

HOOKED BY THE GOSPEL

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VÍDEO AUDIO Adelaide's world was turned upside down when her sc. 01 husband died in 2011 in New Zealand. Three years later, she suffered another blow when she lost her father. Adelaide began to wonder where God was and also what had happened to her husband and father after their death. One day, while flipping TV channels, Adelaide came across the Seventh-day Adventist channel for the first time! Deciding to watch the program for just a few minutes, she was instantly "hooked." She was amazed to realize 02 that her questions were being answered. The truths she found brought her peace about issues such as the State of the Dead. She and her entire family went to church and are now actively awaiting Christ's return. Adelaide didn't know at that time that you, yes, you sc. **03** may have participated in sharing God's message with her. In 2016, a portion of the Mission Offerings, collected from all Adventist churches worldwide, was sent to New Zealand. So, if in 2016 or immediately before you allowed your offering to be distributed according to what the Combined Offering Plan suggests, your offering made part of Adelaide's conversion. At that time, the church in New Zealand had the audacious dream of broadcasting the Adventist channel, Hope Channel, nationwide for free. Thanks to

the offerings, this dream has come true. Today, over 170,000 people watch the channel monthly, and hundreds, like Adelaide, attend Seventh-day Adventist

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This system of collecting Mission Offerings from all over the world, and then applying them in the most challenging or strategic places, projects, and ministries, is working wonders! The General Conference regularly receives a portion of the World Mission Offerings from the Divisions and reallocates these funds to mission projects, institutions, and ministries worldwide. Those who receive those funds could never dream of doing the work with their local resources.

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One of the strategic missionary agencies that regularly receives funds from your Mission Offerings is the Hope Channel. But if, in addition to your Promise or regular offerings, you are impressed to send a special offering to the Hope Channel, you may access https://hopechannelinternational.org/giving.

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Together, we do more and go faster and farther. As we return your tithes and Promise offerings, may we all put our desires last and God first.