

NEWSPOINTS

August 23, 2023



From Aug. 8-9, during the EDTalks segment of the NAD 2023 Educators' Convention, 13 leaders

gave their unique take on this prompt: "Leadership. It all comes down to ...". In this spin on the popular TEDtalks, music leaders Laura Story and Nicole C. Mullen; education leaders Mario Acosta, Doug Reeves, Tina Boogren, and Toakase Vunileva; Adventist leaders G. Alexander Bryant, Meshach Soli, Carlton P. Byrd, Adam Wamack, David Daniels, and James Standish; and entertainer Taylor Hughes used storytelling to share their leadership lessons. [MORE](#)



On the morning of the fourth and final day of the 2023 NAD Educators' Convention, teachers

who would step into classrooms that following week felt anticipation, exhilaration, and appreciation. Nicole C. Mullen set the tone through her music. Then G. Alexander Bryant, president of the NAD, rose to speak. He addressed the teachers, recognizing their oft-overlooked efforts to invest in their students and uphold the tenets of Adventist Education.

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Jolted from his sleep, it was 3 a.m. on Aug. 8 when a phone call woke Kamil Metz, senior pastor of the Evansville Seventh-day Adventist Church. The caller was Dallas Matthew, one of his members serving this summer as a student literature evangelist on the island of Maui in Hawaii. Dallas's news was grave. He called to report that deadly wildfires had engulfed Lāhainā, the town in Maui that Metz had left the week prior.

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This fall the Andrews University Department of Visual Arts, Communication and Design welcomes two new faculty members and celebrates two significant role changes. Tamara Watson joins as assistant professor of public relations and communication, and Kaara Harris will serve as assistant professor of journalism and communication. Alyx Halsey transitions from contract faculty to full time assistant professor of fine art, and Daniel Weber becomes the chair of the department. [MORE](#)

ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS

[An Adventist Church Assists Little Shop of Kindness in Helping Asylum Seekers Put Their Best Foot Forward for a Fresh Start \[video\].\(N.Y.\)](#)

[Baby in California Born by Candlelight Amid Evacuation in Adventist Health White Memorial Hospital During Tropical Storm Hilary \(Calif.\)](#)

[Hundreds of Patients Evacuated From Los Angeles Hospital Building That Lost Power in Storm's Wake \(Calif.\)](#)

[The Ripe Choice Farm Receives Blue Zones Project—Lake County Approval \(Calif.\)](#)

[Retired Adventist Nurse Coordinates Fundraiser and Day of Awareness to Help With Grief](#)

(Bermuda)

More Than 100 Evacuated Migrant Workers Treated to Hot Meal and Fellowship with an Assist from Adventist Volunteers (B.C., Canada)

AdventHealth to Manage Hospitals, Care Facilities in Castle Rock, Parker and Littleton (Colo.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS & RESOURCES



On Labor Day weekend, Sept. 1-3, Breath of Life Ministries is partnering with Lake Region Conference to host its second annual "Young Adult Rally: Strengthening Your Core." The rally will take place in Chicago, IL. General admission to the Friday night play and Sabbath divine worship are free. However, those who register will receive additional perks, including access to the Core Group Workshops, three meals, and a "swag bag." The registration fee is \$150. To register, visit <https://breathoflife.tv/young-adult-rally-2023/>.

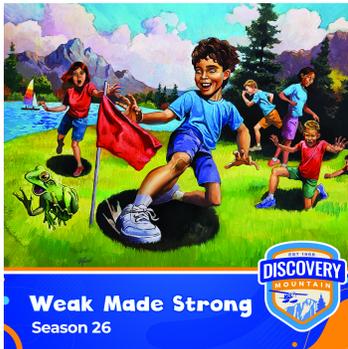


Radio Evangelism — If you've ever thought about having your own local radio station now is the time to act. We have just received word the FCC has announced a new station application filing window coming up this fall from Nov. 1-8. This is for low-power FM (LPFM) new station construction permits. This is a great opportunity for you, your church or organization to acquire a station license for your community. Once you have a station LifeTalk Radio can provide all the programming 24/7 plus you can include your own local programs in the daily or weekly broadcast schedule. LifeTalk Radio can provide guidance in your application process and set up. For more info, please visit: lifetalk.net.

After
GOD'S



Jesus 101 has just released **Grace in 8**, a new short video series available on demand. These eight-minute videos are excellent for family devotionals or small-group discussions. New episodes will be released each week, beginning with the series, “After God’s Heart”, a deeper look into the life of David. For more information on Jesus 101 or to access these free videos, [click here](#).



