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“Something better’ is the watchword of education, the law of all true living. ... To honor Christ, to become like Him, to work for Him, is the life’s highest ambition and its greatest joy” (Ellen G. White, *Education*, p. 296).
"Something Better" was the theme for the 2021 Association of Seventh-day Adventist School Administrators conference, which went virtual for the first time. [MORE](#)



Judy Miles, retired adjunct business professor at Southwestern Adventist University, runs a campus food pantry for students who need extra groceries in order to get by. "No student should go to school hungry," says Miles. "Students should not sit in class with their stomach growling." Many faculty and staff members contribute financially through monthly payroll deductions, as well as volunteering their time and donating pantry items. [MORE](#)



Thanks to a donation of 150,000 masks, ACS was able to distribute



AdventHealth recently recorded a

the protective gear for use in food pantries and other areas serving communities in need. These masks, which are from AdventHealth's donation-eligible stockpiles, were distributed to the Florida, Texas, and Greater New York conferences. [MORE](#)

conversation between Jessica Brazier, their new chief diversity and inclusion officer, and AdventHealth's new chief health equity officer Dr. Alric Simmonds. In this conversation, they address vaccine hesitancy in minority communities. [WATCH](#)

ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS

[Free Ripple Effect Summit, With Mini-Grants From Adventist Health, Hopes to Spark Wave of Neighborhood Transformations \(Calif.\)](#)

[Local Pastors Ask for More Changes to the Revised Use of Force Policy \(Ind.\)](#)

[Southern Adventist University Students Awarded Morning Pointe Scholars Endowment Scholarships \(Tenn.\)](#)

[How Southwestern Adventist University Develops a Christ-Centered Campus \(Tex.\)](#)

[Adventist Healthcare Fort Washington Medical Center, With Regional Partners, Works to Improve Diabetes Care in Southern Maryland](#)

[Great Bend Seventh-day Adventist School Announces Frozen Fruit Sales \(Kan.\)](#)

[Educator Spreads Love to Essential Workers on Valentine's Day \(Calif.\)](#)

[Girl Scouts Give Cookies and Thank You Cards to Nurses on Valentine's Day \(Calif.\)](#)

[Sonoma County Schools, Including Redwood Adventist Academy, Gearing Up for In-Person Instruction \(Calif.\)](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS & RESOURCES



Join Adventist Muslim Relations on Feb. 19 at 7:30 p.m. EST for "Salvation & God's **Footprints** in the Qur'an." Asaph was born to a traditional Muslim family, learning Arabic and carefully studying the Qur'an. But once he came in contact with the Bible, he discovered new meanings buried in familiar Quranic stories. Seeing God's footprints lead him to receive the Lamb of God and experience a new identity in Christ. This Friday, hear Asaph's journey in his own words and how you, too, can point Muslims to divine footprints in the Qur'an that lead to the Messiah. [CLICK HERE](#) to join via ZOOM.

Starting Feb. 18, join NAD Health Ministries for the inaugural session of the Joy of Eating Club, a monthly online meeting for anyone interested in



healthy eating. Learn how modern science aligns with the principles of eating found in the Bible, and how we can find joy in pursuing those principles. Tune in on the third Thursday of each month from 4-5:30 p.m.

EST. [LEARN MORE](#)



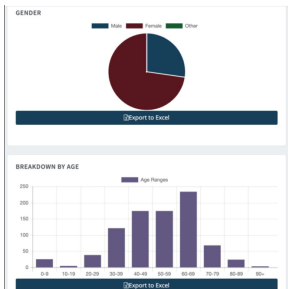
This February, NAD Youth Ministries is

excited to partner with the Atlantic Union Conference in hosting Youth Sabbath School starting at 9:30 a.m. ET. We look forward to this collaboration! Our theme this year is "Go Do It!" and our Scripture reference is Eccl. 9:10. [CLICK HERE](#) for the weekly YouTube broadcast.

