

# Reflections

## Staff transitions evoke gratitude

Adventist Retirement has experienced quite a number of personnel changes in the past 18 months and these have produced feelings of gratitude towards those who have capably served with cheerfulness and dedication, and toward new staff who bring rich experience and enthusiasm for the work that lies ahead.

Last month we said goodbye to assistant treasurer Lisa Shannon who has provided accounting and other financial management services with skill and grace since joining the department in 2011. Shannon recently accepted a position with Adventist Healthcare Retirement Plan.



Lisa Shannon



Wirmin Alcantara

“It has been my privilege and joy to work for the NAD these past ten years. I only wish that I had started sooner than I did,” said Shannon.

“Words cannot describe how much appreciation I have for you and the work you’ve done for Adventist Retirement and for the help you’ve given me. Your integrity, hard work, and sense of ethics are unmatched. I thank God for the privilege of having co-labored alongside you.” said administrator Edwin Romero. “Lisa, thank you for your friendship and good service!”

The department also welcomed Wirmin Alcantara as associate administrator for the Defined Contribution Plans, filling the vacancy *(continued)*

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## At Rest

Each quarter we publish a list in remembrance of those who have passed to their rest.

Alavanja, Reuben (CA)  
Allison, Betty Lou (WA)  
An, Byung Joo (CA)  
Anderson, Carol E (CA)  
Anwar, Simon (NJ)  
Avila, Maria C. (CA)  
Baldwin, Robert L. (CA)  
Barker, Wilburn (CA)  
Barrett, Mary (KY)  
Barr, Martin I. (MD)  
Baugher, Judy (WA)  
Baylen, Derco O. (CA)  
Bellamy, Randell (FL)  
Bell, Douglas John (AL)  
Benavides, Hope (CA)  
Benefiel, Thomas W. (NV)

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left by Beth Roberts. He comes to Adventist Retirement with more than two decades of experience in finance and human resources. He values exemplary customer service and takes special interest in finding creative ways to achieve corporate goals.

“We are delighted to have Wirmin Alcantara joining our team and know the Lord will use his gifts and talents to minister to our participants,” said Edwin Romero, Adventist Retirement Plans administrator/CEO. “He is a pastor’s kid steeped in Christian service principles and a gifted problem-solver with a strong financial background.”

“I’m humbled to have been entrusted this responsibility and I pray for God to equip me with everything good for doing His will. May He work in me what is pleasing to Him,” said Alcantara.

Alcantara, who holds an MBA as well as a master’s degree in pastoral ministry, previously served as the undertreasurer of the Potomac Conference Corporation for over four years. Prior to that role, he was undertreasurer for the Texas Conference and has worked in many capacities, including ABC manager, accountant for the Arkansas-Louisiana Conference, and was the first human resources director for the Texas Conference. We’re happy he has joined our team. ■

## At Rest *(continued)*

Bennett, E. Norman (OR)	Carson, Lewis B. (IL)	DuBose, Robert E. (NC)	Glass, Dorothy L. (TN)
Berardi, Louisa (WA)	Carver, Lloyd (TN)	Dudley, Margaret D. (OH)	Gomez, David N. (FL)
Bernet, John S., Jr. (MI)	Ceniceros, Bernardo L. (ID)	Duncan, Elmer L. (ID)	Gonzalez-Valdes, Martha (FL)
Blake, Arthur E. (OK)	Chacon, Martha (TX)	Dupper, Franklin F. (CA)	Gould, Norma G. (MA)
Blood, Floramae (CA)	Christenson, Jack D. (CA)	Edwards, Cora M. (OR)	Gray, Melvin E. (OR)
Blosser, William F. (FL)	Cicchetti, Christina R. (CA)	Edwards, Darald M. (AZ)	Grear, Carl C. (CA)
Blum, Donald C. (CA)	Clark, Ann Rorabaw (TN)	England, Kazuko (VA)	Greenleaf, Marlene A. (AR)
Boggess, Larry G. (OH)	Clement, Dale (CA)	Fairchild, Edna Mae (MO)	Greer, Indra E. (CA)
Boggs, Nancy L. (CA)	Concannon, Roseann (MA)	Fambro, Pearl E. (CA)	Gregston, J. Alton (FL)
Bonds, William V. (TX)	Copeman, Frederick M. (MD)	Fankhauser, S. Louise (MD)	Griffin, Betty M. (FL)
Bork, Nadene N. (OR)	Corley, Robert Oliphant (WA)	Fermantez, Herbert (ID)	Grimes, Gary D. (FL)
Bosley, Faith D. (MD)	Cote, Joseph M. (TN)	Fernandez, Lawrence (HI)	Haffner, Cynthia L. (PA)
Bottroff, Stephen M. (CA)	Cowling, Mabel F. (IN)	Firth, Robert E. (GA)	Hainey, Iva Grace (TX)
Boyle, Winifred M. (NC)	Craig, Jerry W. (FL)	Fletcher, Jerry J. (GA)	Hamilton, Solomon M. (AL)
Brackett, Elvern J. (CA)	Crain, Lilly Evelyn (CA)	Florence, Edna (FL)	Harbour, William R. (CA)
Bradley, Charlene (WA)	Crandall, Darlene M. (CA)	Foley, Joyce A. (WI)	Harris, John F. (CO)
Bradshaw, Ruby P. (CO)	Curtis, Patricia (MA)	Foll, Robert J. (FL)	Hatanaka, Jane Y. (CO)
Breingan, Merrilyn I. (CA)	Damron, Mary Jean (MI)	Fortune, Karen (MI)	Haveman, Roger D., Sr. (TN)
Brinley, Wilma J. (NC)	Dance, Ruth E. (FL)	Foster, Beverly (TN)	Hayner, Lucy J. (MI)
Brion, Esther V. (CA)	Dasso, Dolores (OR)	French, George (OR)	Hendrix, Adelaide M. (AZ)
Brisco, Ross H. (NC)	Davalos, Teresa (MD)	Fritz, Huldah M. (WA)	Hilerio, Martha (FL)
Brown, Alberta J. (TX)	Davis, Herbert M. (AL)	Fullerton, Lesta S. (KS)	Hilgert, W. Earle (OH)
Burns, T. Wayne (OH)	Davis, Margaret K. (CA)	Fuller, Wilbert L. (WA)	Hirayama, Betsy (CA)
Burtnett, Helen E. (TN)	Davis, Pamela S. (OH)	Gallego, Jeremias G. (CA)	Holt, Thelma Hettrick (WA)
Bush, George M. (TN)	DeBooy, Hildur C.G. (WA)	Gallentine, Joyce E. (OR)	Hooten, Cathryn L. (FL)
Bushnell, Kenneth L. (CA)	Delay, James (IL)	Garcia, Adelina S. (CA)	Hudgins, James H. (CA)
Butner, Jo H. (CA)	DeLong, Douglas L. (WV)	Garman, Suzanne B. (NC)	Huff, Dale E. (CA)
Campbell, Lona A. (OH)	Del Rosario, Raul B. (CA)	Gatten, James L., Sr (CA)	Incao, Dominick P. (FL)
Cannon, Carol A. (AL)	Denney, Robert A. (OH)	Gibbs, Alma K. (CA)	Jacko, Don W. (WV)
Cannon, Paul E. (AL)	Dennis, Carol H. (CA)	Gill, Esther N. (AL)	James, Wilbur H. (CA)
Cantrell, Frankie L. (TN)	Devia, Mercedes (MD)	Gilliland, Farrell L. II (MI)	Janssen, Carol W. (TX)
Carlson, Deborah L. (IL)	dos Santos, Alberto M. (WA)	Gilmer, Isola (TX)	Johns, Jackie D. (CA)

