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NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION

This quarter features the North American Division, which includes the countries of Canada and the United States, the island nation of Bermuda, and several island regions. North America is home to almost 344 million people; 1.1 million are Adventists. That means that roughly one person of every 312 people is an Adventist.

Two groups of people share our special interest this quarter: refugees and Native Americans.

Some 3 million people (one person out of every 114) living in North America are refugees from war, famine, or political persecution. They are living in a new land, and must learn a new language and culture. Many of these people have little understanding of who Jesus is or that He wants to be their friend and Savior.

More than 3 million North Americans are Native Americans—the original Americans. Their ancestors have lived in North America for thousands of years. But when Europeans arrived and began settling the land, many Native Americans were forced off their land. Efforts to convert these people to Christianity often included force, which has made it more difficult to share the gospel with Native Americans today.