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A Letter From the President of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in North America

Dear Partner in Ministry,

Research has found that 69 percent of abuse victims go to their pastor for support before seeking help anywhere else. Our church leaders must be equipped to respond. Too many lives have been broken because of abuse; we *must* address this issue. I'd like to tell you about two important ways you can be involved.

On September 24 (in Spanish) and 25 (in English) the North American Division is providing a very important division-wide enditnow Summit on Abuse for pastors and church leaders. This meeting will be live streamed from 1-5 p.m. from the new NAD office, and is entitled, "Keeping the people in your school, church, and camp safe."

The purpose of this live-streamed event is two-fold. First, we want our churches to be educated on how to prevent abuse in their communities. Second, we want to support you as pastors and church leaders by providing quality resources to understand better how to lead morally and legally if abuse does take place in your church setting.

You may wish to gather together in area pastors' meetings or simply watch the live-streamed event on your own. There will be presentations by highly-qualified individuals on moral, legal, and counseling perspectives. And you can receive continuing education credit for your participation.

The sign-up information for this free event can be found at <https://www.enditnownorthamerica.org>. I encourage you to attend so we can move forward together and end the violence now.

I also encourage you to hold an enditnow Emphasis Day. This year it fell on August 25; next year it will be on August 24 (the fourth Sabbath in August). This is an official day on the North American Division Church calendar and is an ideal time to inform your church members and community on the issues surrounding domestic violence and abuse. We have provided everything needed to host this day of emphasis: a sermon, seminar, corresponding presentations and suggested activities: <https://www.enditnownorthamerica.org/ein-emphasis-day>. This year's presentation was entitled, "'Words That Wound: The Trauma of Emotional Abuse.'"

Yours in mission,

Daniel R. Jackson
President

[This letter contains information originally sent to pastors in June 2018; summit is free of charge — [link to register to watch summit online.](#)]



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