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NEWSPOINTS

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On Feb.18- 20, evangelism directors of conferences and unions, church administrators, pastors, innovators, and other leaders gathered at eHuddle in San Diego, Calif., to share, learn, and dialogue on how the Adventist church in North America can more effectively reach people in a growing, secular culture. <u>MORE</u>



A study has found that poor mental health is linked with poor diet quality — regardless of personal characteristics such as gender, education, age, marital status, and income level. READ MORE about this Loma Linda University School of Public Health study.



On Feb. 25, 2019, ADRA announced a new global advocacy campaign, "Every Child. Everywhere. In School." The campaign is an urgent call to leaders around the world that all children, regardless of race, age, nationality, gender, religion or origin, have a right to earn and complete an education. <u>MORE</u>



Digital evangelism, digital discipleship, digital missionary: what do these terms mean? With the explosion of creative and tech savvy Christians trying their hand at digital mission work, new terms have been added to the Christian vocabulary to describe this type of ministry. LEARN the definitions and distinctions through this NAD Digital Evangelism blog.

ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS

Sacramento Adventist Coach Scott Tedmon is Ruling Over Two Different Types of Courts (Calif.)

Milo Adventist Academy: Versatile Students Made for the Workplace (Ore.)

Indy Named as Site for Global Church Meeting (Ind.)

For Help and Fellowship: Jamestown's Monthly Friendship Supper (N.D.)

Rummage Sale Supports Carson City SDA Church Pantry (Nev.)

Loveland Adventist Church Presents Natural Remedies Seminar on Feb. 24 (Colo.)

West Philadelphia Adventist Church to Host Community Forum on Christianity and

Kindness of Strangers: Templeton Adventist Church Offers Free Health Clinic (Calif.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS & RESOURCES



The NAD All-Night Prayer Call is March 7-8, from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. Eastern Time. NAD prayer leaders will serve as "prayer hosts" throughout the night. Let's give thanks; let's share needs; let's pray together! Call 404-891-6338; access code is Prayer# (772937#).



The 2019 EvangeLead Conference, to be held April 1-3, invites pastors, church leaders, evangelists, and lay leaders to join together in learning strategies for creating a culture of outreach and evangelism. Explore important topics, such as why evangelism still works, why Adventist churches grow differently, and strategies for reaching your community. <u>LEARN MORE</u>.



Safety Sabbath is March 23, 2019! For the past three years, Adventist churches across the North American Division have joined in conducting an annual church emergency drill on Safety Sabbath. Register for the event, download materials and resources to prepare your church, and learn how to conduct an emergency drill, such as fire, active shooter, missing child, or earthquake by visiting <u>SafetySabbath.com</u>.

Free Webinar: Search Engine Optimization for Church Websites. Would you like your church website to show up first in search engine results? There are specific steps you can take to boost your search engine rankings! Join Adventist Church Connect for this webinar featuring David Sharpe from the <u>Center for</u>



<u>Online Evangelism</u> on Thurs., March 28, at 8 p.m. EST, to discover best practices that will ensure your site is given priority by search engines.







Jamii Kingdom is a new VBS created by the Children's Ministries Department of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in North America. At this VBS kids will have fun exploring an African savanna while making friends and learning how we are all part of God's big family. Christ-centered activities will introduce kids to the plan of salvation and how we can share the Good News with others. Order by Feb. 28 and save \$25! Learn more: www.AdventistVBS.org and WATCH the video.

The 2019 Sonscreen Film Festival will take place April 4-6 at the Troesh Conference Center at La Sierra University in Riverside, Calif. Sonscreen is an annual gathering for Christian filmmakers, artists, and all those who have a passion for film for the purpose of creating timely and relevant productions. Registration is open now! <u>CLICK HERE</u> for more information.

The NAD Adventist Community Services Convention will be held May 14-18, 2019 at the NAD Headquarters in Columbia, MD. The theme, "Finding Your Passion for Community Outreach," encourages attendees to explore the latest educational materials, to network and collaborate with other participants, and receive a spiritual blessing. Learn strategies to make our homes, workplaces, communities, and the world reflect the Kingdom of God in a recognizable, tangible, and visible way. <u>LEARN MORE</u>.

The Discovery Mountain VBS Will Debut Next



Month! The Voice of Prophecy's first *Discovery Mountain* Vacation Bible School is nearly here! Visit <u>this</u> <u>page</u> to learn more about *Rescued: Safe in Jesus*, and watch a sample music video—filmed on location at Glacier View Ranch. And check out ongoing new episodes of the *Discovery Mountain* <u>podcast</u> as Season 8, called "Seeds of Change" continues this week.



YOU MATTER TO GOD! Share this important message with your family, friends, neighbors, and others. Order the free LifeTalk Sharing Cards online at <u>LifeTalk.net/sharing-cards/</u>. They are a great little gift for anyone, and they are FREE from LifeTalk. Sharing the Good News about God is easier than ever!

EVENTS CALENDAR

February

March

- 2 Offering: Local Church Budget
- 2 <u>Women's Day of Prayer</u>
- 9 <u>Offering:</u> World Budget (Emphasis: Adventist World Radio)
- 16 Offering: Local Church Budget
- 16 Disabilities Awareness Sabbath
- 16 Day of Hope
- 23 ARM Safety Sabbath
- 23 Offering: Local Conference Advance
- 30 Thirteenth Sabbath Offering
- 30 Offering: NAD Evangelism

February Focus: Family Life

March Focus: Women in the Church

Adventist Mission

Camp Meeting Calendar

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Have Faith in God

"Have faith in God — Seek truth — do not delay,
Have faith in God — The Scriptures search today,
Have faith in God — His Holy Word obey.
Have faith, dear friend, in God."

- H.M.S. Richards, Sr., founder of the Voice of Prophecy (1894-1985)

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