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CAMP MEETING 2025 CAMP KULAQUA, HIGH SPRINGS, FL

— APRIL 25-27, 2025 —



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Dear friend.

Welcome to our 130th Florida Conference Camp Meeting! What a remarkable moment, looking back at 130 years of camp meetings and reflecting on God's faithfulness and guiding hand.

I am thrilled to welcome you to Camp Kulaqua for a weekend of true transformation. I have been praying for, and looking forward to, this weekend for many months.

Our theme this year is transformation. At Florida Conference, we believe in the power of God to transform lives through the Good News of Jesus. This theme resonates deeply, reminding us that God desires to continually shape us, renew our minds, and mold our characters to reflect His love. It is my prayer that throughout this camp meeting, we seek the profound transformation that only He can bring, allowing Him to reshape our hearts.

You will encounter the theme of transformation many times this weekend, from activities to music and the messages from our speakers and seminar presenters. I know you will be greatly blessed by these sessions. But I also encourage you to make time for personal reflection with Jesus. Feel free to explore the camp; you will certainly find quiet areas perfect for contemplation. Sit with Jesus and ask Him what areas of your life He desires to transform.

On behalf of our entire Florida Conference and Camp Kulaqua staff, thank you for joining us at Camp Meeting 2025. We are so glad you're here!

May God bless you always,



ALLAN MACHADO

President
Florida Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

ANNOUNCEMENTS



MEDICAL - ALWAYS DIAL 911 FOR EMERGENCIES. Camp Kulaqua can only provide basic first aid services. Any camp staff with a communication radio can contact the first aid staff. You can also call (386) 454-1351 and press 0, or go to the Main Office. In the event of a 911 emergency, the camp address for the dispatcher is 23400 NW 212 Ave., High Springs, FL, 32643.



MEALS IN CAFETERIA - Cafeteria meal tickets must be purchased in advance. If tickets were not ordered at the time accommodations were reserved, they can be purchased from the main office prior to Friday sundown.



PET POLICY - Pets must be kept on a leash and be well-behaved at all times. No pets are permitted inside buildings, including Woodland Lodges and Spring Villas. A pet fee will be charged for those staying in housing units such as cabins, mini lodges, or chalets.



LIVE STREAMING - Beginning Friday evening, main adult meetings in the gymnasium are streamed live online at floridaconference.com/campmeeting.



LOST & FOUND - Contact personnel in the main office, located along the southside of King Chapel.



SUMMER CAMPS & UPCOMING RETREATS - Camp Kulaqua's 2025 Summer Camps are June 1-8, June 8-15, and June 15-22. Family Camp is August 29-September 1. Registration details are at campkulaqua.com or stop by the main office, located on the south side of King Chapel, or the exhibitor tent during open hours.



ADVENTIST BOOK CENTER HOURS - Friday: 10am-5:30pm; Saturday: 8:30pm-10pm; Sunday: 9am-3pm.



CAMP MEETING EXHIBITOR TENTS OPERATING HOURS - Friday: 2pm-5pm; Saturday: 2pm-6pm; 8pm-10pm.



CAMP MEETING EXHIBITORS: Camp Kulaqua Summer Camp, Hope Channel, Southern Adventist University, ADRA International, Florida Conference Ministries: Development & Planned Giving, Family Ministries, FLCOE Innovation/Innovus Innovation Center, Men's Ministries, Property Development, Women's Ministries, Youth Summit/Publishing Ministries, Youth & Young Adult Ministries.

DAY FRIDAY APRIL 25

SCHEDULE

10:00 AM Registration Opens | Cafeteria

For after-hours registration/check-in, please go directly to the main office.

1:00 PM - 5:00 PM Camp Activities:

Canoes

Swimming at the Spring

Mini Golf Ball Fields Disc Golf Field Games

5:15 PM - 6:30 PM Supper | Cafeteria

7:00 PM – 9:00 PM Friday Evening Service | Michael Gibson | Gym

DAY SATURDAY APRIL 26

PLEASE SEE PAGES 9-10 FOR CHILDREN'S AND YOUTH/YOUNG ADULT SCHEDULES.

