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News and Information from the North American Division

NEWSPOINTS

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You've read the social media posts before — the ones that make you cringe, angry, hurt, sad, depressed, or simply numb. By the way some "Christians" post online, you might think they don't realize there is a real person(s) somewhere in the world reading and contemplating their potentially destructive words. Every encounter we have with one another matters. READ MORE



As soon as the news was announced that Brevard, North Carolina, was chosen to be the next community Blue Zone project, Pastor Ralph and Joni Henderson and Kathy Brannan met with the project leaders to let them know that the local Seventh-day Adventist Church would love to become involved. <u>MORE</u>



Christian Record Services, Inc., invites qualified undergraduate



Ken Bacon has been named president and CEO for AdventHealth's Multi-State Division, effective March 1. In his new role, Bacon

students to apply for the Anne Lowe Scholarship. Last year, the organization awarded six-\$1,000 scholarships; this year, it anticipates awarding four to six scholarships of \$2,000, an increase from previous years. <u>MORE</u>



On Jan. 26, 2021, the 2024 International Camporee Executive Advisory Committee voted two things: a change of location for the 2024 Believe the Promise Camporee from Oshkosh, Wisconsin, to Gillette, Wyoming; and new dates of August 5-11, 2024. MORE; and WATCH the video announcement. will oversee the strategic direction, development and expansion of the entire division, which spans five regions comprised of 20 campuses across eight states. <u>MORE</u>



The Adventist Development and Relief Agency reported on Jan. 26, 2021, that it has donated 1.6 million medical-grade masks to Loma Linda University Health (LLUH) in California, to support the hospital's continued battle against COVID-19. LLUH plans to use ADRA's donation to protect frontline workers during COVID-19 vaccine operations. <u>MORE</u>

ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS

Seventh-day Adventist Churches Reach Out to Help Local Groups (Wis.)

<u>Opinion: COVID-19 Will Leave Millions Without Education. America Can Change That,</u> <u>Says ADRA President</u>

Colorado Couple Creates Carter's Cause at Littleton Adventist Hospital After Losing Son to Premature Birth

Covid-19: An Interview with Adventist Health Ukiah Valley's Dr. Drew Colfax (Calif.)

<u>Merrimack Valley Seventh-day Adventist Church Serving as Red Cross Blood Donation</u> <u>Location (part of a news roundup) (Mass.)</u>

Got Blood? Blood Drives Decrease, Need for Plasma Soars Amid COVID-19 (Ore.)

Ever Heard of Monoclonal Antibody Treatment? Here's What You Need to Know (Md.)

Adventist Health Appoints President for Mendocino County Hospitals and Clinics (Calif.)

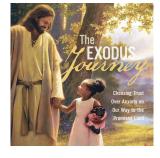
Spring Athletics Canceled for the 2021 Season at Washington Adventist (Md.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS & RESOURCES









Learn health coaching skills with an online course from NAD Health Ministries on Jan. 31.

By using key concepts of health coaching, you can help individuals make a plan for their own health, supporting and mentoring them along the way. In this two-session course, you will learn the value of health coaching, its uses and applications, and key techniques for effective coaching. CEs available for nurses and health coaches. LEARN MORE and REGISTER.

Adventist Community Services presents a FREE Zoom webinar discussing principles of

financial empowerment and practical tools for your ministry. ACS volunteers and anyone interested in community outreach ministry are invited to tune in Feb. 4 at 2 p.m. EST to hear presenter Colette Newer, ACS Director of Washington Conference, address why many of those who access ACS services are struggling in a cycle of poverty. LEARN MORE

Join NAD Health Ministries on Feb. 4 for "Preserving Hope," a FREE webinar to

explore the growing concern of suicide and discuss suicide prevention, intervention, and postvention. We all need to understand signs of suicidal ideation, to be able to ask questions that encourage discussion, and to know where to direct individuals for specialized care. <u>LEARN</u> <u>MORE</u> and <u>REGISTER</u>.

