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“Lord, I’d like students at the mission school to get *Guide* magazine,” prayed Laura Sámano, managing editor of *Guide* magazine. She longed to send the weekly magazine to Calexico Mission School middle schoolers. It seemed impossible: the dollar amount needed for 52 subscriptions discouraged her. “Jesus, I can’t afford to do this on my own, and I don’t think I can fundraise that much either,” Sámano prayed. “Please provide.” [READ MORE](#)



After a two-year wait, Pathway to Health, a humanitarian arm of the North American Division, held a free mega-clinic in Indianapolis at the Lucas Oil Stadium. From April 17-21, the clinic served more than 4,200 people in the metropolitan Indianapolis area. The goal of the event was to show people God’s love by serving as many people as they could with free medical, dental, vision, and lifestyle care. [MORE](#)



On May 3, Becket, a non-profit, public interest legal and educational institution, along with the GC Office of General Counsel and North American Division, announced that the case, *Oakwood Adventist Academy v. Alabama High School Athletic Association*, will move forward in the U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Alabama. This comes after OAA's historic winning season was cut short when AHSAA refused to let teams reschedule games to accommodate Sabbath. [MORE](#)



***Return to Palau*, the story of a young, Seventh-day Adventist missionary family that moves** to the idyllic island nation of Palau and suffers a shocking tragedy, will be screened at the International Christian Film Festival in Orlando, Florida, on Friday, May 6. Through recently uncovered archival footage and first-person accounts, *Return to Palau* tells an incredible story of survival, faith, and forgiveness. [MORE](#)

ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS

[Evansville Adventist Church Raises \\$18K for Ukraine \(Ind.\)](#)

[Hanson Place Seventh-day Adventist Church's Dream Comes True \(N.Y.\)](#)

[New Article Shows That Plant-based Diets Reduce Risks of Severe COVID-19](#)

[Seventh-day Adventist Church in Thousand Oaks Mailbox Collects Letters to God \(Calif.\)](#)

[Blue Zones Project Lake County launches with May 14 Hope4Health Festival \(Calif.\)](#)

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When you give to ACS, *YOU* make it possible for the Adventist Church to respond to help survivors of hurricanes, fires, floods, earthquakes, famine, and other crisis. Sabbath, May 14, is the ACS Disaster and Famine Relief Offering. If you wish to support the offering, please donate at your local church or [online](#).



This spring, don't just plant seeds in your garden — plant seeds of truth for the Gospel! Save up to 50 percent this week on seed-sowing resources, including tracts and Bible study invitation tools, in our Voice of Prophecy [online store](#).



Hungry for revival, for a deeper prayer life, and for a renewed sense of mission and purpose in your life? Then you don't want to miss these next 40 Days of Prayer! We invite you to participate in 40 Days of Prayer (May 3 - June 11, 2022) leading up to the General Conference Session/Virtual Exhibition! Click [here](#) to join.



Registration is open for the 2022 CALLED Pastors' Family Convention, to be held June 19-22, 2022, in Lexington, Kentucky. All pastors and their families in the North American Division are invited to attend, including chaplains, volunteer lay pastors, administrators, Bible instructors, and seminarians. [Click here](#) for details and registration.

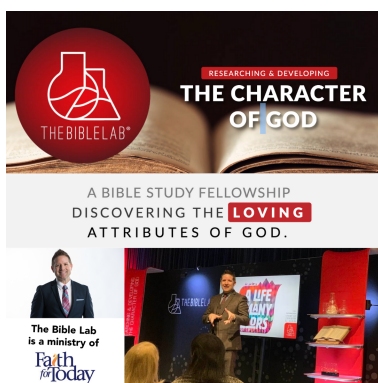
Give donations for Ukraine through [AdventistGiving](#). The NAD has made it possible for you to provide financial support through the website or app. After first clicking on donate and selecting your



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."



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 www.Jesus101.tv/4kids.



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 [Faith For Today](http://FaithForToday.com) and host of [Lifestyle Magazine](http://LifestyleMagazine.com), 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! TheBibleLab.com. 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 [beautiful designs](#), or order printed cards [here](#). Great for birthdays, anniversaries, Easter, thank you's, and get-well wishes, too. [Click here](#) 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!

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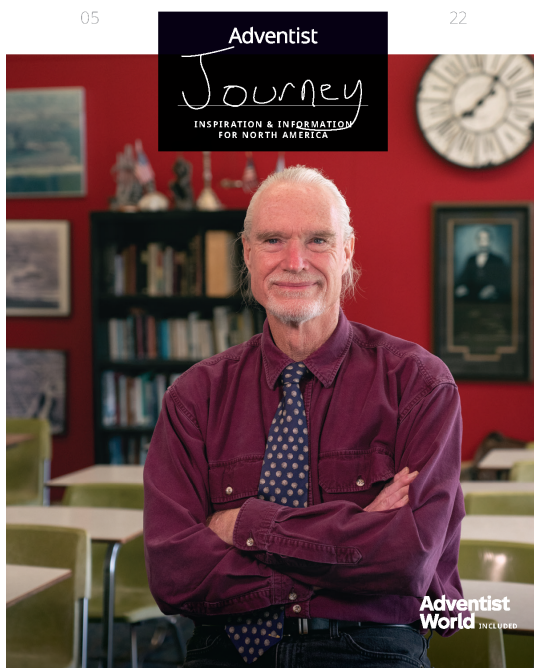
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VIEWPOINTS



God Has a Plan

“Abraham had to leave things behind, not only physically, but emotionally. [He left] his friends, his relatives — he had to leave because had God had a plan for him. ... Maybe you wonder, *Why did I come [here]? Why did God place me here?* God has a plan for you. He's urging you to make changes in your life — not only physical changes, but also the spiritual changes.”

— Rudy Salazar, associate director for NAD Stewardship, during NAD staff worship on May 3, 2022

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