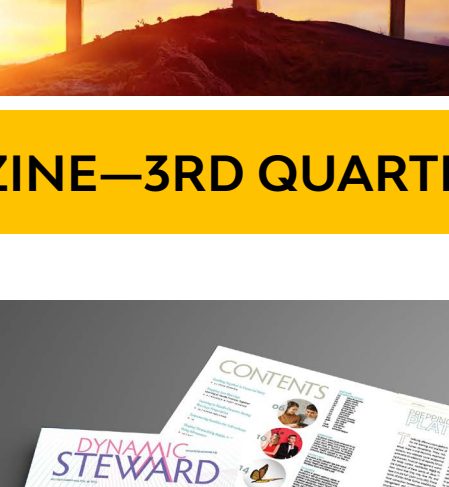




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The Family: Life's Coordinating Center

Families offer a unique platform for the learning and practice of human stewardship. We make crucial decisions, experience setbacks, and celebrate some offer a unique platform for the learning and practice of human stewardship. This issue addresses managing finances in preparation for the wedding, the marriage, and passing on sound financial principles to the next generation. Read on issue below. Also in [French](#), [Spanish](#) and [Portuguese](#). [Subscribe](#).



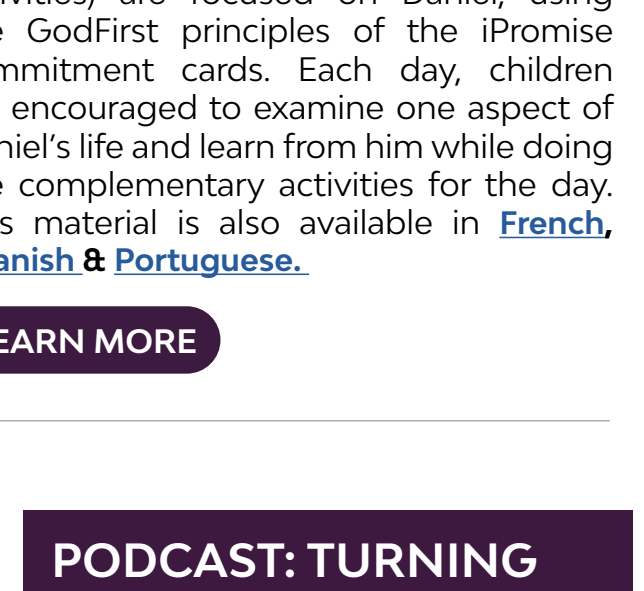
Dynamic Steward magazine, Vol. 26, No. 3, July - September 2023, The Family: Life's Coordinating Center. Read in PDF on our website: <https://stewardship.adventist.org/2023-26-3.pdf>

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STEWARDSHIP REVIVAL WEEK—RESOURCES

NOVEMBER 25 - DECEMBER 2, 2023

The GodFirst Stewardship Revival Week is an annual initiative of the GC Stewardship Ministries to invite the global membership to renew their commitment to God as stewards. Each year the prepared material comprises seven inspirational messages aligned with the "I Promise Card," which covers various topics. The resource materials are available in English below, [French](#), [Portuguese](#) and [Spanish](#).

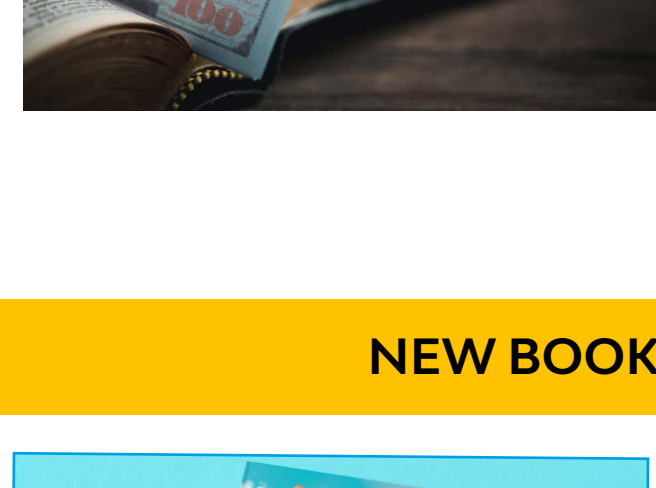


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Children Stewardship Revival Week