7:00 AM - 7:45 AM Morning Nature Walk & Devotional - Camp Kulaqua Staff |

Meet at The Crossing by the Main Office

8:00 AM - 8:50 AM Breakfast | Cafeteria

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM Sabbath School - Gervon Marsh | Picnic Pavilion

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM Seminars

Do You Want Cheese with Your Whine? Steven Jencks | Gym Rooms 5&6

Discipleship Made Simple

Jeffrey Dorval | Dogwood Conference Room

Transforming Your World the Jesus Way

Alex Schlussler | Live Oak Conference Room

10:30 AM - 12:40 PM Worship Service - Michael Gibson, Allan Machado | Gym

12:45 PM - 1:45 PM Lunch | Cafeteria

2:00 PM - 4:00 PM Baptisms | Hornsby Spring

2:00 PM Wildlife Sanctuary & Zoo Open

2:30 PM – 4:00 PM Special Screening: Return to Palau

Michael and Melissa Gibson | Gym

4:30 PM - 5:30 PM Concert - The Chitans | Gym

5:45 PM - 6:45 PM Supper | Cafeteria

7:15 PM – 8:30 PM Saturday Evening Service - Michael Gibson | Gym

8:30 PM - 10:00 PM ABC Open

8:30 PM Evening Social

Kickball Tournament Pickleball Tournament

Block Party

Night Hike: Meet between Gym and ABC Store

Hayride: Meet outside River Ranch Water Park at 8:30 p.m.

Zip Line | Tower of Faith

Mini Golf

DAY 3 SUNDAY APRIL 27

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM Breakfast | Miner's Camp

Free Breakfast Cookout

9:00 AM-10:00 AM Devotional:

Michael Gibson | Miner's Camp

Music - Tim Parton

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM Camp Activities

Free:

Canoes

Swimming at the Spring

Mini Golf Ball Fields Field Games Pay at Location:

Horseback Riding

Go-Karts

12:30 PM - 1:30 PM Lunch / Cafeteria

See you next time! Camp Meeting 2026: Living the Gospel | April 17-19

SPEAKERS





MICHAEL GIBSON / MAIN SPEAKER

Michael Gibson serves as the lead pastor of Keene Seventh-day Adventist Church in Keene, Texas, where he's been part of the team since 2018. He holds a BA in Theology from Southwestern Adventist University and a Master of Divinity from Andrews Theological Seminary.

Michael is passionate about the ministry of presence, walking with people through real life and helping them discover the joy of following Jesus. He believes discipleship is less about a program and more about showing up—learning to love God and love people in the everyday, ordinary moments.

He's married to Melissa DePaiva Gibson, a nurse with a heart of gold and a sense of humor that keeps him grounded. The Gibsons enjoy the outdoors, long walks in their neighborhood, and exploring new places—especially those with good food and bad cell service. However, their greatest adventure has been raising their two sons, Micah Eden (2) and Mason Adam (8 months).

In Adventism, the Gibsons have found a faith that shapes their lives through prayer, Sabbath rest, biblical study, and community. Their mission is simple: to help others experience the transforming love of Jesus—and to remind the church that the gospel still changes everything.



ALLAN MACHADO / SPEAKER

Allan Machado currently serves the Lord as Florida Conference President. He has served the church in various places and capacities, including as Executive Secretary, Assistant to the President for Strategic Planning and Senior Management for Communication, Vice President for Florida Conference Spanish-language Ministries, Volunteer Lay Ministry Coordinator, Pastor,

and Youth Leader Director. Dr. Machado holds a D.Min. in Pastoral Ministry from Andrews University and serves as an adjunct professor in the university's Theological Seminary in Berrien Springs, Michigan. He is currently working on the thesis for his second doctorate, a Ph.D. in Philosophy with an emphasis in Religious Education. He is also the author of *Created to Worship* and *Transformation: Letting God Make a Better You.* His desire is to serve Christ Jesus in the advancement of the gospel for the glory of God and has dedicated his life to proclaiming with passion the love of God and His saving grace. His greatest pride and joy is his personal relationship with God, and the love of his wife Elsa and their children Alan, Erich, and Tatiana.



