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# NEWSPOINTS

September 2, 2020



## **When Hurricane Laura made landfall along the Texas-Louisiana border on Aug. 27, Adventist**

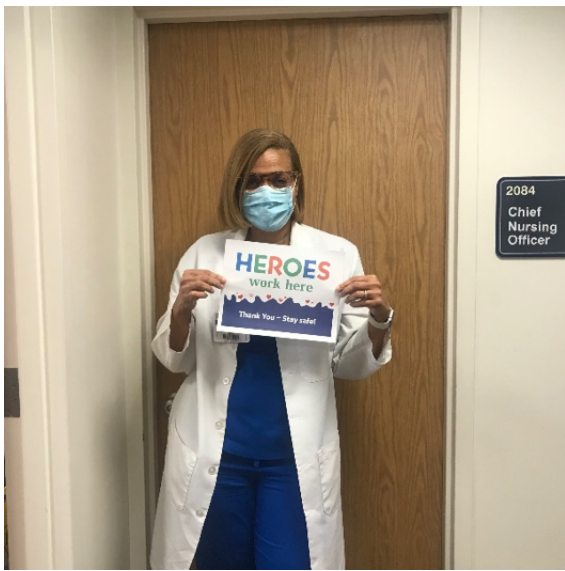
Community Services Disaster Response was ready to respond. Before the storm, the organization reached out the other partners to plan how best to help those affected by the storm. "Louisiana has confirmed that they want us to operate and manage a warehouse," said W. Derrick Lea, NAD ACS DR director.

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## **Many pastors have the desire to conduct online evangelistic meetings,**

but may not have the necessary equipment or resources to do it themselves. In response to this need, SermonView has organized a nationwide online evangelistic series, starting Oct. 9, and is available to any church or individual in the North American Division. [MORE](#)



**"My faith is embodied in each beautiful sunrise, a patient's smile when the fever breaks, a nurse's resilience in the face of uncertainty ..."** This is from a profile of an Adventist who works in an essential role during this time of uncertainty and crisis. We thank her and many others for their service, and encourage our readers to continue to pray for them. [READ MORE](#)



**Humanity has been asking existential questions forever, constantly seeking to answer** the big question, "Why?" — and our neighbors are asking Siri, not a pastor. The eyes of people are on screens, especially the youth. We must be equipped to go where people's attention is focused. [LEARN MORE](#) about the NAD's "Digital Strategy for Reaching Young Professionals."

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## ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS

[Seventh-day Adventists Gather in Kenosha to Pray, Volunteer \(Wisc.\)](#)

[Delano Police, Adventist Health Give Away Free Masks to Residents \(Calif.\)](#)

[Photos: Women Working with Women Food Giveaway in Cooperation with Bethel Seventh-day Adventist Church \(Fla.\)](#)

[Riverside Kids Getting 5,000 Free Backpacks Full of School Supplies Courtesy of La Sierra University and ADRA \(Calif.\)](#)

[Pilot Killed Fighting Oregon Wildfire Was Former Montana State Basketball Player, Devout Seventh-day Adventist \(Mont.\)](#)

[Seventh-day Adventist Church of Escanaba Holds Veterans-Only Food Drive in Rapid River \(Mich.\)](#)

[Chattanooga Faith Leaders Challenge Christian Church with Anti-Racism Pledge \(Tenn.\)](#)

[Sylvan Lake's Seventh-day Adventist Church Welcomes New Pastor \(Alta.\)](#)

[Hawaii Doctor Can't Claim Title VII Protections Because He's an Independent Contractor, 9th Cir. Says](#)

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS & RESOURCES



**The NAD All-Night Prayer Call** is September 10-11, 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#).



**NAD Youth and Young Adult Ministries is hosting an online week of prayer!** The event features youth-led talks and more, and runs Sept. 6-11 each evening at 7:30 p.m. EDT. Participants can also tune in for a final Sabbath worship at 9:30 a.m. EDT on Sept. 12. Watch on [Facebook](#) or [YouTube](#).



**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](#).

**Join us Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. EDT, as the**



## **NAD Children's Ministry and Family Ministry**

departments team up on a new stewardship series. Dates are Sept. 1, 15, 29, and Oct. 6. The 15-minute streams will be viewable on the ["Our Family Room" Facebook](#) page and will later be shared on both [Family](#) and [Children's](#) Ministry Youtube channels. For additional resources for every segment, check out [Family](#) or [Children's](#) Ministries websites.



