

NEWSPOINTS

April 14, 2021



On April 12, Juan R. Prestol-Puesán, treasurer of the General Conference, and former NAD treasurer, announced his retirement. This announcement came one day before the 2021 GC Spring Meeting officially began on April 13. He will continue in his current role until July 31. The new treasurer, Paul H. Douglas, elected on April 14, will commence duties on Aug. 1. [MORE](#)



With retirements announced for current leaders, two new General Conferences officers have been



On Tuesday, April 13, members of the GC Executive Committee voted to hold a special GC Session on Jan. 18, 2022. The one-day, one-item session at the world church headquarters in Silver Spring, Md., is being called for the sole purpose of amending the GC Constitution to allow delegates to participate by digital means in a future GC Session in the event that unforeseen and unavoidable circumstances arise. [MORE](#)



Adventist Retirement is pleased to welcome two new employees,

voted in during the GC Spring Meeting on April 14. Erton Köhler, president of the South American Division, has been elected executive secretary while Paul H. Douglas, GC Auditing Services director, has been elected treasurer. [MORE](#) from the Adventist News Network.



The third Saturday in April is often annually observed as Husband Appreciation Day in the U.S. The busyness of our day-to-day routine lends itself to taking the people closest to us for granted and a failure to express appreciation to them. NAD Family Ministries shares why this day is a good reminder to show appreciation. [MORE](#)

Jennifer Chung, as assistant treasurer, and Andrew Choi, as associate administrator/CFO. Chung fills the role of outgoing assistant treasurer Lisa Shannon. On May 1, Andrew Choi will join Adventist Retirement as associate administrator, filling the vacancy created when Edwin Romero became administrator/CEO in May 2020. [MORE](#)



In the midst of a pandemic, the effects of which can leave people feeling isolated and alone, Santa Barbara Seventh-day Adventist Church in Calif. has continued to minister to its church members and neighbors through its community garden. [MORE](#)

ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS

[Hamilton County Health Department and Southern Adventist University to Administer 1,000 COVID-19 Vaccines of the Moderna \(Tenn.\)](#)

[Governor Gavin Newsom Brings 500 COVID-19 Vaccines to Seventh-day Adventist Church in San Bernardino \(Calif.\)](#)

[Off-Duty Adventist Health Nurse Helps Mother Deliver Baby in California Parking Garage](#)

[Nine-Year-Old Poet Ayden Amedee Reads Poem \[audio\] for Poetry Month on WNYC's Morning Edition \(N.Y.\)](#)

[Alexander Knecht to Perform Viola at Virtual "Glendale Noon Concert" Presented by the Glendale City Church \(Calif.\)](#)

[First Pop-Up Vaccine Clinic in Southeast Bakersfield, Goal to Vaccinate Underserved Communities \(Calif.\)](#)

[Adventist Health Frontline Workers Will Flip Switch For Downtown Silver Spring's Art Installation Debut \(Md.\)](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS & RESOURCES



The 2021 Sonscreen Virtual Experience started April 2, continues through May 7! This year, Sonscreen Film Festival will be using the Gather virtual platform, which uses a combination of video calling (think Zoom) and a 2D map (think "Among Us"). Network with other film students, pro filmmakers, special guests, and presenters, and enjoy film screenings. The event stretches over two-hour sessions through six dates, April 2 to May 7, and is \$25 for all sessions. [Click here](#) to register/more information.



Jesus 101 has just launched "The Exodus Journey," a new television series airing on Hope Channel beginning April 2021. In this twelve-part series, special guest Ty Gibson joins Dr. Elizabeth Talbot, Jesus 101 speaker/director. This series, based on the book of Exodus, is about learning to choose trust over anxiety on our way to the Promised Land. For more information visit: www.Jesus101.tv.



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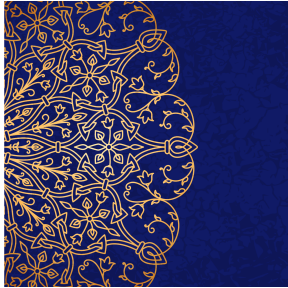
Protein is a nutrient that receives a lot of attention, but do we really need to eat a lot of it for good health? Join NAD Health Ministries on April 15 as we discuss the scientific evidence on how much protein we should be getting at different stages of life, what are the healthiest sources of protein, and how to ensure protein adequacy when eating a plant-based diet. [LEARN MORE](#)



Get ready for PBE! The Pathfinder Bible Experience North American Division level will [broadcast live](#) on April 16-18, at 8 p.m. EDT on April 16 (vespers); 10 a.m. EDT on April 17 (prep/worship); and 2 p.m. on April 18 (awards ceremony). The PBE is the official NAD Pathfinder Bible study program. This year the youth studied Hebrews, James, 1 Peter, and 2 Peter. [WATCH](#) the live broadcast. [Photo from 2019]



April 17 is Literature Evangelism Sabbath in the North American Division! Learn more about NAD publishing organizations, including [Adventist Book Center](#), [AdventSource](#), [Pacific Press Publishing Association](#), [Seminars Unlimited](#), and more, to celebrate with your church! [WATCH](#) the video promoting [sharinghope.com](#), with digital versions of many literature resources to share!



Adventist Muslim Relations invites you to a free webinar, "The Word: Qur'anic Christology & Witnessing," on April 30 at 8 p.m. EDT. "The angels said, 'Mary, God gives you news of *a Word* from Him, whose name will be the Messiah, Jesus, son of Mary, who will be held in honour in this world and the next, who will be one of those brought near to God,'" (Al Imran 3:45). Dr. Petras Bahadur, director of the Global Center of Adventist-Muslim Relations, will present. [JOIN](#) with passcode: sda



Tune in to NAD Adventist Community Services' FREE risk management webinar on May 6, at 2 p.m. EST. Learn about potential risks to humans or property that your ministry may face, and how to implement effective risk management to minimize or eliminate unintentional harm. Robert Smith, ACS director of Allegheny East Conference, will present. [LEARN MORE](#)



The Bible Lab Online is back! Roy Ice, speaker/director of Faith For Today, is leading a study on the gospel of Luke titled "The Least, Last and Lost". Dr. Elizabeth Talbot, speaker/director of Jesus 101, joins the team. Adding her to these discussions increases the fun and depth of discovery as the loving characteristics of God are investigated. These programs are streamed live each Sabbath from 10:30-11:30 a.m. PDT. For information and to join the discussion go to [TheBibleLab.com](#).

THE EXECUTIONER



Adventist World Radio is shortlisted for "People's Choice" Telly Award! "The Executioner," a video that shares the incredible story of an assassin whose life was transformed after God touched his heart through the airwaves of Adventist World Radio, has been selected as a finalist in the Telly Awards' "People's Choice" category. Voting is open until April 23, and anyone may vote at [this link](#) by creating a free account or by entering via Facebook or Twitter.

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The Lord Still Speaks

"The Word of the Lord still comes. The Lord still speaks. He speaks corporately, nationally, but most importantly, He speaks individually. ... Have you heard from God lately? What did He say to you? And if you've not heard from Him lately, has He heard from you? ... When He calls your name, I want to encourage you to be like Abraham, like Samuel, like Solomon and Jeremiah —and talk to God. Listen to God, do His will, because He will never leave you nor forsake you."

— Paul Anderson, director of Adventist Chaplaincy Ministries for the NAD, during virtual NAD staff worship on April 12, 2021

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