Written by Pastor Teddy Ah Kiune, this year's Children's Stewardship Revival Week's materials (booklet of sermons and activities) are focused on Daniel, using the GodFirst principles of the iPromise commitment cards. Each day, children are encouraged to examine one aspect of Daniel's life and learn from him while doing the complementary activities for the day. This material is also available in [French](#), [Spanish](#) & [Portuguese](#).

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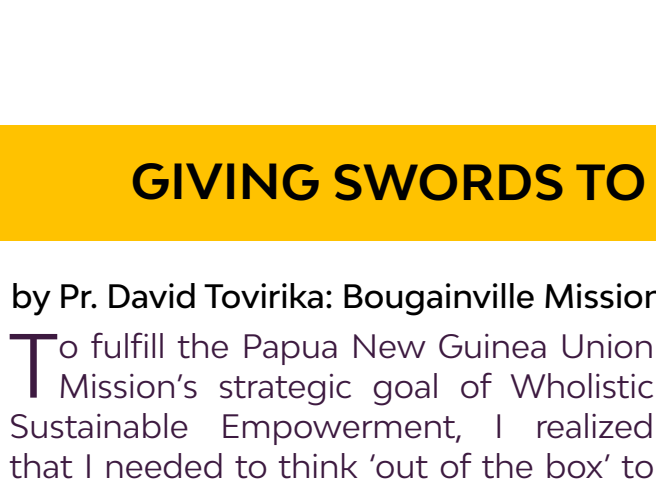


PODCAST: TURNING WILLING INTO ACTUAL GIVERS

PODCAST: Bridging the gap between the decision to give and the act of giving (Regular and Systematic Offerings). You may find the Commitment Cards [here](#).

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NEW BOOK—TRUE WEALTH



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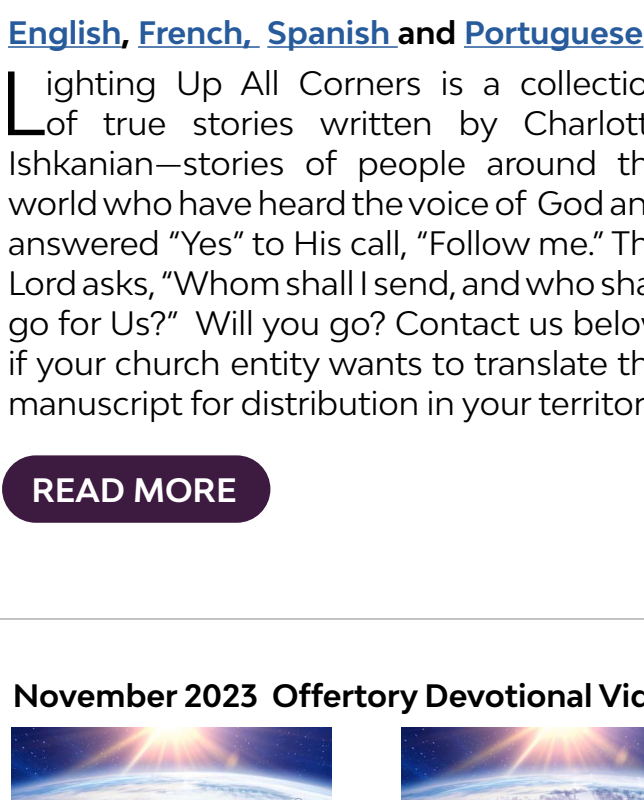
This new book contains finance-related chapters from the *Testimonies for the Church* series. It features a selection of letters written by Ellen G. White to individuals who faced financial challenges while striving to live by biblical principles of prosperity and speaks to our present reality. Originally produced by the SAD Stewardship Ministries and graciously given to the GC, this book is now available for translation and/or printing.

