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NEWSPOINTS

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At the Pathfinder Bible Experience, more than 2,500 Pathfinders, supporters, and

volunteers packed the Island Grove Event Center in snowy Greeley, Colo., from April 19-20, for the final stage of the NAD's test of Bible knowledge. [MORE](#)



Arne P. Nielsen, vice president for the Office of Education for the North American Division, passed

to his rest on June 3, after several days in the intensive care unit dealing with complications from an acute illness. He was 64. [MORE](#)



On May 29, the NAD Executive Committee has voted to approve Pentecost 2025, an initiative to be launched for church leaders and members alike to seek the Holy Spirit's power and mobilize for evangelism with the goal of holding at least 3,000 proclamation initiatives division wide in 2025. Starting in July, Adventists with approval from their church board can sign up to be part of Pentecost 2025, with the option to apply for startup funds. [MORE](#)



On May 16, Oakwood University president Leslie Pollard was officially invited by Clark Gilbert, commissioner of the Church Educational System of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, and co-chair of the American Council on Education's (ACE) inaugural Commission on Faith-based Universities, to join the inaugural executive committee for this newly formed advocacy organization. [MORE](#)

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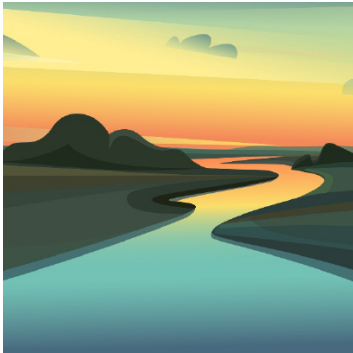
[Harlem Church Offers Vegan Cooking Classes to Promote Healthy Lifestyle \(N.Y.\)](#)

[Adventist Health Tillamook Sponsors North County Recreation District Therapy Pool \(Ore.\)](#)

[Groundbreaking Ozempic Study – Conducted in Part at Adventhealth – Could Increase Access for People With Chronic Kidney Disease \(Fla.\)](#)

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Beginning in June, four new inspirational programs produced by Breath of Life

Ministries will begin airing on LifeTalk Radio. They include: "The Playbook", "Point of View", "Vision Lab", and "What Just Happened." Each of the *Weekend Exhale* series air on a different Sunday during the month. Hosts include: Debleaire and Gianna Snell, Kurt Nugent and Danita Jones. For a complete program schedule for your time zone, please visit: lifetalk.net/program-schedule. Listen to this and other great programs on our FREE APP. Download it at: lifetalk.net/connect



This quarter on *It Is Written Sabbath School*, Mark Finley joins Eric Flickinger to discuss the great controversy. A new half-hour program is released every Sabbath that coordinates with the lesson study. Watch on YouTube or It Is Written TV at itiswritten.tv/sabbath-school.



Come with us as we explore [Thunder Island](#) and discover from where the thunder is coming! At Thunder Island VBS kids will explore the beauty of Thunder Island, a place where God speaks to us from the thunder to tell us how much He loves us! And learn more about Jesus through Bible stories from the Gospel of John, engage in other really cool island activities, and enjoy a refreshing snack at Coconut Cafe. Thunder Island has five days of Christ-centered activities that help kids see that God is always with us. *Reeeelaxx!*



Catch fresh episodes of *Authentic* each week! Shawn Boonstra and our production team are thrilled to bring you a new season of *Authentic*, which began airing on March 29. Stay tuned for brand-new episodes on the history of the Bible; beauty, evil, and desire; the lure of conspiracies and horoscopes, and more fascinating topics. New episodes of *Authentic* are released Friday evenings at 7 ET — you can watch them on our [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#) channels, plus at vop.com/authentic.



Host an exciting Discovery Mountain event at your local church this summer with the engaging "Rescued: Safe in Jesus" five-day Vacation Bible School (VBS) program! This immersive experience is designed to captivate children's imaginations while teaching them important lessons about faith and safety in Jesus. Through interactive activities, captivating stories, and fun games, children will embark on a memorable adventure that reinforces biblical truths and builds lasting friendships. Don't miss this opportunity to make a positive impact in your community. For more details and to get started, learn more [here](#).



Would your Pathfinder like a free Camporee pin? It's all theirs when they complete the Pathfinder Bible Study Challenge and personally attend the 2024 International Pathfinder Camporee! [Learn more](#) about this opportunity to grow a Pathfinder's faith ... and pin collection!



Jesus 101 has new and free downloadable activity worksheets and coloring pages for kids! These resources also have accompanying animated videos that will help kids discover Jesus in the stories of the Bible in a fun and instructive manner. These valuable resources are perfect for churches, schools, and families. Jesus 101 is always working to develop new biblical studies resources for kids. To download these activity sheets, coloring pages, or to view the animated videos, visit www.Jesus101.tv/4kids.



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"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer."

— *Romans 12:12, NIV*

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