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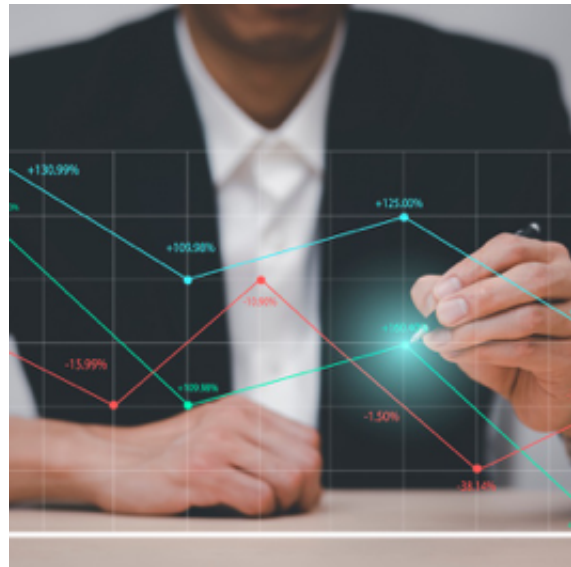
# NEWSPOINTS

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**Within the Seventh-day Adventist content library, there are countless articles, sermons,** videos, books, podcasts, and seminars speaking to what the young adults in our church need. Some of the observations are helpful, some miss the mark. But the majority of the discussions lack one crucial element: the voices of actual young people. This is an issue that the North American Division is seeking to correct.

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**In my role as CFO, I am called upon to communicate complicated and lengthy financial statement analysis** to those who do not regularly interact with that information. It has been a career goal of mine to make that information simple and accurate so most anyone can quickly understand. That desire to make the complicated simple has spilled over into my everyday life.

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**In 1973, AdventHealth Altamonte Springs, formerly known as Florida Hospital Altamonte,** opened for Seminole County residents with three doctors, 104 beds, and mostly volunteers pitching in to help. Today, the hospital has 393 beds, 385 doctors, and 2,085 team members. Seminole County had a population of 122,000 in 1973, but it is now more than 485,000 and it continues to grow. [MORE](#)



**Atlantic Union College corporation board members met with Andrews University representatives to** witness the signing of an agreement between the two entities. Pierre E. Omeler, AUC corporation board president, and Andrea Luxton, Andrews University president, signed the agreement on May 18, to “establish a general understanding of intent to promote academic and spiritual collaboration between the institutions.” [MORE](#)

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## ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS

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[AdventHealth Agrees to Take Over Bakersfield Heart Hospital \(Calif.\)](#)

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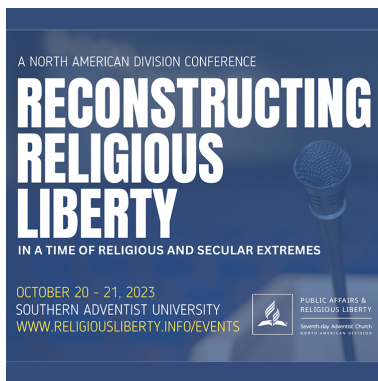
The "Something Better" [NAD Educators' Convention](#), will be held in Phoenix, Ariz., on Aug. 7-10. Current and retired Adventist educators are invited! Educators employed within the NAD EC-12 system will be registered by their local union or conference. Registration for NON-NAD EC-12 employees is now open. Questions? [Send an email](#).



**Jesus 101 has released a new Spanish Bible study, *Jesus Gana!*** These 10 multimedia Bible studies, in one attractive magazine, have corresponding QR codes that link to short videos with Dr. Elizabeth Talbot explaining the content of each lesson. This Bible course is an excellent way of introducing your friends and family to Jesus, even inviting them to be baptized. Anyone can give Bible studies with this colorful and creative course! For your free copy, download the Jesus 101 mobile app ([iOS](#) or [Google Play](#)), click on "Book Offers," and enter code "NAD-JG." Jesus 101 will send this completely free (U.S. and Canada, one per household). Code valid thru July 15, 2023.



