

# NEWSPOINTS

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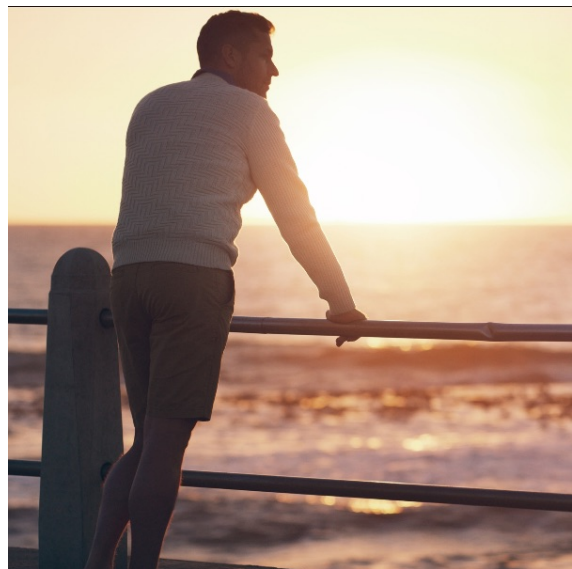
**Emergency departments across the U.S. are seeing an influx of patients with symptoms** associated with the virus, creating compounded high-stress situations for health care providers. Meanwhile, there are still patients with other conditions, illnesses, and injuries who also need medical attention. [READ](#) this interview with an Adventist doctor who runs an urgent care clinic and picks up shifts at local hospitals.



**On Monday, April 20, the Oakwood University Board of Trustees spring meeting** was held virtually due to coronavirus restrictions. The spring meeting covered a number of topics relevant to the virtual and remote operation of the university during this time of disruption. Two key outcomes emerged from the meeting. [MORE](#)



**Doctors, nurses, respiratory therapists, and more are just some of the countless workers** in health care on the front line fighting against time to help severely-ill patients during the COVID-19 pandemic. As the battle wages on to aid numerous patients, so does the need for personal protective equipment (PPE). [MORE](#)



**Congregational care during the COVID-19 pandemic is essential, however, traditional** congregational care right now is, at best, strained. We cannot meet or gather as congregations. Caregiving for bereaving families unable to attend funeral services, members who may not be digitally connected, and those losing employment while working from home are just some examples of how ministry is different. [MORE](#)

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## ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS

[PPE Donation Aids Patient Care at Adventist Health \(Calif.\)](#)

[Two Preteen Girls Start Little Lime Pantry to Help People in Need \(Pa.\)](#)

[Adventist Development Relief Agency Donates Thousands of Personal Protective Equipment Items to Frontline Healthcare Workers \(Calif.\)](#)

[Parishioners Celebrate Pastor at College Station SDA Church \(Tex.\)](#)

[Sabbath School an Ongoing Effort \(Tenn.\)](#)

[Escanaba Mobile Food Pantry Serves Families in Need \(Mich.\)](#)

Mendocino College Career Education Programs Provide Adventist Health with 3D Printed Face Shields and PPE Masks (Calif.)

Adventist Health Simi Awards \$10K Grant to Senior Concerns (Calif.)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS & RESOURCES



**Optimize your immunity! Attend a *LIVE* COVID-19 online symposium** with leading physicians presenting research and practical applications. Join us, this Sunday, May 3, at 8 p.m. EDT. Explore the benefits of self-restraint and sleep and how they are keys to reopening the world. Medical professionals can also earn free CME credits. Partners include AWR360° Health, NAD, and GC Health Ministries, and more. Learn more and register at [awr.org/health](http://awr.org/health).

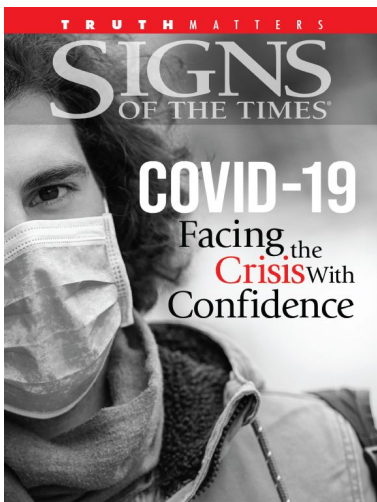
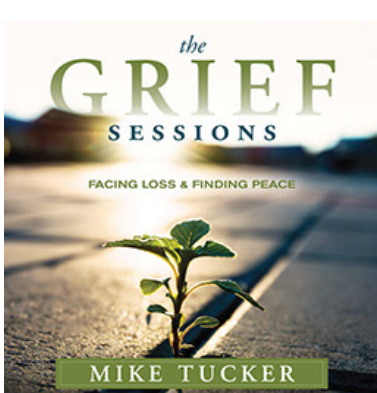


**The NAD All-Night Prayer Call is May 7-8**, from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. Eastern Time. NAD prayer leaders will serve as "prayer hosts" throughout the night. Let's give thanks; let's share needs; let's pray together! Call 404-891-6338; access code is Prayer# (772937#).



