



News and Information from the North American Division

NEWSPOINTS

June 10, 2020



Retired Breath of Life speaker/director Walter L. Pearson Jr., whose ministry spoke across generations, passed to his rest on June 7. He was 74. Pearson retired in 2010 after serving the Breath of Life media ministry for 12 years, and working in ministry and evangelism for many years. MORE



The New Haven Seventh-day
Adventist Church in Overland
Park, Kansas, has helped address
food insecurity in the greater Kansas City
area since 2011. Over the nine-year span,
its food pantry "Renewed Hope" has
grown from a literal closet filled with food
to give to people in need who happen to
drop by the church to a robust operation
that has become a community-staple.

MORE



On Friday, May 22, the first ever virtual "The Tent" meeting, a collaboration between Ruth Murdoch Elementary School and Pioneer Memorial Church youth ministries, premiered on YouTube and Facebook. "The Tent," as it is known, has been an evangelistic series put on by junior high students in a large tent on the campus of Andrews University in Berrien Springs, Michigan. For the past seven years, the program has occurred every May. MORE, including video.



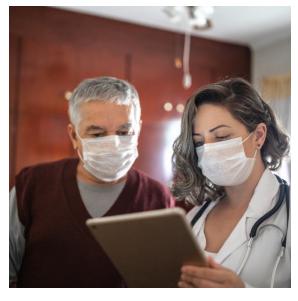
In the past couple weeks, tens of thousands of people have marched through the streets of cities across the world, protesting against racism, injustice, and wrongful deaths.

Alongside the world, Washington Adventist University's students and community have found their voices.

Among the peaceful protestors in the D.C. area were many of WAU's leaders, students, and activists. MORE



"Protests in the wake of George Floyd's suffocation death may be



About a year into his job as a

leading to a sea change in terms of how Americans see race relations. For those who believe transformation is needed sociologically and administratively throughout American Adventism, I pose the question: How do we accomplish such in a way that we relate to others as equal brothers and sisters in Christ, in an effort to present a strong witness to society?"

READ MORE for six transformative proposals from seminary professor Wille Hucks II.

chaplain at AdventHealth Orlando in central Florida, Jamie Ricketts, a native of Alberta, Canada, encountered something none of his training prepared him for: a global pandemic had reached the community he serves. "Who could have imagined something like this happening?" Ricketts said. MORE

ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS

Health Care Workers Showing Aloha in Kailua (H.I)

United Way of Jackson Facilitates FEMA Grant Process (Mich.)

<u>Framingham Interfaith Community Association: "Deaths Reveal the Depth of Racial Injustice in Our Nation" (Mass.)</u>

Educator Retires After 43 Years at Okanagan Christian School (B.C.)

COVID-19 Testing Available at Auburn City Adventist Church Beginning June 9 (Wash.)

Hospital Rebrands: 5 Recent Name Changes (Calif.)

Protecting Our Pollinators (Fla.)

Pastor's Letter: Time to Say Goodbye (Minn.)

<u>Upper Columbia Grad Finds Resilience Through Leadership (Wash.)</u>

Immunizations have Plummeted During Coronavirus; Medical Professionals Encourage Parents to Vaccinate Kids (Calif.)

NAD ONLINE DURING COVID-19



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



Our Sabbath School study and sermon airs multiple times each weekend on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday on It Is Written TV website. Past episodes of the programs can be viewed on demand at It Is Written TV or at these links: Sabbath School and In The Word.



Voice of Prophecy has developed

ShareYourFaithOnline.com to encourage church members to share their faith, especially in this time of quarantine. Even as social distancing restrictions ease up, for evangelistic efforts to be successful going forward, they will need to include a strong online component. This website offers six tangible ways churches and their members can engage their communities online.