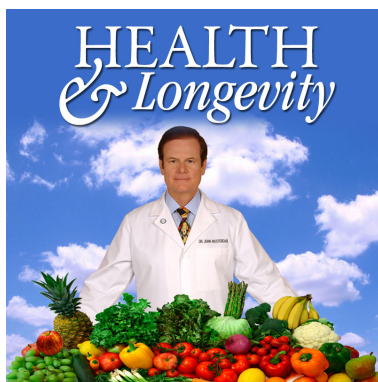
**Do you know what happens when you take the wacky adventures of a big family and mix them with exciting true stories of modern-day Christian heroes?** You get a captivating audio drama series called, *The Brinkman Adventures!* Powerful stories from the lives of real missionaries come to life through the humorous escapades of the Brinkman family. These adventures will strengthen your faith and family and inspire young and old to follow Jesus wherever He may lead. This program airs every Sunday on LifeTalk Radio. Check the program schedule for your time zone ([lifetalk.net/program-schedule](http://lifetalk.net/program-schedule)). Also available on [LifeTalkKids.net](http://LifeTalkKids.net).



**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. [Learn more/register now](#) to explore new ways to talk about religious freedom within a culturally and politically polarized America.



**The Society of Adventist Communicators Convention registration is now open!** Join us in Springfield, Mass., on Oct. 19-21, as professional communicators attend workshops, meet for worship, and network. We also welcome Adventist college and university students. And after a hiatus, we are planning to bring back our communication awards program and area media tours. Hurry! The early-bird price of \$349 runs until July 10, 2023. [CLICK HERE](#) for more info and/or to register.



**Want to live longer and feel better? Then don't miss *Health and Longevity*.** This popular lifestyle program is hosted by Dr. John Westerdahl and dedicated to providing you with the latest cutting edge information about nutrition, health, and lifestyle medicine. Discover how you can live a vibrant, healthy and long life! The program format includes special interviews with leading health authorities and medical professionals. This program airs twice weekly on LifeTalk Radio. Listen online at: [LifeTalk.net](#) or check out the on-demand podcasts at: [LifeTalk.net/podcast-lineup](#)



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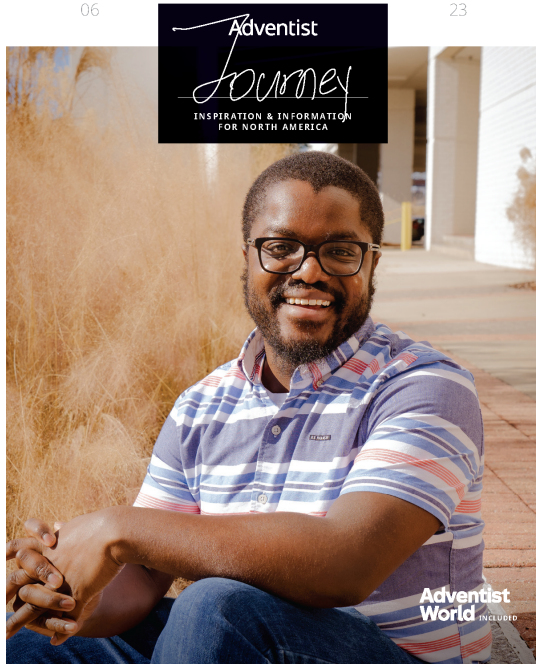
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**Cover:** Akehil Johnson, lay coordinator for Adventist Christian Fellowship in the Ontario Conference, and teacher at Ottawa Adventist School, Ontario, Canada

## VIEWPOINTS



# Take It to the Lord

“Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere.  
We should never be discouraged; Take it to the Lord in prayer!”

— Nolan Williams Jr., "Take It To The Lord In Prayer"

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