Adventist Review* and *Adventist World* magazines and is also a Research Professor of Old Testament and Ancient Near Eastern Studies at the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary at Andrews University. He holds a D.Litt. degree in Ancient Near Eastern Studies from Stellenbosch University, South Africa, and over the past two decades has served as professor in many different Adventist universities in South America and Asia. Gerald and Chantal have presented many seminars internationally on topics such as biblical interpretation, spiritual growth, the joys and pain of parenting and many more. Their three teenage daughters, Hannah, Sarah, and Jemima keep them on their toes and flexible.
Jud Lake,
Th.D., D.Min.

is Professor of Preaching and Adventist Studies in the School of Religion at Southern Adventist University, where he has taught since 1997. He is a contributor to the *Ellen G. White Encyclopedia* and author of numerous articles on preaching and Ellen White studies, including the books *Ellen White Under Fire* (2010) and *A Nation in God’s Hands: The Civil War Visions of Ellen G. White* (forthcoming), both published by Pacific Press. He also maintains the website: www.ellenwhiteanswers.org.

Theodore N. Levterov,
Ph.D.

comes originally from Bulgaria. He is the director of the Ellen G. White Estate Branch Office and an Assistant Professor in the School of Religion at Loma Linda University, California. Previously he has worked as a pastor in his native country of Bulgaria and in the USA. He holds a B.A. in Theology from Newbold College, England, an M.Div. and a Ph.D. in Religion with emphasis on Adventist history from Andrews University, Michigan. He has authored articles and several book chapters related to the history of Seventh-day Adventism and Ellen G. White. Currently he is working on a book exploring the Adventist Heritage of Health. He is married to Tsvety Levterova and they have three sons.
Larry Lichtenwalter, Ph.D.

is a husband, Dad, preacher, pastor, systematic theologian with a NT emphasis, and author. He currently serves as Dean of the Faculty of Philosophy and Theology at Middle East University in Beirut, Lebanon, and is Chair of the Faculty’s Department of Islamic and Arabic Studies. He is active in the classroom where he regularly brings his ethics specialty as a resource for understanding the theology, New Testament, and Islamic Studies courses which he teaches. Through the years Larry has been involved in theological training and mentoring in many places of our global Adventist work--teaching in areas of Ethics, Professional Ethics, Theology, New Testament studies, the Book of Revelation, Islamic Studies, Approaches to Muslims, etc. He is regularly invited for camp meetings and other inspirational contexts for speaking to non-academic adult audiences on the deeper and very relevant aspects of our biblically informed Adventist faith. Larry is General Vice President of the Adventist Theological Society and a member of the GC BRI Ethics Committee. He and his wife Kathie have five sons: Erich, Ehren, Ethan, Evan and Steaven (deceased).
Kenneth Logan, D.M.A.

is Professor of Music at Andrews University in organ, church music and music composition, among other areas. He serves as Minister of Music/Organist of Pioneer Memorial Church, the university church. He also taught at Walla Walla College (Washington) and Canadian Union College (Alberta). His Doctor of Musical Arts degree (organ performance) is from The University of Michigan (1992). A published composer, his compositions have been heard on Sing for Joy (St. Olaf College, June 2011 and June 2014: “Go!”) and PIPEDREAMS (American Public Media, September 2011: “Ground Zero Calvary”).

Jiří Moskala, Th.D.

is professor of Old Testament exegesis and theology and dean of the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary on the campus of Andrews University, Berrien Springs, Michigan. He joined the faculty in 1999.

Born in Cesky Tesin, Czech Republic, Moskala received a master of theology in 1979 and a doctor of theology in 1990, all from the Comenius Faculty of Protestant Theology (now Protestant Theological Faculty of Charles University), Czech Republic. In 1998, he completed his doctor of philosophy degree at Andrews University.