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GIVING SWORDS TO PRISONERS IN PNG (SPD)

by Pr. David Tovirika: Bougainville Mission

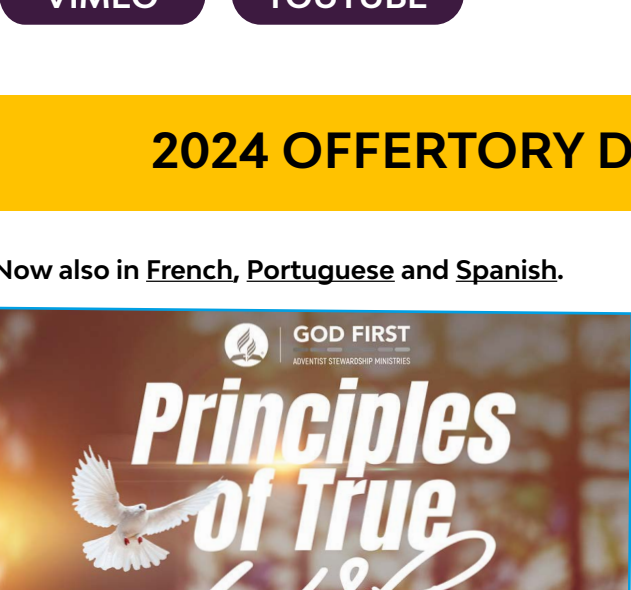
To fulfill the Papua New Guinea Union Mission's strategic goal of Wholistic Sustainable Empowerment, I realized that I needed to think 'out of the box' to achieve the best results. I decided to visit the 'Wait-Court' prisoners in the Arawa town police station prison cells after the Sabbath divine worship. The accused prisoners wait in these cells for their court hearing, therefore, every week . . .



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2023 OFFERTORY DEVOTIONAL READINGS AND VIDEOS

WEEKLY OFFERTORY DEVOTIONAL READINGS



[English](#), [French](#), [Spanish](#) and [Portuguese](#)

Lighting Up All Corners is a collection of true stories written by Charlotte Ishkanian—stories of people around the world who have heard the voice of God and answered "Yes" to His call, "Follow me." The Lord asks, "Whom shall I send, and who shall go for Us?" Will you go? Contact us below if your church entity wants to translate the manuscript for distribution in your territory.

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WEEKLY OFFERTORY DEVOTIONAL VIDEOS

The offertory devotional videos for 2023 are available on our [website](#) (+PDF and Script), [YouTube](#) and [Vimeo](#). Watch videos of previous years: [2022](#), [2021](#) and [2020](#). This years' videos are also available in [Cantonese](#), [French](#), [Hungarian](#), [Mandarin](#), [Portuguese](#), [Romanian](#), [Russian](#), [Simplified Chinese](#), [Spanish](#), and [Ukrainian](#).

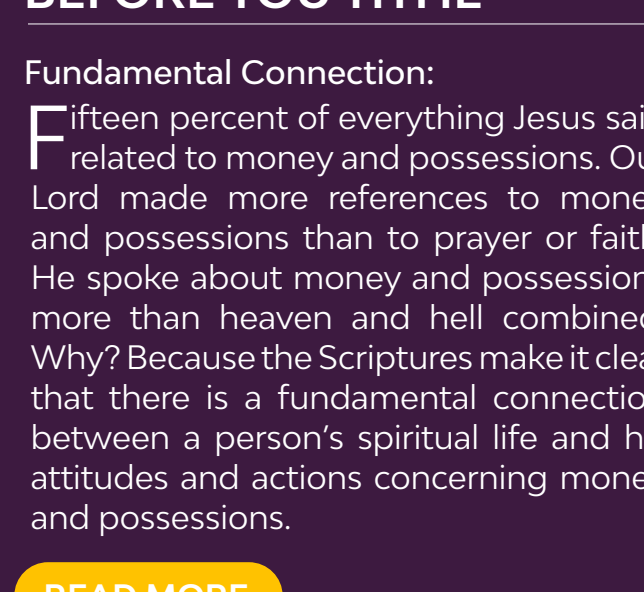
November 2023 Offertory Devotional Videos



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2024 OFFERTORY DEVOTIONAL READINGS

Now also in [French](#), [Portuguese](#) and [Spanish](#).