- Feb. 20 - Northern New England Conference
- Feb. 27 - Greater New York Conference



TAKE CHARGE of YOUR HEALTH! Tune in to LifeTalk Radio each night, Feb. 22-28 at 8 p.m. EST, to learn how to prevent and overcome top health threats with lifestyle strategies, all from medical experts! This series, hosted by Pastor John Bradshaw of It Is Written, will discuss how to achieve optimal physical, mental and spiritual health. Listen with the free LifeTalk Radio mobile app, on Amazon Echo speaker (Alexa), Google Home speaker, Roku, satellite (Glorystar galaxy 19, channel 1004), or online at LifeTalk.net and click "Listen Live."



Need help tracking your Adventist Community Service outreach activities? You can create reports with the click of a button with ACS's e-reporting system. Tune in March 4, at 2 p.m. EST, for a FREE Zoom webinar on how the web-based e-reporting system will replace the ACS quarterly paper reports. It is designed to construct reports on demographic information for both volunteers and service recipients, and quantified service activities at local ACS centers, churches, conferences, and unions. [LEARN MORE](#)



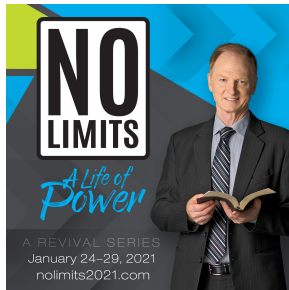
Registered Nurses, professional nursing skills built on a foundation of faith can make a difference in your house of worship and community. Successful completion of the Foundations of Faith Community Nursing online course provides 36.5 contact hours. This course, beginning March 7, is sponsored by NAD Health Ministries and Adventist HealthCare. [REGISTER](#) for the March-April session.



Faith for Today and SermonView Evangelism Marketing have joined together to create an all-new online bridge event, INDESTRUCTIBLE, coming April 9-13. Roy Ice, Faith for Today speaker/director, will deliver biblically sound, real-world tactics for helping people in your community grow in their relationships and start living a life of purpose. SermonView's interactive video player will help you build relationships with your guests throughout the series. Learn more and sign up as a host church at IndestructibleYou.org/host. Save over 40% by registering by Feb. 26!



Jesus 101 has free animated videos with accompanying coloring pages just for kids! These new resources will help kids discover Jesus in the Bible, illustrating the stories of the Bible in a fun and instructive manner. Perfect for churches, schools, and families, the complimentary coloring pages are available for children to download and color anywhere! Find these free videos and coloring pages at Jesus101.tv/4kids.



Jump-start your faith in the new year with the It Is Written online series No Limits: A Life of Power. Pastor John Bradshaw shares practical Bible messages to help you experience a revival in your heart, home, and church. Register and watch at nolimits2021.com. Download sharing resources at itiswritten.com/rtresources.

EVENTS CALENDAR

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- 1-28 [Black History Month](#)
- 20 [Offering: Local Church Budget](#)
- 27 [Offering: Local Conference Advance](#)

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- 6-13 [Adventist Youth Week of Prayer](#)
- 6 [Women's Day of Prayer](#)
- 6 [Offering: Local Church Budget](#)
- 13 [Offering: Adventist World Radio \(GC\)](#)
- 20 [Weekend of Compassion](#)
- 20 [Disabilities Awareness Sabbath](#)
- 20 [Global Youth Day](#)
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ADVENTIST JOURNEY



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VIEWPOINTS



Power to Love, Power to Forgive

"There is a power in loving our enemies. And if you don't know how to begin, begin by praying for [the] transformation of your own heart. ... May the words of Jesus dwell in your heart; may your heart be so enraptured and captivated by His unfathomable and irresistible love. And may that Word give you power to love, even your enemies, so that you may live today with joy, peace, fulfillment, and satisfaction."

— *Sam Leonor, NAD Week of Prayer guest speaker, on Feb. 17, 2021*

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