

NEWSPOINTS

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Remember Y2K? Although we've been told in quite a few places in Scripture "about that day or hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father" (Mark 13:32), that hasn't stopped us from trying to figure out when "people will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory" (verse 26). As evidenced by history, this is an exercise in futility. [READ MORE](#) for lessons to take into 2020.



As the NAD Family Ministries start 2020, they recall that 2019 was a very special year for them as they celebrated 100 years since Family Ministries was officially established as an intricate part of the mission of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. [READ](#) about 2019 and department plans for 2020.



LifeTalk Radio, a media ministry of the North American Division, has reported a surge in listeners after providing free cards for people to share with others with the message “You Matter to God” and station information. The cards have grown in popularity in 2019. [MORE](#)



Social media and modern technologies have eased entry into the world of telling stories, sharing ideas, and expressing thoughts through creative visual content to a wide audience. You can now create content for evangelism and discipleship. Wondering where to start? [READ](#) this blog.

ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS

[Avista Adventist Hospital Louisville Turkey Trot Raises \\$15,000 for Community Food Share \(Colo.\)](#)

[Local Religious Institutions Look to Increase Security and Safety \(Ore.\)](#)

[History: In 1945, Dorcas Society Women Work 930 Hours In Three Months, Sending Garments Overseas \(Ore.\)](#)

[AdventHealth Doctor Shows How to Lose Weight With Plant-Based Diet and Fasting](#)

[Marstudio Redesigns and Develops Washington Adventist University’s Website \(Md.\)](#)

[Adventists Help Provide Assistance for Families in Need in Memphis \(Tenn.\)](#)

[Church Member Makes a Difference in His Community \(Okla.\)](#)

Announcements & Resources



Protect Your Ministry—Register for Safety Sabbath 2020! Do you want to help your church members feel safe and prepared to act when emergencies occur? Safety Sabbath is an opportunity for churches to implement safety practices and emergency planning. Your church can create and practice an emergency drill, so you and your members can stay safe during a crisis. Register your church for SafetySabbath2020 and join in the fifth annual nationwide safety event! Get started at SafetySabbath.com.



The 2020 NAD Human Resources Conference will be held on April 26-28, 2020. The conference is planned for all conference/union human resources directors, secretaries, treasurers, academy treasurers, education directors, and university VPs of finance. Get [Early Bird registration](#) through February 27! [Reserve a hotel](#) by March 26.



NEW FAITH-SHARING CARDS from LifeTalk Radio are now available. See the newest “You Matter to God” sharing card designs at <https://lifetalk.net/sharing-cards/>.

Pacific Press and Jesus 101 Release the 2020 Daily Devotional Book, *Jesus Wins!* Elizabeth Talbot, speaker/director for the Jesus 101 Biblical Institute, has authored the newly released 2020 daily devotional book for adults entitled *Jesus Wins!* Revisit the stories of Jesus and His followers in this life-



changing daily devotional. View the circumstances around you through the lenses of faith, and see Jesus more clearly. [WATCH](#) this video to learn more. Available now at www.adventistbookcenter.com and www.Jesus101.tv.



If you are a pastor, chaplain, volunteer lay pastor, administrator, Bible instructor, seminarian, pastor's spouse, son or daughter of a pastor, the CALLED Pastors' Family Convention is for you! If you have experienced great highs and lows in ministry, this convention is for you! If you have ever pastored a church or district, this convention is for you! [CLICK HERE](#) for more info. Dates: June 21-24.

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NAD Update: "Pastors and Seminary Students Attend Summit to Recognize and Stop Abuse" by Kimberly Luste Maran, pp. 08-10

NAD Update: "God in Shoes Coordinates Widespread Outreach to Serve Women and Their Families" by Mylon Medley, p. 11

Perspective: "The Best Gift" by Daniel R. Jackson, p. 13

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New Year, New Creation

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!"

— 2 Corinthians 5:17, NIV

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