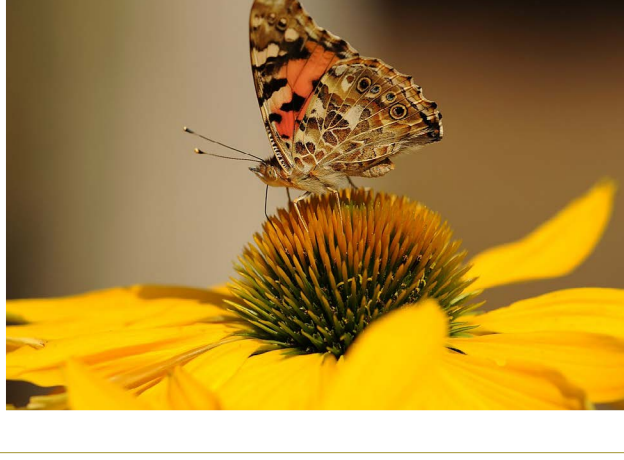




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ADVENTIST STEWARDSHIP MINISTRIES

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GREED



Editorial - The Truth About Greed

But mark this: There will be terrible times in the last days. People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money..." 2 Timothy 3:1-2 (NIV).

I and many others have used this passage profusely as a proof-text to establish that we are in the end time. It brings some closing arguments to the debate about the nearness of the second coming. Some argue that the ...

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Stewardship Soup Idea



Offering Plans

Do you know which offering plan your church entity follows? Has it adopted the Combined Offering Plan? How does it affect your offering distribution?

There are three different offering plans used within the worldwide Seventh-day Adventist Church. Click below to learn more about the different offering systems

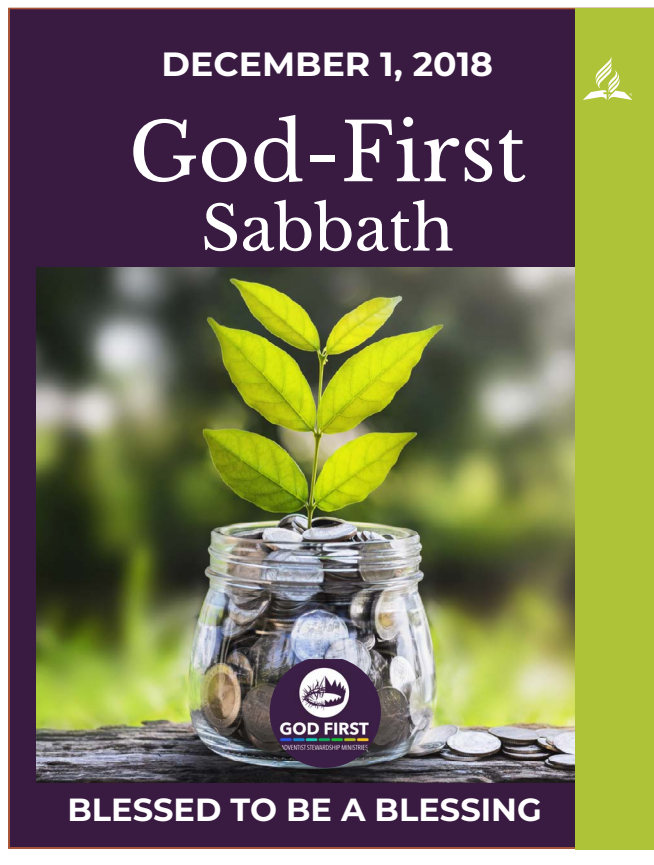
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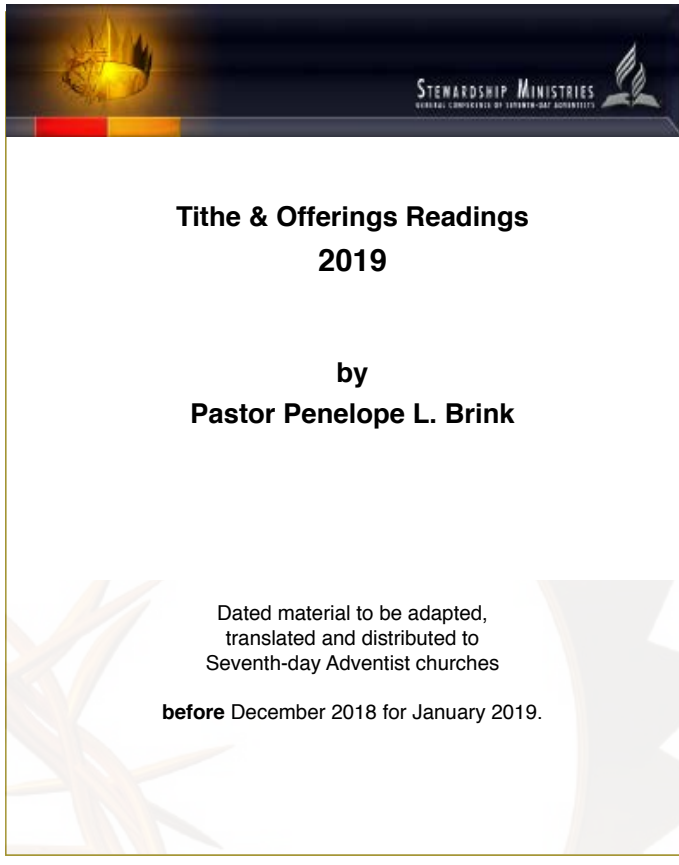
A Greedy Heart by Pastor Doug Batchelor

A Greedy Heart - The Myth for More by Pastor Doug Batchelor. We are bombarded on every side by materialism, thus leading us to want more. We become very dissatisfied. It is not wrong to desire "something or someone." It is wrong to desire what others have and do all you can to get it. Greed is a sin.

