

NEWSPOINTS

July 28, 2021



The Do It Together Sabbath School Leadership Convention is described as training for Sabbath School superintendents, secretaries, creatives, youth pastors, pastors, teachers, and those interested in growing their Sabbath School attendance and engagement. The convention will be held virtually Sept. 9-11. [MORE](#)



In the morning on July 19, 2021, Oakwood University, located in Huntsville, Alabama, held a ribbon-cutting ceremony to celebrate the completion of the Peterson Hall renovation. The building has been completely renovated to include residential use as well as offering a full conference center. [MORE](#)



Nicholas P. Miller, Andrews University professor of church history and director of the International Religious Liberty Institute,



Are you interested in radio evangelism? An exciting and rare opportunity is coming in November this year! The FCC will open a filing

recently presented a policy paper on the topic of “COVID-19 and Religious Liberty” at a Freedom of Religion or Belief working group that met in conjunction with the pre-meetings of the G-20 in Matera, Italy, from June 28-30. [MORE](#)

window for applications for full-power noncommercial educational (NCE) FM radio stations on Nov. 2–9, 2021. But it isn't too early to start planning. LifeTalk Radio Network offers help. [CLICK HERE](#)

ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS

["New" Photo of Ellen G. White Is a Window into the Prophet's Life, Scholars Say.](#)

[Silver Springs Shores Seventh-day Adventist Church Gives Away 100 Free Backpacks Stuffed with School Supplies \(Fla.\)](#)

[Hartford Seminary Gets \\$5.3 Million Grant to Study COVID's Impact on Congregations \(Conn.\)](#)

[Well-Being Improvement Initiative Unveiled \(Calif.\)](#)

[WGTS-FM 91.9 Named a "Best Christian Workplace" Nationwide \(Md.\)](#)

[Spokane-Area Vacation Bible Schools Resume In-Person \(Wash.\)](#)

["Young and Healthy" to Honor Pasadena Health Director Dr. Ying-Ying Goh and Altadena Seventh-day Adventist Church \(Calif.\)](#)

[Oakwood University Ribbon-Cutting for Peterson Hall \(Ala.\)](#)

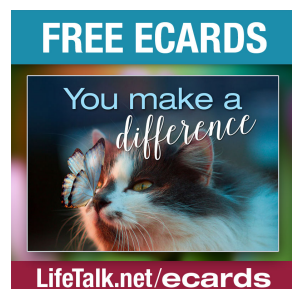
[Highland Adventist School Adds Climbing Wall to Playground \(W.V.\)](#)

[Help Wanted: Police Chaplains in Prince George's County \(Md.\)](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS & RESOURCES



Starting Aug. 9, It Is Written will air Connect, a new online series on the subject of effective prayer. Presented by John Bradshaw, Connect will livestream on It Is Written TV, Facebook, and YouTube. Viewers are encouraged to register for Connect at iiwconnect.com to get access to exclusive giveaways. [Click here](#) for promotional material.



Share love and appreciation on Friendship Day, August 1, with free LifeTalk e-cards! National Friendship Day encourages people to reconnect with friends, so let your friends know you are thinking of them with a free e-card from LifeTalk Radio. Visit LifeTalk.net/eCards for “Thinking of you,” “Thank you for making a difference,” “You Matter to God,” and Bible

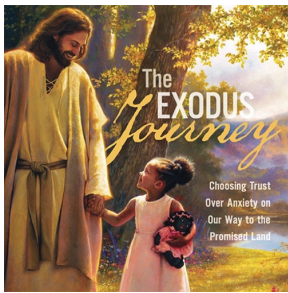
promise e-card designs—gifts from your friends at LifeTalk Radio.



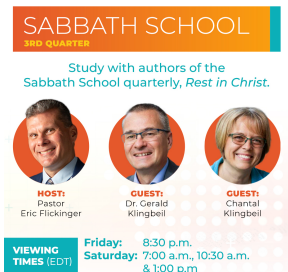
Feeling the call toward missionary service? Teachers, medical professionals, office workers, lay pastors, accountants, and more are needed! The Office of Volunteer Ministries reports the need for help in [Guam-Micronesia](#) to keep thousands of students enrolled in Adventist schools there. [CLICK HERE](#) to see all current volunteer opportunities.



The 2021 "Go Do It!" Youth Congress, sponsored by the NAD Youth and Young Adult Ministries department, will be held virtually on Aug. 12-14. This is the first annual event of its kind. Sessions will include mental health, social media, relationships, music, and much more. Random backpack giveaways during the event will include a MacBook or iPhone. [CLICK HERE](#) for schedule and to register for this FREE event.



Get *The Exodus Journey*, a new book by Jesus 101's Dr. Elizabeth Talbot, for free! [The Exodus Journey](#), published by Pacific Press, is about choosing trust over anxiety, and dives into Israel's journey to the Promised Land, inviting readers to consider their own daily walk towards the heavenly Canaan, trusting God to be the Redeemer, Provider and Guide. Get your FREE copy (US and Canada, one per household) by downloading the Jesus 101 mobile app on your device, click on "Book Offers", and enter code "NAD-EJ". Code valid through Aug. 15.



The It Is Written Sabbath School program has launched new content for the third quarter! Host Eric Flickinger, It Is Written associate speaker, is joined by Rest in Christ quarterly authors Dr. Gerald and Chantal Klingbeil as they discuss each lesson study. The half-hour program is posted at the beginning of each week on [It Is Written TV](#) (on demand) and airs on Fridays and Saturdays on the It Is Written TV livestream. [LEARN MORE](#)

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Feature Interview: "Beware of the Wolves: Practical ways to avoid ministry scams," by Bill Knott with Karnik Doukmetzian, pp. 04-07

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Challenges and Difficulties

“[To] all of us [who] have been challenged from time to time, God declares ... He has taken the time to engrave your name in the palm of His hands [Isa. 49:16].... No, He has not forgotten about you. He has not forsaken you....

Oh, I pray today that God’s word will strengthen our hearts, that we will not allow our circumstances, we will not allow the difficulties that we face, [to lead us to believe] the lie that everything is supposed to work out okay in our life, the way we think it ought to work out. Jesus never said that. In fact John 16, in verse 33, Jesus said in this world you shall have tribulation. He made it clear. Tribulation is a part of ... our lives.

'Be of good cheer,' He goes on to say, because He has overcome the world."

— *David Long, Stewardship director for the Southern Union Conference, during virtual NAD staff worship on July 28, 2021*

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