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2021 Elections Bring Leadership Changes for NAD Administration, Departments, and Guam-Micronesia Mission

Seven new leaders elected at the division's executive committee meeting join 35 incumbents to serve the NAD until 2025.

Three vice presidents, two directors, an associate director, *Liberty* magazine editor, and the president of the Guam-Micronesia Mission have been newly elected to serve the North American Division (NAD) until 2025. The election on April 29, 2021, took place during a meeting of the NAD Executive Committee; the date was chosen by the same governing body through a vote on Feb. 25, 2021, after the postponement of the 2021 General Conference Session.

A total of 42 names were presented for election or re-election from the division's nominating committee. Executive committee members could vote for or against the names, or refer the name(s) back to the nominating committee. Most positions voted were for incumbents, however, seven new leaders accepted the call to serve.

Right before executive committee members voted, Randy Robinson, NAD treasurer, offered prayer. "Father, this is a solemn moment where we are acting ... as we

consider these individuals for these positions, we pray for your Spirit’s movement in our hearts. And we pray for the will of God to be done. We thank you,” Robinson prayed.

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Leaders Address Size of NAD Executive Committee, Approve Statement on “God’s Call to Live in Healing and Harmony”

The division’s governing body also amends bylaws of the North American Division Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists

During a meeting on April 29, 2021, the North American Division Executive Committee [held elections](#), voted on policy, amended bylaws of the NAD corporation, and voted on a revised statement from the writing committee which, according to the document’s preamble, “addresses issues specific to the NAD, and contextualizes the [General Conference’s] ‘One Humanity’ document into the North American setting.”

The session began with a devotional thought given by Roy Ice, speaker/director of Faith for Today. His message was based on an illustration found in John 15 that Jesus used to describe the necessity of staying connected to God — Jesus as the true vine, and His followers as the branch.

During his opening remarks, G. Alexander Bryant, NAD president, welcomed new members of the executive committee who joined through recent elections of their respective territories: Carlos Craig, president of the Southwestern Union; Stephon Brooks executive secretary of the Southwestern Union; Charles Tapp, president of the Potomac Conference; and Tim Bailey, president of the Mountain View Conference.

Bryant then re-emphasized the division’s [strategic focus for the quinquennium](#), “Together in Mission.”

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