Prior to coming to Andrews, Moskala served in various capacities (ordained pastor, administrator, and teacher) in the Czech Republic.
is a native of Germany. He and his wife Geri, a music teacher and adjunct professor at Washington Adventist University, have two sons. Their older son, Eike, graduated from the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary at Andrews University with a Th.D. degree in 2014 and is currently a professor at AIIAS. The younger leads out in the communication department of the Southeastern California Conference. Ekkehardt Mueller worked as a pastor for sixteen years before being elected ministerial secretary and director of the education department of the South German Union. In this capacity he was also responsible for the continuing education of pastors and lectured in various places and countries. Being called to serve as the Ministerial Secretary of the Euro-Africa Division located in Switzerland, part of his assignment on division level was to chair the Biblical Research Committee of that division. In 1997 he accepted the call to come to the Biblical Research Institute of the General Conference where he now serves as deputy director. He has written numerous articles and several books, taught in many places around the globe, and holds Doctor of Ministry (D.Min.) and Doctor of Theology (Th.D.) degrees from Andrews University.

Ekkehardt Mueller, Th.D., D.Min.

the end of 1989, after the Velvet Revolution when the Communist regime fell, he established the Theological Seminary in the Czech Republic for training pastors and became the first principal of the institution.

Dr. Moskala has served as a speaker in many important Bible conferences and Theological symposia in all thirteen divisions of the Seventh-day Adventist Church and has lectured in many leading SDA universities and colleges around the world.

Dr. Moskala enjoys listening to classical music, visiting art and archaeological museums, hiking, swimming in the world’s crystal-clear waters, and reading books on a variety of topics.
Dwight K. Nelson, D.Min.

has served as senior pastor of the Pioneer Memorial Church of Seventh-day Adventists on the campus of Andrews University (Berrien Springs, Michigan) since 1983, and is an adjunct professor for preaching in its theological seminary.

He is the speaker for the weekly radio and television program, “New Perceptions,” and hosts the telecast, “The Evidence.”

Among the books he has authored are Outrageous Grace, The Eleventh Commandment, Creation and Evolution and his most recent book, The Chosen.

He is married to Karen Oswald Nelson and they have two married children, Kirk and Kristin, and one beautiful new granddaughter Ella.

James R. Nix

is Director of the Ellen G. White Estate, General Conference. He has written several books and articles on the history of our church. In 1981 he helped establish, and currently chairs, the board of Adventist Heritage Ministry that operates four Adventist heritage sites, including Historic Adventist Village in Battle Creek, Michigan. Elder Nix is married to Mindi, a middle school teacher at Spencerville Adventist Academy. He has one daughter, Shannon.
John W. Reeve, Ph.D.
is Assistant Professor of Church History at the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary at Andrews University. He teaches primarily early church, middle ages and reformation history. John is also editor of *Andrews University Seminary Studies* and co-author of a book titled *The Trinity*. John’s doctoral dissertation focused on the theological anthropology of Theophilus of Antioch and the shift in the understanding of the human soul and judgment in late second century Christianity. John has worked as youth pastor, camp director, and as a baker. He enjoys backpacking, rock climbing, canoeing, and bird watching. John’s wife, Teresa L. Reeve, PhD, is Assistant Professor of New Testament in the Seminary in Berrien Springs, MI, where they live with their daughter Madeleine.

Ángel M. Rodríguez, Th.D.
is the retired Director of the Biblical Research Institute. He was elected as Director of the Institute beginning January 1, 2002 until his retirement in June 2011. He also served as an associate director beginning in 1992. Born in Puerto Rico, he has served as president of Antillian College and academic vice president of Southwestern Adventist University. He is a member of the American Society of Biblical Literature and the American Academy of Religion. He is the author of several books and has a column in *Adventist World*. 
Ranko Stefanovic, Ph.D.

is Professor of New Testament at the SDA Theological Seminary at Andrews University. He earned a doctorate degree from Andrews University in 1995 in the area of the New Testament with an emphasis on the book of Revelation. Prior to joining the faculty at Andrews University, he served for eighteen years as an ordained SDA minister in his home country of what used to be Yugoslavia. He taught and chaired the Department of Religious Studies at Canadian University College from 1996-1999 as well as the Department of Religion, Andrews University from 1999 until 2009 when he moved to the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary. He is a recipient of several awards for excellence in teaching; in 2013, he was awarded with J.N. Andrews Medallion by Andrews University for his contribution to the church in the area of scholarship and service to the church and the university.

