

News and Information from the North American Division

NEWSPOINTS

April 13, 2022



Two key positions, director and associate director, on the NAD Adventist Chaplaincy Ministries team have been filled with familiar names. On April 7, the NAD committee voted the name of assistant director Washington Johnson II to serve as director; and assistant director Gilda Roddy was promoted to associate director. <u>MORE</u>



We are living in very dynamic and challenging times. Wars and tragedy on every hand. Heartache and pain all around us — a time when many have lost their ability to hope. But this resurrection season is a season of hope. It is a time for people to know that we can hope again. <u>READ MORE</u> of this article from NAD president G. Alexander Bryant.



AdventHealth, one of the nation's largest faith-based health care systems, will rename AMITA Health Adventist Medical Center Bolingbrook, AMITA Health Adventist Medical Center GlenOaks, AMITA Health Adventist Medical Center Hinsdale and AMITA Health Adventist Medical Center La Grange as it completes the unwinding of its AMITA Health partnership. MORE



Daniel Gonzalez-Socoloske, professor of biology at Andrews University, has been awarded a grant from the National Geographic



On Easter Sunday, April 17, Breath of Life Television Ministries, in conjunction with the Interfaith Broadcasting Commission, will air an Easter special on ABC television stations across the United States. The theme for the special is "A Living Hope." MORE



Howard Community College and Prince George's Community College announced in March a

partnership with Washington Adventist University to expand access to bachelor's degree programs at Laurel College Center. The center is a Maryland regional Society to study new detection techniques for Amazonian manatees in Brazil's Amazon Basin as a 2022 National Geographic Explorer. <u>MORE</u> higher education center that serves students seeking associate and bachelor's degrees. MORE

ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS

<u>New State Law Will Help Low-income Families With Diaper Costs -- But Help Is Available</u> <u>Now (Wash.)</u>

Renown singer Wintley Phipps Performs at Bryan College Scholarship Program Dinner (Tenn.)

CCA Students Bake Pies for a Cause (Wash.)

Hospital Celebrates Opening of Cyr Family Imaging Pavilion (Calif.)

<u>GC Executive Committee Votes to Attach Ukrainian Administrative Office to the General</u> <u>Conference</u>

GC: Adventist Church Bounces Back Financially in 2021 Following Pandemic Uncertainty

ANNOUNCEMENTS & RESOURCES





Please join us on ZOOM for our first-ever NAD Leadership FORUM on Tuesday, April 19, at 10:00 a.m. CT. Discover more about the ministry of Christian Record Services, the free programs and services available to people in your community who are blind or experiencing vision loss, and how connecting can enhance your ministry activities. ZOOM link.

Meeting ID: 989 4796 3094 | Passcode: 633553

Signs of the Times has released a special edition issue entitled "Indestructible Love" written by Dr. Elizabeth Talbot, director for Jesus 101.



This resource is designed to accompany the FREE evangelistic series for local churches. This plug-and-play five-part interactive video series presents the whole plan of salvation from the perspective of God as a parent willing to give everything to recover His lost children. <u>CLICK HERE</u> to register for this video series by April 15.







Give donations for Ukraine through

AdventistGiving. The NAD has made it possible for you to provide financial support through the website or app. After first clicking on donate and selecting your local church, you can find the "Ukraine" offering button in the listings under the "World" offering tab. The offering category is a clickable field under "More Offering Categories."

SHARE HOPE and JOY! of our living Savior this Easter with free sharing cards from

LifeTalk Radio. Witnessing is easy with free digital ecards at <u>https://lifetalk.net/ecards/</u>. Or, order printed sharing cards at: <u>LifeTalk.net/sharing-cards/</u>. See all free resources like program cards and stickers for kids at <u>LifeTalk.net/resources</u>.

Jesus 101 has new and free downloadable activity worksheets and coloring pages for

kids! These resources also have accompanying animated videos that will help kids discover Jesus in the stories of the Bible in a fun and instructive manner. These valuable resources are perfect for churches, schools, and families. Jesus 101 is always working to develop new biblical studies resources for kids. To download, visit <u>www.Jesus101.tv/4kids</u>.

Want to have a seating problem at Sabbath School? Imagine the biggest complaint at your church being, "I can't get a seat at our Bible study" or



having to make seat reservations for Sabbath School. Roy Ice, speaker/director of <u>Faith For Today</u> and host of <u>Lifestyle Magazine</u>, and his team, want to share how God can help you experience explosive growth in church attendance through Bible Lab. Find/start a lab near you! <u>TheBibleLab.com</u>. Study guide materials are free.

Share Joy with free Bible Promise Sharing Cards from LifeTalk Radio. It's a fast and easy way to show someone you care. It only takes a minute to choose from the <u>beautiful designs</u>, or order printed cards <u>here</u>. Great for birthdays, anniversaries, Easter, thank you's, and get-well wishes, too. <u>Click here</u> for free resources like health program cards and stickers for kids. More gifts from LifeTalk Radio to help you to share the joy of the Lord!



LifeTalk.net/ecards

Why operate a day camp? Before you know it, summer will be here and parents will be asking, "What will I do with my children?" With the threat of COVID-19, many parents are concerned about camps where children will be sleeping in crowded cabins, elevating transmission risk. In this case, day camps are a great alternative and provide wholesome experiences for children. LEARN MORE

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Adventist Mission

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ADVENTIST JOURNEY



Cover: HEATHER LUNSFORD, art teacher, wife, and mother, living in Maryland. <u>WATCH</u> the interview. **Feature:** "LifeTalk Radio Launches Dedicated Channel for Children," pp. 03-06

NAD Update: "After a One-Year Hiatus, North American Division Hosts Third Religious Freedom Breakfast," by Kimberly Luste Maran, pp. 08-10

NAD News Briefs: "NAD Adventist Community Services Introduces Pilot Warehouse Operations Class;" "Cruise With a Mission Visits Mexico Reviera;" pp. 11

Perspectives: "A Season of Hope," by G. Alexander Bryant; p. 13

This magazine is mailed to Adventists in North America; click <u>HERE</u> to view the April issue online.

VIEWPOINTS



Trust and Obey

"God's request is the same: trust and obey. Trust and obey as we go through the seasons of doubt; trust and obey as we look at a future that is uncertain. Trust and obey as we see the storm clouds in our future; as we have families that may be breaking. ... May we know that God is not finished with us. God has a plan for our lives that supercedes anything that we could think. ... Jesus is coming soon. ... No matter what happens, trust and obey even through the most challenging times in our life."

- Richard Stephenson, during NAD staff worship on April 11, 2022

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