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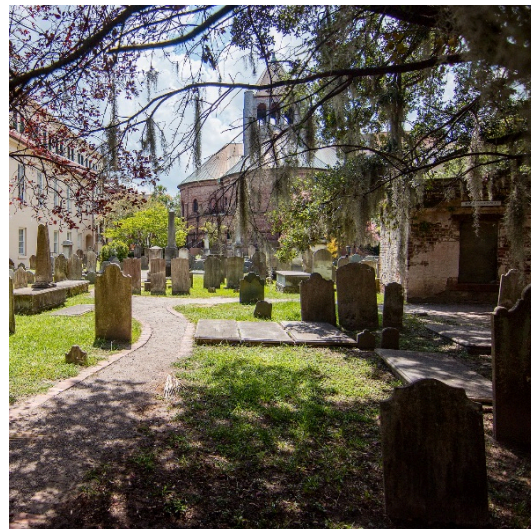
News and Information from the North American Division

# NEWSPOINTS

June 25, 2025



**From April 25-26, more than 3,000 Pathfinders, supporters, and volunteers packed the arena** in historic Battle Creek, Michigan, for Pathfinder Bible Experience: a weekend of worship, Bible knowledge testing, and celebration. On Sabbath, April 26, 185 teams — the second highest number ever — gathered in person from across North America and beyond. [MORE](#)



**I have a confession to make. I have a habit, some might call it a morbid one, but wherever I go,** whatever city I'm visiting, I will find myself in the oldest cemetery in town, walking among the dead. I can go to a cemetery, and stay for two hours, three hours, and I walk up and down reading the tombstones. I like to ponder: Who was this person? What was their life? [READ MORE](#)



**As Adventists today embrace Pentecost 2025 it is important to remember some cutting-edge innovations for Adventist outreach and evangelism that took place during the 1990s.** Some three decades later it may be difficult to fully appreciate just how new (and at times even startling) these efforts were. Such discussions began in 1993 when the NAD leadership participated in a series of satellite broadcasts. [MORE](#)



**On May 16, a powerful EF-3 tornado tore through St. Louis, Mo., and continued into Madison County, Ill.,** reaching wind speeds of up to 152 mph and spanning 22.8 miles. NAD Adventist Community Services (ACS) is partnering with the Mid-America Union Conference, local churches, civic leaders, and other Adventist entities to provide ongoing disaster relief. [MORE](#)



**Community health is a crucial element of nursing that takes place beyond the hospital setting.** During the fall semester of this school year, in his course Population and Community Health Nursing, John



**The Department of Music at Andrews University has recently received several generous donations in the form of musical instruments.** These instruments will be housed in either Hamel Hall or the Howard Performing Arts Center and will be used

Singletary, instructor in the Southern Adventist University School of Nursing, enabled students to put those ideals into practice. [MORE](#)

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by various music students, faculty, and performers. [MORE](#)

## ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS

[Adventist Health Portland: Student Healthcare Leaders Program \(Fla.\)](#)

[Red Vines and Remission: A Celilo Cancer Patient's Journey \(Fla.\)](#)

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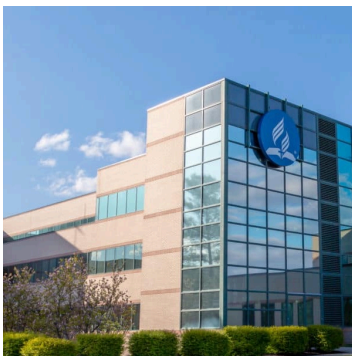
[Southern Adventist Social Work Students Assist Anti-poverty Program \(Tenn.\)](#)

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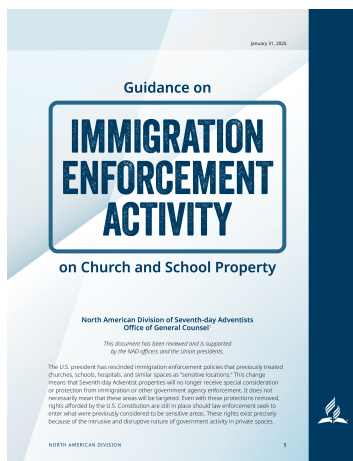
## ANNOUNCEMENTS & RESOURCES



**Our regularly scheduled NAD NewsPoints will be not be published next week.** Please check out the NAD's social media ([Facebook](#), Twitter (X), [Instagram](#)) for new content, or visit the NAD Homepage for [news](#) and much more. [Click here](#) to read/watch *Adventist Journey* magazine stories and videos. And look for news updates from the 2025 General Conference Session, which begins next week!



