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NEWSPOINTS

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Starting Oct. 9, John Bradshaw, speaker/director of It Is Written,

will examine what ancient Bible prophecies say about current world events in Answers in Prophecy, an exciting, new virtual evangelism event from It Is Written. Each presentation will livestream starting at 7 p.m. EDT. <u>MORE</u>



The OneTeam Playbook 2020 convention was an amazing experience for Youth Ministry leaders from around the NAD. The #oneteamNAD team, Tracy Wood, Gael Murray, Armando Miranda, and Vandeon Griffin all had the privilege of not only leading during the 17 tracks leadership training, but also coordinating the seven dynamic and high energy worship services. MORE



Message magazine reports that it had a successful Zoom-a-Thon on

Sept. 29. The virtual event featured contributors such as Breath of Life speaker/director Carlton Byrd, Donna Green-Goodman, Joshua Nelson, Melissa Webster, and Jaime Kowlessar. The night was filled with music by Sing Off winners Committed, George Powell, Jamila Silvera, and Stephanie Jean-Pierre. MORE



Southwestern Adventist University has been awarded a Title V grant by the U.S. Department of Education's Developing Hispanic-Serving Institutions Program. Over the next five years, SWAU will receive around half a million dollars each year, for a total of just over \$2.5 million. <u>MORE</u>



In what may be a first for Adventist publishing, Andrews University has released a small

book containing only the biblical books of Daniel and Revelation, with study notes, in the form of a study journal. More than



Two pastors of ethnically-diverse churches who became close

friends decided to bring their churches together in a joint worship. Aware of COVID-19 pandemic regulations, the attending believers registered ahead for the worship service, and more than 300 of them from the Littleton and Denver Park 5,000 pastors in North America will receive the book during the next few months. <u>MORE</u>

Hill churches gathered on the Mile High Academy sports field on Oct. 3. <u>MORE</u>

ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS

<u>New Leader of Adventist Church in North America Hopes to Leverage the Denomination's</u> <u>"Strength of Diversity"</u>

<u>Reading Farm Stand Serves up Fresh Produce in Food Desert with Produce from Blue</u> <u>Mountain Academy (Pa.)</u>

Local Adventist Church Community Services Gives Free Food, Winter Clothes to Derecho Victims on Southwest Side (Iowa)

Adventist Health Offers No-Cost Counseling to Those Impacted by Napa Valley Wildfires (Calif.)

TV Station Teams up with Adventist Health for Healthy Recipe Segment (Calif.)

Faith Leaders, Educators And Law Enforcement To Discuss Social Injustices During Oct. <u>12 Webinar (Tenn.)</u>

Adventist HealthCare Unveils Plans to Create a Health Destination at National Harbor (Md.)

In Mexico, Adventist Surgeon Leads Double Lung Transplant of Post-COVID-19 Patient

ANNOUNCEMENTS & RESOURCES



SPECIAL NOTICE: The <u>October editions</u> of the Adventist Journey and Adventist World

magazines will not be distributed in print and will only be available <u>digitally</u>. (Regular printed editions will resume in November.) In this special online edition, readers can click the links provided on stories and be transported to supplemental material. We also created a new video highlighting all the Adventists featured on this month's Adventist Journey cover. *And* ... we want you to click on our magazine content survey link (p. 3). <u>Click here</u> to read both magazines in a page-thru format on the *Adventist World* platform. Thank you for being a vital part of these magazines.



Society of Adventist Communicators Virtual Conference October 14-15, 2020

The Society of Adventist Communicators Convention is going virtual in 2020! Join us on

Oct. 14-15 at 5 p.m EDT for engaging keynotes, breakout sessions, and networking opportunities. Workshops will cover technology and apps for remote working, live streaming for local churches, and more. Everyone can attend thanks to a "pay-as-you-are-able" model for 2020. If you can't pay a registration fee this year, we offer attendance to the virtual convention as a free gift. <u>REGISTER</u>

NAD NEWSPOINTS





The NAD Office of Communication has launched the NewsPoints ON THE AIR podcast!

