

NEWSPOINTS

June 23, 2021



Among several retirements that were announced during the NAD Year-End Meeting in Nov. 2020 were leaders of two vital ministries of the North American Division — Lincoln Steed, editor of *Liberty* magazine, and Maitland DiPinto, director of Hope for Humanity. [MORE](#)



Chest surgeons at Loma Linda University Health are the region's pioneers in combining human skill with advanced technology by wielding surgical robots since 2018 to optimize already 250 patients' experiences and outcomes from certain chest surgeries. [READ](#) three different patient experiences.



Union College officially launched a \$13 million capital campaign on June 16 to fund the construction of a new wellness center. The campaign will significantly expand the college's fitness and athletic facilities. Current plans call for



On May 16, four community baby showers took place across Massachusetts in Attleboro, Clinton, Springfield, and Worcester. Each location provided physically distant access

a new 54,000 square foot building next to Larson Lifestyle Center that will contain expanded workout rooms, athletic courts, a walking track and a turf field. [MORE](#)

to free baby supplies and maternal wellness resources. With the help of community partners, a total of 30 families received help. [MORE](#)

ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS

[Search for Summer: Wells Family's Home Church Holds Service, Prayer Vigil for Missing 5-Year-Old \(Tenn.\)](#)

[Bethany Seventh-day Adventist Church Helps the Hungry with Weekly Food Drives \(Ala.\)](#)

[Adventist Announces Major Hospital Expansions in Downtown Bakersfield and Tehachapi, as Well as New Focus on Longevity and Wellness \(Calif.\)](#)

[Aurora Adventist Kids Raise \\$400 for Charity \(Ill.\)](#)

[Local Group Helping Build Homes for Fire Survivors on the Ridge \(Calif.\)](#)

[Friendship Suppers Resume June 29 at Jamestown Seventh-day Adventist Church \(N.D.\)](#)

[Tabernacle Seventh-day Adventist Church Creates Video in Honor of Juneteenth \(Fla.\)](#)

[Carson City's Seventh-day Adventist Food Pantry Open \(Nev.\)](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS & RESOURCES



July 1, at 2 p.m. ET, join Adventist Community Services (ACS) for a FREE webinar on leadership and team development. Learn leadership development strategies specific to organizational change and expand your understanding of the biblical concepts of servant leadership, influencing and inspiring your team to succeed. [LEARN MORE](#)



Register for the FREE 2021 Adventist Conference on Family Research and Practice conference! This event, held July 22-24, will be facilitated virtually; this year's theme is "Forgiveness." This annual conference, held at Andrews University, is designed to provide professionals and Family Ministries leaders alike the opportunity to be exposed to best practice strategies and research in the area of Family Therapy, Family Studies, Family Ministry, Social Work, and Psychology in order to enhance ministry to families. [CLICK HERE](#) for info/to register.

Hey parents and grandparents! Share quality time with your kids this summer by checking out the audio programs and fun resources



at LifeTalkKIDS.net together! Find coloring pages, Bible story videos, recipes, activities, [free stickers](#), and [printed sharing cards](#) especially designed for kids. Kick back, listen to LifeTalk KIDS radio, and visit the “Fun” page at LifeTalkKIDS.net for a family summer to remember!



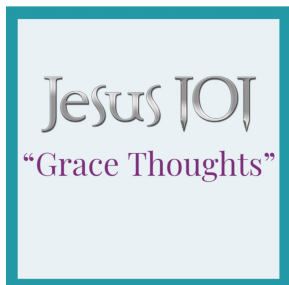
Calling all coaches and coaching enthusiasts!

Charter Members of the newly formed Adventist Association of Health and Wellness Coaching are invited to a special information session on August 9 and our first Business meeting on September 13. Join us as we discuss how to advance this powerful ministry in the Adventist Church. [LEARN MORE](#) and [become a Charter Member](#).



Do It Together — Sabbath School Convention 2021 is the first annual event of its kind!

