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“In 1976, when I became a chaplain, it was said that I was leaving the ministry,” said Rear Admiral (Ret.) Barry Black, the guest speaker for a special chaplains’ Sabbath at Oakwood University Church on Dec. 2, 2023. [READ MORE](#)



The Mid-America Union Young Adult LIFE Tour will be held Jan. 26-27, 2024, at the College View Seventh-day Adventist Church in Lincoln, Neb. Pastor Benjamin Lundquist is the featured presenter, and will be joined by pastors Guadalupe Montour, Kyle Smith, and several other young adult ministry specialists. [MORE](#)



In November 2023, Pacific Union College and Loma Linda University formally agreed to establish a 4+1 Master of Social Work (MSW) program, streamlining the transition from a bachelor's degree to a master's degree for students. This innovative program simplifies the application process for students, requiring only one application and acceptance step. [MORE](#)



Victor Issa, an award-winning sculptor and acclaimed artist, has completed a 3/4 life-size clay sculpture for bronze titled "Moses, A Life of Miracles." This extraordinary work of art intricately chronicles the life of Moses from infancy to his contemplative moments on Mount Nebo. The reveal is set to take center stage during the August 2024 Believe the Promise International Pathfinder Camporee. [MORE](#)

ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS

[Hanson Place Seventh-Day Adventist Church Launches Affordable Housing Lottery for Fort Greene Apartments, Offering Rents From \\$910/Month. \(N.Y.\)](#)

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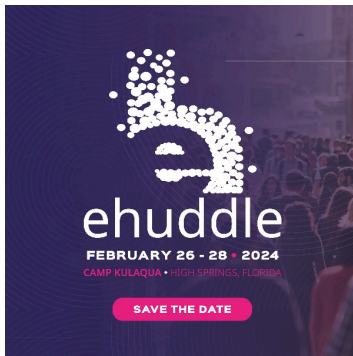
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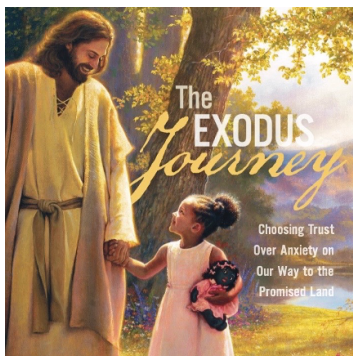
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Get ready for an unforgettable experience at ehuddle 2024! Held from Feb. 26-28 at Camp Kulaqua, Fla., we welcome pastors and volunteer lay pastors to join this event. Alongside union and conference leaders, dive into discussions with our South Pacific Division guests, exploring innovative church growth and evangelism practices. Don't miss out — free registration opens soon, and offers access, daily lunches, and exclusive gear. Note: Lodging is separate, with additional meal options available.



Beginning in January, 2024, a popular program will be added to LifeTalk Radio. It airs every Saturday at 10 p.m. *The Incredible Journey* is a dynamic, insightful, Bible-based program hosted by Pastor Gary Kent who provides Biblical answers to the questions of today. Pastor Kent takes his listeners on fascinating adventures around the world to various locations sharing interesting stories from the Bible, the world of archaeology and history. Listen online at: lifetalk.net or use the handy LifeTalk Radio App, a free download at: lifetalk.net/connect



Jesus 101 has just released *The Exodus Journey* audio book by Dr. Elizabeth Talbot.

The Exodus Journey is about choosing trust over anxiety, and dives into Israel's journey to the Promised Land, inviting readers to consider their own daily walk towards the heavenly Canaan, trusting God to be their Redeemer, Provider, and Guide. Jesus 101 audiobooks are completely free and available for streaming on demand. The Exodus Journey can be accessed here [<https://jesus101.tv/listen/?media=40780>].



Attention Educators! Check out the Winter 2023 edition of the NAD Adventist Education

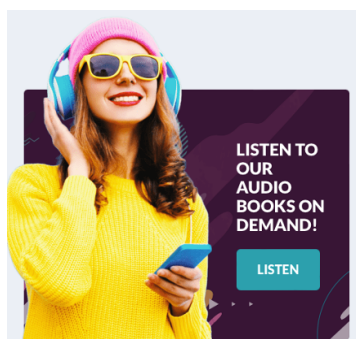
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View the 2018-2023 NAD Adventist Education Progress Report by clicking [HERE](#). The purpose of this report is to describe the status of education in the North American Division, including early childhood through higher education programs. View the full report at [this link](#).



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Breath of Life: Fresh Start Sundays now airing on LifeTalk Radio! Four new inspirational programs have been added to the line up from Breath of Life Ministries. The first and third Sundays of the month will feature *Scripture Lab* hosted by Pastor Debleaire Snell, speaker/director for Breath of Life. On the second Sunday of the month listen to *Point of View*, a program on marriage and family life, hosted by Snell and his wife, Gianna. The program on the fourth Sunday is called *Vision Sunday*, hosted by Snell and Kirk Nugent. On months with a fifth Sunday, Pastor Snell will host a program focusing on lifestyle and well-being called *Healthier U*. For a complete LifeTalk program schedule for your time zone visit: lifetalk.net/program-schedule



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VIEWPOINTS



Putting Our Trust in God

"He put a new song in my mouth,
a hymn of praise to our God.
Many will see and fear the Lord
and put their trust in him."

— *Psalms 40:3, NIV*

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