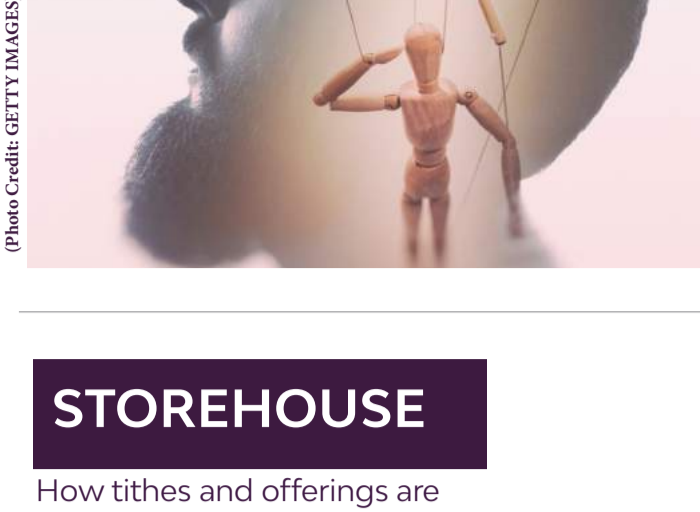




Matthew 6:33



EDITORIAL - CONTROLLING



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Whether you like it or not, whether you realize it or not, and whether you are aware of it or not, there are some people who CONTROL your life. They have influenced you in many ways whether in decision making or in directing you to think and to do what is 'right' or 'wrong,' what is 'good' or 'bad.' According to Dave Navarro, a famous American guitarist, there are five people who are...

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STOREHOUSE

How tithes and offerings are collected, stored and distributed.

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STEWARDSHIP REVIVAL WEEK 2019



GOD FIRST

The first Sabbath in December of every year is the designated annual Stewardship Sabbath. The prior week is recognized as Stewardship Emphasis Week and an opportunity for to pause and realign our lives with God, putting Him first.

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FAITH, TRUST, AND COMMITMENT



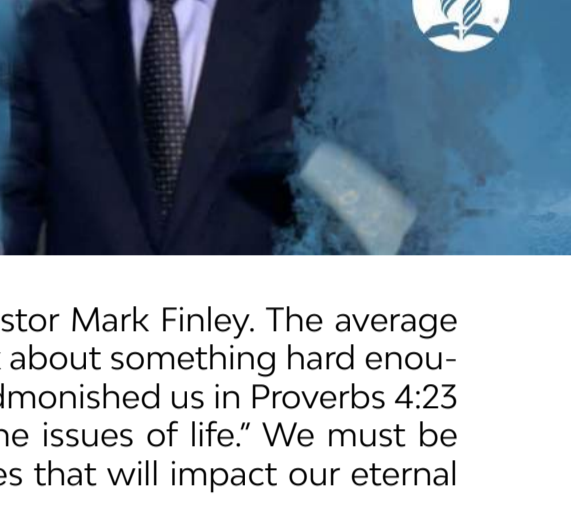
2020 TITHE & OFFERINGS READINGS

This resource is intended to provide a spiritual framework and create a worshipful atmosphere for giving during the divine service before the offering is taken up. This helps stewards and donors to realize that their giving supports both the local field and Adventist missions globally through the General Conference.

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Guarding Your Thoughts

by Pastor Mark Finley



HopeLives365 presents **Guarding Your Thoughts** by Pastor Mark Finley. The average person has 75 million thoughts per year. When you think about something hard enough, and long enough, it becomes our reality. Solomon admonished us in Proverbs 4:23 to "Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life." We must be conscious of our thoughts as they develop into attitudes that will impact our eternal destiny.

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HOW TO CONTROL SPENDING

Summary: If you are having difficulty with income equalling outgo, you need to cut some of your outgo. As you read, the author will help you to look at your budget realistically and see where you can start trimming.

Spending is a Habit
Does money burn a hole in your pocket? Does buyer's remorse set in after you ...

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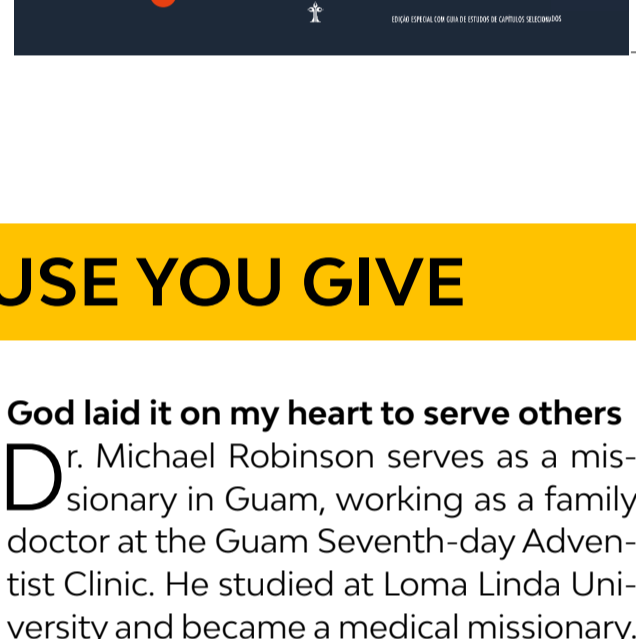
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MEASURELESS BLESSINGS

BASED ON THE BOOK, *COUNSELS ON STEWARDSHIP*

The Family Life Ministries of the South American Division (SAD) is promoting the yearly study of one of Ellen G. White's book by families in all of their more than 28,312 congregations. This year they printed and sold more than 390,000 copies of a condensed version of the book *Counsels on Stewardship*, called "Measureless Blessings."