Principles of True Worship

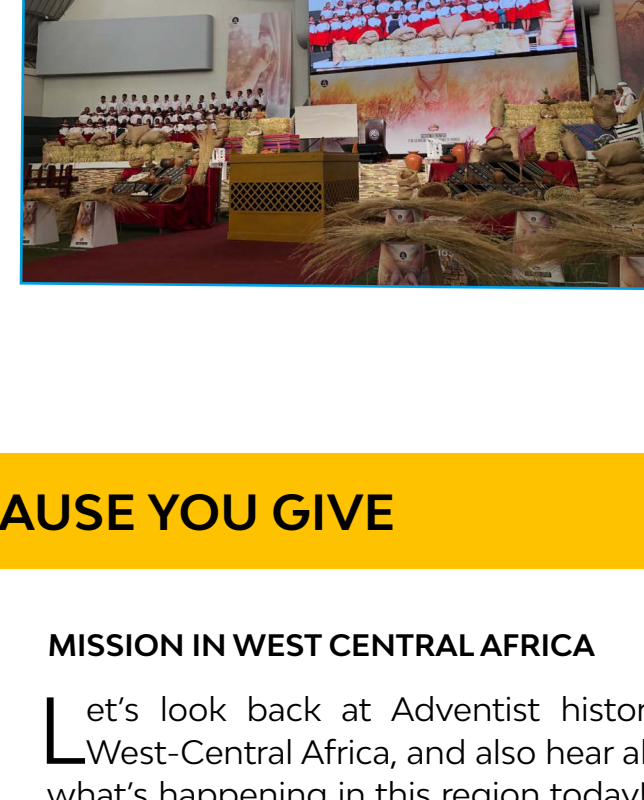
Author Josanan Alves uncovers 52 Principles of True Worship in the 2024 Title and Offerings Devotional Readings. These readings are to be presented in the local church every Sabbath before the local offering collection. Contact us below if your church entity wants to translate the manuscript or videos for distribution in your territory. The videos are being produced and will be made available [here](#) soon.

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UNDERSTANDING ADVENTIST BELIEFS

How Stewardship Can Change Your Life

Join hosts Frank Hasel and Keldie Paroschi, and special guest Dr. Rahel Wells, and discover the significance of viewing God as the ultimate owner of everything and how this belief guides our actions and mindset. Uncover how stewardship transcends finances, influencing our care for the earth, animals, our time, and opportunities, and understand its vital role in reflecting God's image in our lives.

