

NEWSPOINTS

June 4, 2020



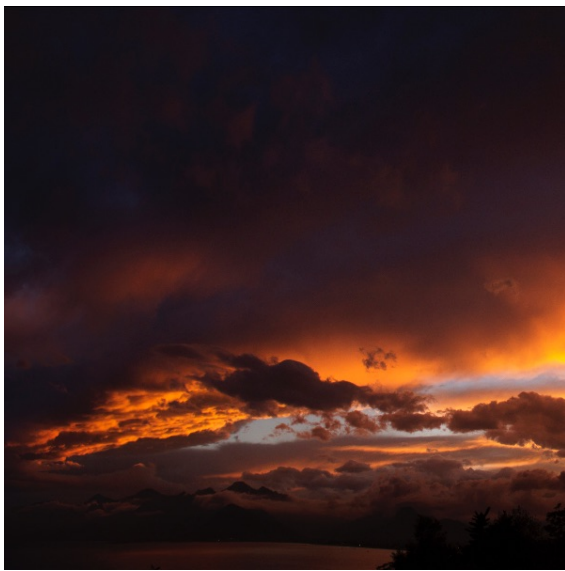
The COVID-19 pandemic disrupted plans for the 2020 Pathfinder Bible

Experience, which was set to take place April 17-18, in Salem, Oregon. Leaders were anticipating thousands to participate/observe the annual Bible testing for Pathfinders from across the NAD and beyond. Instead, a much smaller group joined a virtual event on April 18. [MORE](#)



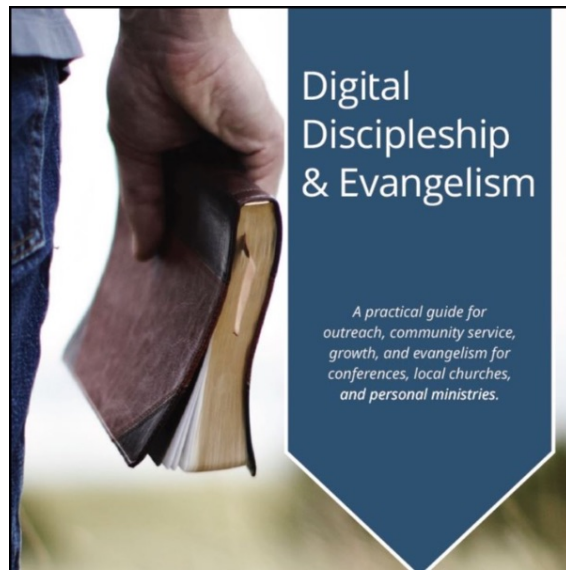
Last Friday, the NAD issued a response to recent deaths and racial turmoil in U.S. Here is a

quote: "We urge all our church members to prayerfully consider how they interact with everyone in their communities. We ask you to speak out against injustice and hatred, just as Jesus did when He was on this earth." Read the entire response in [English](#), [Spanish](#), or [French](#).



Elisha was hiding in Dothan from his enemies because they had become aware that he knew exactly what they were doing as they tried to thwart the plans of God's people. ... Today we see a vast army encircling the camp around us. What will we do in the face of [COVID-19] — this great, silent, and invisible enemy that has come against us?

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The NAD recently released its first guide to digital discipleship and evangelism. The Digital Discipleship and Evangelism Guidebook is a practical guide for outreach, community service, growth, and evangelism for conferences, local churches, and personal ministries.

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ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS

[11th Cir.: Seventh-day Adventist's Availability Posed Undue Hardship at Power Plant](#)

[Triage Tent at Adventist Health Lodi Memorial Comes Down \(Calif.\)](#)

[County Teams with Fort Worth Location for Mask Cleaning \(Tex.\)](#)

[Churches Allowed to Expand Openings as Walla Walla County Enters Phase 2 \(Wash.\)](#)

[Tulare County Churches Grapple with Reopening During Pandemic \(Calif.\)](#)

[Birmingham First Seventh-day Adventist Church Buys Hundreds of Gallons of Hand Sanitizer to Give Away \(Ala.\)](#)

[Md. Colleges Join Schools Nationwide Seeking Protection from Covid-Related Lawsuits](#)

NAD ONLINE DURING COVID-19



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6-7:30 pm EDT on Facebook Live
@ SDA Theological Seminary at Andrews University

June 8: Ministry in context of medical, theological, and administrative considerations
June 15: Ministry to children, youth, and the elderly
June 22: Ministry in light of domestic violence, grief, and loss



COVID-19 has altered life as we knew it; and that applies to many aspects of ministry and church life as well. Where do we go from here? The Christian Ministry Department of the SDA Theological Seminary at Andrews University is sponsoring a [three-week webinar event](#) designed to provide tools for pastors and other ministry professionals that will assist in navigating these uncharted waters. Please join us on Monday June 8, June 15, and June 22 for these informative discussions.



