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# NEWSPOINTS

March 1, 2023



**Christian Record Services has received \$597,000 from the General Conference** of Seventh-day Adventists to increase its braille production capacity. Funding will enable the ministry to expand production space at its headquarters, purchase additional braille embossing equipment, and hire one staff member to meet the increase in production. [MORE](#)



**From Feb.13-15, at the eighth annual eHuddle, a visioning and leadership conference hosted in Gladstone, Ore.,** by the NAD's Ministerial Association, attendees learned of several initiatives uniting the church and community. More than 150 pastors, conference- and union-level evangelism directors, administrators, elders, and other leaders gathered for the first in-person eHuddle since 2020, with thousands more watching via Facebook and YouTube.

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**During homecoming on April 16, 2022, Pacific Union College dedicated the Walter C. Utt Center** with a ribbon-cutting ceremony. Named after one of PUC's distinguished professors and historians, the center is essentially a historical archive holding a collection of documents related to PUC and Adventist history. "We hope to be 'open for business' sometime in Spring 2023," shares Karl Wilcox, director of the center. [MORE](#)



**Heather Thompson Day and Seth Day, both communication professors at Andrews University,** recently published *I'll See You Tomorrow*, a book about relationships. Heather emphasizes that the book is not specifically about marriage, but rather, it is about relationships. [MORE](#)

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## ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS

[Ruled Ineligible in Last Year's Playoffs, Oakwood Adventist Academy Punches HS Final Four Berth \(Ala.\)](#)

[At Maryland Church, it's 'Caribbean Sabbath,' not Just Black History Month](#)

[Barry Black: America's First Black Senate Chaplain, Says This Bible Verse Saved Him From a Life of Crime \(D.C.\)](#)

[Church Unites Community Against Sickle Cell Disease by Hosting Blood Drives With the American Red Cross \(Tenn.\)](#)

[Barbershops, Churches in Inland Empire Black Community Get Blood Pressure Machines \(Calif.\)](#)

[Battle Creek Academy Energized as It Prepares for First-ever Mhsaa Hoop Districts \(Mich.\)](#)

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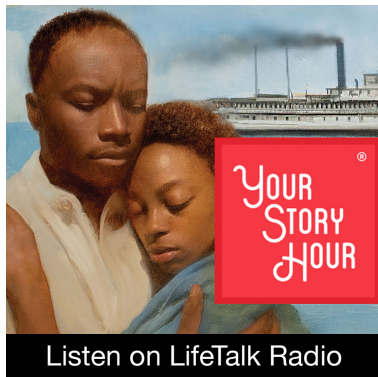
**Every church is vulnerable to fire — no matter the size of your congregation or where your church is located.** Having a plan to evacuate the church in case of fire is vital to the safety of your members. Practicing your plan is just as important as having a plan. That's what Safety Sabbath is all about. Register your church today to take part in Safety Sabbath and practice a fire drill with your congregation on March 25, 2023. [CLICK HERE](#) to learn more/register.



**Join us at the 2023 "Power to Heal" NAD Health Summit to refresh your skills, gain more tools and** resources for health ministry, connect with others who are passionate about health, be inspired as you serve others, be reenergized, and so much more! [Registration](#) is open, and space is limited. Make your plans now for this live, in-person conference, to be held in Lexington, Ky., on April 2-8.



**The 2023 NAD Human Resources Conference will be held on April 23-25 in Chantilly, VA.** The conference is planned for all conference/union human resources directors, secretaries, treasurers, academy treasurers, college and university directors, and university VPs of finance. Register [here](#) by March 24. Click [here](#) for hotel reservations by April 3.



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The dates for the International Pathfinder Camporee are **August 5-11, 2024**, in Gillette, Wyoming. The 2024 Believe the Promise Camporee will highlight the exciting story of Moses and Miriam in an exciting production each evening as well as offer various honors and activities each day that Pathfinders from around the world will enjoy. We hope to see you there! [CLICK HERE](#) to learn more.