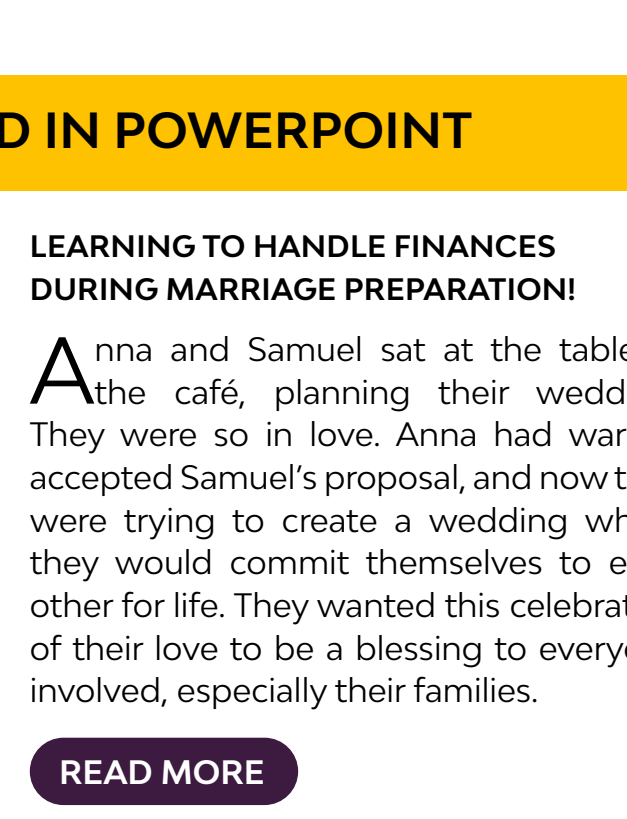


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BEFORE YOU TITHE

Fundamental Connection:

Fifteen percent of everything Jesus said related to money and possessions. Our Lord made more references to money and possessions than to prayer or faith. He spoke about money and possessions more than heaven and hell combined. Why? Because the Scriptures make it clear that there is a fundamental connection between a person's spiritual life and his attitudes and actions concerning money and possessions.

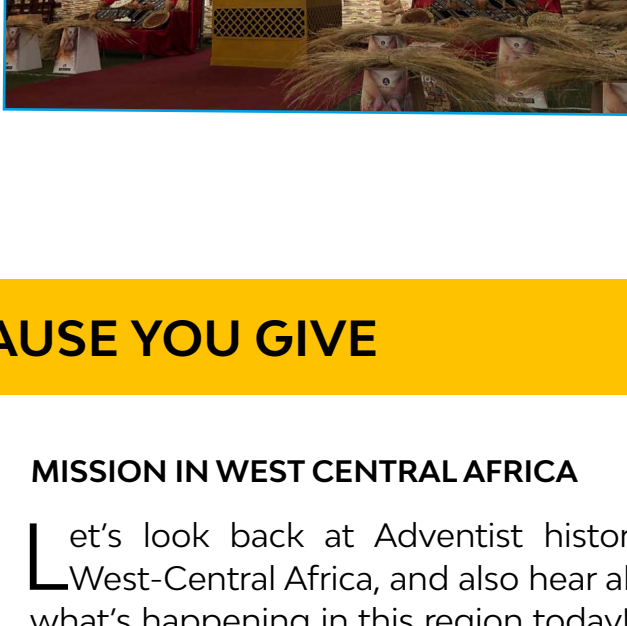


The article was written by Pastor Randy Alcorn, Director of Eternal Perspective Ministries, and published in *Dynamic Steward*, vol. 6, no. 5, July - September 2002, pp. 6-7. Read the entire magazine [here](https://issuu.com/dynamicstewards/docs/02julsep): <https://issuu.com/dynamicstewards/docs/02julsep>.

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FIRSTFRUITS CELEBRATION—LAKE TITICACA, PERU (SAD)

One of the most faithful regions in DSA territory is the Lake Titicaca Mission. Today, I had the privilege of attending the festival of firstfruits, where church members of 42 districts bring the first fruits of crops and animals. This was one of the most beautiful things I have ever seen in Stewardship. They had a two-year drought and a major social upheaval at the beginning of the year, yet the number . . .



