

# General Conference Health Ministries

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## Divisions & Attached Fields

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GENERAL CONFERENCE  
**Adventist**  
Health Ministries

# Local Churches



Health Ministries Directors selected by the Church Board

# Conferences & Missions



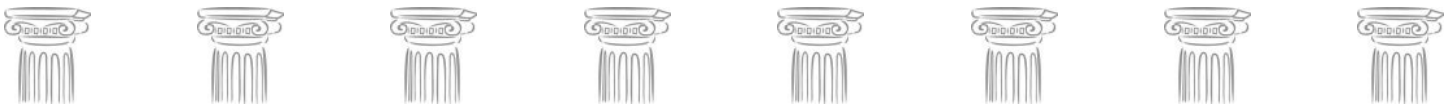
Health Ministries Directors selected by the Constituency Meeting

# Unions



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# Divisions



Health Ministries Director selected by Division officers at General Conference Session

# General Conference



Health Ministries Director selected by the General Conference Session

General Conference Health Ministries is developing training programs for people at all levels

Supporting Ministries GC Health Ministries works with:

- OCI (Outpost Centers International)—Healthcare Supporting Ministry
- ASI (Adventist Laymen's Services and Industries) —Any Seventh-day Adventist industry/business
- Hyve — A community of Adventist entrepreneurs and innovators
- AMEN (Adventist Medical Evangelism Network) — To motivate, train, and equip Seventh-day Adventist physicians, dentists, and other healthcare professionals to team with pastors and members, uniting the church to restore Christ's ministry of healing to the world, hastening His return.
- AMA (Adventist Medical Association - South America)
- Lifestyle Medicine Groups (Adventist)
- Faith Community Nursing

# ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

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The Seventh-day Adventist® Church is organized with a representative form of church government. This means authority in the Church comes from the membership of local churches. Executive responsibility is given to representative bodies and officers to govern the Church. Four levels of Church structure lead from the individual believer to the worldwide Church organization:

The **local church** is made up of individual believers [UPDATE: Here is a growing list of local churches in the NAD that are live-streaming during COVID-19 shutdown.]  
(<https://www.nadadventist.org/online-church-services>)

The **local conference**, or local field/mission, is made up of a number of local churches in a state, province, or territory

The **union conference**, or union field/mission, is made up of conferences or fields within a larger territory (often a grouping of states or a whole country)

The **General Conference** (<http://www.adventist.org>), the most extensive unit of organization, is made up of all unions/entities in all parts of the world. Divisions are sections of the General Conference, with administrative responsibility for particular geographical areas.

Each level is "representative." That is, it reflects a democratic process of formation and election. Local churches elect their own officers and church boards by majority voting. Churches elect delegates to the conferences which meet "in session" every two or three years. Executive authority between sessions is exercised by the Conference Executive Committee and the executive officers (normally President, Secretary and Treasurer), all of whom are elected by the session.

A similar process operates for Union sessions usually every five years, and General Conference sessions, at which times officers and committees are elected, reports given and policies decided.

Within these four levels the Church operates various institutions. In their world outreach, Adventists serve the whole person and have developed educational, health-care, publishing, media (radio, print, television, web, satellite), and other institutions. The multiple units of the world Church, whether congregations, conferences, health-care institutions, publishing houses, schools, or other organizations, all find their organizational unity in the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists in which they have representation.

The General Conference is the highest earthly authority for the Church. The General Conference in session, and the Executive Committee between sessions, is the highest organization in the administration of the Church's worldwide work, and is authorized by its constitution to create subordinate organizations to promote specific interests in various sections of the world. When differences arise in or between organizations and institutions, appeal to the next higher organization is proper until it reaches the General Conference in session, or the Executive Committee at the Annual Council. During the interim between these sessions, the Executive Committee shall constitute the body of final authority on all questions where a difference of viewpoint may develop.

