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# **NEWSPOINTS**

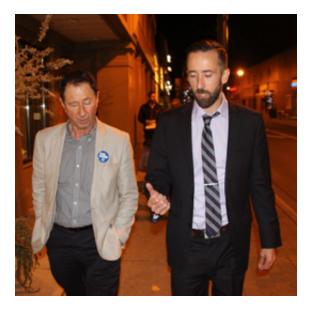
December 11, 2019



The U.S. Department of Justice on Monday, Dec. 9, urged the Supreme Court to hear a case brought by Darrell Patterson who was fired by Walgreens for refusing to work on the Sabbath. The Supreme Court will consider Patterson's petition on January 10, 2020. If the court agrees to hear the matter, it will issue a ruling by the end of June 2020. MORE



On Dec. 10, the Seventh-day **Adventist Church in Canada** Board of Directors elected Paul Llewellyn as the next executive secretary/vice-president for administration. Llewellyn will begin his duties as of Jan. 1, 2020. He most recently served as Maritime Conference president. MORE



On Oct. 21, Derek Nathaniel Sloan was elected as the Member of Parliament for the Ontario riding of Hastings—Lennox and Addington, for the Conservative Party of Canada. After the press and most family and friends left, Adventist Barry W. Bussey, director of Legal Affairs at Canadian Council of Christian Charities, had a chance to interview Derek. READ this interview.



"We want to impact our students and faculty and help them learn how to incorporate positive health choices into their daily lives," said Larinda Fandrich, director of the Warrior Wellness program at Union College. For the 2018-2019 academic year, the campus embraced challenges that focused on physical activity, rest, water, and stress. The focus for the current school year is nutrition, trust, relationships, and outlook. MORE

# **ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS**

Pagosa Springs Adventist Church to Host Neville Peter Concert (Colo.)

Pegues Credits "Staying Busy" as Reason for Living 100 Years (N.C.)

Ukiah Seventh-day Adventist Church Presents "The Glory of Christmas (Calif.)

Adventist Health invites community to give back thru Holiday Food Drive (Calif.)

International Media Ministry It Is Written Opens Headquarters in Collegedale (Tenn.)

Loma Linda University Health Study Reveals Lower Rates of Cancer and Early Death in Adventists (Calif.)

GOP Rep. Pitches LGBTQ Rights Bill with Religious Exemptions (D.C.)

Southwestern Adventist University's Marketing Team Recognized (Tex.)

Adventist Health Portland (Ore.) program offers teens a glimpse into the medical field

Two Adventist Leaders (GC) Pass to Their Rest

ADRA Appoints Annetta Gibson as New Vice President for Finance

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS & RESOURCES**



The Adventist Community Services Offering is Dec. 14. GIVE YOUR OFFERING at your local church, marking "ACS Offering" on your tithe envelope, or give online. Your generous offerings and gifts have assisted with supporting refugees in California & Texas with clothing and shelter needs, distributing kitchen supplies to Camp Fire survivors, and providing emotional and spiritual care for survivors of disaster and other traumatic events like the mass shooting in El Paso, Texas. LEARN MORE.

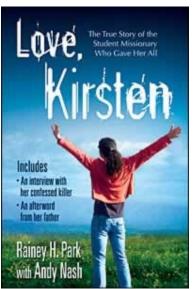


**NEW FAITH-SHARING CARDS** from LifeTalk
Radio are now available. See the newest "You Matter to
God" sharing card designs at <a href="https://lifetalk.net/sharing-cards/">https://lifetalk.net/sharing-cards/</a> Order now for your Thanksgiving and Christmas sharing.

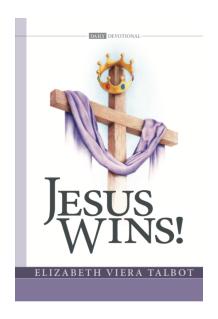
NAD Family Ministries books are now available on both AdventSource and Amazon. On Amazon you can find "Help! I'm a Parent" for ages birth-7, 8-12, and 13-18, and "Grandparenting: Giving your children a GRAND view of God" on both print and Kindle formats. AdventSource has had these books available from the very beginning on print format, but the addition of kindle format makes it easier for some to read them

on electronic devices as well.





Ten years ago, on the morning of Nov. 19, 2009, Kirsten Wolcott was murdered while jogging on the Micronesian island of Yap, where she served as a student missionary. In this compelling true story, you'll fall in love with a winsome 20-year-old who laughed, cooked, jogged, and most of all, loved her Lord. As you read Kirsten's journal entries and share in her joys and trials, you'll experience her inner world. And you'll long for the day when every tear will finally be wiped away. This book is available for purchase from Pacific Press, on sale now.



Pacific Press and Jesus 101 Release the 2020 Daily Devotional Book, *Jesus Wins!* Elizabeth

Talbot, speaker/director for the Jesus 101 Biblical Institute, has authored the newly released 2020 daily devotional book for adults entitled *Jesus Wins!* Revisit the stories of Jesus and His followers in this lifechanging daily devotional. View the circumstances around you through the lenses of faith, and see Jesus more clearly. WATCH this video to learn more. Available now at <a href="https://www.adventistbookcenter.com">www.adventistbookcenter.com</a> and <a href="https://www.deventer.com">www.Jesus101.tv</a>.

Protect Your Ministry–Register for Safety Sabbath 2020! Do you want to help your church



members feel safe and prepared to act when emergencies occur? Safety Sabbath is an opportunity for churches to implement safety practices and emergency planning. Your church can create and practice an emergency drill, so you and your members can stay safe during a crisis. Register your church for SafetySabbath2020 and join in the fifth annual nationwide safety event! Get started at <a href="mailto:SafetySabbath.com">SafetySabbath.com</a>.

### **EVENTS CALENDAR**

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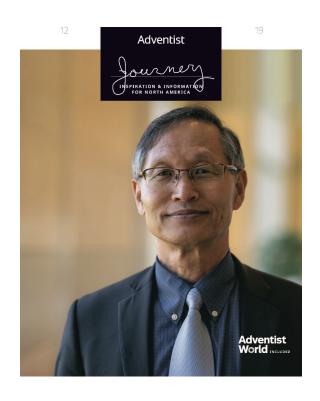
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# **ADVENTIST JOURNEY**

**Feature:** "Great Food, Unselfish Service, Genuine Care at the Pulse Café" by Sandra Dombrowski, pp. 04-07

NAD Update: "Pastors and Seminary Students Attend Summit to Recognize and Stop Abuse" by Kimberly Luste Maran, pp. 08-10

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# **VIEWPOINTS**



**More Blessed** 

"In everything I did, I showed you that by this kind of hard work we must help the weak, remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: 'It is more blessed to give than to

- Acts 20:35, NIV

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