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Time



## Editorial - Time

Time is money. What does this old adage mean? Does it mean that time is identical to money? The answer could be either "yes" or "no." Time is as valuable as money, but there is a difference between the two: money can be saved; time can't. If you don't use it, you lose it forever. We sometimes hear people say, "This is a 'once in a lifetime' opportunity." What does that mean? It means if you don't grab the opportunity, it will be gone forever, ...

[READ MORE](#) Article written by Dr. Hiskia Missah, Editor - God First

## Stewardship Soup Idea



## Stewardship District Teams (SAD)

One of the strategies idealized by the South American Division (SAD) is the formation of the Stewardship District Teams (SDT). During the year, each district pastor chooses a SDT of four to five...

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## SDT in the Sergipe Mission (SAD)

According to Wallace Oliveira, Sergipe Mission Stewardship Director, each district of the Sergipe Mission has a Stewardship District Team (SDT), composed of lay members and the district pastor. Each month, the SDT visits...

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## How Much Time Do We Have? by Doug Batchelor

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Amazing Facts presents "How Much Time Do We Have?", by Pastor Doug Batchelor. Time governs our lives in so many ways. We have a built in biological clock that wakes us up daily. How we spend our time is important. We must learn to number our days and value our time, valuing what time is worth.



ECD Stewardship Ministries partnered with TMI evangelistic efforts in Burundi, Rugombo Center, and 778 souls were baptized. Click on the photo above to watch the baptism.

## Holy Convocation Ends With Communion



Pastor Marcos Bomfim, GC Stewardship Ministries, dressed as High Priest and other stewardship leaders as priests.

At the end of the Holy Convocation with the topic "Growing in Grace," 634 participating elders gathered to learn more about trust, worship, stewardship, and re-dedication. The event ended with...

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## Sermon Illustrations on Time

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## A Very Special Bank Account

Imagine you had a bank account that deposited \$86,400 each morning. The account carries over no balance from day to day, allows you to keep no cash balance, and every evening cancels whatever part of the amount you had failed to use during the day. What would you do?...

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## The Brick

A young and successful executive was traveling down a neighborhood street, going a bit too fast in his new Jaguar. He was watching for kids darting out from between parked cars and slowed down when he thought he saw something. As his car passed, no children appeared. Instead, a brick smashed into the Jag's...

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ASI CONVENTION  
Aug. 1-4, 2018  
Rezen Shingle Creek Resort  
Orlando, FL

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First 500 to bring this coupon to the booth on Friday, August 3rd, will receive a special gift.

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TEACH HER THE VALUE OF GIVING  
in 5 quick steps...

Your child will have fun while learning the importance of giving to Jesus.

- Download and Print - the latest Mission Offering Bank coloring page from [adventistmission.org](#)
- Cut - trim the edges using scissors.
- Color - ask your child to use colored markers to do the coloring.
- Wrap - wrap the finished coloring page around a tin can or similar container, using sticky tape (be sure there are no sharp edges).
- Save - encourage your child to place their dollars and pennies into the can.

When the can is full, help your child count the money and then write and mail a check to Adventist Mission.

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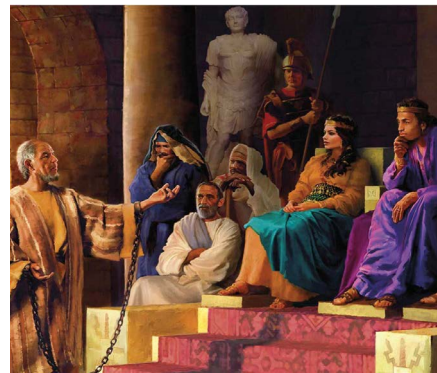
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## Our Little Friend

Stewardship Ministries department of the South American Division, in partnership with the division's Youth Ministries, have developed two projects to fulfill the Stewardship specialty. For the Adventurers, the Brazilian Publishing House issued a special edition of the "Nosso Amiguinho" magazine (children's content), which exists for 65 years in South America. The magazine approached in a fun way the requirements of the specialty. As for the Pathfinders, an APP was made to fulfill the specialty that is required for the South American Camporee....



## 13 Lesson Study Videos

Explore weekly insights into the 3rd quarter 2018 Sabbath School on the book of Acts presented by 13 different pairs of ministry partners across the South Pacific Division. In addition these videos can be used as small group conversation starters when studying the book of Acts or training on church planting and discipleship. They will be made available each week, one video per week, on our social media accounts: [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#). You may also view them on [Vimeo](#) and [YouTube](#).

Book of Acts  
Sabbath School  
Study Series QTR 3

Special Announcement  
for Local Church Leadership, Pastors, Sabbath School Teachers, Elders, and Church Social Media Coordinators.

13 short videos aligned to each topic of the lesson series will be available at:

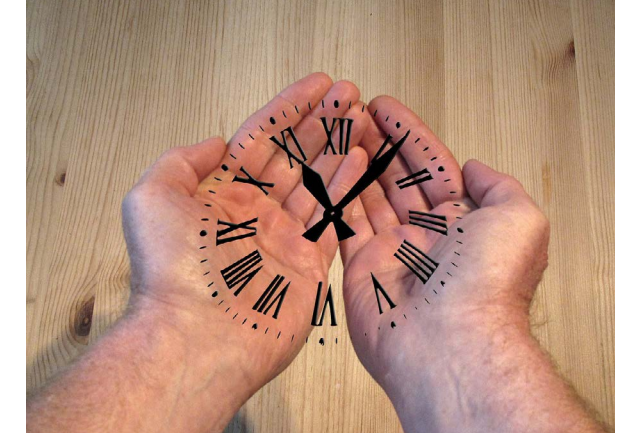
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Pray for the Holy Spirit to enable this lesson study series to be a life-changing experience. Use the methods of group instruction using a combination of the activities in movement, building and church planting.

- Show members your Church Facebook event page for church planting.
- Show members in Sabbath School time. Includes ideas for discovery flow.
- Watch how the Holy Spirit led the church in growing the movement through Acts.

Order the Discovery Bible Reading Bookmarks from your Lesson Plan.

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## Kairos Moments in a Chronos World

### Bible Text

Ephesians 5:15-16 "See then that you walk circumspectly or cautiously, not as fools but as wise, redeeming the time because the days are evil."

The New Testament was written in Greek, and the ancient Greeks had two words for time: Chronos and Kairos. Chronos (Χρόνος) gives us the word "chronology." It implies minutes and seconds (tick-tock time) and refers to sequential time. ...

Article written by Johnetta B. Flomo, Associate Editor.

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## E. G. White's Quotations on Time

Do not think that because you do not manifest decided hostility to Christ you are doing Him service. We thus deceive our own souls. By withholding that which God has given us to use in His service, be it time or means or any other of His entrusted gifts, we work against Him. Christ's Object Lessons, p. 279:3 (Ellen Gould White)

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## One on One with Pastor Aniel Barbe

Pastor Eric Jean-Bruno Barbe, a native of Mauritius, was elected as an Associate Director of the GC Stewardship Ministries department on October 8, 1987. He is interviewed by Pastor Hiskia Missah.



### QUESTION

You have a passion for the human mind; what fascinates you about it?

### ANSWER

The human mind is the most valuable resource available in any given society and for the Church.

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## Division News (View More)

### Stewardship Ministries Activities during the Month of July.



God First Seminars in Southern Asia-Pacific Division



Stewardship Symposium in South American Division



Holy Convocation Visitation in South American Division



Training of District Stewardship Teams in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

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