VIDEOS: Adventist Church 101 (<https://www.nadadventist.org/adventist-church-101>)

Administratively, the world-wide Church (<http://www.adventist.org>) has 13 Divisions, which are composed of churches grouped by a collection of missions, fields, or states into unions of churches. The North American Division is one of the 13 Divisions. The Divisions, and headquarters are:

- East-Central Africa (<http://www.ecd.adventist.org/>) (ECD) Nairobi, Kenya
- Euro-Asia (<http://www.adventist.ru>) (ESD) Moscow, Russia
- Inter-American (<http://www.interamerica.org>) (IAD) Miami, Florida, United States of America
- Inter-European (<http://eud.adventist.org>) (EUD) Berne, Switzerland
- North American (<http://www.nadadventist.org>) (NAD) Columbia, Maryland, United States of America
- Northern Asia-Pacific (<http://www.nsdadventist.org/>) (NSD) Koyang City, Korea
- South American (<http://adventistas.org/pt/>) (SAD) Brasilia, Brazil
- South Pacific (<http://adventist.org.au/>) (SPD) Wahroonga, Australia
- Southern Africa-Indian Ocean (<http://www.sidadventist.org/>) (SID) Harare, Zimbabwe

- Southern Asia (<http://www.sudadventist.org>) (SUD) Tamil Nadu, India
- Southern Asia-Pacific (<http://www.ssd.org/>) (SSD) Cavite, Philippines
- Trans-European (<http://www.ted-adventist.org/>) (TED) St. Albans, England
- West-Central Africa (<http://www.wad-adventist.org/>) (WAD) Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire

#### NAD Unions and Conference Headquarters (/area-headquarters)

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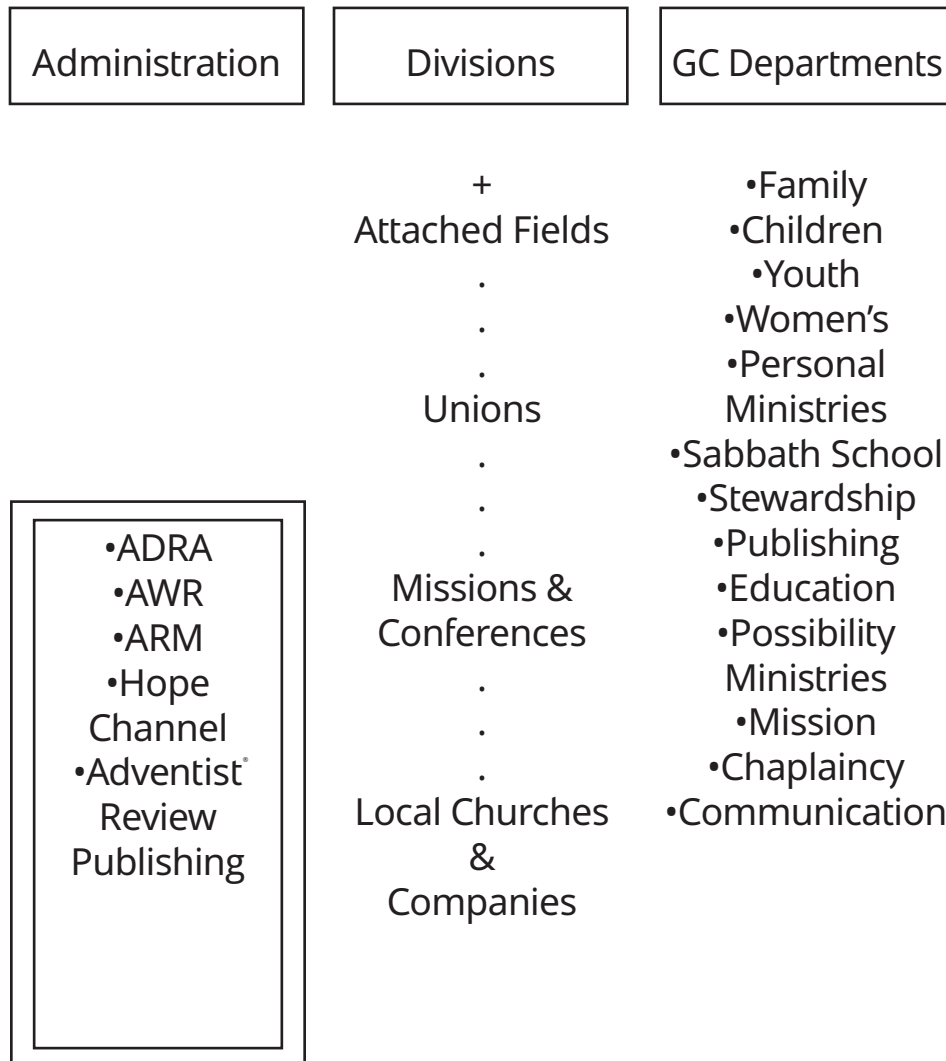
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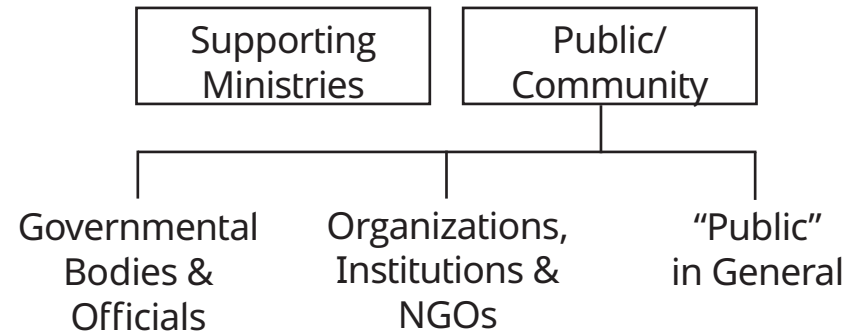
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# General Conference Health Ministries Spheres of Influence

