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NEWSPOINTS

July 3, 2024



From August 5-11, roughly 60,000 young people from 100 countries will transform the Gillette Cam-Plex Facilities into a tent and RV city. Over numerous site visits since 2020, camporee officials have found significant interest among community members in attending the nighttime mainstage events. However, because minors attend the camporee, background checks would be necessary for these additional guests. Thus, camporee leaders decided to host a “night at the camporee” on August 4, which will offer community members a 90-



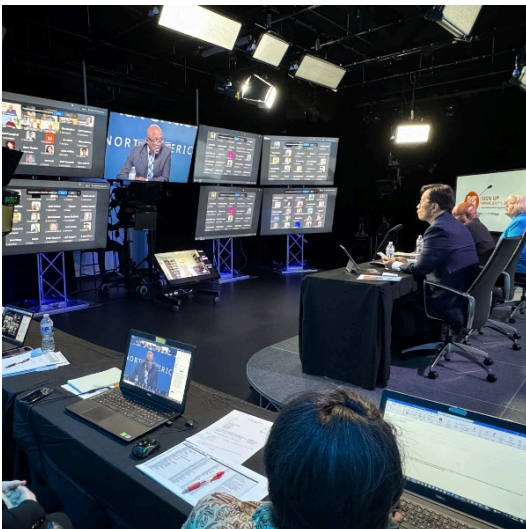
Four Southern Adventist University students won awards at the 2023-24 American Advertising (ADDY) Awards in Chattanooga, Tenn., this spring, beating out thousands of other applicants in the student bracket. Hosted by the American Advertising Federation, the ADDY Awards are the largest creative competition in the world, with a tiered competition starting locally. [MORE](#)

minute sneak peek of the "Believe the Promise" evening program. [MORE](#)



For many, the pull of uncovering ancient relics and the mysteries of the past is an irresistible draw.

Southwestern Adventist University offers a unique opportunity to step back in time with its Dino Dig Experience, a dinosaur excavation research project in the Lance Formation of eastern Wyoming, United States. This program, held annually in June, brings together students, families, and international participants to uncover and study dinosaur fossil remains. [MORE](#)



El Pentecostés impactó dramáticamente a la iglesia



On April 25, scores of job seekers filed into the gymnasium of the Altamonte Springs Seventh-day

Adventist Church in Florida to dialogue with local businesses about job opportunities. Each job seeker had the chance to speak with several local businesses and apply for jobs. After conversing with potential employers, many applicants stopped by the prayer table before leaving, seeking God's blessing in their job search. A few weeks later, CFEC Director Paulette Weir indicated that 226 job seekers and 17 employment agencies attended the program. Remarkably, 157 individuals gained employment after the event. Pastor Dion Henry attributed the impressive success of the program to the prayers of church members. [MORE](#)

primitiva. De hecho, muchos

cristianos consideran Pentecostés como la fecha de nacimiento de la iglesia cristiana (ver Hechos 2). Ese día, la iglesia se multiplicó en número de 120 a 3.000 creyentes. Pentecostés marca el cumplimiento de la promesa de Jesucristo de enviar el Espíritu Santo para empoderar y guiar a sus discípulos. [MÁS](#)



It Is Written is pleased to announce that it has received 14 Telly Awards this year. The awards received highlight It is Written's versatility and excellence in media production, with several programs earning multiple honors. [MORE](#)

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[2 North Bay Hospitals Awarded Top Marks for Social Responsibility \(Calif.\)](#)

[A Musical Way of Healing Stroke Patients, Adventhealth Starts New Orchestra Program \(Fla.\)](#)

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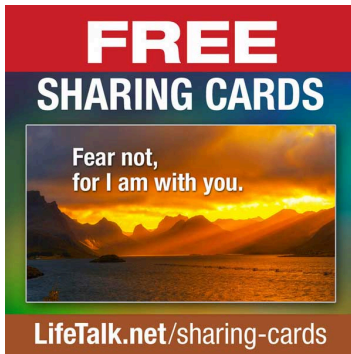
[Generosity Refreshes Scuba Program at Southern Adventist University \(Tenn.\)](#)

[UCSF Health, Adventist Health, and Madera County Officials Announce Proposal To Reopen Madera Community Hospital \(Calif.\)](#)

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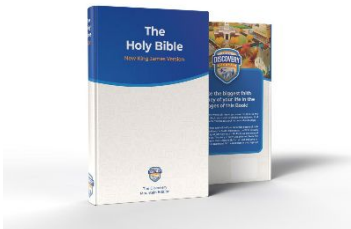
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Planning a trip this summer? Why not let others know they matter to God? It's so easy with free printed sharing cards from LifeTalk Radio. Hand a beautiful card to your waiter, the lonely person in the lobby, the lady in the grocery line, or someone you meet in the park or at the beach. You never know the impact you can have by sharing a small card with a powerful message. Plan right now to be a witness for Jesus. Order a selection of sharing cards at: [LifeTalk.net/sharing-cards](#). Stock up now. There are many to choose from—and they're all FREE. We even cover the shipping and handling charges!



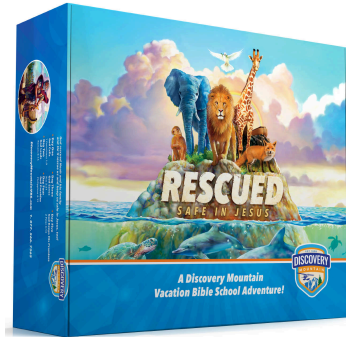
The NAD Prison Ministries Department is excited to announce its inaugural Cross-Reach Conference, taking place virtually in July. Join us for inspirational and informative presentations designed for current and prospective Prison Ministries participants. This virtual event will be held on Zoom on July 12 from 6 to 9 p.m.; and July 13 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. [Registration](#) is now open for this free event!



Pre-order the Discovery Mountain Bible today! This Bible features all-new, high-quality art to bring to life some of your family's favorite stories and characters from the Bible. Learn more [here](#).



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.



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](#).



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. *Reeelaxx!*



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.



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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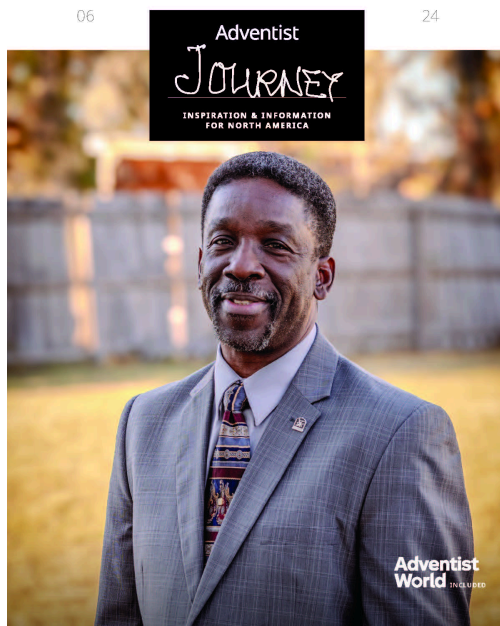
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VIEWPOINTS



Give it to God

"I found out the best way to de-stress ... is to take [the] issues that we deal with and give them to Jesus, rolling it over to Jesus.

"Whatever you've got, no matter how big it is, or how small it is, put it on Him. Put it on His plate because He can handle it. The Bible says, 'I'm the Lord God, is there anything too hard for me?' [Jer. 32:27, paraphrased]."

— *Calvin Watkins, NAD vice president, during staff worship on July 3, 2024*

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