**The General Conference Session is the highest governing body of the Adventist Church.** Convened every five years, except in rare/extraordinary circumstances, this global gathering brings together thousands of delegates, church leaders, and members to worship, elect leadership, vote on policy, and seek God's guidance for the Church's future. As the Church gears up for the July 3 start of the 2025 session, [read more here](#). And to follow along the GC coverage of the event, visit [this page](#).



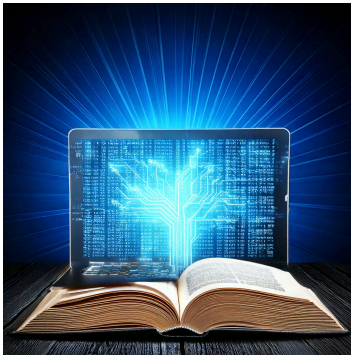
**The North American Division has provided for churches and schools the** document entitled "Guidance on Immigration Enforcement Activity on Church and School Property." These guidelines, prepared by the NAD Office of General Counsel, have been reviewed — and is supported by — the NAD officers and union presidents. [CLICK HERE](#) for the guidelines in English. [Spanish](#)- and [French](#)-language versions have been published and all are also available under the [NAD website "Guidelines"](#) tab.



**Passionate Leader is a dynamic leadership event (held Sept. 4-6) for any woman** who wants to grow in faith and influence — whether you're leading women's ministries or a woman who simply feels called to invest in the lives of other women. At the Passionate Leader Summit, you'll be equipped with the tools you need to lead with confidence—from discipling women and ministering with a trauma-informed perspective, to creating a budget, mentoring future leaders, and connecting across generations. You'll also gain valuable tools in using social media and marketing to extend your reach. [Register](#) today!



**Just because summer is here and school is out, does not mean that learning needs to stop.** Discover how to help your kids continue to learn through home school activities. *Homeschool Companion* is dedicated to home-based education by making the most of the learning experience through student centeredness and differentiated instruction. Hosted by Rose Gamblin, the programs focus on educational strategies, techniques and inspirational themes. *Homeschool Companion* airs weekly on LifeTalk Radio. Check the program schedule for your time zone at: [lifetalk.net/program-schedule](http://lifetalk.net/program-schedule). It is also available as a podcast at: [lifetalk.net/podcast-lineup](http://lifetalk.net/podcast-lineup)



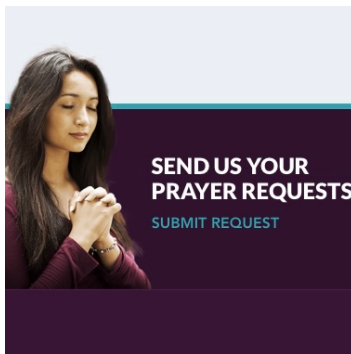
**Take your ministry beyond the pulpit and into the digital world.** This Adventist Learning Community course empowers pastors and church leaders to harness the power of AI tools to transform sermon content into engaging, shareable social media posts. You'll learn how to optimize sermon videos, design eye-catching visuals, and use online engagement tools to grow your church's digital presence. By the end of the course, you'll have the skills and confidence to combine AI technologies with creative strategies—amplifying your message, reaching new audiences, and spreading the gospel far beyond your local community. [LEARN MORE.](#)



### **Discover Two Powerful Stories of Faith and Transformation—Free from AWR!**

**WISAM: A Life of Miracles** tells the inspiring journey of Wisam Ali, whose life was transformed by the love of Jesus. **Modern-Day Miracles**, by AWR President Duane McKey, shares jaw-dropping stories of lives changed around the world. Both books are powerful reminders that God is still in the business of miracles.

Download your free copies today at [awr.org/books](http://awr.org/books).



**Are you in need of encouragement, hope, or prayer?** Jesus 101's prayer warriors would be honored to pray for your specific request. Our prayer team meets every Wednesday to pray over received prayer requests. Click [here](#) to submit your prayer request online.



**Join us for an engaging discussion of religious freedom issues on our show Faith and Politics.** From laws that impact faith communities to challenges facing religious organizations and communities around the world, our experienced panel of experts will provide thoughtful insight on these fundamental questions of liberty. Visit [faithandpolitics.tv](http://faithandpolitics.tv) today!



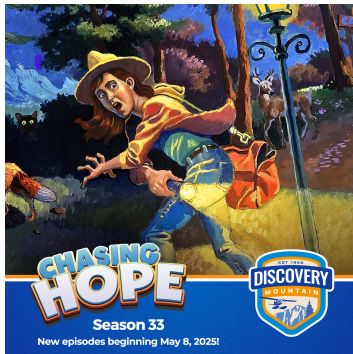
## Jesus 101 has the perfect daily devotional podcast to help you connect to God daily.