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:

- [NAD Youth Sabbath School](#) 9:30-10 a.m. (EDT)
- [NAD Youth church](#) 10:15-11 a.m. (EDT)

Our Sabbath School study and sermon airs multiple times each weekend on Friday, Saturday,

SABBATH SCHOOL

Study with authors of the Sabbath School quarterly, *How to Interpret Scripture*



HOST
Pastor John Bradshaw

GUEST
Dr. Michael Hasel

GUEST
Dr. Frank Hasel

WATCH

- Friday at 8:30 p.m. EDT
- Saturday at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. EDT

and Sunday on [It Is Written TV website](#). Past episodes of the programs can be viewed on demand at It Is Written TV or at these links: [Sabbath School](#) and [In The Word](#).



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.

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I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

Philippians 4:13

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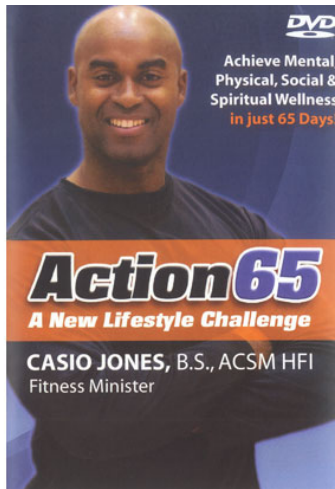
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If the coronavirus disease has you stuck at home, the free, online Bible studies from It Is Written are a great way to share your faith with family, friends, neighbors, and coworkers (while keeping your distance!). The 25 lessons cover the major themes 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 NAD **All-Night Prayer Call** is June 4-5, from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. Eastern Time. NAD prayer leaders will serve as "prayer hosts" throughout the night. Let's give thanks; let's share needs; let's pray together! Call 404-891-6338; access code is Prayer# (772937#).



ON SALE: Action65 is a 65-day challenge for for jumpstarting lasting lifestyle change. It will help you become physically stronger, identify your purpose in life, and most of all, help you have a deeper relationship with your Heavenly Father. The book includes workouts, meal plans, and vegetarian recipes, and the DVD features six empowering workouts for the whole body. Try the program and achieve mental, physical, social, and spiritual wellness in just 65 days! [BOOK](#), or [DVD](#).



Faith For Today is celebrating its 70th anniversary! *Faith For Today* was launched on WJZ-TV (now WABC-TV) in New York, NY at 9:30 p.m., Sunday, May 21, 1950. The broadcast, founded by William and Virginia Fagal, began a continuous broadcast ministry making it the first authentically national religious telecast in North America and the longest continuously aired broadcast next to Meet The Press. For more information on Faith For Today, please visit www.faithfortoday.tv.

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EVENTS CALENDAR

June

- 6 *Offering:* [Local Church Budget](#)
- 13 [Women's Ministries Emphasis Day](#)
- 13 *Offering:* [Local Church Budget](#)
- 20 [Refugee Sabbath](#)
- 20 *Offering:* [Local Church Budget](#)
- 27 *Offering:* [Local Conference Advance](#)
- 27 [Thirteenth Sabbath Offering: Trans-European Division](#)

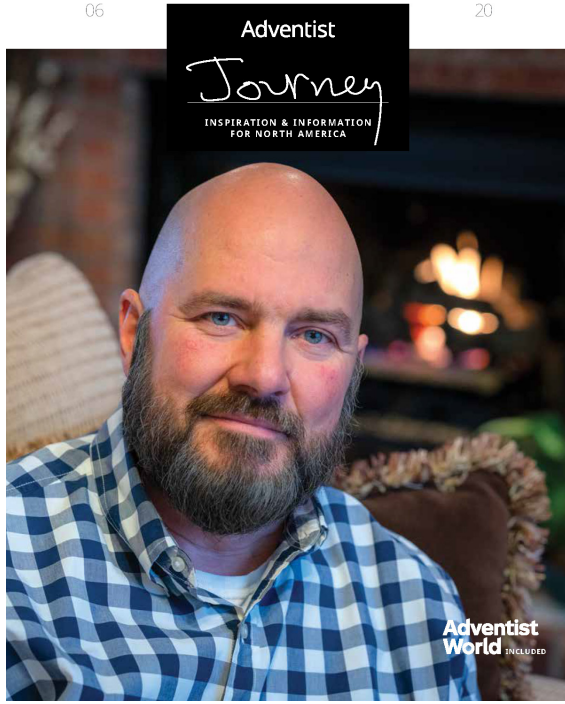
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VIEWPOINTS



Shallow and Lukewarm

“Shallow understanding from people of good will is more frustrating than absolute misunderstanding from people of ill will. Lukewarm acceptance is much more bewildering than outright rejection.”

— *Martin Luther King Jr., "Letter from Birmingham Jail," April 16, 1963*

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