## Denomination



## Non-Denomination







## GATEWAY TO WHOLENESS



This evidence-based youth discipleship program has a brand-new website and materials for youth leaders and for youth themselves to access. At the new Youth Alive portal you can find articles, blogs, videos, courses and books on various health and wellness topics that will help build resilience among youth, empowering them to say NO to addictive and unhealthy behaviors. This is a peer-to-peer program that brings adult mentors and healthy connections to young people, making them feel valued and helping them find their purpose in Christ.

Gateway to Wholeness is a program to help people overcome problems associated with pornography use. Although one may feel trapped, Gateway helps draw on emotional, social, and spiritual resources to get users to move towards recovery from this addiction. Based on a wealth of psychological research and knowledge, Gateway is designed to be the first step towards recovery and freedom from pornography addiction. It is free and anonymous.

Living life to the fullest – celebrate it each and every day! CELEBRATIONS is a 12-letter acronym representing 12 vital ways to energize your daily living – including the eight natural remedies from Ministry of Healing, plus chapters on the environment, integrity, optimism, and social support. CELEBRATIONS is Bible-based, consonant with the health counsels of Ellen White, and backed by evidence-based, peer-reviewed health science. There is a comprehensive and beautiful tabletop reference book, as well as a newly-released concise text for ready reference and easy reading. There are 12 one-minute videos, prepared text and PowerPoints, as well as 12 health sermons to make up a complete package of lifestyle instruction. All the electronic materials are available at [healthministries.com](http://healthministries.com), free of charge, and the books at nominal fee. This resource will help you to enjoy and share wholeness, even in our inevitable brokenness.

ARMin Global promotes healing and freedom from addictions by providing resources and training to facilitate recovery. ARMin exists to:

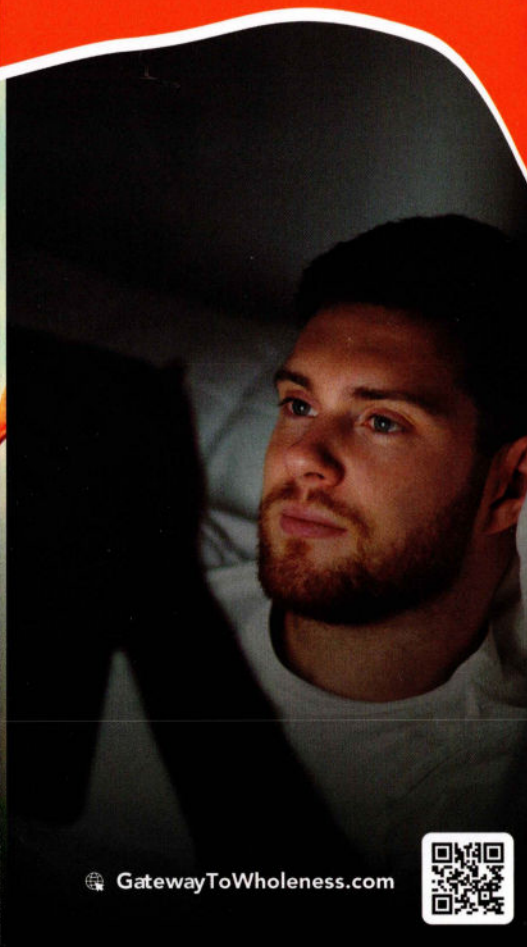
- Promote healing (individually and corporately) utilizing the healthy, balanced principles of God's Word.

