



NEWSPOINTS

March 14, 2019



On March 3, a series of tornadoes touched down in Alabama and Georgia, killing 23 people and injuring at least 90. “ACS DR has been in contact with the disaster response community since the tornadoes struck,” said W. Derrick Lea, Adventist Community Services Disaster Response (ACS DR) director. [MORE](#)



Bonita J. Shields was officially voted to serve as director of Stewardship Ministries during the 2018 NAD Year-End Meeting. The first woman to occupy the role of director, Shields emphasizes stewardship as the heart of mission; hopes to engage more women in the ministry; and seeks to promote stewardship of the earth. [CLICK HERE](#) to read this interview.



After the March 6 meeting of the Washington Adventist University Board of Trustees, the university issued a statement highlighting areas of growth and emphasizing the WAU leadership team's commitment to student success. "As WAU moves to ensure 21st century relevancy for our current and future students, institutional adjustments will allow for the university to be agile and thrive," reads the statement. [CLICK HERE](#) for the entire statement.



While the Adult Sabbath School purposes have increased and morphed over the years, a purpose for Youth Sabbath School seems silent. This reality begs the question as to the worth of Youth Sabbath School today. Has Youth Sabbath School lost its value? If so, how can we make it valuable again?

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[Adventist Communicators Go Bold to Support the Mission of the Church \(GAIN Conference\)](#)

[Break-in at Bentonville Seventh-day Adventist Church \(Ark.\)](#)

[Group of Porter Adventist Hospital Doctors Travels Abroad to Perform Free Surgeries \(Colo.\)](#)

[Littleton Adventist is First Acute Care Hospital in Colo. to Implement Needle-Free Blood Draw](#)

[Ephus Seventh-day Adventist Church Holds "Give-Back Day" for Unused Medication](#)

[\(N.C.\)](#)

[Northeast Seventh-day Adventist Church Holds Free Health Screening Event \(N.C.\)](#)

[Highland Adventist School Students Complete Career Shadowing Internship \(W.V.\)](#)

[Police Investigating Firearm Threat at Keene Adventist Elementary School \(Texas\)](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS & RESOURCES



The Voice of Prophecy's "Revelation Speaks Peace" series begins Friday in Raleigh, N.C.!

Starting March 8, Raleigh hosted Shawn Boonstra's Revelation Speaks Peace series. The meetings will be held in a massive tent — a nod to VOP's rich history of tent meetings. Carolina Conference administrators, pastors, and church members have come together to reach their neighbors for Christ through this series.

Register for free at revelationspeakspeace.com.



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. [LEARN MORE](#).



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! [CLICK HERE](#) for more information.

HR professionals: Join us for the 2019 NAD



Human Resources Conference on April 21-23. The conference is planned for all conference/union human resources directors, secretaries, treasurers, academy treasurers, college and university directors and university VPs of finance. [Registration](#) open through March 28; [Reserve a hotel](#) by March 28.



Christian Ethics & Leadership for the Military Chaplaincy is a new course offered by the Adventist Learning Community. Join Captain Washington Johnson II, assistant director of NAD Adventist Chaplaincy Ministries, to discover the foundational ethics and leadership principles necessary in military chaplaincy. Learn Christian ethics as applied to the profession of chaplaincy and the core values of Christian influence and leadership as a chaplain. [LEARN MORE](#)



Registration is now open for the 180° Symposium! It will take place May 7-9 at Andrews University in Berrien Springs, Mich. This symposium addresses current issues facing youth ministries, while seeking to generate principles for effective and healthy change through moderated discussion between administrators, academics, and practitioners in youth ministry. Register at <https://www.cye.org/ministries/180-symposium>.

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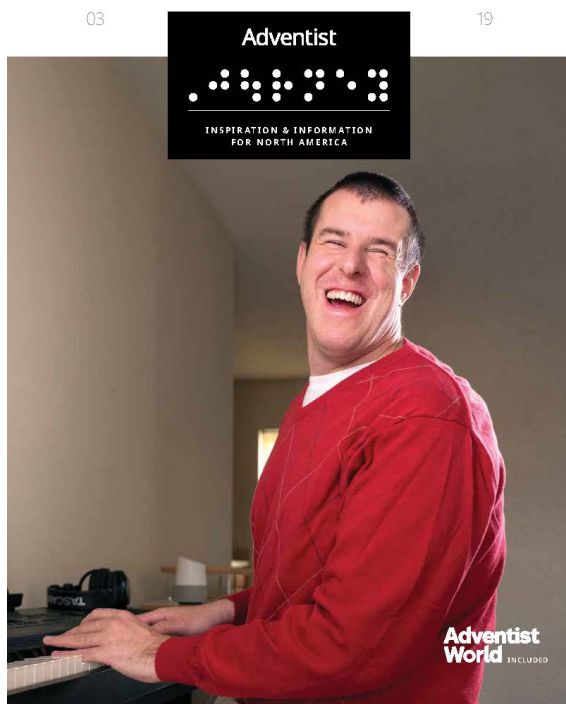
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Bud and Flourish

"As the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return to it without watering the earth and making it bud and flourish, so that it yields seed for the sower and bread for the eater, so is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it."

— *Isaiah 55:10, 11*

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