

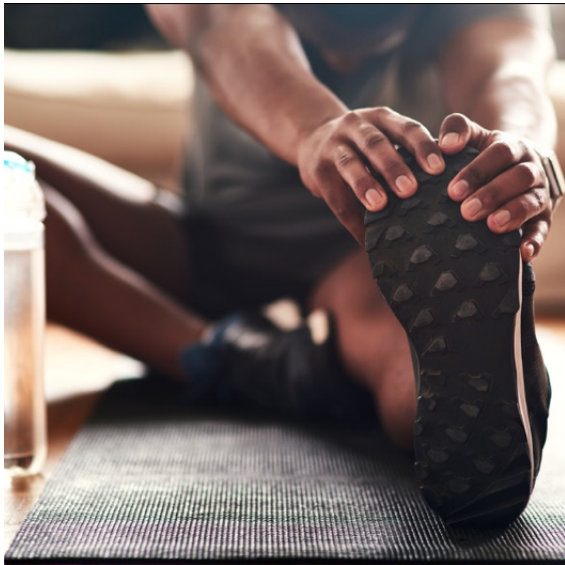


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NEWSPOINTS

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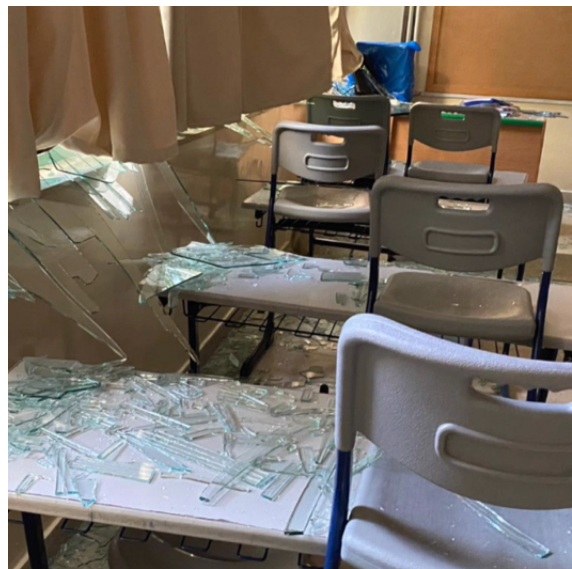
With more than 650 named skeletal muscles in the human body, it is clear that humans were “Made to Move!” And as part of its Adventists InStep for Life health initiative, the NAD is continuing to encourage members, congregations, and organizations to plan physical activity events for their communities. “Made to Move Week” has been designated as Sept. 19-26. [MORE](#)



NAD leadership has identified the process to elect a new executive secretary. G. Alexander Bryant, NAD president, notified the members of the standing NAD Nominating Committee that they will meet on Aug. 17 to select a name to be recommended to the NAD Executive Committee, which will then vote on the recommendation on Aug. 18. [MORE](#)



Parents are looking for safe and effective options for their children's education during the COVID-19 pandemic. Adventist schools have prepared for the unique challenges of the 2020-2021 school year, and invite constituents, parents, and children to [WATCH](#) a special message of encouragement from teachers to students produced by the Southeastern California Conference. [MORE](#)



NAD Communication Director Dan Weber interviews Rick McEdward, president of the Middle East North Africa Union, about his service as a missionary from the NAD. McEdward also shares the latest on the situation in Beirut, Lebanon, after the recent explosion that has impacted hundreds of thousands of people, and how church members are helping in the community. [WATCH](#) this video.



It Is Written invites churches to participate in ACTS 20:21, a new evangelistic initiative offering six



Walla Walla University president John McVay recently appointed Kari Firestone, professor

virtual series over the next year. Churches that subscribe will receive direct social media advertising, Bible training, and resources. This initiative follows two virtual It Is Written series held in April and June. [MORE](#)

of nursing and associate dean of the School of Nursing, to the role of WWU COVID-19 response director. In this new role, Firestone will lead a task force that will detail and implement plans related to COVID-19 on the WWU campus for fall quarter and beyond. [MORE](#)

ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS

[Oakwood Adventist Academy Leaders Host Ribbon Cutting and Open House for New High School \(Ala.\)](#)

[Nonpublic School Advocacy Expands as Seventh-day Adventists Join NYC's Committee of Religious and Independent School Officials \(N.Y.\)](#)

[Area Schools Consider Applying for Elementary School Coronavirus Waiver \(Calif.\)](#)

[Giving — Like Worshiping — is Different for Churches in Martinsville and Henry and Patrick Counties \(Va.\)](#)

[Crestview Adventist Church to Host Weekly Free Food Giveaway — Starts Aug. 7 \(Fla.\)](#)

[Sign at Eddlemon Adventist School in Spartanburg Damaged in Vehicle Crash \(S.C.\)](#)

[Magee Appointed Interim Superintendent for County Schools \(Ala.\)](#)

