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NEWSPOINTS

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On Sept. 14-16, Sabbath school attendees, teachers, and superintendents gathered for enrichment and inspiration through virtual training sessions and worship at the NAD annual Do It Together (DIT) Sabbath School Virtual Conference. Close to 1,200 signed up for the event, with 763 of those registered completely new to the DIT event. [MORE](#)



Ignacio Goya, who describes himself as a fourth generation Adventist on one side of his family and a fifth generation communist on the other side, grew up in the Adventist church and always wanted to be a pastor. He found himself in finance for ADRA for many years before God opened the door for him to go to seminary and then serve as a pastor. Goya recently accepted the call to serve as the director of the Center for Community Change at Andrews University. Goya is featured in the Oct. 2023 *Adventist Journey* magazine. [WATCH](#) his interview early!



On Saturday, Sept. 16, Alfredo Campechano, a long-time editor at Pacific Press Publishing

Association, passed to his rest.

Campechano served as assistant editor in the international area of product development, and served Pacific Press for 18 years combined before and after 8 years of pastoring in the Nevada-Utah and Upper Columbia conferences. He was 69.

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La Sierra University saw its placement climb across three categories in the *U.S. News & World Report* 2024 Best Colleges guide this fall, to include a jump to No. 4 for social mobility among western region universities. [MORE](#)

ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS

[Escalon Strong Keeps on Growing With Community \(Calif.\)](#)

[Sonora Church's Health Clinic Provides \\$221K in Free Services for 259 Patients \(Calif.\)](#)

[Council Approves Zone Change for Flag at local Seventh-day Adventist Church \(Calif.\)](#)

[Sandy Seventh-day Adventist Church to Facilitate Free Dental Clinic \(Ore.\)](#)

[Tuolumne County Nonprofit's Accomplishments Celebrated at Ribbon Cutting for New Laundry Bus \(Calif.\)](#)

[Residents of Loma Linda, California—the Only 'Blue Zone' in America—Use 5 Pillars to Live a Long, Healthy Life \(Calif.\)](#)

[Casper Church to Host Community Hay Rides \(Wyo.\)](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS & RESOURCES



Join our friends up North for an extraordinary week of prayer and fasting dedicated to our children's spiritual revival with It Is Written Canada! Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity to unite with fellow believers and experience the transformative power of prayer. Visit calltoprayer.iw.ca to see the schedule so together, we can bring our children back to the loving embrace of God.



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 at a discounted price. And after a hiatus, our communication awards program and area media tours are back. Hurry! The registration price is now \$399. [CLICK HERE](#) for more info and/or to register.



enditnow® North America to host free training on Nov. 12-13 on the campus of Andrews University. This free, in-person training will provide ministry leaders, volunteers, and safety officers with pertinent information on abuse prevention and response. Following this training, attendees will be able to define relational abuse and identify its key elements, identify the prevalence of abuse in the church, recognize the signs and dynamics of an abusive relationship, explain the barriers that prevent victim/survivors from moving toward safety, give examples of preventative strategies for adults and children, and respond appropriately to abuse disclosure. For more information, please email enditnow@nadadventist.org.



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 that the FCC has announced a new station application filing window of 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. Once you have a station LifeTalk Radio can provide all the programming 24/7 plus you can include your own local programs any where in the daily or weekly broadcast schedule. LifeTalk Radio can provide guidance in your application process and set up. For more information please visit: lifetalk.net



Discovery Mountain listeners, did you know that there are even more programs to help you exercise your faith? Join the Discovery Mountain Club and become a Mountaineer! Listen to Jake's Take, Creation Nuggets, Bedtime Bible Stories and more! Learn more [HERE](#).



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](#).



In today's increasingly polarized world any disagreement can so easily be interpreted as a personal attack and our ability to communicate has all but vanished. This week’s guests on *Lifestyle*, we welcome authors/professors Nolan Higdon and Mickey Huff, who help us find ways to bring some peace to these negative personal encounters with their book, *Let’s Agree to Disagree*, and practical strategies and insights that can help us unlock the power of peaceful conflict resolution. [WATCH IT HERE!](#)



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"Let us make God's holy word our study, bringing its holy principles into our lives."

— *Ellen G. White, Messages to Young People, p. 73*

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