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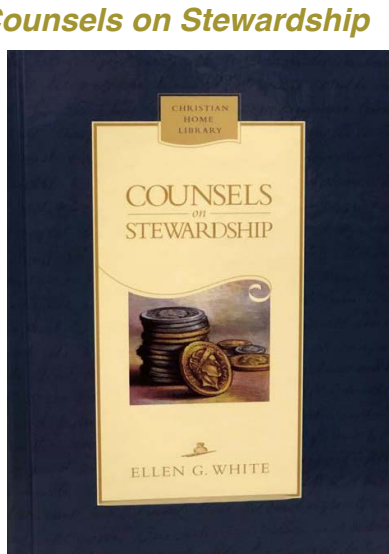
Money, Greed

In a Turning Point Daily Devotional, David Jeremiah writes, "CNN carried a story of a 62-year-old man who was rushed to Cholet General Hospital in France, suffering stomach pain. His family told doctors the man had a his...
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Suggested Resource(s)

Counsels on Stewardship



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VENUE: **Koari Park Seventh-Day Adventist Church Pacific Adventist University**
Time: 7:00pm - 8:00pm

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Dr. Hiskia Missah holds a Bachelor's degree in Theology from Indonesian Adventist University, a Master's degree from Adventist International Institute of Advanced Studies (AIAS), and a Doctoral degree in Ministry from the Philippine Christian University.

He is married to Dr. Ellen Missah, and the couple has four children and eight grandchildren. His passion is that the Church will experience spiritual renewal and restoration through Jesus Christ and by being faithful stewards in all aspects of their lives as well as through system benevolence.

Associate Director of Stewardship Ministries Department of the Seventh-day Adventist world church in October, 2015. He resides in Indonesia. He has previously served in the GC Youth Ministries Department for nearly a decade from 2006 through 2015.

A second generation Seventh-day Adventist who was raised by a pastor father, Missah has a passion for media and evangelism. He conducted at least one evangelistic campaign every year; speaks at the National Television Broadcasting and Hope Channel Indonesia, and conducted leadership development seminars and workshops for the young people worldwide. During more than four decades of church service, Missah previously served in church pastor, chaplain, departmental director at the union and division levels, and conference president.

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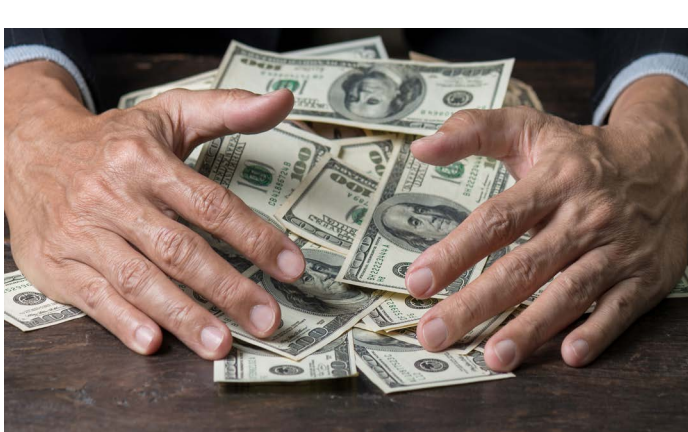
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Summary: Earth provides enough to satisfy everyone's need, not everyone's greed.

Colombian drug lord Pablo Escobar was the leader of a cartel that controlled up to 80 percent of the world's cocaine sales. His brother Roberto was one of the cartel's accountants, and author of the book, Escobar: The Untold Story of the World's Most Powerful Criminal. In it, Roberto reveals, "Pablo was earning so much that each year we'd write off 10 percent of the money because rats would eat it in storage or it would be damaged ..."

Article written by Julian Archer, author of the *Bruised Carmel*, [faith-vs-finance.org](#)



E. G. White's Quotations on GREED

With a liberal hand, God has bestowed His blessings upon men. If His gifts were wisely used, how little the world would know of poverty or distress! It is the wickedness of men that turns His blessings into a curse. It is through the greed of gain and the lust of...

—Ellen G. White, Ministry of Healing, p. 337

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One on One with Pastor Delbert Pearman



Pastor Marcos Bomfim, director of GC Stewardship Ministries, interviews Pastor Delbert Pearman, former Associate Treasurer – IPRS (International Personnel Resources and Services). Pastor Pearman has been appointed as president of the Adventist church in Sri Lanka.

He speaks about how faithful stewardship enables mission fields.

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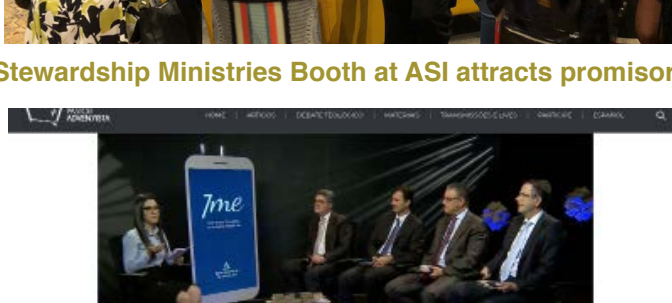
Stewardship Ministries Activities during the Month of August.



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