Sponsored by the NAD Adult, Children's and Youth ministries, the convention will focus on doing Sabbath School *together*. This event is designed to train leaders for in service, and to update teaching techniques and connection with student and teacher. [Join us](#) on Sept. 9-11! Fee is only \$20; register by Aug. 9 to receive a free swag bag.



Looking for a weekly pick-me-up? "Grace Thoughts"

"Grace Thoughts" by Jesus 101 is a short weekly devotional that offers encouragement, and helps you get excited about Jesus! "Grace Thoughts" is delivered to your inbox each week and will add inspiration to your day. [SIGN UP](#) for "Grace Thoughts"!



Based on research and personal experience,

Helping Write the Final Chapter is a primer on

death, grief, and ministering to those going through these experiences. This book, written by Drs. Claudio and Pamela Consuegra, is for anyone who is supporting a loved one with a terminal illness, and anyone who has recently lost a loved one. It is also for pastors, teachers, and church members who are a support system for those grieving. [CLICK HERE](#) for more info.

EVENTS CALENDAR

June

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- 26 [Offering: Local Conference Advance](#)

June Focus:
[Church Growth & Evangelism](#)

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- 3 [Offering: Local Church Budget](#)
- 10 [Griggs International Academy](#)
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- 17 [Offering: Local Church Budget](#)
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July Focus:
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Adventist Mission

ADVENTIST JOURNEY



Cover: Glen Milam, Mount Aetna Retreat Center director; [WATCH](#) the interview.

Feature: "Nurturing Relationships Through the Generations," by Kimberly Luste Maran, pp. 04-06

NAD Update: "2021 eHuddle Redefines Adventist Evangelism in North America, Examines Church Growth Patterns," by Mylon Medley, pp. 08-09

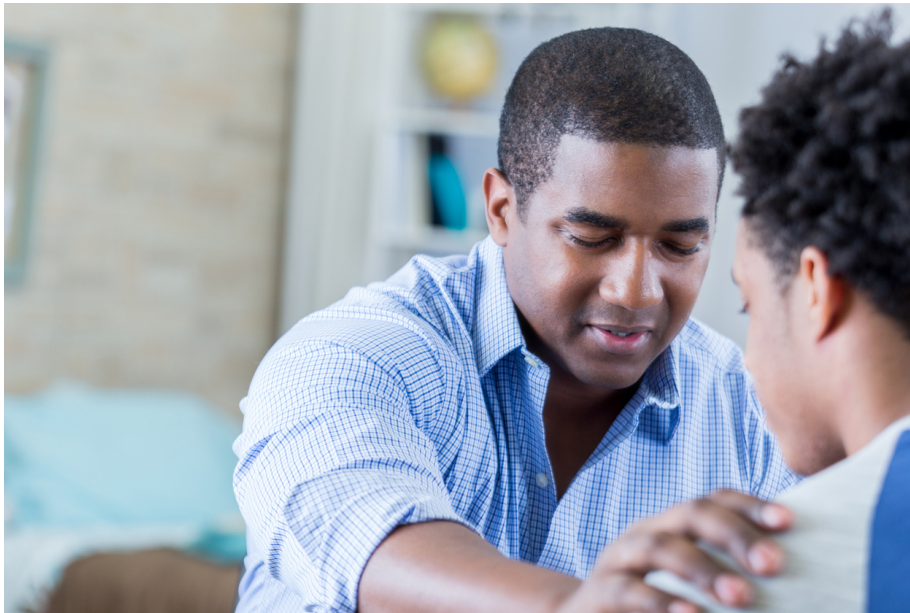
NAD News Briefs: "Adventist Biography Series Project Changes Editors;" "Young Adults in Texas Show Gratitude for Health-Care Workers," p. 10

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VIEWPOINTS



Seeing Jesus

“I want to challenge you to listen to the words of Jesus. If we could do that, I'm pretty sure that our churches would be full. ... I want to challenge you to live your life in a way that other people will see that Jesus is a part of your life. And that you follow Him with all of your heart.”

— Eddie Heinrich, Northern California Conference Youth director, during NAD virtual worship on June 7, 2021, referencing John 13: 34, 35

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