ANGELO GRASSO / YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT SPEAKER

Angelo Grasso serves as Light Bearers' Spiritual Care Director and ARISE instructor. An ordained minister and trained chaplain, Angelo is deeply passionate about exploring the intersection of brain science and spiritual growth across all stages of life. He is blessed by the companionship of his wife, Kathy, and their two children, Eli and Emma.

SEMINARS



STEVEN JENCKS

Seminar: Do You Want Cheese With Your Whine?

Everyone wants to be healthy physically, but we rarely think about having a healthy attitude. Attitude is everything in the spiritual life. Let's explore the Bible's teachings on having a healthy attitude together.

Steve Jencks is a Ministerial Field Associate for the central region of Florida Conference. Prior to holding this position, Steve was the senior pastor of the Apopka Seventh-day Adventist Church. He has been a pastor for more than 30 years, serving in Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Maryland, Indiana, and now Florida. Steve holds a bachelor's degree in theology with a minor in psychology from Atlantic Union College and a master's in Pastoral Ministries from Andrews University. He has been married to Cristina for 37 years, and they have two grown children. They are now enjoying their two granddaughters, Bellemy and Juelie. Steve's greatest passion is to bring about revival and revitalization to the local church. He enjoys sports, traveling, and spending time with family, including his dog, Brady.



ALEX SCHLUSSLER

Seminar: Transforming Your World the Jesus Way!

In this seminar, we will explore how Jesus interacted with His closest followers, preparing them to be disciple-makers through a straightforward, hands-on approach.

Alexander Schlussler serves Florida Conference as the Field Associate for Lay and Leadership Development. He served as founding pastor of the House of Praise and Hope, an Adventist congregation established as a ministry to reach the Jewish people living in the Hollywood/Fort Lauderdale area. He has also served as senior pastor for two south Florida churches. Alexander is a trainer in the pastoral coaching program and has functioned as its leader for the last six years. He leads the conference intern development program as coach and mentor. He holds a Master of Arts in Pastoral Ministry from Andrews University and completed the graduate studies program in Life Coaching from Lipscomb University. He also holds credentials as an Associate Certified Coach from the International Coaching Federation. Alexander's desire is to serve the Lord Jesus by investing in the church's future leaders and proclaiming the second coming of our Savior to all. He is husband to Anjanette, father to three adult children, and grandfather to two granddaughters.



JEFFREY DORVAL

Seminar: Discipleship Made Simple

Discipleship is not as complicated as it's made out to be; we're just focused on the wrong things! In this seminar, we'll learn what it truly means to make disciples without all the headaches.

Jeffrey is a young man who loves Jesus and wants nothing more than to hasten His soon return. After joining the church at 20 years old, he dedicated his life to the ministry. As the first Adventist in his family, Jeffrey went on to lead both his mother and younger sister to baptism. He spent the beginning years of his Adventist journey as a missionary, sharing the love of Jesus through literature evangelism, health lectures, evangelistic preaching, as a Bible worker, and more. Currently, Jeffrey serves as the Ministry Operations Coordinator for Pastoral Ministries in Florida Conference. He is also completing his studies at Andrews University to answer the Lord's call to pastoral ministry, where he may faithfully lead many more souls to Jesus.



GERVON MARSH

Sabbath School | Picnic Pavilion

Gervon Marsh has pastored in the Seventh-day Adventist Church since 2003. Presently, he serves as a Ministerial Field Associate for Florida Conference. Pastor Marsh is a graduate of Northern Caribbean University, where he earned a Bachelor of Arts in Religion and Theology, and Andrews University, where he earned a Master of Divinity. He completed his doctoral studies in Advanced Expository Preaching at Dallas Theological Seminary and graduated in May 2019. He is married to the former Miss Yanique Stobbs, and together they are proud parents of their bundles of joy: Kelsey and Kyle.

MUSICAL GUESTS





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CHILDREN'S PROGRAM SCHEDULE



BEGINNERS AGES 0-3 (Parents must stay with their children.)

