

News and Information from the North American Division

NEWSPOINTS

June 13, 2019



Barry C. Black, 62nd Chaplain of the U.S. Senate, has been named Becket's 2019 Canterbury Medalist for his honorable defense of religious liberty for people of all faiths. The Canterbury Medal, Becket's highest honor, recognizes an individual who has demonstrated courage and commitment to defending religious liberty in America and around the world. MORE



During the first weekend of June 2019, almost 600 people from across the U.S. gathered for the biannual North American Division's Myanmar Multilingual Convention held at Timber Ridge Camp in Spencer, Ind. <u>MORE</u>



Pastors from across the U.S., Canada, Guam-Micronesia, and Bermuda gathered in Ontario, Calif., from May 13-16, for the NAD Asian-Pacific Pastors' Convention. About 400 pastors and spouses registered for the convention. MORE



Is summer camp evangelistic? Evangelism is the act of publicly sharing the good news of Jesus Christ by our words or actions. We have programs for kids such as Sabbath School, Vacation Bible School, day cares, summer camps, and even our Christian educational system. We see them as ministries, but are they evangelistic too? <u>READ MORE</u>.

ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS

Video: Blythe Church Helps Stranded Immigrants

U.S. Representative Williams Visits Southwestern Adventist University (Texas)

Seventh-day Adventist Church Commemorates 150 Years of Camp Events (Minn.)

<u>College Place Selects New Flag, Logo Incorporating Seventh-day Adventist Church</u> (Wash.)

Glendale Residents Get Lifesaving Lessons During Sidewalk CPR Event (Calif.)

Agencies Wrestling with Ways to Connect Disaster Victims with Donations Site (Mo.)

Buckets of Cleaning Supplies Available for Flood Victims (Okla.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS & RESOURCES



Society of Adventist Communicators



Did you know that June 15 is Refugee

Sabbath? This is a local-church driven event. Only you can make it happen! Here are some ideas for planning a Sabbath that focuses on God's heart for refugees: Show "The Tenth" film (less than three minutes, available at <u>refugeeministries.org</u> or on <u>YouTube</u>) to your congregation; and use the resources <u>HERE</u> in planning your church service. Refugees deeply appreciate simple friendship!

Get the SAC earlybird rate until June 14! You are invited to the 30th annual convention of the Society of Adventist Communicators, Oct. 17-19, in Albuquerque, NM. Join us for three full days of engaging keynotes, workshops, local media tours, panel discussions, and networking sessions. Price goes up after June 14! Register <u>HERE</u>.

scattered families with faith communities who can nurture them in their heart language through Refugee Camp Meetings. <u>Click here</u> for a list of more than a dozen summer events across the division for most of ARIM's 17 language groups.

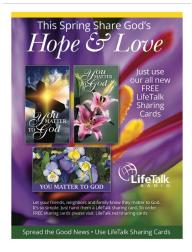
Refugees are often lonely here. Connect

Register now for the NAD SDA Attorneys

Conference & Retreat! The General Conference Office of General Counsel invites all attorneys in the NAD to the conference to be held in Howey-In-The-Hills, Fla., on Sept. 26-29. Keynote speaker is Hon. Justice David Kenny Maraga, Chief Justice and President of the Supreme Court of Kenya. Attending attorneys can



receive 10 continuing legal education credits. Early bird pricing now: for registration/more info, <u>CLICK HERE</u>; for hotel reservation, <u>CLICK HERE</u>.



Share the hope of our risen Savior with new "You Matter to God" Sharing Cards this Spring!

Share this important hope-filled message with your family, friends, neighbors, and community contacts. Cards are perfect for sharing your faith one-on-one, and during church outreach events in your community. A great little gift for everyone, they are FREE from LifeTalk Radio. Just order the new LifeTalk Sharing Cards online at <u>www.lifetalk.sharing-cards/</u>.

EVENTS CALENDAR

June

- 15 Refugee Sabbath
- 15 Offering: Local Church Budget
- 29 Offering: Union Designated
- 29 Thirteenth Sabbath Offering

July

- 6 <u>Offering:</u> Local Church Budget
- 13 <u>Griggs University</u>
- 13 <u>Offering:</u> North American Division (Emphasis: <u>Women's Ministries</u>)

June Focus: Church Growth and Evangelism

Adventist Mission

July Focus: Adventist Lifestyle

Adventist Mission

Camp Meeting

27 Offering: Local Conference Advance

ADVENTIST JOURNEY



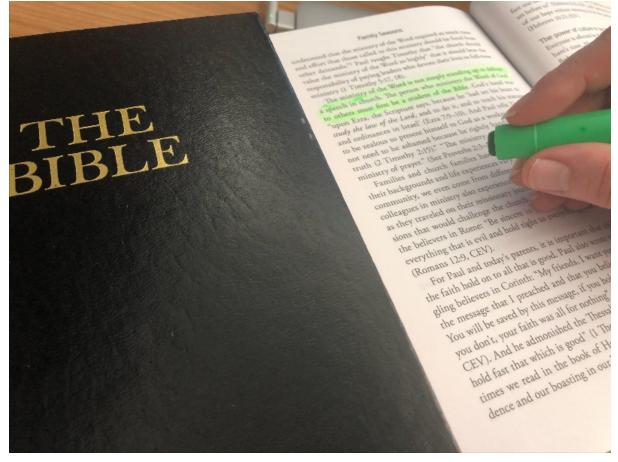
Feature: "Finding Purpose for Youth Sabbath School Starts by Asking 'Why?' and 'How?'" by Steve Case and Hubert Cisneros, pp. 04-07

NAD News Briefs: "Jerry Thomas, Adventist Author of Nearly 60 Books, Passes to His Rest," "At Festival, Southwestern Adventist University Hosts Premier of 'Psalm 23,"" "Versacare Foundation Awards \$1.15 Million to Adventist Schools to Support STEM Education," "Paradise Prayer Warriors Earn First-Place PBE Award," "International Pathfinder Camporee Tickets Sell Out in Record Time," "Adventist Church in Canada Elects New Treasurer and Undertreasurer," pp. 108-11

Perspective: "This Church Knows," by Gabriela Phillips, p. 13

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VIEWPOINTS



Student of the Bible

"The ministry of the Word is not simply standing up to deliver a speech in church. The person who ministers the Word of God to others must first be a student of the Bible."

- Claudio and Pamela Consuegra, NAD Family Ministries directors, in Family Seasons, Adult Sabbath School Bible Study Guide second quarter companion book, p. 104

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