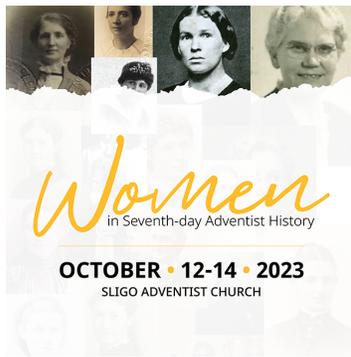
Discovery Mountain is in the midst of another exciting summer camp season! Something has the campers and staff on edge. Even the whole community! See how they pull together to exercise their faith when a mountain lion and her kits are spotted in the area! New episodes of Discovery Mountain can be heard every week on discoverymountain.com You can even become a club member! Discover all the fun on our website!



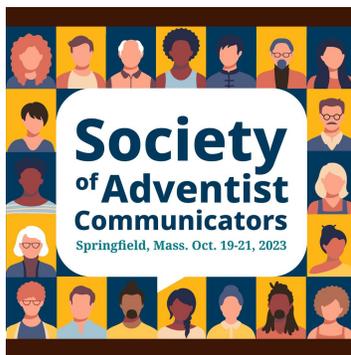
The NAD Do It Together Sabbath School Conference is happening on Sept. 14-16! This virtual event is a must-attend for Sabbath School leaders as we come together for in-service and get the latest teaching techniques to re-energize our classrooms and foster meaningful connections between students and teachers. Save the date and make this Sabbath School conference an unforgettable experience! [Learn more.](#) [#DoltTogether](#) [#SabbathSchoolConference](#)



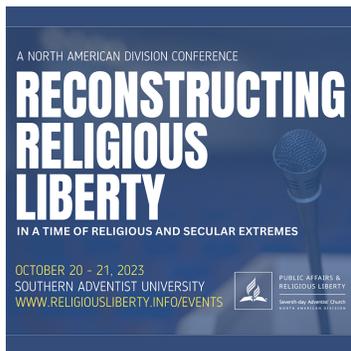
Register now for the Made To Move, 5K run/walk event, Sunday, September 17! You choose the time and place for the 5K run/walk event, hosted by the North American Division Health Ministries. The registration fee of \$25 includes a t-shirt and medal, plus access to the reporting portal to submit your time. Five dollars from each registration will be donated to Holbrook Indian School in Holbrook, Ariz. Invite church members and friend to register at nadhealth.org/events.



Discover the remarkable contributions of women in Seventh-day Adventist history, Oct. 12-14. Hosted by NAD Office of Archives, Statistics, and Research, this inaugural event will feature renowned researchers and keynote speakers like Ella Simmons and Anneke Stasson. From missionaries to educators, their inspiring stories will showcase God's guiding hand in spreading the Adventist message. Join us at Sligo Seventh-day Adventist Church, on the campus of Washington Adventist University, Takoma, Park, Md., for devotionals, papers, and plenary sessions. To register, [CLICK HERE](#).



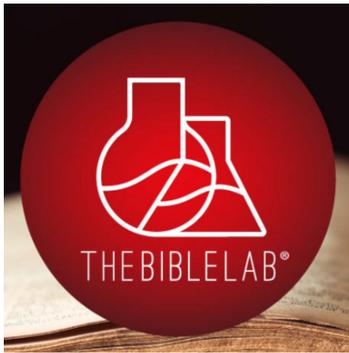
The Society of Adventist Communicators Convention is in Springfield, Mass., on Oct. 19-21, join us as professional communicators attend workshops, meet for worship, and network. We also welcome Adventist college and university students. And after a hiatus, we are planning to bring back our communication awards program and area media tours. Hurry! The registration price is now \$399. [CLICK HERE](#) for more info and/or to register.



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.



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Our newest [BIBLE LAB](#) just launched in Bloomington, Indiana. Welcome!

Could you imagine the biggest complaint at your church being, "I can't get a seat at our Bible study?" Roy Ice, [Faith For Today](#) Director & Host of [Lifestyle](#) has discovered how to do just that and more, and he and his team would love to share how God can do the same thing with your community by starting a Bible Lab, a Bible study focused on God's loving Character. All study guide materials are FREE! Find or start a lab near you! [TheBibleLab.com](#)



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Purpose and Calling

"One of the reasons we can't find our calling is that we are trying to self-define our calling, but ... you can never discover your calling apart from God — and remember not everyone will understand *your* calling because it wasn't a conference call.

"Purpose and calling are linked. You have created purpose, and you have customized purpose. Nobody here can fulfill your purpose but you. Even before you were born you were set aside for a special task."

— Carlton P. Byrd, Southwest Region Conference president, during the opening keynote address for the "Something Better" NAD Educators' Convention on Aug. 7, 2023

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