Check out our *second* episode as host Mylon Medley interviews Orlan Johnson, director of Public Affairs and Religious Liberties for the North American Division. Johnson helps us navigate political conversations, and discuss ways we can be civically engaged. NAD NewsPoints ON THE AIR is available on popular podcast platforms, including <u>Apple Podcasts</u> and <u>Spotify</u>. We're also on <u>Facebook</u>; and soon to be available on Google.

UNLOCKING BIBLE PROPHECIES 2.0 STARTS SATURDAY NIGHT! This powerful Adventist World Radio series hosted by Cami Oetman will take place Oct. 3-17 at 7 p.m. in every time zone. Whether you've never cracked open a Bible, or have been studying it all your life, you'll gain new insights from this free master class available in English, Spanish and many other languages. <u>Subscribe</u> directly on YouTube or learn more at <u>awr.org/bible</u>. If your church would like to host this event on its Facebook page, <u>CLICK HERE</u>.

La Sierra's archaeology weekend goes virtual! La Sierra University's Center for Near Eastern Archaeology is offering a fascinating virtual tour of its



ancient artifacts collection, archaeological excavation presentations with Q&A and more. "A Passion for Preserving the Past: Showcasing Archaeology at La Sierra University" will be held Nov. 14, 3 - 6 p.m. PST. <u>CLICK HERE</u> for information and registration; or call 1-951-785-2632.



Want to work for the NAD? The North American Division has several job vacancies at various levels in the organization and is looking for applicants. These positions won't be open for long so <u>CLICK HERE</u> and scroll down to "Job Opportunities" to find out more.



NEW LifeTalk KIDS 24/7 programming + KIDS Website is LIVE! Now kids of all ages can hear uplifting Christian programs and music especially for KIDS streaming online any time. <u>CLICK HERE</u> to listen! The new <u>LifeTalkKIDS.net</u> website also includes free Bible guides, coloring pages, games, videos, and more resources for children under the heading "Fun." Kids can share new e-cards with their friends, too, at <u>LifeTalk.net/eCards</u>. <u>WATCH</u> the video about this new resource.



Welcome to Jesus 101 4Kids! Watch this short video to discover all that Jesus 101 has to offer 4kids Jesus 101 has just launched a new exciting resource for children! Jesus101.tv/4kids features animated videos to help kids discover Jesus in the Bible, a valuable resource for churches, schools, and families. Each 90 second video tells Bible stories in a fun and instructive manner and has a coodinating coloring page that kids can download and color at home! Continue to check back as many more will be added in the upcoming months. LEARN MORE

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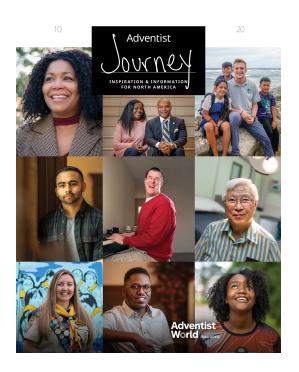
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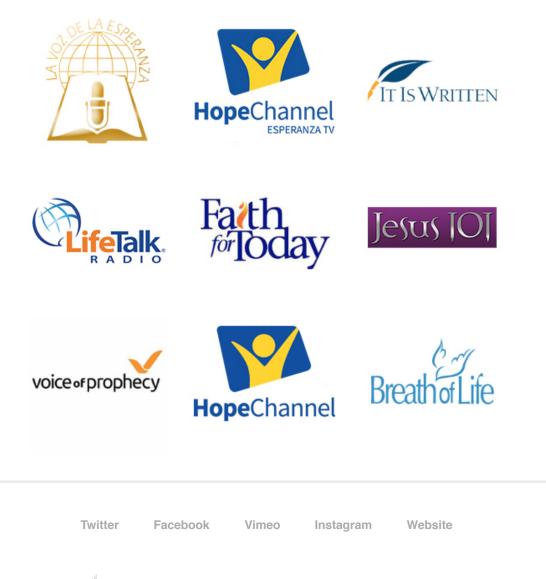


Loved and Cherished

"I want to encourage you to look around and see God with a childlike wonder, knowing that you are loved and cherished. [I pray that God] opens our spiritual eyes so that we can see clearly that He loves and cherishes us."

Sherri Uhrig, NAD Children's Ministries director, during NAD virtual staff worship on Oct.
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