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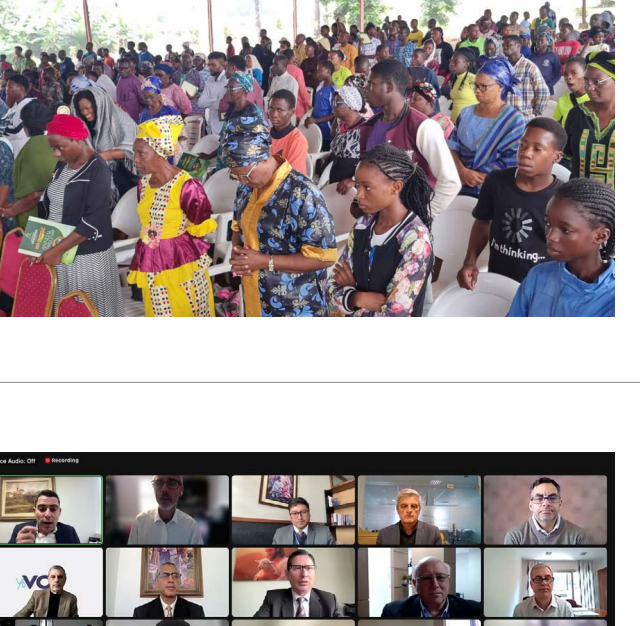
Courtesy of the Adventist Mission.

MISSION IN WEST CENTRAL AFRICA

Let's look back at Adventist history in West-Central Africa, and also hear about what's happening in this region today! The work of global mission pioneers like Memba is vital to reaching people in unreached communities in Africa and all of West Africa, thanks to your support.

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DYNAMIC STEWARD IN POWERPOINT



The article was written by Karen Holford, Family, Women and Children's ministries director for the Trans-European Division, and previously published in *Dynamic Steward*, vol. 26, no. 3, July - September 2023, pp. 10-12. <https://issuu.com/dynamicstewards/docs/2023-26-3> Read the article [here](https://stewardship.adventist.org/learning-to-handle-finances-during-marriage-preparation).

LEARNING TO HANDLE FINANCES DURING MARRIAGE PREPARATION!

Anna and Samuel sat at the table in the café, planning their wedding. They were so in love. Anna had warmly accepted Samuel's proposal, and now they were trying to create a wedding where they would commit themselves to each other for life. They wanted this celebration of their love to be a blessing to everyone involved, especially their families.

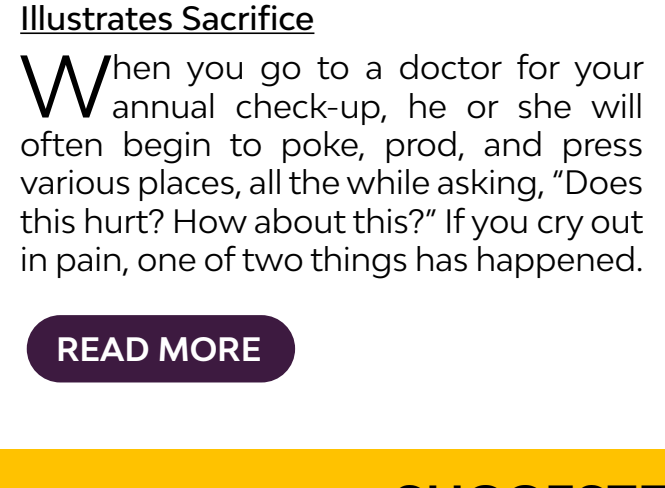
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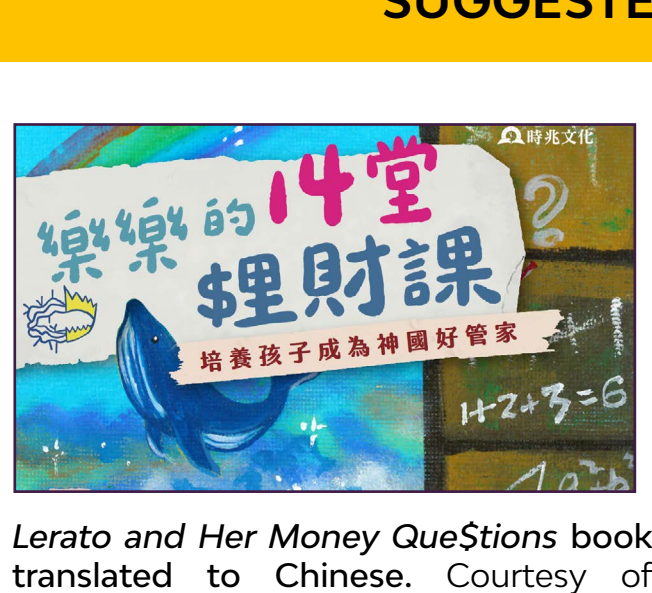


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SERMON ILLUSTRATION IDEAS

DOES IT HURT?