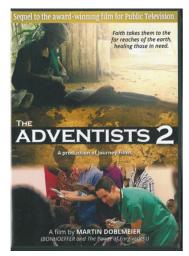


If the coronavirus disease has you stuck at home, the free, online Bible studies from It Is Written are a great way to share your faith with family, friends, neighbors, and coworkers (while keeping your distance!). The 25 lessons cover the major themes of the Bible using simple questions. Videos, photos, and historical information enrich the experience. The studies can be found at www.itiswritten.study.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & RESOURCES



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The Adventists 2 is the story of how, for more than a century, Seventh-day Adventists have brought healthcare to some of the world's most remote regions. Filmed in Haiti, China, the Amazon, Africa, Peru, and the Dominican Republic, The Adventists 2 is a collection of six stories that explore how people of faith are doing their part to change healthcare where it is needed most. Supplies are limited, so order now! Retail price: \$19.95; on sale now for \$5. Watch a preview; order here.



Faith For Today is celebrating its 70th anniversary! Faith For Today was launched on WJZ-TV (now WABC-TV) in New York, NY at 9:30 p.m., Sunday, May 21, 1950. The broadcast, founded by William and Virginia Fagal, began a continuous broadcast ministry making it the first authentically national religious telecast in North America and the

longest continuously aired broadcast next to Meet The Press. For more information on Faith For Today, please visit www.faithfortoday.tv.



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EVENTS CALENDAR

June

- 13 <u>Women's Ministries Emphasis Day</u>
- 13 Offering: Local Church Budget
- 20 Refugee Sabbath
- 20 Offering: Local Church Budget
- 27 <u>Offering: Local Conference Advance</u>
- 27 <u>Thirteenth Sabbath Offering: Trans-</u> <u>European Division</u>

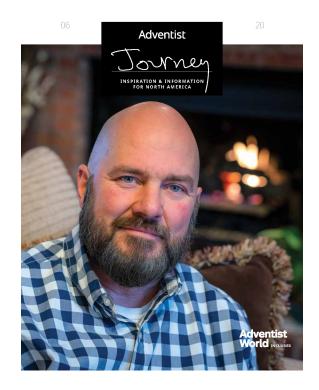
June Focus:

Church Growth and Evangelism

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ADVENTIST JOURNEY



Feature: "Loving People—Beyond the Dentist's Chair," by Becky St. Clair and Mylon Medley, pp. 04-07

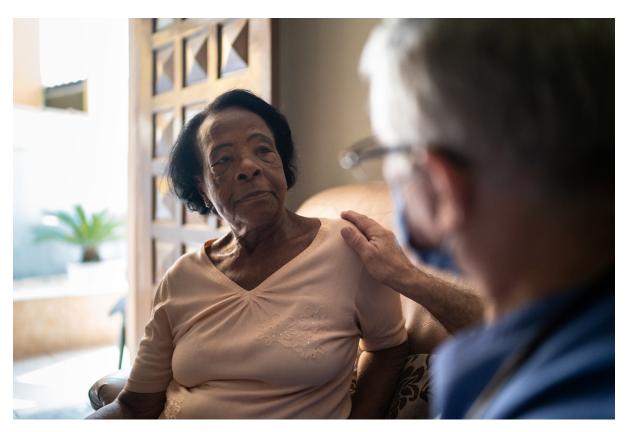
NAD Update: "Breath of Life Evangelistic Revival Leads to More Than 15,000 Baptisms in Tanzania," by Christopher C. Thompson, pp. 08-09

NAD News Briefs: "COVID-19 Setback Catapults a Refugee/Immigrant Church's Reach Forward," "Southern Adventist University Nursing Program Donates Supplies to Area Hospitals," p. 11

Perspective: "On the Same Team," by Vandeon Griffin, p. 13

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VIEWPOINTS



True Greatness

"Jesus spent significantly more time in the community than He did in church. Scripture only records Him in the temple a few times, but He was in the community, healing and feeding and helping people, on a daily basis. Jesus taught that true greatness involves first becoming a servant. And not only did He serve the community, but He challenged the systems and practices of the scribes and pharisees and rulers of the day that unfairly elevated one group of people over another."

Philip Baptiste, ASI secretary/treasurer, during NAD staff virtual worship on June 10,
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