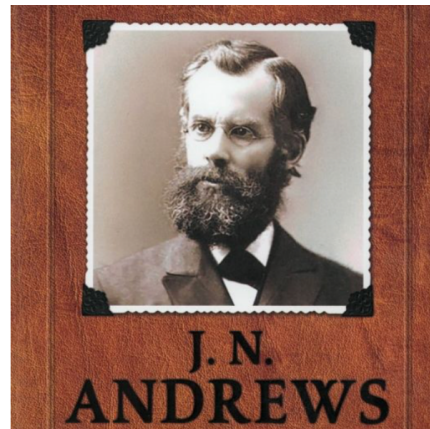


# NEWSPOINTS

April 7, 2021



On April 9-10, the North American Division will launch its 2021 Prayer Convention, “And When They Had Prayed,” a theme based on Acts 4:31. While the event calls for “24/7-style” prayer, two special features of the program will livestream on the NAD Facebook page. [MORE](#)



Denis Kaiser has been named the new editor of the ongoing Adventist Biography Series, one of the most ambitious publishing projects in Seventh-day Adventist history. Kaiser will be assuming leadership of the series with the retirement of George Knight, who has served as series editor for the past 20 years. [MORE](#)



A life with kidney issues brought Gina Lockhart closer to God. After a lifesaving transplant, she lives out her faith by sharing her miraculous testimony and giving back to her



Adventist Risk Management, Inc. announced on April 1 the appointment of Karnik Doukmetzian as interim president for both ARM and

community. April is National Donate Life Month in the U.S. — [READ](#) this heartwarming and inspiring story, and [learn more](#) about becoming a donor.



**It Is Written is pleased to announce its new online evangelistic series, Next Level Health.** Join John Bradshaw, It Is Written speaker/director, and health experts from across the country as they share practical ways to enhance every area of a person's life: physical, mental, and spiritual. [MORE](#)

Gencon Insurance Company of Vermont (GICV). [MORE](#)



**On March 27, Sandra Hawkins, executive director of “Making of a Lady” in Montgomery, Ala.,** and a former Bible instructor, hosted a virtual celebration of Bible instructors to honor women who currently or previously served in that role within South Central Conference. Special recognition was given to Mildred P. Johnson. [MORE](#)

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## ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS

[Adventist Church Secretary G. T. Ng Announces Retirement](#)

[California Governor Visits San Bernardino Coronavirus Vaccination Site at Adventist Church](#)

[BuyFarmFood.com and AdventHealth Provide Fresh Fruit, Vegetables to Families and Food Pantries](#)

[U.S. Supreme Court Rebuffs Claims of Workplace Religious Bias](#)

[Adventist Health Buys Property in Northwest Bakersfield Where It Earlier Proposed a New Hospital \(Calif.\)](#)

[Nurse Plays Violin for Patients at Adventist Health \(Calif.\)](#)

[Fox 47 Donates to Sleep in Heavenly Peace as Part of 3-Degree Guarantee \(Mich.\)](#)

[Collegedale Residents Concerned About Plans to Bring "Little Debbie Park" to the Commons \(Tenn.\)](#)

[Adventist Church in Fairmont Holds Easter Spaghetti Dinner \(W.Va.\)](#)

[Conditional Use Permit Denied to Adventist Church in Upper Columbia Corporation \(Ida.\)](#)

[Liberty & Take Five Donate 500 Easter Meals for Adventist Church to Distribute \(Bermuda\)](#)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS & RESOURCES



**INDESTRUCTIBLE by Faith for Today starts this weekend!** Friday, April 9, kicks off the 5-night series by Roy Ice, speaker/director of Faith for Today. Through this series, Pastor Roy will deliver biblically sound, real-world tactics for helping people grow in their relationships and start living a life of purpose. The only way you can watch this series is by registering with a local host church. Visit [IndestructibleYou.org](https://IndestructibleYou.org) and click on "Find Local Times" to find a location near you.



**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 (vesper); 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]



**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](#)



**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](http://www.Jesus101.tv).



**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.



**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](http://TheBibleLab.com).



**Share joy with free Bible promise sharing cards from LifeTalk Radio.** It's a fast and easy way to share the good news of our risen Savior and show someone you care. Choose from the beautiful eCard designs at [LifeTalk.net/eCards](http://LifeTalk.net/eCards), or order [printed cards](#). Great for birthdays, anniversaries, thank you's, and get-well wishes, too. Another gift from LifeTalk Radio to help you to share the joy of the Lord.

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"Your love has given me great joy and encouragement, because you, brother, have refreshed the hearts of the Lord's people."

— *Philemon 1:7, NIV*

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