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THIS WEEK

NEWS AROUND THE UNION



AMITA Health remembers lives lost to COVID

On Tuesday, Sept. 22, Illinois Conference President Ron Aguilera shared a message of comfort and hope at AMITA Health Medical Center Hinsdale. The occasion was a special memorial service remembering those who, over the last six months, have lost their lives to COVID. Hinsdale and La Grange CEO, Adam Maycock, also presented a message, and staff members shared stories of joy and tears.

Aguilera told the hospital staff: "In difficult times, times when we feel downcast, discouraged and in despair, God has not forsaken us. He is with us. We must choose to hang on to God. He is our Rock and we can cling to the promise that one day, all things will be set right."



AMITA Health CEO receives award

Bruce C. Christian, CEO of AMITA Health Adventist Medical Centers GlenOaks and Bolingbrook, has been honored by AdventHealth with its annual Crystal Angel Award, which recognizes a leader for their dedication to the organization’s faith-based mission. As CEO, Christian has overseen many important projects, but the project closest to his heart has been the Therapeutic Day School. He recently helped engineer the lease of a primary school in Glendale Heights to allow consolidation and expansion of the day school. In announcing the award, AdventHealth CEO-Multistate Division Randy Haffner said, “It is through his conviction, his passion, his commitment to extend the healing ministry of Jesus that Bruce leads and accomplishes amazing things.” [WATCH VIDEO](#)



A special roadside celebration

As Douglas Janssen’s retirement from serving the church for nearly half a century neared, Adventist Information Ministry Director Jannette Cave knew a traditional sendoff wouldn’t be likely. There could be no restaurant gathering of colleagues and family to offer up kind words and well wishes, at least not during a pandemic. Yet, here was someone who had spent 45 years in ministry and deserved some type of recognition. [READ MORE](#)

IN THE NEWS



The 10-acre cornfield at Landess Farm is a tribute to Congressional Medal of Honor recipient Desmond Doss. This year is the 75th anniversary of Doss' heroic acts at Hacksaw Ridge.

Landess Farm corn maze honors Medal of Honor recipient

DALEVILLE, Ind. — After honoring first responders with its 10-acre cornfield in 2019, Landess Farm will once again be honoring a hero as local communities gear up for fall fun.

[The farm, located in Daleville, will use its annual Fall Fun on the Farm event as a tribute to Congressional Medal of Honor recipient Desmond Doss.](#)

Doss was a United States Army corporal who served as a combat medic during World War II. Because he was a Seventh-day Adventist, he refused to carry a weapon, which caused ridicule from fellow soldiers.

Behind the Camera: Joshua Martin, Videographer

Joshua Martin found an opportunity at Notre Dame at just the right time in his career. When he was ready to transition out of his position as a production manager at the University of Miami, he asked a friend about possible openings at Notre Dame. That friend knew of one. Why Notre Dame? The Pine Forge, Pennsylvania native was familiar with the University and the area, [as a graduate of Andrews University in Berrien Springs, Michigan](#) where he had worked as a student photographer and videographer.

ADDITIONAL NEWS & INFORMATION

GENERAL CONFERENCE

President of the Seventh-day Adventist Church recognizes World Pathfinder Day

Did you know that Sabbath, September 19, is a very important day for nearly 2 million young people around the world? That's because it is "[World Pathfinder Day](#)"—a day set aside each year to highlight young people who are involved in Pathfinders.

Making chai to make disciples

His rapidly growing TikTok platform (@crossculturechristian) has more than 120,000 followers and attracts people from all faiths and walks of life. And his strategy is simple: [he makes videos about making chai and shares Jesus in the process.](#)

Paraguay prepares to send volunteers to the world

designed to provide encouragement to the Voluntary Service department of the Adventist Church in Paraguay and its executive secretariat.

NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION

Before You Reopen Your House of Worship, Consider This

[Before you reopen your house of worship](#), consider this: Is there a spiritual imperative for houses of worship that can be met only by conducting in-person services? And does that imperative outweigh the very real physical risks?

LifeTalk Radio Launches Online Channel for Kids

The only radio network owned and operated by the North American Division now offers [LifeTalkKids](#).

Oregon Conference Responds to Wildfires, Helps Evacuees

NAD Communication Director Dan Weber talks to Jonathan Russell and Andy Villanueva from the Oregon Conference on [how the Seventh-day Adventist Church has responded to the needs of the local communities after more than 100,000 people](#) needed to evacuate due to the recent fires in their territory.

La Sierra University Ranked No. 1 in Nation Again for Diverse Environment by Wall Street Journal

The [category considers the diversity of faculty](#), student body, numbers of international students, and numbers of in-need students receiving financial aid through the federal Pell Grant.

God's Promises Shine During COVID-19 Pandemic

An Adventist pastor in Dakota [finds peace amidst tragedy](#)

Guide Magazine Publishes a Special Sharing Issue on the State of the Dead

Guide magazine has produced "[Death's Doom](#)," a 16-page outreach magazine for readers ages 10-14 that uses Guide's famous storytelling technique along with related sidebars to help kids understand the biblical view of death and the hope we have in a future resurrection.

EVENTS AND RESOURCES



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on your plate already to add leadership, too? Are you wary of leading when things are so uncertain? If leadership is defined as influencing others, all Christians are called to lead. The [Association of Adventist Women \(AAW\)](#), in partnership with the Loma Linda University Church, has put together a series of six **Sabbath Vespers programs** addressing leadership called Finding Purpose in Uncertain Times. Join them **every Sabbath starting October 10 at associationofadventistwomen.com and lluc.org/vespers!**



Come be a part of the conversation at the **2020 Virtual Conscience & Justice Annual Convention on September 25-26**. The topic of this year, "Everyone Counts. Everyone Matters." will touch on topics of discipleship and racism, mental health and social justice, liberty around the world, faith and community, and a follow up discussion from Rallying for Disciples: Black Lives Matter too.

[Complimentary registration is available today!](#)



The **Society of Adventist Communicators Convention** is going virtual in 2020! Join us on **Oct. 14-15 at 5 PM EDT** for engaging keynotes, breakout sessions, and networking opportunities. Whether you're a Seventh-day Adventist communication professional, student, teacher, volunteer, freelancer, or pastor, SAC has something for you! Workshops will cover technology and apps for remote working, livestreaming for local churches, communication and social justice, and other timely topics.

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Project Safe Church exists to train leaders to take protective action in response to the systemic crisis of abuse in the Seventh-day Adventist church. These helpers will support victims and assist them in telling their stories to appropriate civil and/or church leaders. Check with the [Project Safe Church website](#) or your local conference office for more information about this program and getting involved.



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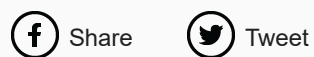
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