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News and Information from the North American Division

NEWSPOINTS

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Rick Remmers was elected a general vice president of the General Conference on Sunday, Oct. 11, during the 2026 Annual Council. General vice president Thomas Lemon will retire in 2027. The GC Executive Committee voted to elect Remmers, and he will take on his new responsibilities immediately. MORE



Gordon Pifher, former vice president for media ministries for the NAD, passed to his rest early Friday morning, Oct. 9, after a brief illness. He was 79. Pifher spent more than 50 years in ministry in the Adventist Church, serving as a pastor, youth director, and administrator. MORE



One hundred years after rising from the ashes of the original Dime Tabernacle, the Battle Creek Tabernacle welcomed church leaders from around the world, former pastors and members to celebrate its birthday. General Conference president Erton Köhler was among the guests attending the nine-day celebration, which began Friday evening, Oct. 2. MORE



Pacific Union College welcomes Anthony Cadavid as the new Master's of Business Administration program director and professor of business administration. Between teaching and supporting students and faculty, he develops partnerships to strengthen the department and support graduates, and ensures the program is on track to meet PUC's vision. MORE

ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS

AdventHealth Breaks Ground on $475M Colorado Hospital (Fla.)

Adventist Healthcare to Go Live on Epic in 2028 (Md.)

International Rescue and Relief Students Lend a Hand in Omaha (Nebr.)

AdventHealth Launches Free Health Clinic to Serve Greater Kansas City Community (Kans.)

Cancer Journey Changes Nurse's Perspective on Both Sides of Care (Fla.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS & RESOURCES



North American Division Annual Council starts Oct. 29. Watch the live-streamed business sessions HERE or on the NAD YouTube channel. As news becomes available links to the articles will be HERE. We pray for God's leading as we enter into the annual business meeting for the NAD, formerly known as year-end meeting.



NAD NewsPoints will be not be published later this week. We hope to get back on our weekly schedule, and until we do please check out the NAD's social media (Facebook, Twitter (X), Instagram) for new content, or visit the NAD Homepage for news and much more. Click here to read/watch *Adventist Journey* magazine stories and videos.



Encourage your kids to build their faith by listening to a captivating audio drama that provides a treat for the ears, mind, and heart. Each weekly episode of *Brinkman Adventures* contains a Biblical theme, a lesson, and a compelling drama that will keep you on the edge of your seat. LifeTalkKids.net offers the best in positive programs for children and teens. Check the kids program schedule for your time zone at: lifetalkkids.net/kids-program-schedule. Or listen on our FREE LifeTalk App available at: lifetalk.net/connect

Join Global Mission's Center for South Asian Religions on Nov. 1 at 8 a.m. ET for "Praying for Our South Asian Neighbors." Under the theme "A Light for Every Heart," this online gathering will feature guest speaker Richard E. McEdward, General Conference executive secretary. Come together in prayer for South Asian communities around the world!



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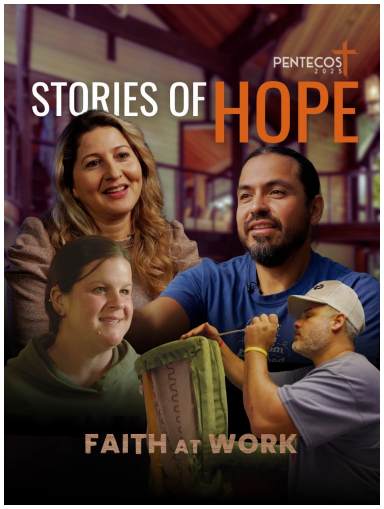


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This quarter on It Is Written Sabbath School, join host Eric Flickinger and study contributor Dwain Esmond from the Ellen G. White Estate as they explore the gift of prophecy. A new half-hour program is released every Saturday at 3:00 p.m. ET. Watch on YouTube or It Is Written TV.

The North American Division's new documentary web series, Faith at Work, premiered June 26 on the @NADAdventist YouTube channel. The 10-episode series highlights practical,



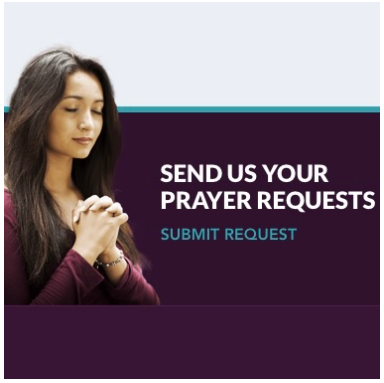
hands-on ways that churches and schools across the division are connecting with their communities. Each episode showcases a creative outreach hosted by a church or school during Pentecost 2025. All episodes now available; perfect for Friday evening viewing! CLICK HERE for the series' playlist.



Jesus 101 has free downloadable activity worksheets and coloring pages for kids! These resources also have accompanying animated videos that will help kids discover Jesus in the stories of the Bible in a fun and instructive manner. These valuable resources are perfect for churches, schools, and families. Jesus 101 is always working to develop new biblical studies resources for kids. To download these activity sheets and coloring pages, or to view the animated videos, click here for more info.



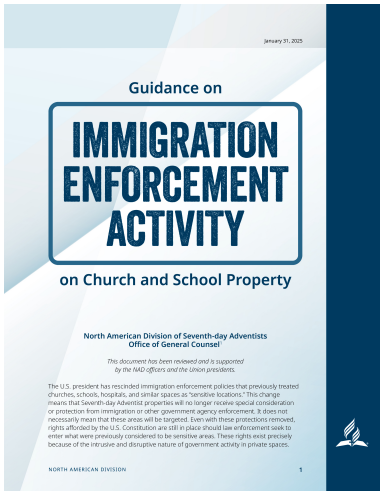
A storm is coming, and Scripture saw it coming millennia ago. Join Voice of Prophecy speaker/director Pastor Ken Norton for *The Approaching Storm*. This seven-part series on last-day events, shares what the Bible says about the future and how we, as believers, can be ready. To watch the latest episode, visit theapproachingstorm.com.



Are you in need of encouragement, hope, or prayer? Jesus 101's prayer warriors would be honored to pray for your specific request. Our prayer team meets every Wednesday to pray over received prayer requests. Click here to submit your prayer request online.



Every day, people leave eye care offices not just with a diagnosis, but with isolation and unanswered questions. Through the First Response Initiative, Christian Record Services is placing Lifeline Kits directly into practices—offering hope, resources, and connection. You can help bring this to your community. If you know an eye doctor or specialist, make the introduction. Together, we can place Lifeline Kits into their hands — and hope into the lives of their patients: https://bit.ly/crsfirstresponse.



The North American Division has provided for churches and schools the document entitled "Guidance on Immigration Enforcement Activity on Church and School Property." These guidelines, prepared by the NAD Office of General Counsel, have been reviewed — and is supported by — the NAD officers and union presidents. CLICK HERE for the guidelines in English. Spanish- and French-language versions have been published and all are also available under the NAD website "Guidelines" tab.



Take your ministry beyond the pulpit and into the digital world. This Adventist Learning Community course empowers pastors and church leaders to harness the power of AI tools to transform sermon content into engaging, shareable social media posts. You'll learn how to optimize sermon videos, design eye-catching visuals, and use online engagement tools to grow your church's digital presence. By the end of the course, you'll have the skills and confidence to combine AI technologies with creative strategies — amplifying your message, reaching new audiences, and spreading the gospel far beyond your local community. LEARN MORE.

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"Those who know your name trust in you, for you, Lord, have never forsaken those who seek you."

— Psalm 9:10, NIV

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