



**Every Child. Everywhere. In School.  
Talking Points  
Five Minute Version**

**Transition**

When applying [INSERT THE TOPIC YOU'VE BEEN TALKING ABOUT] in a practical manner, there is no group more important to focus on than our young people.

Young people aren't just the future of the church, they are our present.

Remember, it was young people who, under the power of the Holy Spirit, founded the Seventh-day Adventist church. Sometimes God can do things with young people, that can't be done with anyone else.

Which is why the General Conference is supporting a global Adventist campaign to ensure every young person has the chance to go to school.

**Adventist Education**

One of the most important ministries we have is our education ministry with almost two million students currently enrolled in our schools around the globe.

As I travel, I am constantly inspired to see Adventist educators working in every conceivable environment—from gracious suburbs in our largest cities, to refugee camps in the most inhospitable environments on earth.

But as I speak, 262 million children and youth don't have the opportunity to go to school.

We don't need to imagine what this looks like to Christ because we've been told. Ellen G. White, writing on the critical importance of education, states:

“Jesus loves the precious youth; and He is not pleased to see them grow up with uncultivated, undeveloped talents.” *Fundamentals of Education*, p. 83.

Jesus cares about the children out of school, so we as Seventh-day Adventists care about them too. So we recognize that we must do something big to help the 261million young people who don't have the chance to go to school.

### **“Every Child. Everywhere. In School.” Campaign**

That something big is the “Every Child. Everywhere. In School.” campaign.

The idea is as simple, as it is important.

Adventists all over the world are collecting at least 1 million signatures in support of education for all children.

This is a cause our young people can get behind that is wholesome and helpful—a cause that honors God.

Our petition will be presented to UNICEF and to national leaders around the globe.

This isn't a political campaign and it is not controversial. All governments support education, and universal education is one of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals agreed to by the international community to tackle poverty and other issues.

Raising our voice is vitally important because -

- 1) it shows we care,
- 2) it lets leaders know their work to expand education is appreciated, and
- 3) it communicates that we, as a global church with proven expertise in education and commitment, are ready to partner to expand educational opportunities.

At the General Conference Session in Indianapolis, we'll display the total number of signatures collected, and the signatures per member, in each of our 13 world divisions and in every nation.

I hope [INSERT DIVISION OR NATION WHERE YOU'RE SPEAKING] will be at the top of the list!

### **Action**

So, how can you help? It starts with a signature.

We are encouraging every Seventh-day Adventist to show your commitment to giving children access to school by adding your name to a petition.

I've already signed. It's very quick and it's easy!

So, let's all get out our mobile phones and go to [ADRA.org/InSchool](http://ADRA.org/InSchool).

Let me see all your cell phones out!

Now enter your first name, last name, your email and the great nation of [COUNTRY WHERE YOU'RE SPEAKING], click the two boxes and press the green button that says, "Sign the Petition". After you're done, press the "share" button on your screen and invite everyone you know to get involved!

If you don't have a cell phone, wait until the person sitting next you to is finished and borrow theirs.

I want everyone here to make your voice heard for children's education!

Once you've signed the petition please raise your hand. I'd like to take a photo with all of you so that we can show the world that we support Every Child. Everywhere. In School!

Thank you!

### **Conclusion**

Thank you for making your voice heard. Let's share this great cause with our local church families, our relatives and friends. I am relying on you to make [INSERT DIVISION OR NATION WHERE YOU'RE SPEAKING] top of the list for signatures when the totals go up on the big screen in Indianapolis!

Adventists, under the Holy Spirit, once changed the world, and, under His Spirit, Adventists in [INSERT DIVISION OR NATION WHERE YOU'RE SPEAKING] are changing our world for the better once again!



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Talking Points  
Two and a Half Minute Version**

**Transition**

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**Adventist Education**

We know Jesus cares about the education of young people, as Ellen G. White states:

“Jesus loves the precious youth; and He is not pleased to see them grow up with uncultivated, undeveloped talents.” Fundamentals of Education, p. 83.

But as I speak, 261 million children and youth aren't in school.

So, Adventists all over the world are collecting at least 1 million signatures in support of education for all children.

At the General Conference Session in Indianapolis, we'll display the total number of signatures collected, and the signatures per member, in each of our 13 world divisions and for every nation.

I hope [INSERT DIVISION OR NATION WHERE YOU'RE SPEAKING] will be at the top of the list!

**Action**

So, let's all get out our cell phones and go to [ADRA.org/InSchool](http://ADRA.org/InSchool).

Let me see all your cell phones out!

Now enter your name, the great nation of [INSERT WHERE YOU'RE SPEAKING], your email, click the two boxes and press the green button that says, "Sign the Petition". After you're done, press the "share" button on your screen and invite everyone you know to get involved!

If you don't have a cell phone, wait until the person sitting next to is finished and borrow theirs.

I want everyone here to make your voice heard for children's education!

Once you've signed the petition please raise your hand. I'd like to take a photo with all of you so that we can show the world that we support Every Child. Everywhere. In School!

Thank you!

### **Conclusion**

Thank you for making your voice heard. Let's share this great cause with our local church families, our relatives and friends. Let's make sure [INSERT DIVISION OR NATION WHERE YOU'RE SPEAKING] tops the list for the most signatures in support of young people when the totals go up on the big screen in Indianapolis.



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Talking Points  
One and a Half Minute Version**

When applying [INSERT THE TOPIC YOU'VE BEEN TALKING ABOUT], there is no group more important for us to focus on than young people.

But did you know 261 million young people globally are missing out on school?

Our church has a campaign to collect 1 million signatures to show our support for every child enjoying access to school.

At the General Conference Session in Indianapolis, we'll display the total number of signatures collected in each of our 13 world divisions and in every nation.

I hope [INSERT DIVISION OR NATION WHERE YOU'RE SPEAKING] will be at the top of the list!

So, let's all get out our cell phones and go to [ADRA.org/InSchool](https://www.adra.org/InSchool).

Now let's sign the petition. Once you've signed please raise your hand. I'd like to take a photo with all of you so that we can show the world that we support Every Child. Everywhere. In School!

Thank you!



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Talking Points  
45 Second Version**

Before I close, our church has a campaign to collect 1 million signatures to show our support for education.

At the General Conference Session in Indianapolis, we'll display the total number of signatures collected in each of our 13 world divisions and in every nation.

I hope [INSERT DIVISION OR NATION WHERE YOU'RE SPEAKING] will be at the top of the list!

So, let's all get out our cell phones and go to [ADRA.org/InSchool](https://ADRA.org/InSchool).

Now let's sign the petition. Fill in the information and press the green button that says, "Sign the Petition". After you're done, press the "share" button on your screen and invite everyone you know to get involved!

Once you've signed the petition, please raise your hand. I'd like to take a photo [ideally a selfie] with all of you so that we can tell the world that we support Every Child. Everywhere. In School!

Thank you!