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On Jan. 25, an engaged group of 27 undergraduate and graduate student leaders, union-level youth directors, and NAD leaders met via Zoom to discuss what young people need to feel part of church life and leadership and how the NAD can better support them. This meeting had an open agenda, which was intentional. [READ MORE](#)



On April 9, Breath of Life Television Ministries, in conjunction with the Interfaith Broadcasting Commission (IBC), will air an Easter special on NBC affiliate stations across the United States. The theme for the special is “A Living Hope,” and the one-hour special will feature a message from Debleaire Snell. [MORE](#)



The North American Division and Sonscreen Film Festival have announced the release of a new short film entitled *Those Were the Good Days*. Produced by Sonscreen Films and Pacific Union College, the film explores themes of joy and parenting as it follows a father and daughter on a trip to the park.

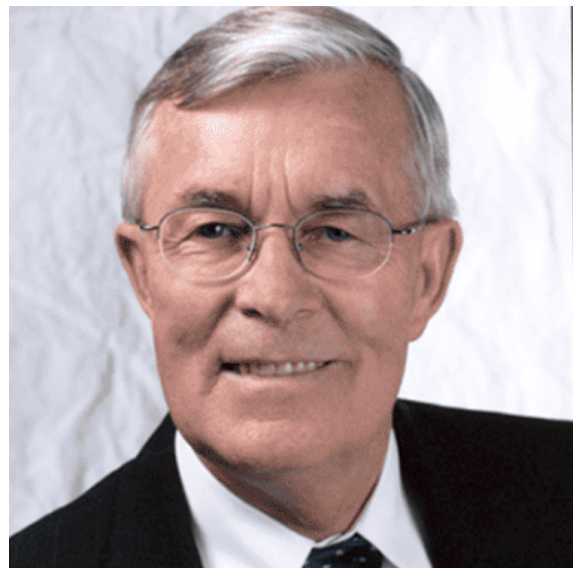
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NASCAR driver Corey Lajoie and Irvine-based nonprofit Jessie Rees Foundation partnered to gift 100 "JoyJars" filled with toys, games, and activities to patients at Loma Linda University Children's Hospital Thursday, Feb. 23. [MORE](#)



Before the pandemic, the last mission trip by a medical team of the Guam Seventh-day Adventist Clinic was in Nov. 2019. The return to missions began in Nov. 2022 when the



William G. Johnsson, editor of *Adventist Review* from 1982 to 2006 and founding editor of *Adventist World* in 2005-2006, passed to his rest in Loma Linda, Calif., on March 11. Johnsson is remembered in [this tribute](#) article, [special Review column](#), and in [this](#)

clinic's eye care team went to the Republic of Palau, followed by a medical and dental trip to Rota in the U.S. territory of the Northern Mariana Islands in Jan. 2023. [MORE](#)

[obituary article](#). The Memorial Service for Johnsson will be held on March 25, at 6 p.m. PT, at Crosswalk Church in Redlands, Calif. The [service will be streamed live](#) from the church.

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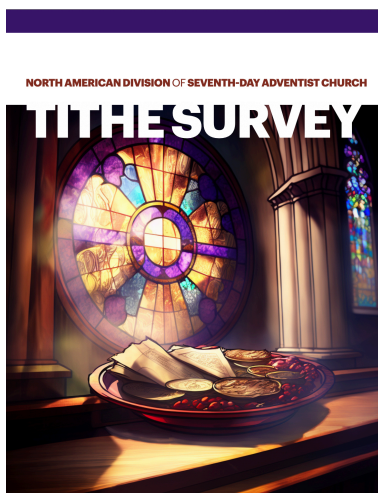
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[Brighton Church Is Offering a Lifestyle Community Wellness Center \(Colo.\)](#)

[Roseburg Christian Academy Hosts History Fair \(Ore.\)](#)

[Special Performance from Handel's Messiah Set for April 8 at Tryon Church \(N.C.\)](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS & RESOURCES



The NAD is conducting [a brief survey](#) to gain insights into the attitudes and practices of Adventist church members towards tithing. Your opinions on this topic are important to us, and we would appreciate your participation. We understand that discussing personal giving choices can be a sensitive topic, and we want to assure you that all the information you provide will remain confidential and anonymous and can in no way be tied back to you. Your privacy is our top priority! By sharing your valuable insights, you will be contributing to a better understanding of the current thoughts and behaviors surrounding tithing and giving by church members. We thank you in advance for your time

and effort in completing [this survey](#).



Know a young filmmaker? The 21st annual Sonscreen Film Festival will be April 13-15 at the Loma Linda University Church. [Students can enter their films](#) for a chance to be screened at the festival, and can also pitch future film ideas for a cash prize to help fund the project. But hurry! Film submission deadline is March 22; pitch competition deadline is March 29. Professional filmmakers are also invited to attend and meet the talented future of film. [Learn More](#)

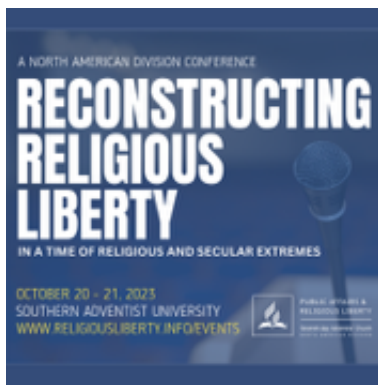


The 2023 NAD Human Resources Conference will be held on April 23-25 in Chantilly, VA. The conference is planned for all conference/union human resources directors, secretaries, treasurers, academy treasurers, college and university directors, and university VPs of finance. Register [here](#) by March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



Bring your leadership team to the Propel Conference May 7–10, and experience inspiring presentations by growth-minded Adventist leaders, powerful worship, and profound fellowship. With 7 training tracks to choose from, you'll learn proven methods to grow in areas like church revitalization, evangelistic innovation, reaping meetings, member discipleship, and more. It's the perfect environment to get inspired and cultivate God-sized dreams. Early bird registration extended to March 29, so [register now to get early bird single and group rates!](#)

The NAD's Public Affairs and Religious Liberty ministry is excited to announce its upcoming Oct. 20-21 conference Reconstructing Religious Liberty in a Time of Religious and Secular Extremes. Hosted by the Collegedale Seventh-Day Adventist Church in partnership with Southern Adventist



University, this two-day event will explore new ways to talk about religious freedom within American society.



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Would you like some short videos to help inspire your friends and family? Jesus 101 has released new free downloadable inspirational videos that you can use as a valuable resource to share your faith, in both English and Spanish. These short videos cover doctrinal topics such as Creation, the Second Coming, Sabbath rest, Prayer, etc. in a Christ-centered manner. Click to access the videos in [English](#) and in [Spanish](#). Take advantage of this free resource today!



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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VIEWPOINTS



Atmosphere of Grace

"It is the atmosphere of grace which surrounds the soul of the believer, the Holy Spirit working upon mind and heart, that makes him a savor of life unto life, and enables God to bless his work."

— Ellen G. White, *Christ's Object Lessons*, p. 298

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