Stefanovic specializes in the book of Revelation; he is an author of numerous scholarly and professional articles. Additional publications include the following books: *The Background and Meaning of the Sealed Book of Revelation 5* (Andrews University Press, 1996); *Revelation of Jesus Christ* (Andrews University Press, 2002, 2009), a very popular 670-page commentary on Revelation, which is the standard textbook in many Adventist colleges and universities; and his most recent book is *Plain Revelation: A Reader’s Introduction to the Apocalypse* (Andrews University Press, 2013). His lectures on Revelation are featured in a long running series on 3ABN television network. He is a sought-after speaker and lecturer at symposiums, seminars, workers meetings, camp meetings, and various gatherings across the globe. He and his wife Estera have two grown children.
Alberto R. Timm, Ph.D.

is a specialist in the development of SDA doctrines and theology. Born in a German-Pomeranian colony in the south of Brazil, Timm worked as a district pastor (1982-1985); Director of the Brazilian Ellen G. White-SDA Research Center (1986-2007); Dean of the Graduate School of Theology, São Paulo Adventist University College (2006-2007); and Rector of the multi-campus Latin-American Adventist Theological Seminary and Spirit of Prophecy Coordinator for the South American Division (2007-2011). He is currently an Associate Director of the Ellen G. White Estate, Inc., Silver Spring, Maryland; and a member of the Biblical Research Institute Committee. He has published extensively in Portuguese, English, and Spanish. He and his wife, Marly L. Timm, have three children: Suellen, William, and Shelley.

David Trim, Ph.D., F.R.Hist.S.

was born in Bombay, India, to missionary parents and spent his childhood in Sydney, Australia. Educated in Australia and England, he earned a BA in history from Newbold College and Ph.D. in history from King’s College in London. Trim was on the faculty of Newbold College for a decade, and held the Walter C. Utt Chair in History at Pacific Union College. He has also held visiting fellowships at the Huntington Library, the Folger Shakespeare Library, the University of California at Berkeley and the University of
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clinton wahlen, ph.d.

is an associate director of the biblical research institute (bri) at the general conference of seventh-day adventists. before coming to the bri in 2008, he taught new testament and greek for eleven years at seminars in russia and in the philippines. he also pastored for seven years in northern california, where he was converted from atheism. dr. wahlen received his ph.d. from cambridge university and has authored numerous articles and published several books, including his dissertation, “jesus and the impurity of spirits in the synoptic gospels” (mohr siebeck, 2004), the adult bible study guide on james (2014), and “what are human beings that you remember them” (bri, 2015, as editor/contributor). in his spare time he enjoys hiking, skiing, and running. originally from portland, oregon, he and his wife have a son (recently married) and a daughter.
Ted N. C. Wilson, Ph.D.

was elected as president of the Seventh-day Adventist world church in July 2010 during the General Conference Session in Atlanta. Born in Takoma Park, Maryland on May 10, 1950, the son of former Adventist world church President Neal C. Wilson and Elinor E. Wilson, Wilson spent part of his childhood in Egypt.

Wilson began his church career as a pastor in 1974 in the Greater New York Conference. He married his wife, Nancy, in 1975. The couple has three daughters and ten wonderful grandchildren.

Wilson served the Metropolitan Ministries in New York from 1976 to 1981. He went on to serve in the church’s then Africa-Indian Ocean Division until 1990. Following his post in West Africa, he served for two years at the Adventist world church’s world headquarters in Silver Spring, Maryland, United States. He then went on to accept the position of president of the church’s Euro Asia-Division in Moscow, Russia, which he held from 1992 to 1996.