*Jesus Wins!* is an audio devotional that revisits the stories of Jesus, touches on His graceful ways, and shares applicable truths found in His simple yet profound messages. Listeners can see His tender, loving care for those around Him. No element of His life is too small to provide insight, and these insights will revitalize your life! Click [here](#) for access to these free daily devotionals.



## New quarter of It Is Written Sabbath

**School!** This quarter (starting June 28) on It Is Written Sabbath School, join host Eric Flickinger and study author Dr. Jiří Moskala as they dig into this quarter's study, "Exodus," and shed light on Moses' life and the God of the Old Testament. A new half-hour program is released every Saturday at 3:00 p.m. EDT. Watch on YouTube or It Is Written TV. [YouTube](#) or [It Is Written TV](#).



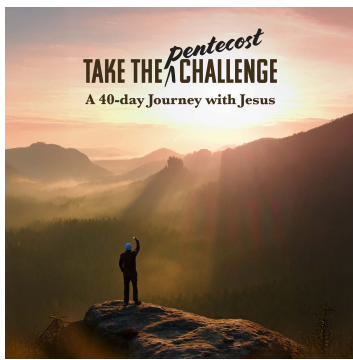
## “Chasing Hope,” an all-new season

**of Discovery Mountain, begins May 8!** Summer camp has started—and so has a new mystery! Missing items and a new Ranger Station Camp push campers to chase something more enduring than fun: hope. Listen along and exercise your faith. [Click here](#) to explore the latest episodes and stories from Discovery Mountain.



## Discovery Mountain has resources to help your school run a Pentecost 2025 event!

Grow the faith of your students with our plug-and-play Week of Prayer program, Flyover Faith, and immerse them in the Word of God with our fun-filled Expedition Bible Guides, beautifully illustrated NKJV Bible, and easy-to-use study aids. [Click here](#) to learn more and view our resources.



**Ready to strengthen your faith and grow in confidence in God's promises?** Embark on a 40-day journey with Jesus, designed not for mere fasting or prayer, but for intentional, daily time with Him. This challenge, starting now, is all about personal spiritual growth and transformation—a journey to be inspired, empowered, and changed from the inside out. Over these 40 days, deepen your relationship with Jesus and experience the life-changing power of consistent time in His presence. Embrace the challenge and be transformed! Click [here](#) to learn more.



**Lifestyle with Roy Ice has just released a new season of episodes.** This award-winning talk show focuses on living your best life; featuring discussions, interviews, and demonstrations centered around whole life health. Some of the guests from this season include: Alison Arngim, Dean Butler, Nikki DeLoach, Billy Gardell, J. Scott Reed, Lara Love Hardin, Josh and Lauren Swickard, and many more. To watch the latest shows, visit: [www.lifestyle.org](http://www.lifestyle.org).



**Season 9 of Authentic is in full swing! Join host Shawn Boonstra** as he cuts to the core of our fallen human nature and heaven's radical remedy. He digs into the deep meaning of God's moral law, the powerful relevancy of each of His commandments, and the failure of human philosophy to capture the truth about His character. New episodes come out every Friday at 7 ET—catch them on our [Facebook](#), [YouTube](#), and at [vop.com/authentic](http://vop.com/authentic).



**Every seven minutes, someone in the U.S. begins to lose their sight. Just as Christ** ministered to the individual needs of each person He met, Christian Record Services strives to bring hope, encouragement, and spiritual growth to all who are navigating vision loss—wherever they are on their journey. Thank you for partnering with us to make a difference. Learn more at [ChristianRecord.org](http://ChristianRecord.org)

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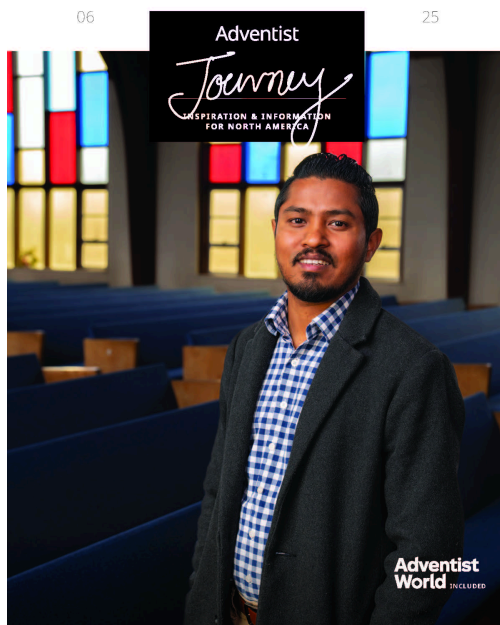
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### Holy Spirit Reminders

"But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you."

— *John 14:26, NIV*

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