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Daniel R. Jackson has served as president of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in North America for 10 years. He and his wife, Donna, an associate director for the NAD's Ministerial Association, are retiring on July 1. Dan Weber, NAD communication director, recently sat down with the Jacksons to talk about their ministry, church life, fond memories, and what they hope for the future for the church. [MORE](#)



Close to 20 pastors, church administrators and leaders, and experts addressed the 926 Zoom webinar users and 500 Facebook viewers participating in the "Let Justice Roll," the NAD's live, two-hour virtual conference on June 10, 2020. [MORE](#)



Six Adventists who work in essential roles during this time of uncertainty and crisis — each one answered a series of questions. Here are, in their own words (with editing for clarity only), glimpses into their lives and faith. We thank them and many others for their service, and encourage our readers to pray for them. [MORE](#)



Southern Adventist University is pleased to welcome Jason Merryman as the new vice president for Enrollment Management. Merryman is no stranger to Southern, having graduated



It Is Written will hold an online, health-focused evangelistic series called Take Charge of Your Health beginning June 22 at 7 p.m. EDT. The week-long series will feature interviews with medical experts, Bible study of wellness principles, and practical instruction in lifestyle change for health improvement. [MORE](#)



"When I had my daughter in June 2018, I fell into a well of post-partum depression. I was exhausted all the time. I felt listless. I didn't even realize I wasn't feeling happy; it was like

from the university in 1998 with a bachelor's degree in business; he then served as director of Financial Aid and Enrollment Services from 2005 to 2012.

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looking at life through a veil. It took me more than a year to accept that I needed help and finally, in October 2019, after an extremely difficult therapy session with my husband, I went to my doctor. I got help with medication and supplements, but it took me another month to take the plunge and call a therapist. It was the best decision I've ever made." [READ MORE](#)

ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS

[Adventist Health and CityServe Distribute Soup Packets for Families in Need \(Calif.\)](#)

[Tallahassee Spanish Seventh-day Adventist Church, Second Harvest Host Food Drive in Lake Jackson Area \(Fla.\)](#)

[Walkabout: Hill District Neighbors Gather in Prayer for a More Just America \(Pa.\)](#)

[Oakwood University Establishing a George Floyd Memorial Scholarship \(Ala.\)](#)

[Photos: Hundreds March for Black Lives Matter in Mountain View \(Calif.\)](#)

[Lowndes Churches Starting to Reopen \(Ga.\)](#)

[Daniel's Kitchen to Provide Free Community Meal Monday \(Mich.\)](#)

[Cadillac Youth Group Holds Food Drive for Community \(Mich.\)](#)

[Our Response to the Needs of the Homeless \(Calif.\)](#)

NAD ONLINE DURING COVID-19

Join a Webinar for local church VBS

leaders! Learn how to use Heroes Home Edition VBS to share VBS with the families in your church and community while they are at home! Join NAD Children's Ministries on Thursday, June 18, at 8 p.m. EDT for a



webinar that will cover all the details you need to lead this program, including ideas for recruiting families to participate. [CLICK HERE](#).



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NEW JESUS 101 DAILY DEVOTIONAL PODCASTS are available 365 days of the year, from the 2020 devotional book, *Jesus Wins!*, a book that is changing lives. A minister shared this story: His lifelong friend had fallen away from God; still this minister sent his friend *Jesus Wins!* as a gift. He read the entire book, surrendered his life to Jesus, and even asked his family for forgiveness! Praise God! For more information on this devotional podcast, visit Jesus101.tv.