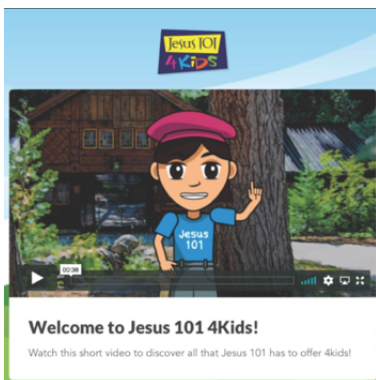
## **Share encouragement with free Bible promise sharing cards from LifeTalk Radio.**

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](#) or [order printed 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. WATCH the video!



## **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 just launched a new exciting resource for children!**

[Jesus101.tv/4kids](#) features animated videos to help kids discover Jesus in the Bible, a valuable resource for churches, schools, and families. Each 90 second video tells Bible stories in a fun and instructive manner and has a coordinating coloring page that kids can download and color at home! Continue to check back as many more will be added in the upcoming months. [LEARN MORE](#)

**New series on mental health for teens now available. Do you know a teen who is struggling**



with mental health issues? Do you want to be prepared to minister to teens in your church? This new series developed by NAD Youth & Young Adult Ministries includes booklets on depression, anxiety, suicidal thoughts, getting help, recovery tools, brain training, and staying healthy. To purchase the complete set or individual titles, [CLICK HERE](#).



**Deadline extended! FaithCounts, a leading and fast-growing multi-faith online platform,** has launched its fourth Film Your Faith contest, awarding \$35,000 in prizes to films of two minutes or less showcasing the power of faith in a positive light. Filmmakers from amateurs to pros are encouraged to submit two-minute videos about faith, anytime between now and the new Sept. 23 deadline. Go to [faithcounts.com/video-contest](http://faithcounts.com/video-contest) for details.

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## EVENTS CALENDAR

### September

- 1-30 [Hispanic Heritage Month](#)
- 5 [Men's Ministries Prayer Sabbath](#)
- 6-11 [Youth Week of Prayer](#)
- 6-12 [Family Togetherness Week](#)
- 6-12 [Nurture Periodicals \(Adventist Review, Guide, Primary Treasure, Little Friend\)](#)
- 12 [Family Togetherness Sabbath](#)
- 12 [Super Youth Day Sabbath](#)
- 19 [Made to Move Day](#)
- 20-26 [Made to Move Week](#)
- 26 [Deaf Ministries Awareness Sabbath](#)

#### **September Focus:**

[Health](#)

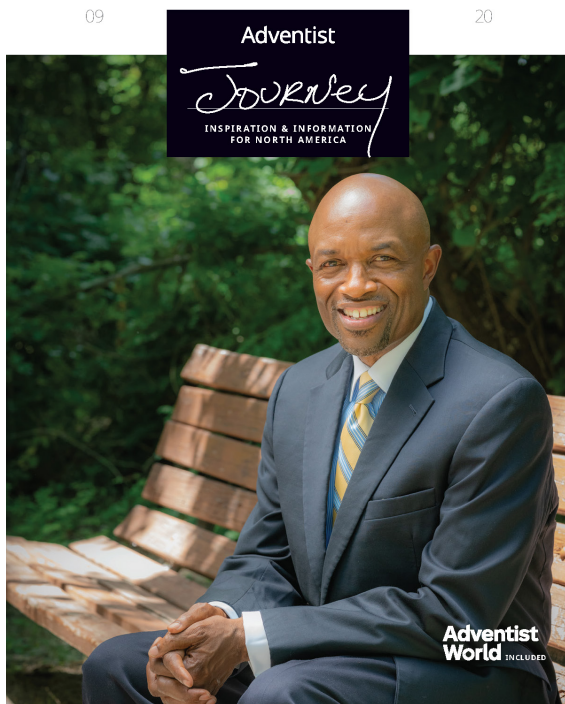
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## VIEWPOINTS



## **Be Connected ... and Remain**

“Make yourself at home in God’s love! ... Here are four principles for [success]: 1) Be connected to Jesus; 2) Make sure we are in proper soil; 3) Be constantly trimmed; and 4) Remain in Christ.”

— *Tony Anobile, NAD vice president for Multilingual Ministries, during NAD virtual staff worship on Aug. 31, 2020, referencing the parable of the fig tree, found in Matthew 24:32-35, Mark 13:28-31, and Luke 21:29-33*

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