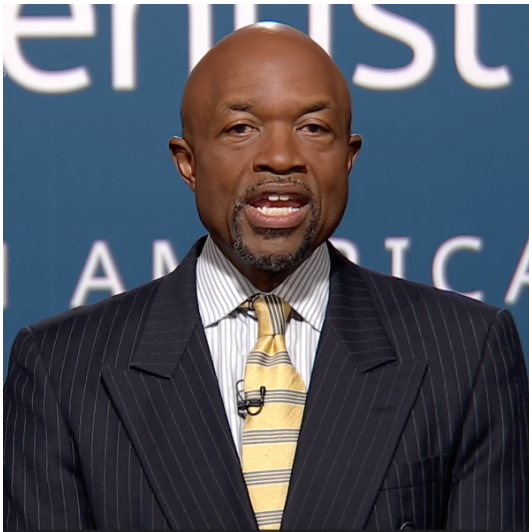


NEWSPOINTS

October 14, 2020



North American Division president G. Alexander Bryant shares a greeting to church members for Hispanic Heritage Month, which is observed from Sept. 15 to Oct. 15. [WATCH VIDEO](#) Transcript of message is also available.



NAD Adventist Community Services helps mobilize branches from across the country to manage warehouse distribution in areas affected by disastrous fires in Northwest Oregon; Adventist properties are assessed in wake of the Glass Fire in Napa County, California; meanwhile, food distribution and hurricane relief response continues. [MORE](#)



Since 1975, hundreds of It Is Written ministry partners have gathered with the It Is Written ministry leadership team at weekend partnership events. Owing to the COVID-19 pandemic, It Is Written will be conducting most of its 2020 Partnership events virtually for the first time. [MORE](#)



David Smith has announced that he will retire in May 2021 at the conclusion of his fifth year as president of Southern Adventist University. Smith has a long relationship there, where he began teaching English in 1981, serving 17 years as professor and then department chair. [MORE](#)



New York has issued a temporary certificate of occupancy for the newly-completed Northeastern Towers Annex. The administration of the Northeastern Conference of Seventh-day Adventists conceived the project due to a growing backlog of applications in the original Northeastern Towers building. On Oct. 7, conference administrators were



When 9-year-old Quetzalli Dominguez opened her new backpack to find the colored pencils and other school supplies inside it was almost like Christmas. The youngster received one of the 5,000 green and black school backpacks filled and distributed during August and September through a

joined by the office staff for a visit and inspection of the completed premises.

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partnership with La Sierra University and ADRA. [MORE](#)

ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS

[Son of Desmond Doss to Visit Landess Farm Cornfield Maze This Week \(Ind.\)](#)

[Chattanooga First Seventh-Day Adventist Church \(Tenn.\) Has New Community Seminar Starting](#)

[Second Harvest Serves 400 Families at Spanish Seventh-day Adventist Church \(Fla.\)](#)

[SWAU is UKnighted; University Continues to Protect Their Family During COVID Pandemic \(Tex.\)](#)

[Adventist Health St. Helena Remains Closed After Glass Fire \(Calif.\)](#)

[Doctors from Amita Health Adventist Medical Center in Hinsdale to Discuss Flu, Coronavirus During Webinar \(Ill.\)](#)

[11th Annual Gordan County Hunger Walk Set for Oct. 17 \(Ga.\)](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS & RESOURCES



TODAY! The Society of Adventist Communicators Convention is virtual in 2020

— Join us on today, Oct. 14 and tomorrow, Oct. 15 at 5 p.m EDT for engaging keynote speakers [Sylvie di Giusto](#) and [Kim Lear](#), breakout sessions, and networking opportunities. Workshops will cover technology and apps for remote working, live streaming for local churches, and more. Everyone can attend thanks to a "pay-as-you-are-able" model for 2020, but you must register! If you can't pay this year, we offer attendance to the virtual convention as a free gift. [REGISTER](#)

The Annual George T. Harding IV Conference on Mental Health and the Faith Community will be held VIRTUALLY on November 9-10, from 1-3 p.m.



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EST. Sessions will cover topics related to leading in times of disruption, including caring for one's self and one's faith community. Pastors, chaplains, religious leaders, and their spouses are specially invited to this event co-sponsored by the NAD Ministerial Department!

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The NAD Office of Communication has launched the NewsPoints ON THE AIR podcast!

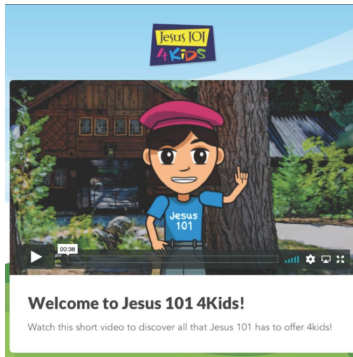
Check out our *second* episode as host Mylon Medley interviews Orlan Johnson, director of Public Affairs and Religious Liberties for the North American Division. Johnson helps us navigate political conversations, and discuss ways we can be civically engaged. NAD NewsPoints ON THE AIR is available on popular podcast platforms, including [Apple Podcasts](#) and [Spotify](#). We're also on [Facebook](#); and soon to be available on Google.



SPECIAL NOTICE: The [October editions](#) of the **Adventist Journey** and **Adventist World** magazines will not be distributed in print and will only be available [digitally](#). We've created a new video highlighting all the Adventists featured on this month's Adventist Journey cover. And please take our magazine content survey (link on p. 3). [Click here](#) to read both magazines in a page-thru format on the *Adventist World* platform. Thank you for being a vital part of these magazines.



SHARE God's love with kids. Have you seen the NEW LifeTalk Kids Sharing Cards? For children in your family, church, and neighborhood, they are perfect for handing out at Halloween, children's parties, and for Pathfinder and Adventurer club outreach. Order FREE printed cards at lifetalk.net/sharing-cards, or send as [eCards](#)! Watch for new stickers coming soon. Show your care—share LifeTalkKIDS.net and help kids to connect with Jesus Christ!



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](#)



Unlocking Bible Prophecies 2.0 concludes this weekend! This powerful Adventist World Radio series hosted by Cami Oetman will continue nightly at 7 p.m. in every time zone through Saturday evening, Oct. 17. In the final program, Seventh-day Adventist Church world leaders will answer some of the most frequently asked questions that have come in during the series. [Subscribe](#) directly on YouTube or learn more at awr.org/bible.

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The Answer

"We have inspirational cards [available for order] with messages such as 'You matter to God,' 'God cares about you.' I think people need this now more than ever. In the world that we're living in today, there's so much divisiveness, so much frustrations with injustice, of people feeling really angry. ... The answer is Jesus. He's there to bring reconciliation, to bring hope, to bring encouragement."

— John Geli, LifeTalk Radio manager/director, during NAD virtual staff worship on Oct. 7, 2020

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