

NEWSPOINTS

May 2, 2019



The 2019 Pathfinder Bible Experience Division Finals on April 26-27 drew a record-breaking 210 teams (approximately 3,500 people) to Rockford, Ill., located nearly 100 miles northwest of Chicago. This was the first time in PBE's history that more than 200 teams participated in the division level testing. [MORE](#)



Several colleagues at the NAD and I dutifully prepped, planned, and organized the produce giveaway event for the community, then everything fell apart. That's exactly when God showed up, stepped in, and revealed how His plans are always so much better than our plans. [MORE](#)



This is Bob.
Bob is frustrated.
Bob is confused.
Bob pushed the
boost button and
isn't happy with
the results.
Don't be like Bob,
use Facebook ads
manager instead.

Archaeology is integral to understanding past cultures and informing present society, but excavations attract thieves and the work itself leaves behind its own scarred history. The new Lawrence T. Geraty Community Archaeology Endowment aims to help change things. [MORE](#)

On Facebook, it's tempting. It's easy. You can push that blue boost button right from your phone, and you imagine that you're expanding the reach of your post beyond your wildest dreams. Well, you're not really. Why? [CLICK HERE](#) for an explanation.

ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS

[Lemoore Adventist Church to Host Community Centered Program \(Calif.\)](#)

[Southern Adventist University Expanding Trail Network to Add Downhill Bike Gravity Trails \(Tenn.\)](#)

[Bookmobile, Groceries, and Relationships Help Niche Bookstore Stay Afloat \(Wash.\)](#)

[New Church Planted for Taunton Area's Growing Haitian Community \(Mass.\)](#)

[World War II Vet Stands by His Convictions \(Ark.\)](#)

[Man Jailed for Burglary at Roseburg Adventist Church \(Ore.\)](#)

[Adventist Health Bakersfield \(Calif.\) to Hold Mobile Immunization Clinics](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS & RESOURCES



The NAD All-Night Prayer Call is May 2-3, 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 Major Prophets course, available on ALC, follows Félix H. Cortez, Jiří Moskala, and Jacques R. Doukhan as they explore the Major Prophets of the Old Testament, discussing how God continued to communicate with His people even when they were distancing themselves from Him. Learn more about the circumstances in which the prophets' messages were given, the meaning of their prophecies, and their importance to modern Christianity. [Earn 0.2 CEUs.](#)



Join the Celebration! Hope Channel now has three opportunities for you to attend the Celebration of Hope partnership weekend. Join us in Palm Springs, Sept. 27-29; Asheville, Oct. 18-20; or Orlando, Nov. 15-17 for a weekend filled with fellowship and mission. Become a partner! Register today at celebrationofhope.tv.



Attend the Voice of Prophecy's "believe" Conference at the NAD this May! Join the Voice of Prophecy for the *believe* conference May 5-8 at the North American Division Headquarters. This event is free for NAD administrators, pastors, and lay leaders, and will feature Pastor Shawn Boonstra and other guest speakers. During this event, you'll discover the latest

tools and practices for growing your church. Learn more at vopbelieve.org.



The May 17-20 NARLA Religious Liberty Summit in metro D.C. brings traditional religious liberty advocacy training, domestic and international issues briefings, and legislative and judicial updates, but also the U.S. Department of Justice's timely workshop "Protecting Places of Worship Through Education and Dialogue." Attend to equip your local congregation on how to protect our own churches, and how to serve as our neighbor's keeper. [Click here for more info/to register.](#)



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 recognizeable, tangible, and visible way. [LEARN MORE.](#)



Register now for the NAD SDA Attorneys Conference & Retreat! The General Conference Office of General Counsel invites all attorneys in the NAD to the conference to be held in Howey-In-The-Hills, Fla., on Sept. 26-29. Keynote speaker is Hon. Justice David Kenny Maraga, Chief Justice and President of the Supreme Court of Kenya. Attending attorneys can receive 10 continuing legal education credits. Early bird pricing now: for registration/more info, [CLICK HERE](#); for hotel reservation, [CLICK HERE](#).

Share the hope of our risen Savior with new "You Matter to God" Sharing Cards this Spring! Share this important hope-filled message with your



family, friends, neighbors, and community contacts. Cards are perfect for sharing your faith one-on-one, and during church outreach events in your community. A great little gift for everyone, they are FREE from LifeTalk Radio. Just order the new LifeTalk Sharing Cards online at www.lifetalk.sharing-cards/.



Have you decided to host an online small group or Bible discussion? To help make it a positive and safe environment for all, please consider using the following community guidelines and recommendations: [CLICK HERE](#) to read/download guidelines for your use.

EVENTS CALENDAR

May

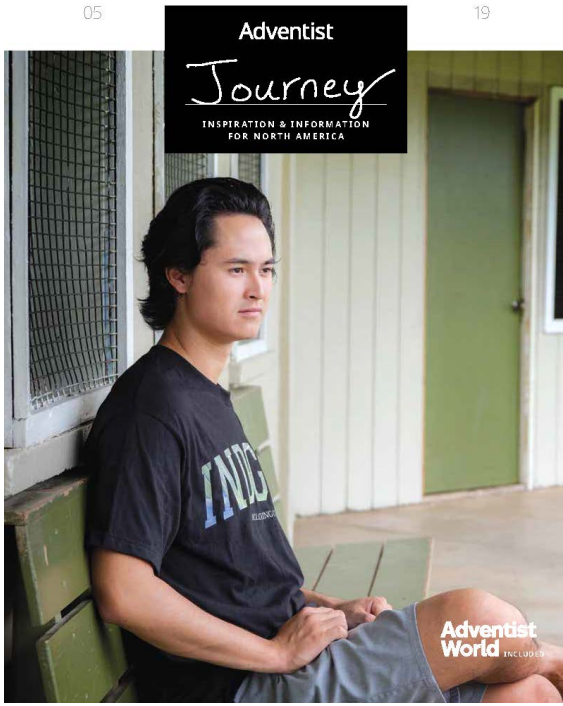
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Perspective: "One Body, Many Members," by G. Alexander Bryant, p. 15

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VIEWPOINTS



There's a Blessing in Criticism

"There's a blessing in criticism. We should ask 'What can I learn from it?' ... I'm so glad that

I know Jesus. I don't know what I'd do without Him. Allow His Word to speak to you and bless your life. And more importantly, allow the criticism, and all of the hate, to take you to the Salt — and take you to the Light — so that you will be a blessing to everyone."

— James Black, Sr., director of Prayer Ministries, during NAD staff worship, referencing Matt. 5:3-12; and Matt. 5: 13-16, on April 30, 2019

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