

NEWSPOINTS

November 11, 2020



The final day of the 2020 North American Division Year-End Meeting included the Oakwood University report, presentation by Sterling Volunteers, a “pastors with disabilities” report, NAD policy amendments, church manual and consent agenda items, several quinquennial department reports, and a special presentation and breakout session on mental health. [MORE](#)



A unique component of the 2020 NAD Year-End Meeting was virtual breakout sessions curated to prompt specific, productive engagement among the division’s executive committee members via Zoom. From assisting in the strategic planning of the 2020-2025 quinquennium, to grappling with the church’s role in a time of social unrest, considerable time was spent activating leaders to consider hard questions, reimagine mission, and reflect on mental health of themselves and their constituents. [MORE](#)



Carolyn Forrest, associate secretary of the North American Division, and director of NAD Human

Relations, Interdivision/International Service Employee Resources, and Archives and Statistics, along with Orlan Johnson, director of NAD Public Affairs and Religious Liberty, led out the session under the title of “Biblical Justice and Biblical Ethics in a World of Social Unrest.” [MORE](#)



On Nov. 3, Bonita Shields, NAD vice president for ministries, started the final breakout of the 2020 NAD Year-End Meeting. Shields explained that this mental health segment would include a survey, a video, and small group breakout sessions. She then introduced Angeline Brauer, DrPH, MHS, RDN, NAD Health Ministries director, who coordinated the poll that executive committee delegates answered through a Zoom pop-up. [MORE](#)



Southwestern Adventist University has been selected as a recipient for a \$90,000 Nursing Innovation Grant Program (NIGP) award. Funding from this grant, provided by the academic quality and workforce division of



Every five years, department reports are shared at the division year-end meeting, following GC Session. Although the GC Session has been postponed to May 2021, the NAD ministries, services, institutions, and entities shared their reports during the NAD YEM held Oct. 31 to Nov. 3. The reports are organized here in the order they were shown, or scheduled to be shown. [MORE](#)



Following a battle with cancer, Seventh-day Adventist music legend Max Mace passed to his rest November 4, 2020, one day before his 83rd birthday. His family said Mace was home in Placerville, California, United States, when he died. [MORE](#)

the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, will allow SWAU's department of nursing to purchase additional simulation equipment and expand their clinical learning program on campus. [MORE](#)



For the first time, Andrews University STEM faculty conducted the annual SciFEST

activities remotely through LearningHub and Zoom. From Sept. 21 to Oct. 4, high school student participants were placed in teams that connected through Zoom and Google Hangouts to work together on a total of six hands-on laboratory activities, which could be completed safely using materials at home. [MORE](#)

ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS

[Scottsdale City Council to Consider Big Adventist Campus Project \(Ariz.\)](#)

[Cultivating a Culture of Voting: New Orleans Adventist Academy Children Cast Their Votes!](#)

[Free Dental, Health Expo in Cadillac Canceled This Year Due to COVID \(Mich.\)](#)

[Oncologists \(at AdventHealth\) Emphasize Whole-Person Care Through 'HEAL at Home' Initiative \(Fla.\)](#)

[\[Radio excerpt\] No Second Surge Yet, but Local Hospitals, Prepare Just in Case \(Calif.\)](#)

[Tillamook Adventist School Follows Guidance for On-Site Learning \(Ore.\)](#)

[Millennial Pastor Shares Struggles, Blessings in Bilingual Ministry \(N.J.\)](#)

[Blue Zones: Go Nuts \(Wis.\)](#)

[Eufaula Seventh-day Adventist Church Clothes Closet Open Sundays \(Ala.\)](#)

["Dick Johnson Is Dead" Review: Film About Dementia and Death is One of the Year's Most Uplifting \(Ohio\)](#)

[AdventHealth Helps Veterans: On Military Makeover \[video\]](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS & RESOURCES



Today in the U.S., we celebrate our veterans. The NAD invites all our church members to remember the dedicated service of those who served their country in the military and its supporting branches. One way to celebrate Veterans Day is by reflecting on those Adventists who served in the Whitecoats, and by watching the documentary film Operation Whitecoat, [available from AdventSource](#). We thank all veterans, and their families, for the sacrifices they've made to protect our freedoms.



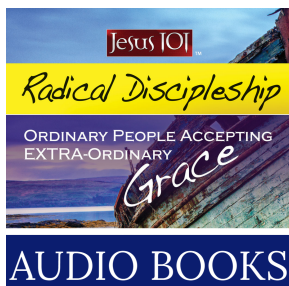
The enditnow Virtual Summit on Abuse on [Nov. 13 \(English\)](#) and [Nov. 14 \(Spanish\)](#) will provide a greater emphasis on providing church leaders, pastors, seminary students, and schools administrators and teachers with practical tools to help victims of domestic violence, or intimate partner violence, receive the help they need in a safe, effective, and non-judgmental manner. [LEARN MORE](#); or [Register](#) now!



It's time for the 2020 Church Planters Bootcamp! This three-day virtual experience, held on Nov. 12-14, has been designed and created exclusively for church planters, pastors, volunteer lay pastors, church planting "core teams," and conference/union leaders currently involved in church planting or planning to plant a church between now and 2022. [Click here](#) to register.

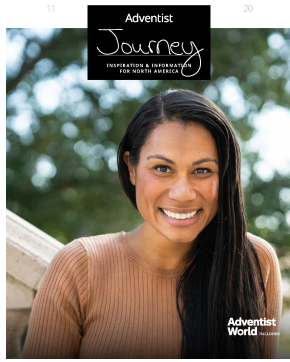


Adventist Recovery Ministries presents “The Other Way Around,” with Kathy Beagles Coneff on Wed., Nov. 18, at 4 p.m. EST. Sometimes the best means of support for Recovery Ministry is to involve others in personal spiritual growth and transformation. From there, we can share with others that the personal transformation they experience is the recovery that we minister for. For more information and to join this webinar, visit NADhealth.org/recovery/pillars.



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Take our survey: Adventist Journey magazine is



offering an opportunity to share your feedback. Fill out the 8-question [survey](#) to share your thoughts and experience as a reader of *Adventist Journey*. [CLICK HERE](#) watch the full interview with Heather Thompson-Day, featured on our November cover! Thank you for being a vital part of this magazine!



The NAD Children's Ministry and Family Ministry departments are back with more episodes of "Our Family Room," relevant information to both you and your children in these uncertain times. Mark your calendars! This November, we will begin a new series on Emotional Intelligence in children! [WATCH](#)



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VIEWPOINTS



Stepping Outside

"Perhaps we all have this tendency to 'barricade ourselves inside our own soul.' But I want to encourage you to step outside the barricade and see God's face in the ordinary around us. When we hear God's story in ordinary people's lives ... we cannot help but see [His] holiness. We cannot help but see compassion. We cannot help but see a glimpse of God's face. ... Stepping outside of the barricade — this is where we will see God in others."

— Sherri Uhrig, director of Children's Ministries for the North American Division, during NAD virtual staff worship on Nov. 11, 2020

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