

ASI Mid America Newsletter – January 2018

Note From our President – Barbara Taylor

Dear Mid America ASI members,

I want to wish every one of you a Very Happy New Year! As I reflect on the past year, it has been a blessing to serve as the President of Mid America ASI. My board has done an outstanding job, which comes with lots of hours of dedication to make our rallies and conventions a success. I hope that each one of you will pray for us. May the beginning of a new year bring you closer to the Lord, help you to be a more fervent worker in winning souls to God's Kingdom, and continue to be a dedicated servant in finishing the work that God has given to each one of us as we are one day closer to His Soon Appearing.

Blessings, Barbara Taylor, Mid America ASI President.

Upcoming Rally in Lincoln, Nebraska

ASI-MA is excited about the upcoming event that is scheduled for our Union. Please mark your calendars and make plans to attend:

Lincoln, Nebraska Rally – will be held at the Piedmont SDA Church in Lincoln, Nebraska, on Sabbath, February 24, 2017. Phillip Sizemore, SDA pastor from Springfield, Missouri, will bless us as our speaker. This is an event to invite your friend and family to attend. See flyer.

About Our Speaker:

Phillips Sizemore became a Christian at the age of twenty-two. God had arranged for him to meet a young lady named Laura who introduced Phillip to Jesus and His truth. Phillip fell in love with both. Since that time, he has been a literature evangelist, became the father of two children (Kaytlyn and Marcus), attended ARISE, and has been a pastor since 2007. He is currently serving in Springfield, Missouri.

MISSION ALERT SOUND THE ALARM!

**"I must be about my
Father's Business"**

Luke 2:49

SAVE THE DATE

FEBRUARY 24, 2018, 9:00AM

PIEDMONT PARK SDA CHURCH

4801 A ST, LINCOLN, NE 68510

ASI MID-AMERICA RALLY

Presentations By:



Phillip Sizemore
Pastor & Speaker

2018 Mid America ASI Annual Convention

Our Convention will be held in Denver, Colorado, at the Ramada Plaza Hotel in Northglenn, Colorado, from Thursday, April 12, 2018, through Sunday, April 15th. Our theme is **“Mission Alert: Sound the Alarm.”**

Our featured speakers will be **Pastor Peter Neri** from Las Vegas, Nevada, and **Jon Wood** from Jesus For Asia (JFA). **Pastor Gary Thurber** will be leading out in our morning devotions. Invite your family and friends to come and join us. It will be a blessing to all who attend!

ASI-MA will be using the same sight to register for the Convention as last year. To register go to: www.asimidamerica.org. Use ASI-MA for the special rate. Please plan on registering early for the Convention. Registration covers the cost of meals, seminars, and conference room space for speakers, exhibits, and children’s programs.

If you are coming in from out of town and need a room, you can make a reservation by calling the hotel at (303)452-4100/

If you would like to submit a funding request for your ministry, there is a link on the website.

All ministries who would like to have a booth in our exhibit hall will find cost information on the website



SAVE THE DATE

RAMADA PLAZA
120TH & I-25, NORTHGLENN CO.
APRIL 12 - 15, 2018
**ASI MID-AMERICA
CONVENTION**

Presentations By:



PETER NERI
KEYNOTE SPEAKER



JON WOOD
SEMINAR SPEAKER



GARY THURBER
MORNING DEVOTIONAL
SPEAKER



Pastor Peter Neri

Pastor Peter Neri is a convert from Catholicism. At the age of 26, he attended an Evangelistic Meeting in Duluth, Minnesota, and was baptized following the meetings. He has taught church school, pastored for 35 years in six states, and has been Ministerial Director of the Indiana Conference. He is currently the Senior Pastor of the Paradise SDA Church in Las Vegas, Nevada. His wife's name is Jennie, and they have two married sons, Roland and Samuel, and three grand-dogs!



Pastor Jon Wood

Jon Wood is President & Co-Founder of Jesus for Asia, Inc. with his wife, Natalie. JFA is an ASI Member SDA Supporting Ministry. They have passion for reaching the unreached and for re-engaging the church with foreign missions. They are parents of two children – James and Mary Ann.

When Jon was two months old, his parents took him to New Guinea where they were missionaries for five years. Jon has experienced mission fields in Africa and Asia, as well as North America.