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WE SERVE BECAUSE YOU GIVE



God laid it on my heart to serve others

Dr. Michael Robinson serves as a missionary in Guam, working as a family doctor at the Guam Seventh-day Adventist Clinic. He studied at Loma Linda University and became a medical missionary.

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STEWARDSHIP VIDEOS FOR MILLENNIALS



Now Available in Four Languages

The "God First" video series was developed to help people connect with God, providing for them a living experience of trust in Him. Animated by millennials, the videos are devised to answer questions about tithes and offerings and are in [English](#), [Spanish](#), [French](#) and [Portuguese](#).

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SERMON ILLUSTRATIONS ON CONTROLLING

DISTURBING THE KING



The story is told of a king who was in his throne room, holding a council with his advisers, noblemen, and high ministers of state. Suddenly there was a banging and a clatter at the door of the throne room....

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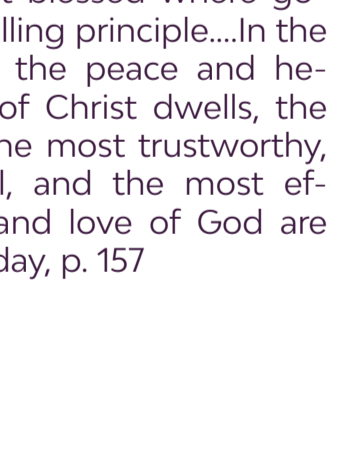
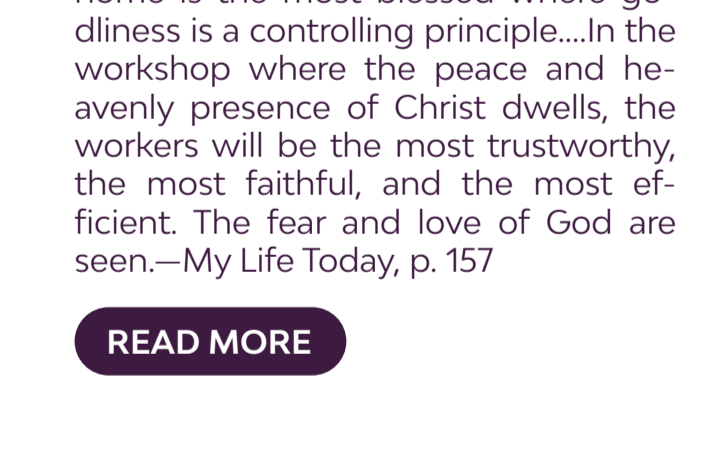


The minister was preoccupied with thoughts of how he was going to, at the end of the worship service, ask the congregation to come up with more money than they were expecting for repairs...

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CALCULATING THE GENEROSITY FACTOR

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E.G. WHITE'S QUOTATIONS

That heart is the happiest that has Christ as an abiding guest. That home is the most blessed where godliness is a controlling principle...In the workshop where the peace and heavenly presence of Christ dwells, the workers will be the most trustworthy, the most faithful, and the most efficient. The fear and love of God are seen.—My Life Today, p. 157

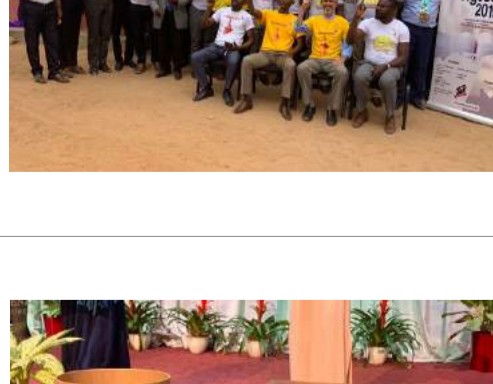
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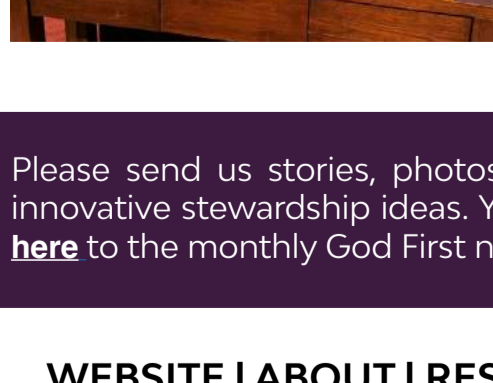
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Stewardship Ministries Activities during the Month of August, 2019.



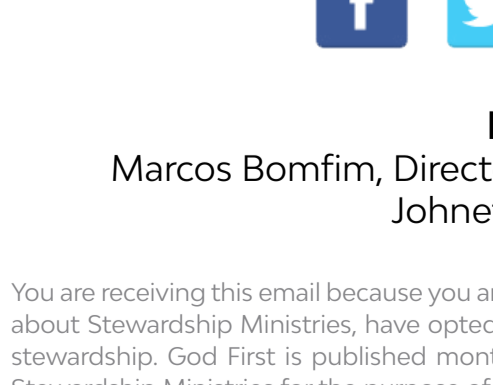
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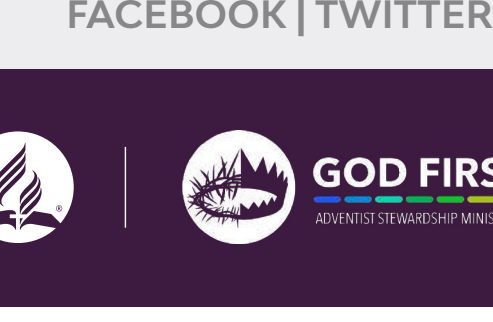
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