Get the new book, *The Exodus Journey*, by Elizabeth Talbot, free with code! The book, published by Pacific Press, is about choosing trust over anxiety. It dives into Israel's journey to the Promised Land, inviting readers to consider their own daily walk towards the heavenly Canaan, trusting God to be the Redeemer, Provider, and Guide. To get your free copy: download the Jesus 101 mobile app, click on "Book Offers", and enter code "NAD-EJ". Or visit <u>www.Jesus101.tv</u> to request your book today! Jesus 101 will send this completely free (U.S. and Canada, one per household). Code valid through Jan. 31.

SHARE HOPE! Tell your family, friends, and neighbors to tune in to "Message of Hope" on

LifeTalk Radio for hope-filled, Christ-centered Bible messages from Mark Finley, John Bradshaw, Doug Batchelor, Brian McMahon, Ivor Myers, Dwight Nelson, and others—weeknights at 9 p.m. EST. Listen live at LifeTalk.net, on Amazon Echo, Roku, or get the free



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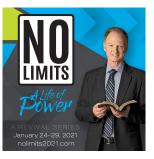


Part 3 of NAD Adult Ministries' FREE six-part webinar series, "Digital Discipleship

and Evangelism," featuring Digital Strategist Jamie Domm, will stream on Feb. 9 at 7 p.m. EST on <u>YouTube</u> and <u>Facebook</u>. This presentation, "The Role of Engagers & Digital Disciples," will discuss community in the digital space, 360° community care, and practical tips for digital discipleship and engagement. <u>LEARN</u> <u>MORE</u>



NAD Family Ministries presents new books by Claudio and Pamela Consuegra! Building Homes of Hope and Wholeness is a new training program for local church leaders, featuring a leader's guide, a participant's guide, and PowerPoint slides. Solo Mom, for single moms, and Solo Dad, for single dads, can also be used by local church Family Ministry, Single Adult, and Women's Ministry leaders. Find English editions at <u>AdventSource.org</u>. Spanish and French versions, and digital editions on Amazon coming soon!



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It Is Written online series No Limits: A Life of Power. Pastor John Bradshaw shares practical Bible messages to help you experience a revival in your heart, home, and church. Register and watch at <u>nolimits2021.com</u>. Download sharing resources at <u>itiswritten.com/rtresources</u>.

Jump-start your faith in the new year with the

A new episode of the podcast NAD NewsPoints ON THE AIR is now available! In

this week's episode host Mylon Medley interviews Steven Smith, senior vice president/chief scientific officer of <u>AdventHealth</u>. The doctor walks listeners through vaccine development 101 and the efficacy of the COVID-19 vaccines — and he addresses whether these vaccines should be trusted. NAD NewsPoints ON THE AIR is available on popular podcast platforms, including <u>Apple Podcasts</u>, <u>Spotify</u>, and <u>Google</u>. We're also on <u>Facebook</u>.

Want to "Cruise With a Mission?" The Center for Youth Evangelism (CYE) has announced



Dec. 12-19, 2021, as cruise dates! Departing San Diego, Calif., with stops in Cabo San Lucas, Mazatlan, and Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, before returning back to San Diego, Cruise With a Mission provides young adults from all walks of life opportunities to connect with God and others in Christian community — and experience genuine joy as you engage in serving others both on and off the ship. More information can be found at <u>cye.org/cwm</u>.

EVENTS CALENDAR

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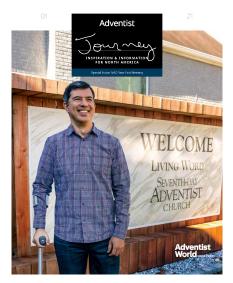
January Focus: Friendship Evangelism

February Focus: Family Life

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Perspective: "Fulfilling the Great Commission in the Right Order," by Tony Anobile, p. 13 missionary and pastor; <u>WATCH</u> the interview.

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VIEWPOINTS



Our Testimony to the World

"Let's use cultural events to intentionally bond us together rather than to rip us apart. Let's not take our advantage of diversity [in the Seventh-day Adventist Church in North America] for granted — we can capitalize on this, we should capitalize on this. We should be intentional about bridging across like we've never been before. ... Our diversity is our testimony to the world."

 Tracy Wood, NAD Youth and Young Adult Ministries director, during NAD virtual staff worship, Jan. 13, 2021

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