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Johnson, David L. (MD)  
Johnson, Elmer W. (MI)  
Jones, Jesse Edmund (CA)  
Jones, Karon L. (CA)  
Keeler, Mary Lee (CA)  
Keitt, Julia Mae (SC)  
Ketrone, Boyd W. (OH)  
Khaw, Lily (HI)  
Kindgren, Cora L. (TN)  
Knight, Carole A. (MI)  
Korf, Lavetta Mae (NE)  
Kruger, Magdalena (CO)  
Lara, Abelina M. (CA)  
Lee, Daniel P. (CA)  
Lee, Mary (NC)  
Le, Ho Thi (CA)  
Lewis, June E. (AL)  
Liebelt, Ben J. (MT)  
Lindsey, Harold L. (TX)  
Lloyd, Johnnie (DC)  
Lugo, Hilda (CA)  
Luna, Miguel A. (IL)  
Lutts, Yvonne A. (OR)  
Lynch, Benjamin F. (CA)  
Lynn, Shirley J. (KS)  
Mackintosh, Dorothy L. (CA)  
MacLaughlin, Samuel (AZ)  
Malcolm, Elmer L. (MD)  
Mann, Bennie W. (PA)  
Maranan, Jose G. (CA)  
Martin, William R. (CA)  
Mathews, Miriam E. (TN)  
McCoy, Elaine P. (LA)  
McCullough, Jon Lloyd (IN)  
McDonald, Barbara Jean (PR)  
McDonald, Richard G. (MI)  
McEwen, William E. (TN)  
McGlawn, June L. (FL)  
McMurry, Michael B. (OK)  
Messinger, Maurine E. (KS)  
Metcalfe, Mary Lou (CA)  
Miller, Ana Lee (TN)  
Miller, Harlen I. (VA)  
Minton, Betty M. (CA)  
Mitchell, Patricia A. (SC)  
Morales, Victor L. (CA)  
Moreira, Elizabeth H. (MA)  
Moreno, Luis A. (FL)  
Muir, Evelyn Yvonne (CA)  
Myers, David A. (KY)  
Napod, Ligaya E. (CA)  
Nash, Lynn M. (CA)  
Neergaard, James O. (CA)  
Neil, Verlene J. (CA)  
Nelson, Ethel Read M.D. (TN)  
Nickerson, Gertrude M. (AZ)  
Nicola, Maxine B. (OR)  
Northcutt, Jack M. (NC)

Oh, Dorothy Y. (NC)  
Olson, A. Lorraine (TN)  
Orozco, Melida (CA)  
Oster, Alger Forrest (TN)  
Oster, Niels H. (VA)  
Pardee, Ellen J. (WA)  
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Patzner, Lanette (AZ)  
Payne, Beulah M. (OR)  
Peay, David A. (IN)  
Pendleton, Richard (MD)  
Perkins, Harry C., Jr. (WV)  
Perry, Roger M. (CA)  
Peterson, Dolan R. (LA)  
Phang, Eric Nyuk Thu (CA)  
Polson, Artis B. (CO)  
Popa, Petre (CA)  
Potter, Charles D. (CA)  
Poullion, Annis L. (CA)  
Pratt, Shirley (OR)  
Prusia, Wilmer W. (IL)  
Puenthong, Prayote (CA)  
Purdey, Tressie L. (GA)  
Raines, James H. (TN)  
Randall, Charles W. (PA)  
Reed, Helen M. (FL)  
Rees, Forrest V. (TX)  
Remund, Verlyne M. (KS)  
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