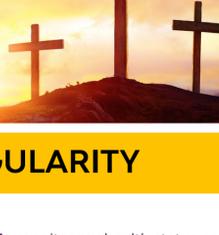




Matthew 6:33



EDITORIAL - REGULARITY



To monitor my health status and maintain my body's optimum well-being, I have a physical checkup every year. Usually, there were some conditions found in the overall exam results; one of those was overweight. The attending physician asked me if I had REGULAR exercise, and I said, "Almost REGULAR."

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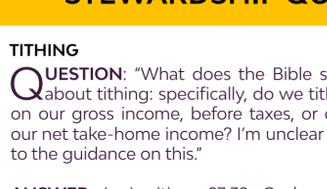
STRATEGIC ORIENTATION (2020 - 2025)

Stewardship Ministries' Strategic Orientation (2020 - 2025) based on the "I Will Go" Strategic Focus (2020 - 2025) of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

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STEWARDSHIP WEEK OF REVIVAL—NOV. 29TH—DEC. 5TH



Seeking First the Kingdom
Written by Pastor Ioan Câmpian Tătar, the Stewardship Ministries director of Inter-European Division, this week of revival serves as an instrument for a thorough introspection exercise, inviting us to pause and reflect on some major life issues. It encourages us to ask: Am I seeking God first in the nitty-gritty of my existence?

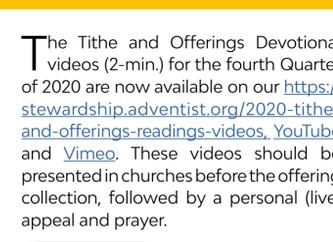
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STEWARDSHIP QUESTION AND ANSWER

TITHING QUESTION: "What does the Bible say about tithing: specifically, do we tithe on our gross income, before taxes, or on our net take-home income? I'm unclear as to the guidance on this."

ANSWER: In Leviticus 27:32, God says: "And concerning the tithe of the herd or the flock, of whatever passes under the rod ..."

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FOURTH QTR OFFERTORY DEVOTIONAL VIDEOS



The Tithing and Offerings Devotional videos (2-min.) for the fourth Quarter of 2020 are now available on our <https://stewardship.adventist.org/2020-tithe-and-offerings-readings-videos>, YouTube and Vimeo. These videos should be presented in churches before the offering collection, followed by a personal (live) appeal and prayer.

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STEWARDSHIP VIDEO EARNS DAVEY AWARD

Created by Synesthezia Marketing, LLC, the Tithing and Offerings devotional video #31, I Never Use An Envelope, earned a 2020 Davey Awards Silver on Oct. 21, 2020.

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To Trust Him - A Call to Renew Our Vows

by Pastor Marcos Bomfim



Stewardship Ministries presented *To Trust Him—A Call to Renew Our Vows* by Pastor Marcos Bomfim. This is an invitation to trust Jesus more and live by faith, renewing vows about tithe and Promise (regular and systematic offerings). You may find more about Promise here: <https://stewardship.adventist.org/what-is-promise>. Read or listen to my recent Promise to increase the percentage of my Promise by clicking below. Read: <https://www.ministrymagazine.org/archive/2020/07/Struggling-to-trust-Why-I-raised-my-Promise-percentage>. Listen to this article: <https://share.transistor.fm/s/4328f11e>.

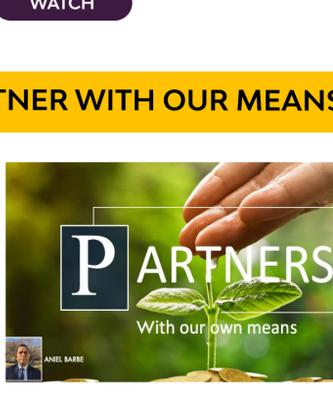
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PROPORTIONAL OFFERINGS Spiritual Life and Church Mission

From the beginning of this world's history, Cain's and Abel's offerings teach us that giving is vital to worship. They also show that the giver's spiritual state is essential for the offering to be acceptable (Gen. 4:1-7). The offering was an indispensable part of worship during Israel's great feasts, ... one was not to come before God "empty handed"...

