



## Pacific Union “All God’s People,” July 3, 2020 S4:E26



In this week’s episode:

—VBS - Heroes Home Edition—

Kids love heroes, and this summer, instead of talking about superheroes from the comics or movies, this new VBS from the Seventh-day Adventist Church will teach kids about heroes from the Bible. Heroes Home Edition will be available online or as a free download at [HeroesHomeEdition.org](https://HeroesHomeEdition.org) on July 6, 2020. It will include a practical guide for using technology and hands-on learning to experience Heroes VBS at home! Learn more or watch the promo videos via the links below.

VBS Promo (English)



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VBS Promo (Spanish)

Learn more:

—Stories from Adventist Health—

In Bakersfield, Adventist Health partnered up with City Serve to distribute soup packets last month for families and others in need. According to the Vice President of Partnership for Adventist Health, Kiyoshi Tomono, their work does not stop until people in their community are no longer hungry. Read the entire article from kget.com news via the link below.

[Adventist Health and CityServe distribute soup packets for families in need](#)

Also, from Adventist Health

Mendocino Coast District Hospital and Adventist Health signed a management agreement in May. The hospital will draw on Adventist Health’s extensive experience, as well as its vast network and resources in Mendocino County, where Adventist Health operates two additional hospitals, Adventist Health Howard Memorial in Willits and Adventist Health Ukiah Valley. Read the press release from Adventist Health below.

[https://www.adventisthealth.org/documents/Fort\\_Bragg\\_Press\\_Release.pdf](https://www.adventisthealth.org/documents/Fort_Bragg_Press_Release.pdf)

Learn more: <https://www.adventisthealth.org/mendocino-county/>

—Marielis George Aids COVID Patients as EMT in NYC—

When La Sierra transitioned to online classes in March, Marielis George, a senior pre-med student, decided to go home and continue her studies from there - and home for her was Yonkers - 20 miles outside of New York City. While her father wanted her to stay safely sheltered in their home, Marielis had other plans. A certified emergency medical technician, she felt called to serve on the front lines of the pandemic. In spite of the dangers and her own fears, she signed up to work as an EMT with an ambulance company in her hometown. “COVID isn’t going to stop me from trying to make a positive impact on those who cross my path,” Marielis said. Read her story via the link below.

<https://lasierra.edu/article/pre-med-student-aids-covid-patients-as-new-york-emt/>

—Juneteenth Prayer March in Northern California—

On June 19, members of the Vallejo Central church in Northern California held a prayer march, walking about half a



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mile from their church to the steps of the Vallejo Police Department. They chose June 19, known as Juneteenth, because it’s the day that commemorates the end of slavery in the United States. Nearly 30 people prayed on the steps of the building, and several police officers came out to thank them and talk with them. What an awesome way to commemorate this significant date in history.

See photos of the march:

[https://www.facebook.com/vcsdachurch/posts/3211262858922118?\\_\\_xts\\_\\_\[0\]=68.ARAMXp5T4gBSbRE5DTP8DpQeOZanJSIvRT2xd6eXbT-3HOTHtoMYxaQgOlkh5JPzRIR6vDokdNdSSr6u5O2ndC4RGOWIb5I7TeQhum-DI\\_vh0g5KnSaUyPs714Zbi7MvpklaZ0X2DtN9I4wGa27c-ql5ZEJkQ3FDi07RRxpSScKPSdb0OaGyWm0UEmKSAvv70dPfm3Yoxs7Fb97V8U2KUU1UMKmyOEC7EvrSBs4sjOcj0kf129SLFAxtp97ioBEIHCaD1Qx1om5i11v6iN90IK3QFHskBT6ogBaraBsyMRVdxbD4xaNK\\_E9E35LOJdkcJ9nt-trsVjyi\\_EVWmNohLIBaHQ&\\_\\_tn\\_\\_=-R](https://www.facebook.com/vcsdachurch/posts/3211262858922118?__xts__[0]=68.ARAMXp5T4gBSbRE5DTP8DpQeOZanJSIvRT2xd6eXbT-3HOTHtoMYxaQgOlkh5JPzRIR6vDokdNdSSr6u5O2ndC4RGOWIb5I7TeQhum-DI_vh0g5KnSaUyPs714Zbi7MvpklaZ0X2DtN9I4wGa27c-ql5ZEJkQ3FDi07RRxpSScKPSdb0OaGyWm0UEmKSAvv70dPfm3Yoxs7Fb97V8U2KUU1UMKmyOEC7EvrSBs4sjOcj0kf129SLFAxtp97ioBEIHCaD1Qx1om5i11v6iN90IK3QFHskBT6ogBaraBsyMRVdxbD4xaNK_E9E35LOJdkcJ9nt-trsVjyi_EVWmNohLIBaHQ&__tn__=-R)

—Independence Day 2020—

Tomorrow is Sabbath and the Fourth of July. Independence Day is a federal holiday commemorating the Declaration of Independence of the United States on July 4, 1776. These are unusual times to be participating in the traditional celebrations - as the coronavirus restrictions will prevent fireworks, parades, and public gatherings in much of our Pacific Union and as events of recent weeks have been heavy on our hearts and minds. But the Fourth of July offers a wonderful opportunity for us to continue conversations we’ve been having—even during a difficult time. We are truly thankful for our country. We can count among our blessings our families, our faith, and God’s grace towards us.

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“Live as people who are free, not using your freedom as a cover-up for evil, but living as servants of God.” -1 Peter 2:16