The Really Living Centre kick-started its grand opening this past September with hundreds of members and visitors from across North America in attendance. The 25,000 square-foot facility is Ontario Conference’s first center of influence, serving as both a worship space for Really Living Seventh-day Adventist Church and a community center open several days a week. MORE

From his rest spot on the Hogsback, Culver was gearing up for the more difficult and technical part of the climb ahead while he waited for Hartman. He’d been there about five minutes when a swift movement on the mountain caught his attention. A climber from a group ahead had fallen from the Pearly Gates and was plummeting down the side of the mountain. MORE
As Rich was sitting in the hospital, he saw a small GLOW tract called "What Makes Canada Great." As Rich read the tract, he thought about his great need. He broke down weeping. Although Rich was not a believer before this, he made a life-changing decision to turn to God that very day. Whether his grandson lived or died, Rich knew that he needed Jesus. READ MORE

Lower meat consumption is a key to fighting global warming, Loma Linda University study says. According to research conducted at Loma Linda University Health, a global transition to a vegetarian diet would have significant impacts in the battle against global warming and other environmental concerns. MORE

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**ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS**

Adventist HealthCare Signs Deal to Take Over Management of Howard University Hospital (D.C.)

Southern Adventist University Identifies Student Found Deceased in Off-Campus Housing (Tenn.)

Northview Seventh-day Adventist School to Hold Auction for Security Upgrades (Mich.)

Three Congregations, Three Languages, One Church Service (Minn.)

Cottle Strawberry to Pay $12,500 to Settle EEOC Religious Discrimination Lawsuit (N.C.)

Walmart Manager's Sabbath RequestPosed Undue Hardship, Court Finds (Wisc.)
Heart Healthy Challenge Community Fun Day at Ephesus Adventist Church [part of a news round-up] (N.C.)

Woman Wins Battle to Hold Bible Study at Condo Complex after Christian Worship Ban (Fla.)

World Church Leaders Back Creation of Leadership Institute

ANNOUNCEMENTS & RESOURCES

A Word for Your Family from NAD Family Ministries: King Solomon wrote, “A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in a setting of silver,” Proverbs 25:11 (ESV). CLICK HERE for 52 words and accompanying videos that will encourage you, inspire you, and make you think. They are words we often use without a second thought, and words about which we must think carefully. Share with friends or show them in your church!

Join the livestream of the ehuddle meetings (NAD Evangelism Visioning and Leadership Team) as church leaders, local pastors, and institutional leaders talk about ways to collaborate to reach, retain, and reclaim the people of North America with Jesus’ mission and message of compassion, hope, and wholeness. The ehuddle runs Mon., Feb. 24 to Wed., Feb. 26. The ehuddle presentations will deal specifically with the following challenges: church revitalization, Growing Young Adventists, ministering to large people groups, and the missing Adventist members. Visit http://www.nadministerial.com/ehuddle-2020 for more info.

Our United Cry: Lake Union Prayer Conference is scheduled for March 6-7. As church members from around the world prepare to assemble together in 2020 for the next General Conference
session in Indianapolis the Lake Union is coordinating a prayer conference in that city, with the purpose to pray for an outpouring of His Holy Spirit to fall on our pastors, teachers, lay leaders, schools, hospitals, and the leadership of conferences, unions, and world divisions. Join in special prayer right from where you are during these days, but if you are able to attend, CLICK HERE for more information.

FREE SHARING CARDS FOR YOU! Just in time to include with Valentine cards and gifts, new LifeTalk “God Loves You” cards help you to share God’s love easily. Remind someone that God loves them with a LifeTalk sharing card. You can choose from 30 different card designs and order your favorites for free at: LifeTalk.net/sharing-cards.

Build a Thriving Church for ALL Generations: The Adventist Northwest Growing Young Cohort offers an exclusive year-long training opportunity for churches ready to build healthy culture for all generations, while reaching, loving, and empowering younger generations more effectively. A limited number of registration spots are now available for church teams from anywhere in the North American Division. Click here for more information and to register.

Be Part of Safety Sabbath 2020! Safety Sabbath 2020, on March 28, is just around the corner! Join churches all around the North American Division in this fifth annual church safety event. Register at SafetySabbath.com to get free resources and guides on emergency drills and planning. Show you care by
making your church a safer place to worship.

The 2020 EvangeLead Conference, to be held April 6-8, is a yearly training and vision casting event to help pastors and members better understand how to effectively reach their communities and to turn their churches into evangelistic powerhouses. Learn how to do evangelism that actually works to reach real people. Presenters include active leaders who are guiding their churches to be the fastest growing churches in their conferences. LEARN MORE.

The 2020 NAD Human Resources Conference will be held on April 26-28. The conference is planned for all conference/union human resources directors, secretaries, treasurers, academy treasurers, education directors, and university VPs of finance. Get Early Bird registration through Feb. 27! Reserve a hotel by March 26.

If you are a pastor, chaplain, volunteer lay pastor, administrator, Bible instructor, seminarian, pastor’s spouse, son or daughter of a pastor, the CALLED Pastors' Family Convention is for you! If you have experienced great highs and lows in ministry, this convention is for you! If you have ever pastored a church or district, this convention is for you! CLICK HERE for more info. Dates: June 21-24.
February

1-29  Black History Month
8-15  Christian Home and Marriage Week
15    Christian Parenting Sabbath
15    Offering: Local Church Budget
22    Offering: Local Conference Advance
29    Offering: NAD Evangelism

February Focus:
Family Life

Adventist Mission

March

7     Offering: Local Church Budget
7     Women's Day of Prayer
7-14  Adventist Youth Week of Prayer
14    Offering: World Budget (Emphasis: Adventist World Radio)
21    Disabilities Awareness Sabbath
21    Global Youth Day
21    Weekend of Compassion
21    Offering: Local Church Budget
28    ARM Safety Sabbath
28    Thirteenth Sabbath Offering: Inter-European Division (EUD)

March Focus:
Women in the Church

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ADVENTIST JOURNEY

Feature: "Christians Being Christian" by Becky St. Clair, pp. 04-08

NAD Update: "It Is Written Ministries Opens New Headquarters" by Tierra Hayes, pp. 10-11

Perspective: "We Can't Quit Now" by Alvin Kibble, p. 13
“In regards to this great Book [the Bible], I have but to say it is the best gift God has given
to man. All the good the Savior gave to the world was communicated through this Book. But for it we could not know right from wrong. All things most desirable for man's welfare, here and hereafter, are found portrayed in it.”

— Abraham Lincoln, September 7, 1864, in reply to being presented with a Bible by African-American supporters in Baltimore, Md.