[Highland Adventist School to Reopen in September \(W.V.\)](#)

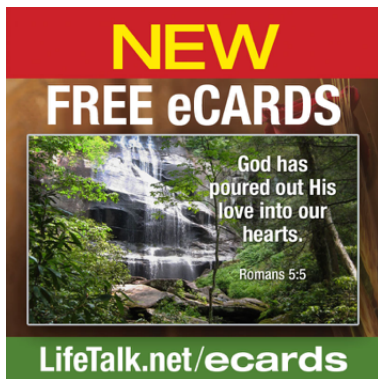
[American Red Cross Distributing Cleanup Kits for Families Impacted by Isaias \(Md.\)](#)

NAD ONLINE DURING COVID-19

The Adult Bible Study Guide is now available on Amazon Echo Devices! Download the Amazon Alexa app and enable the skill titled *Daily Bible Study Guide* as a Flash Briefing through Alexa's Skills &



Games Catalog. If you do not have an Amazon Echo device you can access audio recordings of the daily lesson on the [NAD Adult Ministries Media page](#).



Share encouragement with free Bible promise sharing cards from LifeTalk Radio. It's a fast and easy way to share God's Word and show someone you care. It only takes a minute to choose from the beautiful designs at [LifeTalk.net/eCards](#), or order printed cards at [lifetalk.net/sharing-cards](#). Great for birthdays, anniversaries, graduations, thank you's, and get-well wishes, too. Another gift from LifeTalk Radio to brighten your day and help you to share God's love.

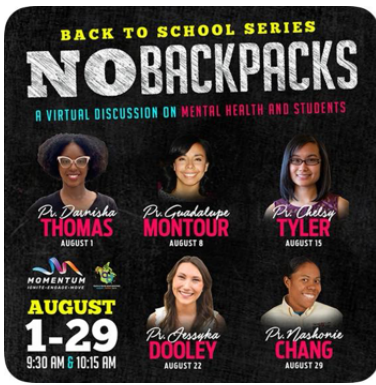


Take the Evangelism Pledge to do something! In the midst of a global pandemic, economic calamity and social unrest, people have questions. The Bible has answers. Will you commit to doing *something* this fall to share the everlasting Gospel in your community? Take the Evangelism Pledge today! [CLICK HERE](#).



Jesus 101 has released new inspirational videos for individuals and churches, available to download for free! These short videos cover doctrinal topics such as Sabbath rest, prayer, and baptism in a Christ-centered manner. Whether your church or small group is meeting in person or virtually, these valuable resource videos can be used to highlight important topics. To access and download, [CLICK HERE](#).

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](#) 10:15 a.m. (EDT)



Faith For Today's new mobile app is

here! Connect on any device to a multitude of Faith For Today's resources. Watch episodes of award-winning TV series *Lifestyle Magazine*, watch sessions of "The Bible Lab," and connect with resources from "The Grief Sessions" and "Mad About Marriage." Find additional Life Tips, Marriage Tips, and Faith Tips! Download the Faith App from app stores, or [CLICK HERE](#).



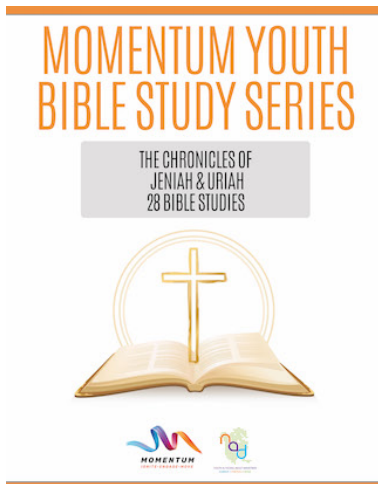
Voice of Prophecy has developed

[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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & RESOURCES

Momentum Youth Bible Study Series, created by NAD Youth Ministries:

These new Momentum Youth Bible Study guides introduce or re-affirm our 28 fundamental beliefs in a new and refreshing way. The studies are full of stories and illustrations designed to connect with youth. Teens will enjoy learning about a God who loved us before we were born and loves us no matter where we are in our spiritual journey. Available



from AdventSource, [CLICK HERE](#).



The It Is Written *In the Word* sermon series is now available as a podcast, making it easy to listen to the Word of God wherever you are! Taking you deep inside the Bible, *In the Word* presents inspirational preaching on a wide range of biblical subjects. John Bradshaw, It Is Written president, presents each sermon, and a new episode is posted every Friday. Listen to *In the Word* on [Apple Podcasts](#), [Spotify](#), [Google Podcasts](#), [Stitcher](#), [iHeart Radio](#), and [Castbox](#).



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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- 6-12 [Family Togetherness Week](#)
- 6-12 [Nurture Periodicals \(Adventist Review, Guide, Primary Treasure, Little Friend\)](#)
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“Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.”

— *Joshua 1:9, NIV*

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