NAD Youth & Young Adult Ministries streams Youth Sabbath School & Youth church every week on [Facebook LIVE!](#) Each Sabbath features different guest presenters and speakers. Join us on Sabbath morning at NEW TIMES:

- [NAD Youth church](#) 9:30 a.m. (EDT)
- [NAD Youth Sabbath School](#) 10 a.m. (EDT)

Voice of Prophecy has developed ShareYourFaithOnline.com to encourage church members to share their faith, especially in this time of quarantine. Even as social distancing restrictions ease

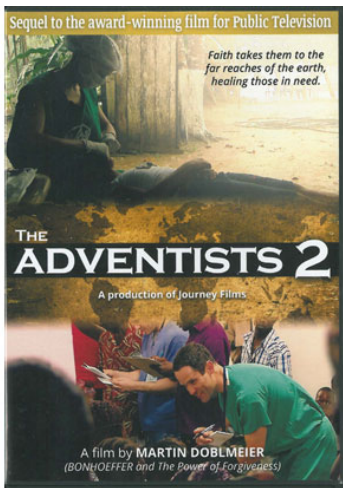


up, for evangelistic efforts to be successful going forward, they will need to include a strong online component. This website offers six tangible ways churches and their members can engage their communities online.



If the coronavirus disease has you stuck at home, the free, online Bible studies from It Is Written are a great way to share your faith with family, friends, neighbors, and coworkers (while keeping your distance!). The 25 lessons cover the major themes of the Bible using simple questions. Videos, photos, and historical information enrich the experience. The studies can be found at www.itiswritten.study.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & RESOURCES



The Adventists 2 is the story of how, for more than a century, Seventh-day Adventists have brought healthcare to some of the world's most remote regions. Filmed in Haiti, China, the Amazon, Africa, Peru, and the Dominican Republic, *The Adventists 2* is a collection of six stories that explore how people of faith are doing their part to change healthcare where it is needed most. Supplies are limited, so order now! Retail price: \$19.95; on sale now for \$5. [Watch](#) a preview; [order here](#).



Seminars Unlimited, in connection with Voice of Prophecy and AWR 360°, now offers a customizable postcard to showcase the services of your local church to the public. At this crucial time, share what your church is doing to serve the needs of your community. The 11"x6" card can be direct mailed to a zip code of your choice. Call (800) 982-3344 for more

information.



Sharing Hope is an online platform for reading and sharing some of the best Adventist books and tracts available. Sharing Hope trusts that the materials in their app will be one source of comfort, help, and encouragement to you and others. [CLICK HERE](#) to see the library of materials.

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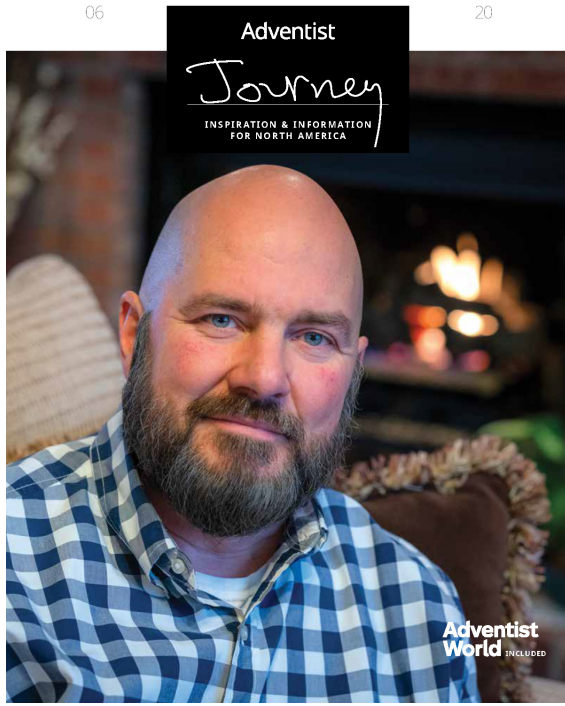
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VIEWPOINTS



Put Your Own Mask on First

"Put your own mask on first before helping someone else. . . . I remember early in my days of flying, the [airplane public service] announcement that a mask will drop down, and to put your own mask on before you attempt to help someone else. As we deal with multiple crises, global health crises, the challenges to the economy, the civil unrest, we need to stay replenished as people and servants of God. We need to put our own mask on first."

— *Barry Black, 62nd Chaplain of the United States Senate, during the NAD's "Let Justice Roll" virtual conference on June 10, 2020*

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