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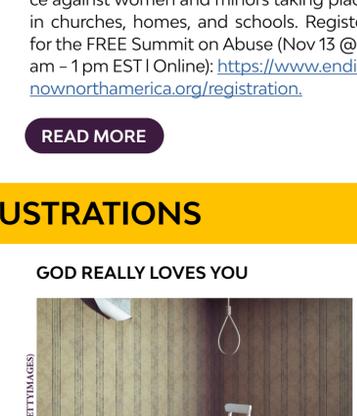
Dionisio Neves da Silva, a retired lecturer of the Bahai Adventist University. This article was previously published in Dynamic Steward, vol. 24, no. 3, (July-September 2020), pp. 6-8. <https://stewardship.adventist.org/2020/24-3-3.pdf>.



2021 GOD FIRST—TITHE & OFFERINGS READINGS DEVOTIONAL

Written by Pastor Sam Neves and Nathan Brown, the first three quarters of devotionals are now available for translation.

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WE SERVE BECAUSE YOU GIVE



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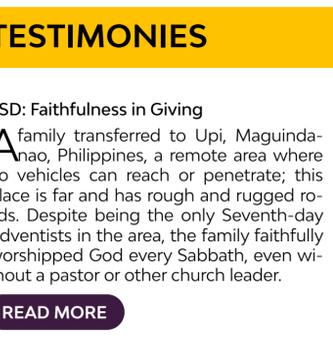
Don't Settle for Church
How do you share the gospel with an unreached people group that is always on the move? Global Mission pioneer Lawrence has helped form a congregation of believers among the nomadic Samburu Tribe.

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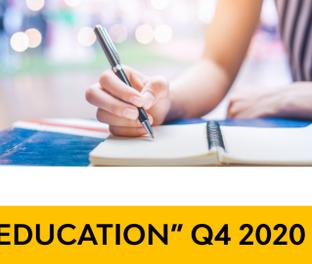
DS IN POWERPOINT—PARTNER WITH OUR MEANS

Witnessing Flies When Giving Thrives
How relevant is any discussion about partnering in God's mission? The God of the Bible is Omnipotent, and He declares Himself as the Owner of everything (Ps. 24:1, 2). Nevertheless, according to Luke 8:1-3, Jesus partnered with the 12 disciples and was supported by some women. Read the magazine article [HERE](#) or click the button to download it in PowerPoint.

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END IT NOW VIRTUAL CONFERENCE



Summit on Abuse: Love Shouldn't Hurt
The 2020 Enditnow Virtual Summit on Abuse aims to raise awareness of violence against women and minors taking place in churches, homes, and schools. Register for the FREE Summit on Abuse (Nov 13 @ 9 am - 1 pm EST) Online: <https://www.enditnownorthamerica.org/registration>.

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SERMON ILLUSTRATIONS

THE GIVING HEART



The heart does not receive blood to store it up. While it pumps blood in at one valve, it sends it out at another. The blood is always circulating everywhere, and is never stagnant. The same is true of all the fluids in a healthy body; they are in a constant state of expenditure.

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GOD REALLY LOVES YOU



The little boy put on his clothes for the cold and then told his father: "Ok dad I'm ready" His Dad, the pastor, said: "Ready for what?" "Dad, it's time to go outside and distribute our flyers."

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SUGGESTED RESOURCES



Simple steps to a healthy *Family Budget* (book *Familial*) is now available in both [English](#) and [French](#). It teaches budgeting principles and guides you in creating one.

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The Plan That Came From Heaven is a group activity that helps establish the difference between "impulse" and "principle" as motivators for offerings.

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STEWARDSHIP TESTIMONIES



SSD: Faithfulness in Giving
A family transferred to Upi, Maguindanao, Philippines, a remote area where no vehicles can reach or penetrate; this place is far and has rough and rugged roads. Despite being the only Seventh-day Adventists in the area, the family faithfully worshipped God every Sabbath, even without a pastor or other church leader.

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E. G. WHITE'S QUOTATIONS



Let each regularly examine his income, which is all a blessing from God, and set apart the tithe as a separate fund, to be sacredly the Lord's. This fund should not in any case be devoted to any other use; it is to be devoted solely to support the ministry of the gospel.—*Counsels on Stewardship*, p. 81.

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"EDUCATION" Q4 2020 SABBATH SCHOOL LESSONS

Courtesy of the South Pacific Division
The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding" (Proverbs 9:10, NKJV). Learn from God; explore weekly insights into "Education" Q4 2020 Sabbath School lesson. Resources include Video Clips and Discovery Bible Study Guides: <https://vimeo.com/showcase/7560082> or read the lesson: <https://disciple.org.au/resources/education/>.



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