



AAFCN Member Dedication

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"Piedmont Park dedicated Tammy Adams as its Faith Community Nurse. It is the first ministry of its kind at Piedmont," says Hugh Davis. "The North American Division Health Ministries department describes Faith Community Nurses as trained nurses who serve a church or congregation to improve the health of its members. Faith Community Nursing, previously Parish Nursing, is a growing specialty recognized by the American Nurses Association. As Piedmont's FCN, her role will consist of health advocacy, educator, counselor, referral agent, volunteer facilitator, and coordinator. Tammy wants to help members focus on their health from a faith-based perspective and will work collaboratively with the Piedmont pastoral team. She won't do this alone; she will partner with other health professionals in the faith community, the pastoral team, and a health and wellness committee team. The North American Division Health Ministries department will provide mentoring and education or continuing medical education credit opportunities.

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Wondering if you should be an FCN? Take this quiz.



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Plan for the Annual Membership Meeting!

Plan Now to attend our annual membership meeting taking place on **September 19th, 2023 at 7:00 PM EDT**. Zoom Invite: <https://nadadventist.zoom.us/j/97630675746?pwd=bVV0UjJ5QVlzejc4VXptSnRHbVhVU098&from=addon>





Nurse Spotlight



Interview with Betsy Johnson, FCN

Please tell us about your being led you into your current role.

Initially, I was clueless about the specialty practice of Faith Community Nursing (FCN). However, many years ago Bernice DeShay, a nurse and member of our congregation, asked me and another nurse if we would be interested in taking the Foundations course in Parish Nursing, the former title of Faith Community Nursing.

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Morning Manna Story



An inspiring story of community faith in action, born out of the belly of a Faith Community Nurse (FCN).

Morning Manna is a prayer group, based in Atlanta, Georgia, that positively impacts people and situations all over the world, through prayer.

Dr. Rosalyn Saunders, a Nurse Practitioner and now Faith Community Nurse, started Morning Manna eleven years ago...

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AAFCCN- New & Improved!

by Kathleen Woodfork Coleman, MPH, BSN,

You have heard these two adjectives to describe many things. Now you can apply "new and improved" to AAFCCN.

On April 24-26, 2023, the Board of Directors came together at the North American Division of Seventh-day Adventist Headquarters in Columbia Maryland, for our very first Strategic Planning Session. We invited Pastor Seth Yelorda of Vision Clarity 360 to be our facilitator and we spent 3 days looking at AAFCCN's past, present, and future. God really blessed us, and we ended with some very strong take-a-ways. Changes that we believe will make AAFCCN stronger and with a clarity of vision that will take us into the Kingdom. We realized anew, the GREAT potential that Nurses have as we work together fulfilling Christ's mandate in spreading His Word into all the world through the right arm of the gospel – the health message.

Realizing that nursing is a God ordained calling, we as nurses' partner with Christ in His healing ministry for the health of the body, mind, and spirit of those we serve. I share these words of wisdom from Ellen G. White as we work with Christ, the Master Physician:

"As physicians and nurses strive to do for the suffering the work that Christ did when He was upon this earth, the truth for this time will find access to minds and hearts". EV 539.1

Christ wants to use us to reach His people. He is counting on us to help in the finishing of His work!

As we went through the strategic planning process, we were elated and energized as we celebrated our accomplishments and planned forward to do even greater things to hasten the coming of our Lord and to help alleviate pain and suffering amongst our families, friends, fellow church members and the wider community, while we await His return.

Please join us so that you can hear first-hand about the "New and Improved AAFCCN". We want to update you and share the new organizational strategic vision and plan for the future. Our **Adventist Association of Faith Community Nursing's Annual Meeting will take place on Tuesday evening, September 19, 2023, 7:00-9:00 pm EST**. You will not want to miss it. We look forward to this special time together. Click the "Join Zoom Meeting" button on Tuesday to access it.

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We need YOU!!! We need your input and support. We look forward to seeing you at our Annual Meeting and ask for an interest in your prayers as we come together in Jesus' name.



Treat yourself to our Banana Oatmeal Cookie, loaded with natural sweetness and chewy texture from bananas, oats, walnuts, and raisins or dates!

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Banana Oatmeal Cookies

By Maggie Collins, MPH, RDN, CDCES, DipACLM