Pastor Wilson returned to the United States to serve as president of the Review and Herald Publishing Association in Hagerstown, Maryland, until his election as an Adventist world church vice president in 2000.

An ordained minister, Pastor Wilson holds a doctor of philosophy degree in religious education from New York University, a master of divinity degree from Andrews University, and a master of science degree in public health from the Loma Linda University School of Public Health.
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Parking Information

Please park in the Chan Shun Hall lot, the Seminary lot, or the Howard Performing Arts Center lot during the Symposium. See map included in folder. All other lots will be patrolled and require a parking permit that can be acquired from Campus Safety. Their lobby hours are Monday-Friday, 7am-3pm.

Meal Ticket Information

For those who have requested meal tickets with their registration, Dining Services has reserved the Lincoln and Hoosier Rooms for you to dine in. You will present your meal ticket and go through line in the Terrace Cafe (upstairs in the Campus Center —F 7 on your map and then enter one of the reserved rooms to eat.

Your meal tickets will be paper clipped in the back side of your name tag and can only be used in the upstairs Terrace Cafe.
**Program Notes**

I.: “The Publishing House.” Ellen White in 1848 foresaw publishing “a little paper”, saying that it would become “like streams of light that went clear round the world.” This publishing continued at the Battle Creek publishing house (est. 1855). The music describes two things: the earth as a globe, and streams of light. After a light-evoking opening flourish, horns play at equal distances above and below a central note held by clarinets, like a globe’s surface equidistant from its center. The music frequently imitates streams of light. Toward the end, the globe theme returns climactically, dazzled with light motifs.

II.: “The College.” Battle Creek College dates from the early 1870s. Early academic college history included classics’ study, and Bible subjects were only electives. Ellen White wrote, in 1881, that “[Scripture study] should have the first place in our system of education.” In the late 1890s emerged a clearer college spiritual focus. In this music, college life is represented by ten academic variations on a musical theme. After a hymnic horn fanfare, the theme sounds in bass instruments. Then, in order, the music presents hymn-like brass, musical imitation, Renaissance-like brass, a canon (round), slow-then-fast overture styles as begin Handel’s *Messiah*, Baroque terraced dynamics, Reformation-like chorale style, Baroque-like winds, and finally the theme simultaneously with its real inversion. Then emerges a clearer spiritual focus, based on “How Firm a Foundation.” Not all is happy: resistance subtly asserts itself. But the movement ends joyously and emphatically: “How Firm.”
III.: “The Tabernacle.” The Battle Creek Tabernacle was dedicated in 1879. The composer’s wife’s Grandma Losey remembered this tabernacle, where Ellen White’s funeral occurred, as a grand, large structure. Fully open, it could seat some 3,000. History suggests that the Adventist hymnal *Hymns and Tunes* (1886) was used there. The present music takes small fragments of more than a dozen hymn melodies from that hymnal and fashions them into new melodies. For example, fragments of *Holy, Holy, Holy, Crown Him With Many Crowns,* and *All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name* combine into two new melodic phrases. The main fragments are from *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing.* Occasionally one can hear small children being playful in the vast tabernacle.

IV.: “The Cemetery.” In one of Battle Creek’s cemeteries, Oak Hill Cemetery, are buried many Adventist leaders, including Uriah Smith. A sizeable White family lot there includes, among others, Ellen (buried there in 1915) and her husband James. In Ellen’s funeral procession, a local newspaper reported that “Thousands followed the hearse to the cemetery;…” The music looks back, with pathos, to the solemnity and sadness of the burials of early Adventist leaders. But it also looks forward to resurrection day, with fanfares of triumph and cascades of celebration. *We, From Battle Creek,* are invited to join victorious Adventist pioneers, ascending to heaven in joy when time gives way to eternity.