

NEWSPOINTS

March 17, 2021



The Montana Conference board of directors has invited Ken Norton, Guam-Micronesia Mission president, to serve as the next conference president. After prayerful consideration, Norton accepted the call and hopes to begin his duties in May 2021. [MORE](#)



On Feb. 5, 2021, an event that started from a Southwestern Adventist University student's passion to serve, took place for the 4th consecutive year with more 200 students supporting dozens of organizations across two Texas counties. [MORE](#)



On Feb. 24, 2021, Oakwood University and Huntsville Hospital hosted a lease signing event at the Oakwood University Community Health Action Center construction site at



In the midst of a pandemic, Georgia-Cumberland Academy began the 2020-2021 school year with an opening enrollment of 261, an increase of 11 students over the past year. And with prayer and bold vision, and acts

Sparkman Drive and Bronco Circle in Huntsville, Alabama. [MORE](#)



This past summer, two Mamawi Atosketan Native School students took the initiative to create a sculpture for Lacombe's turn-a-bout at the intersection of Calgary & Edmonton Trail, and College Avenue. Tessa Potts, who graduated from MANS in June 2020, and Eileen Firingstone, a current grade 11 student, spent approximately 150 hours with their welding teacher to create *Miweyhtowin*. [MORE](#)

of generosity, the school is in the process of upgrading its campus facilities to continue its service to Adventist families. [MORE](#)



This past year, hundreds of students benefited from two key financial aids offered by Andrews University. Together, the two forms of support provided immediate crisis assistance and addressed the long-term financial difficulties stemming from the pandemic. [MORE](#)

ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS

[American College of Lifestyle Medicine Partners with Adventist Health to Promote Evidence-Based Lifestyle Management Principles, Training, and Networking \(Mo.\)](#)

[We Talked With Adventist Health About Vaccine Distribution and the Pandemic in Mendocino County \[Video\] \(Calif.\)](#)

[Dothan Adventist Community Services Offering Free Vehicle Inspections for Single Parents, Elderly \(Ala.\)](#)

[Parkview Adventist Academy To Break Ground for Brand New School \(Alta.\)](#)

[Boarding Schools in the U.S. Focused on Building Character and Faith](#)

[Blessing Corner Ministries Teaming With Adventist Health for Vaccine Clinic Thursday \(Calif.\)](#)

[In the Flood Zone: Hawaiian Mission Academy Students Play in Flooded Schoolyard \[Photo\] \(H.I.\)](#)

[Shots to Go: Vaccines Given Via Drive-Thru Event at Milton Seventh-day Adventist Church \[Photo\] \(Wash.\)](#)

[Patriots of the Cross, Sabbath Keepers, MLK CommUNITY Initiative Team up for Food Box Giveaway \(Calif.\)](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS & RESOURCES



Breath of Life's Easter Special, "The Awakening," will air Sunday, April 4, 2021 on NBC Television affiliates across the United States. This program, a collaboration with the Interfaith Broadcasting Commission, will feature an Easter message from Carlton P. Byrd, speaker/director of the Breath of Life Television Ministry, and musical selections from special guests Pastor Donnie McClurkin, the Jeremy Winston Chorale, and Crystal Day. For more information, call (256) 929-6460, or visit breathoflife.tv.



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.



Join Adventist Community Services (ACS) on April 1 at 2:00 p.m. EST for a FREE Zoom webinar on ministry development. Presented by Marshall Gonzales, director of Adventist Community Services in the Texas Conference, participants will learn how the condition of a church impacts its ability to effectively provide balanced service to a community. [LEARN MORE](#)



The Bible Lab Online is back! Roy Ice, Speaker-Director of Faith For Today will begin new research within the gospel of Luke titled "The Least, Last and Lost." Dr. Elizabeth Talbot, Speaker-Director of Jesus 101, will join the team, increasing the fun and depth of discovery as they investigate the loving characteristics of God. These programs will be streaming live beginning March 27, 10:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m. PDT. Learn more at TheBibleLab.com.

THIS SABBATH! NAD Public Affairs and Religious Liberty will host an interactive webinar, "Christian Witness in an Era of COVID-19, Christian Nationalism, Racial Injustice, and the Equality



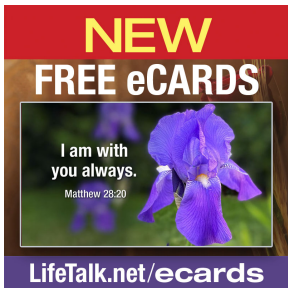
Act," on March 20, 5-6:30 p.m. EST. Alan Reinach (Pacific Union) will moderate an informative discussion between experts from across the division, covering topics such as racial stereotyping, Christian Nationalism, the Equality Act and religious freedom, and more. To participate in the discussion [REGISTER](#) in advance, or [WATCH](#) the stream.



Carbohydrates are largely misunderstood and often become the target of fad diet plans. Join NAD Health Ministries on March 18 as we learn what our body does with carbs, which ones have health benefits, and how to identify the good, bad, and ugly. We'll also work on SMART goals to apply the principles we learn. [SIGN UP](#) for the Joy of Eating Club to join the live session.



On March 18, tune in to "Financial Wellness—Pursuing your Financial Freedom" sponsored by [Adventist Retirement](#) and presented by [Empower Retirement](#). This webinar will discuss steps to achieving financial wellness, and how Empower's *My Financial Path* can help Defined Contribution Plan participants budget, manage expenses, and reduce debt. [REGISTER](#)



NEEDS NEW CONTENT Share a flower with free Bible promise sharing cards from LifeTalk Radio. It is spring, why don't you send free digital eCards at [LifeTalk.net/eCards](#)! It's a fast and easy way to share cheer and show someone you care. You can also order printed cards at [lifetalk.net/sharing-cards](#). Share them for birthdays, anniversaries, Easter, thank you's, and get-well wishes, too. Compliments of LifeTalk Radio.



Check out "Joy in the Weeds," a podcast hosted by Beth Grissom, the Women's Ministries director for the [Carolina Conference](#)! Life is messy and unpredictable, but being able to find the joy amongst the weeds of life is a vital tool. Join Beth Grissom and Kim Cove as they share their own journeys and their guest's stories of finding joy amid the weeds of life. [LISTEN](#)

Our churches should be places of safety and support for those facing all types of abuse.

This church self-assessment tool allows churches to review areas in which they can become increasingly proactive in the prevention of abuse and more effective when intervention is necessary. The chart



is available as a [FREE DOWNLOAD](#) from enditrow North America.



Safety Sabbath is March 27, 2021! This year the focus is on helping churches protect against cybercrime, avoiding liabilities from streaming services online, and adapting child protection policies to an online environment. Sign up today to receive tips on how to prepare for Safety Sabbath and a valuable resource kit to help you protect your congregation. [CLICK HERE to learn more.](#)

EVENTS CALENDAR

March

- 20 [Weekend of Compassion](#)
- 20 [Disabilities Awareness Sabbath](#)
- 20 [Global Youth Day](#)
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His Way Prepared

"Worry is blind and cannot discern the future, but Jesus sees the end from the beginning. In every difficulty He has His way prepared to bring relief."

— *Ellen G. White, The Ministry of Health and Healing, p. 281*

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