Transformation: How God Made My World

Location: Gymnasium Rooms 1 & 2

Friday Evening: 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM - Doors open at 6:45 PM Sabbath Morning: 9:00 AM – 10:30 AM - Doors open at 8:45 AM Sabbath Evening: 7:15 PM – 8:30 PM - Doors open at 7:00 PM



KINDERGARTEN AGES 4-6

Experiencing God's Power Through Transformation

Location: Gymnasium Rooms 3 & 4

Friday Evening: 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM - Doors open at 6:45 PM Sabbath Morning: 9:00 AM – 12:45 PM - Doors open at 8:45 AM Sabbath Evening: 7:15 PM – 8:30 PM -Doors open at 7:00 PM



PRIMARY AGES 7-9

Transformational Gifts: Where Kids Explore Their Spiritual Gifts

Location: Spring Chapel

Friday Evening: 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM - Doors open at 6:45 PM Sabbath Morning: 9:00 AM – 12:45 PM - Doors open at 8:45 AM Sabbath Evening: 7:15 PM – 8:30 PM - Doors open at 7:00 PM



JUNIORS AGES 10-12

Transformation in the Sanctuary

Location: A-Frame

Friday Evening: 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM - Doors open at 6:45 PM Sabbath Morning: 9:00 AM – 12:45 PM - Doors open at 8:45 AM Sabbath Evening: 7:15 PM – 8:30 PM - Doors open at 7:00 PM



JUNIOR HIGH AGES 13-14

ConnecTeens: Learning the Transforming Power of Jesus Through The Bible

Location: Cypress Lodge

Friday Evening: 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM - Doors open at 6:45 PM Sabbath Morning: 9:00 AM – 12:45 PM - Doors open at 8:45 AM Sabbath Evening: 7:15 PM – 8:30 PM - Doors open at 7:00 PM

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT PROGRAM

FRIDAY NIGHT

Worship Gathering IN THE KING CHAPEL | 7:00 PM S'mores AT PICNIC PAVILION | 8:30 PM

SABBATH MORNING

Morning Sabbath School Games with Prizes IN THE KING CHAPEL | 9:00 AM Feeding Horses IN THE STABLES | 9:30 AM Morning Sabbath School Games with Prizes IN THE KING CHAPEL | 10:15 AM Worship Gathering IN THE KING CHAPEL | 10:45 AM Transformational Small Groups AROUND THE CAMP | 12:00 PM

SABBATH AFTERNOON

Transformational Nature Scavenger Hunt **IN THE KING CHAPEL** | 3:00 PM Amazon Gift Card Prizes Worship Gathering & Transformational Small Groups **IN THE KING CHAPEL** | 7:00 PM

SATURDAY NIGHT

Block Party **OUTSIDE THE GYM** 8:30 PM Pickleball and Kickball Tournaments **Camp Activities:** See main program schedule.

If you have any questions, need help with where to locate your child, or need to contact your child because they don't have a cell phone; please contact Juan Rodriguez, Florida Conference Youth & Young Adult Director, on his cell phone: 904-329-5030.

PATHFINDERS & ADVENTURERS AT CAMP MEETING

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GAINESVILLE ADVENTURERS, DELTONA SPANISH, FOREST LAKE, AND PALMETTO PATHFINDERS IN UNIFORM - COLLECTING OFFERING | SABBATH MORNING

FOREST LAKE DRUM CORPS | SABBATH AFTERNOON 12:45 PM - 1:00 PM | OUTSIDE OF GYM

DELTONA SPANISH, FOREST LAKE, AND PALMETTO PATHFINDERS IN UNIFORM - COLLECTING OFFERING | SATURDAY EVENING

FOREST LAKE DRUM CORPS | SATURDAY EVENING 8:45 PM | BLOCK PARTY



April 25 - May 4, 2025

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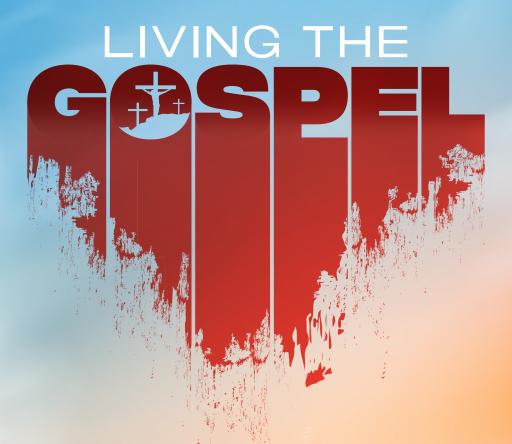




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