JFA facilitates over 50 projects around Asia – including India, Thailand, Cambodia, Philippines, Indonesia, and other more closed countries. These projects cover areas of education, evangelism, missionaries, and media. He has also produced a 13-part series for the GC Office of Adventist Mission called "I Want This City," with Pastor E. Douglas Venn, who was church planting in Bangkok, Thailand, at the time. Check out more on their website: www.Jesus4Asia.org

DEVOTIONAL REFLECTION

“Only One Life Twill Soon Be Past”

By C.T. Studd

Two little lines I heard one day, traveling along life's busy way;
Bringing conviction to my heart, and from my mind would not depart;
Only one life, twill soon be past, only what's done for Christ will last.

Only one life, yes only one, soon will its fleeting hours be done;
Then, in “that day” my Lord to meet, and stand before His Judgment seat;
Only one life, twill soon be past, only what's done for Christ will last.

Only one life, the still small voice, gently pleads for a better choice;
Bidding me selfish aims to leave, and to God's holy will to cleave;
Only one life, twill soon be past, only what's done for Christ will last.

Only one life, a few brief years, each with its burdens, hopes, and fears;
Each with its clays I must fulfill, living for self or in His will;
Only one life, twill soon be past, only what's done for Christ will last.

When this bright world would tempt me sore, when Satan would a victory score;
When self would seek its way, then help me Lord with joy to say;
Only one life, twill soon be past, only what's done for Christ will last.

Give me Father a purpose deep, in joy or sorrow Thy Word to keep;
Faithful and true what e'er the strife, pleasing Thee in my daily life;
Only one life, twill soon be past, only what's done for Christ will last.

Oh let my love with fervor burn, and from the world now let me turn;

Living for Thee and Thee alone, bringing Thee pleasure on Thy throne;

Only one life, twill soon be past, only what's done for Christ will last.

Only one life, yes only one, now let me say, "Thy will be done";

And when at last I'll hear the call, I know I'll say, "twas worth it all";

Only one life, twill soon be past, only what's done for Christ will last.

Only one life, twill soon be past, only what's done for Christ will last;

And when I'm dying, how happy I'll be, if the lamp of my life has been burned out for Thee.

COOKING FOR A HEALTHY LIFE

Peanut Butter Carob Treats (Vegan)

By Vivian Neuharth, ASIMA VP of Membership

1 Cup Peanut Butter

3 T Carob Powder

1/4 Cup honey

Mix together

Take teaspoon and break off bite-sized pieces. Roll in coconut flakes. Then they are ready to eat. So, simple yet so delicious.

Health Nugget – submitted by Larry Walters, ASIMA VP of Evangelism

Exercise

We were created for action. Exercise provides greater vitality, extra energy, and longer life. Yet, for many, the greatest exertion of the day is getting out of bed, or walking from the kitchen to the garage.

We must deliberately incorporate physical activity into our lives to prevent sedentary habits from taking over. We live in a push-button society. It wasn't too many years ago that humankind walked a great deal more, chopped wood, tended gardens for food, and worked physically for a living. In past ages, people may have overworked their bodies, but exercise was not a major concern. Today, exercise is one of the most discussed but least practiced subjects.

When we do not exercise, or get too little of it, our bodies suffer. Inaction of any of the organs of the body will result in a decrease in organ size, less muscle strength, and sluggish circulation of the blood.

Exercise is very important for every human body. A lack of exercise greatly impairs and reduces bodily functions.

Benefits of Walking

Walking, although one of the simplest exercises, has several surprising advantages:

1. Walking uses almost all of the body's 206 bones & almost all of the body's 604 muscles.
2. Almost everyone can do it without having to learn new skills.
3. It does not require any expensive equipment.
4. It is easy on the joints.
5. The pace is easy to adjust.
6. It can be done anywhere – from shopping malls to the great outdoors.
7. You can get fresh air and sunshine at the same time if you are walking outside.
8. Walking lends itself to socializing – make walking fun by including family, friends, or your dog

An inactive body becomes sluggish. Only 37% of Americans regularly engage in some form of exercise, and over 72% are overweight. For exercise to be effective, it must be progressive, systematic, and habitual. Walking is an excellent form of exercise and can easily be worked into one's schedule. Regular exercise provides us with stronger hearts and lungs, increases metabolism, better digestion, sound sleep, the elimination of a multitude of physical ailments, and the needed energy to handle stress calmly.

Read about another law of health: **Rest** at <http://amazinghealth.com/AH-health-rest-sleep-body-grow>