**Season 4 of Authentic debuts nationwide – join Shawn Boonstra of the Voice of Prophecy this Sabbath for *The Prince***, as he discusses what led Jesus and his followers to give their lives for an wildly unpopular message. This episode serves as the debut episode of season 4 of Authentic which can be viewed on Hope Channel, 3ABN, and [HERE](#).

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**Feature:** *"Signs of the Times: Making Known the Truth of Biblical Prophecy,"* pp. 04-05

**Feature:** "Photograph Discovered of Pioneer Adventist Woman Minister," by Michael W. Campbell, pp. 06-08

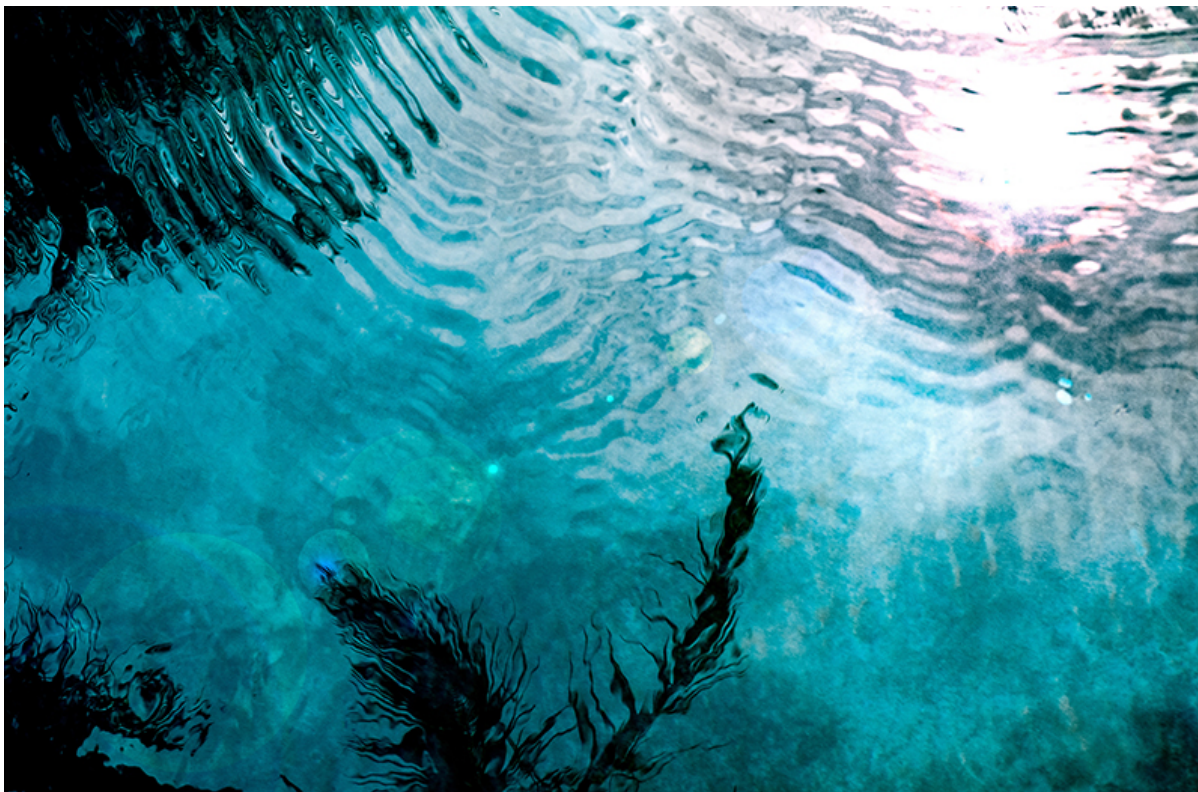
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## VIEWPOINTS



## **The Mind of Christ Makes the Difference**

"For us to survive, for us to thrive, for us to be with Christ throughout eternity, we must allow the Holy Spirit to place the mind of Christ in [us]. The mind of Christ makes all the difference."

— Cyril Millett III, executive secretary of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada, during NAD staff worship on March 1, 2023

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