



News and Information from the North American Division

# **NEWSPOINTS**

June 2, 2021



# "The Seventh-day Adventist **Church in Canada mourns with** the families of the Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc First Nation and all the Indigenous Peoples of Turtle Island (Canada) following the discovery of 215 unmarked children's graves at the former site of the Kamloops Indian Residential School." MORE



The annual young adult film festival sponsored by the NAD became an extended virtual experience through a six-session-long



We think the Internet has a lengthy shelf life, but our Creator is omniscient. He knows everything: past, present, and future. Our blunders that are public and the ones that are private. ... If anyone has the right to hold us eternally accountable, it's God. And yet He assures us, "I will be merciful toward their iniquities, and I will remember their sins no more" (Heb. 8:12). READ MORE of this devotional message.



On Sunday, May 23, the executive committee of the Southwest

program on Gather.town, a customizable video-conferencing space that allowed for enhanced virtual interactivity among attendees. Sonscreen Film Festival 2021 took place every Friday, from April 2 to May 7, from 4-6 p.m. EDT, on the gamified platform that has been described as a combination of Zoom and the "Among US" video game. MORE

Region Conference of Seventh-day
Adventists voted to elect Carlton P. Byrd
as president. Byrd most recently served
as speaker/director for the Breath of Life
TV Ministries and as senior pastor of the
Oakwood University Seventh-day
Adventist Church. Byrd is also an
Oakwood University alumnus. MORE

# **ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS**

Wyoming City Already Preparing for Huge 2024 Camping Event

<u>Sacramento City and County Open Cooling Centers for Homeless Amid Triple-Digit Forecast (Calif.)</u>

In the Midst of a Storm: SWAU Graduate Spreading Missions Through Teaching in Korea (Tex.)

Adventist Health Bakersfield Releases Schedule of Free Child Immunization Clinics for June (Calif.)

Demand for Silicon Valley Food Pantries Remains High (Calif.)

Gaffney Seventh-day Adventist Church Welcomes Community Bible Instructor (S.C.)

<u>Pastor, Parishioner React After Florida Law Enforcement Nabs Four Men Accused of Stealing from Churches</u>

<u>AdventHealth Sebring Residency Program to Help Address Need for Doctors in Rural Areas</u>

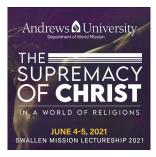
GC: Adventist Virtual Global Campmeeting Speakers Address Racism

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS & RESOURCES**



**The NAD All-Night Prayer Call** starts Thursday, June 3-4, from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. ET. NAD prayer leaders will serve as "prayer hosts" throughout the night. Let's give thanks; let's share needs; let's pray together! Call 404-891-6338; accesscode is Prayer# (772937#).

June 4-5, tune in to the Swallen Mission Conference presentation, "The Supremacy of Christ in a World of Religions," with guest speaker Dr. Timothy Tennent, president of the Asbury



Theological Seminary. Tennent will expound on contemporary mission challenges amongst the major world religions, including Buddhism, Hinduism, and Islam, and discuss the impact of the current pandemic on global mission. <u>LEARN MORE</u> and <u>REGISTER</u>.



# Register for the FREE 2021 Adventist Conference on Family Research and Practice

conference! This event, held July 22-24, will be facilitated virtually; this year's theme is "Forgiveness." This annual conference, held at Andrews University, is designed to provide professionals and Family Ministries leaders alike the opportunity to be exposed to best practice strategies and research in the area of Family Therapy, Family Studies, Family Ministry, Social Work, and Psychology in order to enhance ministry to families. CLICK HERE for info/to register.



### Witnessing is easy with LifeTalk Radio! Looking

for a way to share Jesus with your family, neighbors and community? WATCH the interview with LifeTalk Radio Director John Geli to discover how you can use free LifeTalk resources as an evangelism tool in your community—and not just through radio! Find free witnessing resources at <a href="https://www.LifeTalk.net/resources">www.LifeTalk.net/resources</a>.
Join LifeTalk in spreading the good news of Jesus Christ and sharing the Three Angels' Messages with our world!



# 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: <a href="https://www.Jesus101.tv">www.Jesus101.tv</a>.



# Do It Together — Sabbath School Convention 2021 is the first annual event of its kind!

Sponsored by the NAD Adult, Children's and Youth ministries, the convention will focus on doing Sabbath School *together*. This event is designed to train leaders for in service, and to update teaching techniques and connection with student and teacher. <u>Join us</u> on Sept. 9-11! Fee is only \$20; register by Aug. 9 to receive a free swag bag.

# **EVENTS CALENDAR**

# June

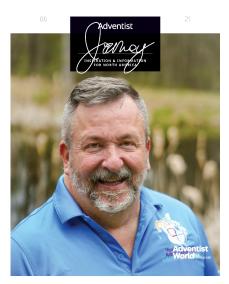
- 5 Offering: Local Church Budget
- 12 <u>Women's Ministries Emphasis Day</u>
- 12 Offering: Women's Ministries (NAD)
- 19 Refugee Sabbath
- 19 Offering: Local Church Budget
- 26 <u>Thirteenth Sabbath Offering: Inter-American</u> <u>Division (IAD)</u>
- 26 Offering: Local Conference Advance

June Focus:
Church Growth &
Evangelism

Camp Meeting
Calendar

**Adventist Mission** 

# **ADVENTIST JOURNEY**



**Cover:** Glen Milam, Mount Aetna Retreat Center director; <u>WATCH</u> the interview.

**Feature:** "Nurturing Relationships Through the Generations," by Kimberly Luste Maran, pp. 04-06

NAD Update: "2021 eHuddle Redefines Adventist Evangelism in North America, Examines Church Growth Patterns," by Mylon Medley, pp. 08-09

NAD News Briefs: "Adventist Biography Series Project Changes Editors;" "Young Adults in Texas Show Gratitude for Health-Care Workers," p. 10

Faces From the Front Line: "Do Not Panic," interview with Jason Inanga, p. 12

**Perspective:** "The Promise to Be Forgotten," by Melissa Reid, p. 13

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# **VIEWPOINTS**



# **Three Encouragements**

"Whatever our day may hold, whatever our week may hold, whatever challenges [we] may face, we need these three encouragements. One, God is for us. Two, He has justified us, He has paid the price with His blood on the cross. And number three, nothing in this entire universe can separate [us] from the love of God."

Carl Johnston, director of Seminars Unlimited, during NAD virtual staff worship on June
 2, 2021

# **NAD MEDIA MINISTRIES**



















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