- Provide resources to churches and individuals to raise awareness and educate them about the root of dysfunctions that create disunity within individuals, families, churches and communities through unresolved trials, troubles and tragedies.

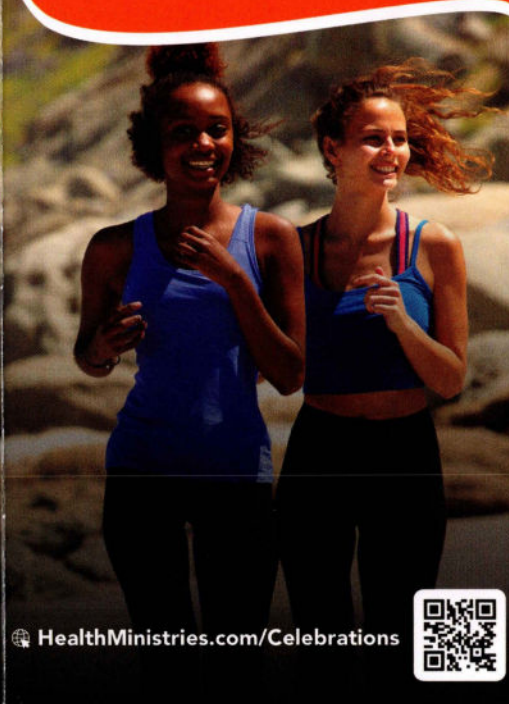
- Train individuals to facilitate ongoing 12-step Christ-centered support groups and mentoring in a safe, nurturing environment.



[YouthAlivePortal.org](http://YouthAlivePortal.org)  
[Fb.com/MyChoiceFullyAlive](https://www.facebook.com/MyChoiceFullyAlive)  
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[YouthAliveChannel](https://www.youtube.com/YouthAliveChannel)



[GatewayToWholeness.com](http://GatewayToWholeness.com)



[HealthMinistries.com/Celebrations](http://HealthMinistries.com/Celebrations)



[AdventistRecoveryGlobal.org](http://AdventistRecoveryGlobal.org)







Changing behavior is not an easy process. The challenges of everyday life and the power of long-term habits make it difficult for people to implement lifestyle changes. Health Ministries provides an answer by equipping health professionals, pastors, and health enthusiasts to facilitate the behavior change process for those they minister to using the skills of a **lifestyle coaching** approach.

Modeled after Christ's method of ministry and using biblical principles, the **Lifestyle Coaching Skills Workshop** equips people to provide personalized support to those struggling with the common barriers of lifestyle change, helping them lower their health risks while improving their whole-person health.



HealthMinistries.com/LifeStyleCoaching



Reminded is a new mental health program in development by the GC Health Ministries team. Our aims are to help people with mental health disorders, provide a resource for anyone who want to live better through a deeper understanding of the fundamental building blocks of mental health, and to improve the skills of pastors, educators, and others in helping people with mental health challenges. Access [Reminded.org](http://Reminded.org) to learn more.



**BreatheFree 2.0 Smoking Cessation Program:** Now updated, this powerful and informative community program helps smokers kick the habit! Its roots extend back to the The Five-day Plan to Stop Smoking—the first community-based smoking cessation program.

This enhanced, nine day program provides a comprehensive physical, mental, social, and spiritual approach proven to assist smokers to free themselves of the tyranny of tobacco.

Training videos and all program materials are available online--without cost--to all registered facilitators. Visit [BreatheFree2.com](http://BreatheFree2.com) to learn more.

[www.BreatheFree2.com](http://www.BreatheFree2.com)

FACTS with HOPE



This is a series of 49 one minute video spots featuring various topics of whole person health, based on biblical principles and scientific evidence. They are available for use on social media, health spots during Sabbath services or on media (TV, radio). Available in various languages.

[FactsWithHope.org](http://FactsWithHope.org)  
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## COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH MINISTRY

RESOURCES FOR MISSION

OUTREACH, TOTAL MEMBER INVOLVEMENT  
AND MISSION TO THE CITIES.

