

NEWSPOINTS

May 19, 2021



“Welcome to our special dialogue today,” said Carlton P. Byrd, **Breath of Life TV Ministries** speaker/director, at the beginning the NAD’s COVID-19 vaccine symposium broadcast on May 15. “Our goal during our time together is to help find answers to some of the questions that have arisen about the COVID vaccine, and help you make an informed decision on [whether] the vaccine is right for you and your loved ones,” Byrd added. [Pictured: Dr. Peter Landless, a symposium panelist] [MORE](#)



Thank You! In a video message, **Seventh-day Adventist Church** leaders from the General Conference and the North American Division thank members for their faithful support of tithe. They also remind members of the importance of helping to support the Mission Offering, which helps to fund mission work around the world. [WATCH](#) the video; and/or read the transcript.



When 2017 graduate Sean Aquí started his freshman year at

Youth and Young Adult Ministries of the North American Division

recently released a comprehensive, digital resource to educate youth on mental health, and offer encouragement and community for those seeking help. OneTeam Mental Health is a website with material on depression, anxiety, suicidal thoughts, and wellness. [MORE](#)

Southwestern Adventist University, he did not anticipate that a business degree would lead him to medical school. He planned to become a physician, like his parents, and began as a biology major. Yet, Aqui soon realized that his interests were not limited to anatomy and physiology. [MORE](#)

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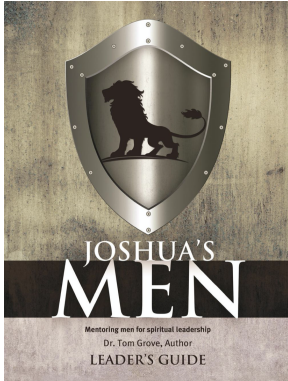
Register for the Adventist Virtual Global Campmeeting! The worldwide event features more than 400 programs/seminars, and 110+ exhibitors. Attend keynote presentations from global Adventist church leaders (including NAD president G. Alexander Bryant) and other seminars on the main stage and in six different tracks. This camp meeting runs May 19-23. [CLICK HERE](#) to register and check the schedule for your region of the world.



BOOST YOUR BRAIN POWER! This week's **Health & Longevity show**, on LifeTalk Radio, features guest Dr. Neal Barnard discussing power foods for your brain. Tune in Friday at 5:05 p.m. EDT, or Sunday, May 23, at 3:05 pm EDT with the free LifeTalk mobile app, on smart home devices, or online at www.LifeTalk.net. The [podcast](#) will be available after air. During Mental Health Month and all year long, LifeTalk Radio brings you hope and wholeness.



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.



Men's Ministries resource: *Joshua's Men* is a year-long mentoring process that seeks to develop spiritual leaders who make an impact for the kingdom of God in their homes, their churches, and their communities. [CLICK HERE](#) to find out more/order; a [participant guide is also available](#).

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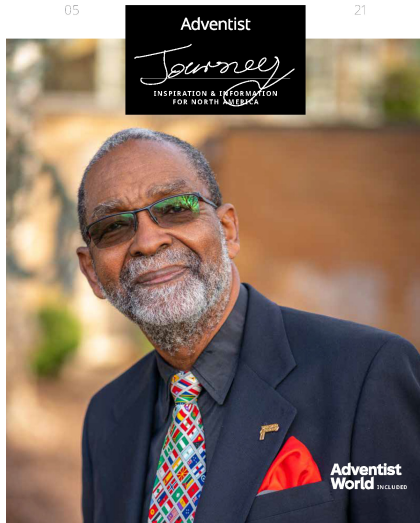
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Cover: Pedrito Maynard-Reid, professor of biblical studies and missiology at Walla Walla University; [WATCH](#) the interview.

VIEWPOINTS



Helping Others Walk Home

"We are better together. Resilience is a big word that we use a lot now — and we know that the number one thing for resiliency is relationship. God models that for us in our vertical relationship with him, but He expects that we do this with each other. This is about 'the golden rule.' Pause and think about where we are with others. Are we helping each other walk home?"

— Ingrid Slikkers, social worker, and professor at Andrews University, during the NAD COVID-19 vaccine symposium on May 15, 2021

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