Seminars Unlimited, in connection with **Voice of Prophecy and AWR 360°**, now offers a customizable postcard to showcase the services of your local church to the public. At this crucial time, share what your church is doing to serve the needs of your community. The 11"x6" card can be direct mailed to a zip code of your choice. Call (800) 982-3344 for more information.

**The North American Division has compiled a list of local churches offering livestreamed**



[worship services](#). Find your timezone, then select a church service. We know that our Church is not a building, but a people seeking Christ's soon return! To add your church to the list, [CLICK HERE](#) and submit your stream information. Continue to check back for newly added listings!

**Now, more than ever, we are facing unprecedented moments of grief** compounded by social isolation. Mike Tucker, host of the Lifestyle Magazine life-coaching TV series, invites you to join "[The Grief Sessions](#)," a Facebook Live interactive experience! Each of the six sessions is filled with Bible-centered, research-based, and people-proven ways to turn loss into living again. [Tune in](#) Fridays, 6:30 p.m. CDT/4:30 p.m. PDT, starting April 24, 2020.

**Faith For Today launches a new virtual Bible study series, "The Bible Lab,"** as a resource for those sheltering in place. The ICE-O-LATION Sessions are interactive Bible studies with Speaker/Director Roy Ice, where participants have the ability to study together from their own homes. The Bible Lab meets on Sabbath mornings at 10:30 a.m. PDT. For more information visit: [www.TheBibleLab.com](http://www.TheBibleLab.com).

**Special "Signs of the Times" available to order now!** COVID-19: Facing the Crisis With Confidence" is a special, 16-page sharing edition on the coronavirus pandemic. In view of the shocking developments we have witnessed, this issue is a practical and spiritual response to the most significant global health crisis of the 21st century. Knowing the facts will keep your fears at bay and help you face the future with hope! Buy it for you, order in bulk for your friends/neighbors, or mail it to an entire zip code. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information.



**As COVID-19 cases continue to grow, many churches have** temporarily gone to online services. [AdventistGiving](#) allows you to return your tithe and give your offerings online, in a secure way, while you do your online banking, or even if you are unable to attend church due to an illness or COVID-19 closing. [LEARN MORE](#)



**NAD Youth & Young Adult Ministries streams Youth Sabbath School & Youth church** every week on [Facebook LIVE!](#) Each Sabbath features different guest presenters and speakers. Join us on Sabbath morning:

- [NAD Youth Sabbath School](#) 9:30-10 a.m. (EDT)
- [NAD Youth church](#) 10:15-11 a.m. (EDT)



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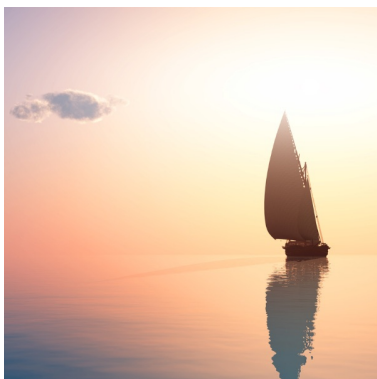


**Sharing Hope is an online platform for reading and sharing some of the best** Adventist books and tracts available. Sharing Hope trusts that the materials in their app will be one source of comfort, help, and encouragement to you and others. [CLICK HERE](#) to see the library of materials.

**Hope Channel invites you to get [Hope at Home](#) this weekend!** Worship, pray, and study the



Word of God with Derek Morris, president of Hope Channel, and others from the safety and comfort of your home. [Tune in](#) through the [Hope Channel](#) app, [Facebook page](#), [HopeTV.org](#) or your television.



**ADRA's Daily Hope messages are brief thoughts to calm fears in the midst** of the outbreak. The news is bleak but God is good. Let Daily Hope be a small reminder that there is still beauty and love in the world. Enjoy a few moments of peace as you read how God continues to change lives all around the world. [CLICK HERE](#) to read.

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## EVENTS CALENDAR

### May

- 1-31 [Asian/Pacific Islander Heritage Month](#)
- 2 [Community Services Sabbath](#)
- 2 *Offering:* [Local Church Budget](#)
- 4-10 [Screen-Free Week](#)
- 9 [Youth Sabbath](#)
- 9 *Offering:* [World Budget \(Emphasis: Disaster & Famine Relief\)](#)
- 16 [Adventist Single Adult Ministries Sabbath](#)
- 16 *Offering:* [Local Church Budget](#)
- 23 *Offering:* [Local Conference Advance](#)
- 30 *Offering:* [LocConf Union Designated](#)

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## ADVENTIST JOURNEY

**Feature:** "Fostering Hope in Alaska's



Native American Communities" by Mylon Medley, pp. 04-08

**NAD News Briefs:** "North American Division Hosts Second Annual Religious Freedom Prayer Breakfast," "Southern Adventist University Showcases Rare Bible Collection," "Special Needs Kids Share Their Talents at Nativity Program," pp. 10-11

**Perspective:** "Life Worth Living" by Shawn Boonstra, p. 13

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## VIEWPOINTS



# Jesus Sees

"Worry is blind, and cannot discern the future; but Jesus sees the end from the beginning."

— *Ellen G. White, The Desire of Ages, p. 330*

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