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Illustrates Sacrifice

When you go to a doctor for your annual check-up, he or she will often begin to poke, prod, and press various places, all the while asking, "Does this hurt? How about this?" If you cry out in pain, one of two things has happened.

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GAVE ALL HE HAD TO THE LORD



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Illustrates Servitude

General Charles G. Gordon was an outstanding man of God. When the English government wanted to reward him for his distinguished service in China, he declined all money and titles. Finally, after much arguing, he accepted a . . .

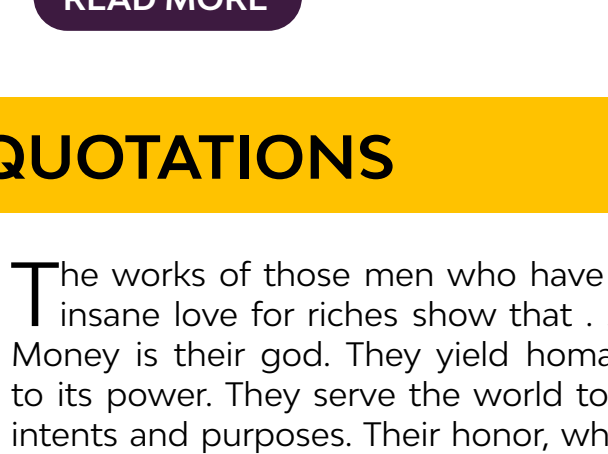
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SUGGESTED RESOURCES



Lerato and Her Money Questions book translated to Chinese. Courtesy of the Taiwan Conference, this children's stewardship book is now available in simplified and traditional Chinese. It is a great tool to help children learn the biblical principles of financial stewardship.

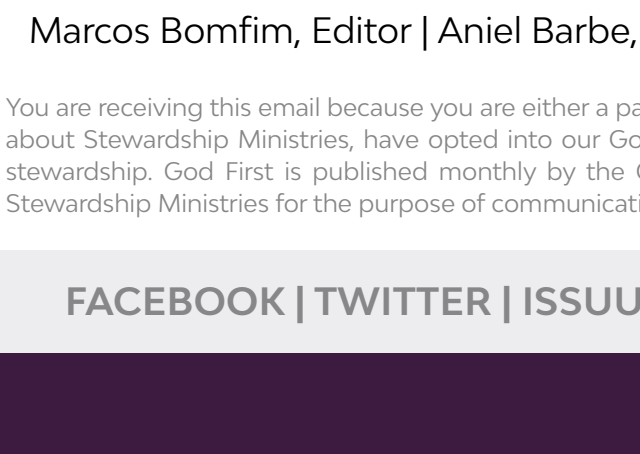
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STEWARDSHIP LEADERSHIP VISITATION (SLV)



The General Conference Stewardship directors, Marcos F. Bomfim (Dir.) and Aniel Barbe (Assoc. Dir.), are launching the Stewardship Leadership Visitation (SLV) initiative in December 2023. It aims to contact each of the World Divisions and Attached Fields Stewardship Directors and spend some time visiting them, primarily through virtual means, with in-person visits whenever possible. Among other things, they want to pray with those . . .

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E. G. WHITE'S QUOTATIONS

The works of those men who have an insane love for riches show that . . . Money is their god. They yield homage to its power. They serve the world to all intents and purposes. Their honor, which is their birthright, is sacrificed for worldly gain. This ruling power controls their minds, and they will violate the law of God to serve personal interests, to increase their earthly treasure. —*True Wealth*, p. 75

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