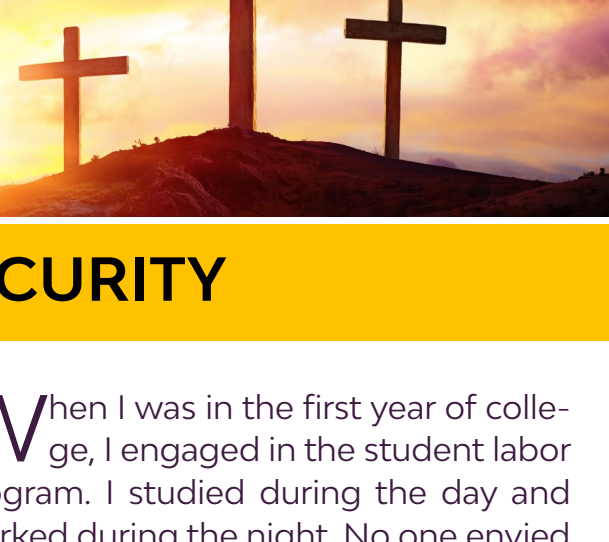
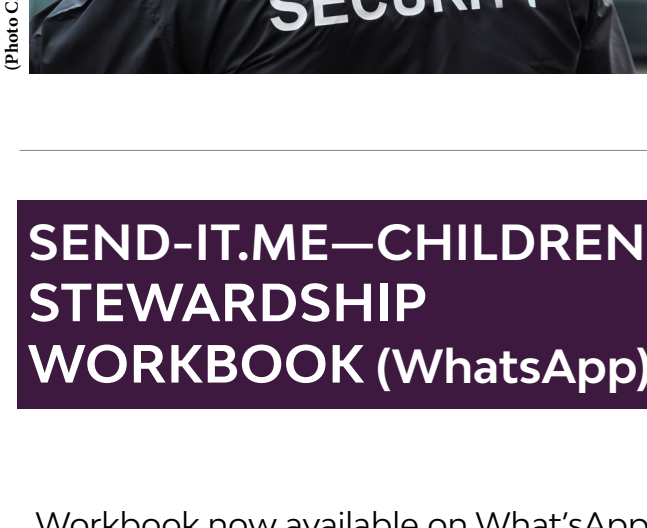




Matthew 6:33



EDITORIAL - SECURITY



When I was in the first year of college, I engaged in the student labor program. I studied during the day and worked during the night. No one envied me. Why? I was a SECURITY guard. No one wanted my job. Most students were hesitant to work as a SECURITY guard, not least because of the responsibility. As a SECURITY guard, you are responsible...

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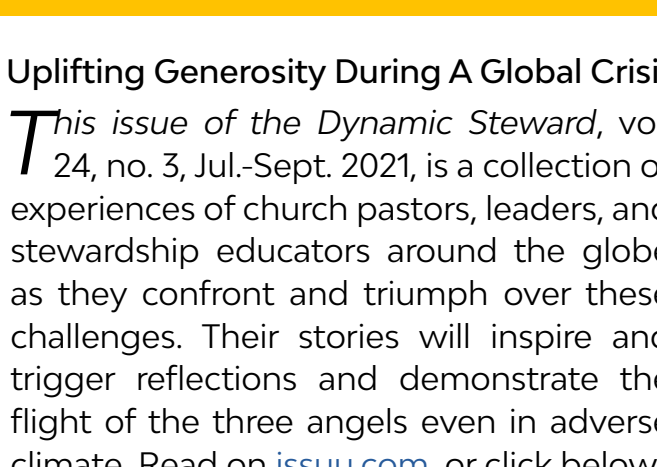
PARTICIPANT'S WORKBOOK



NEW STEWARDSHIP MINISTRIES DIRECTOR IN SPD

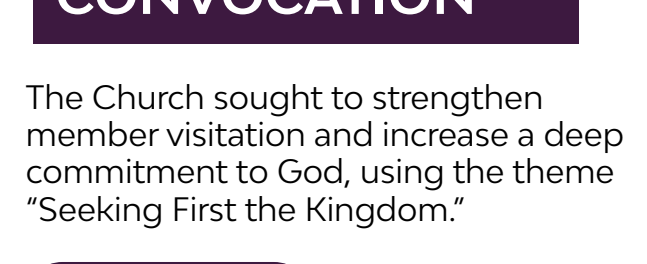
Farewell, Christina. Welcome, Julian.

We bid farewell to Christina Hawkins of SPD, who worked tirelessly to promote the GodFirst principle in her territory. Christina's passion for ministry, initiative, and determination to always press forward were contagious and have caused others to grow in faith. We were inspired by her constant willingness to...



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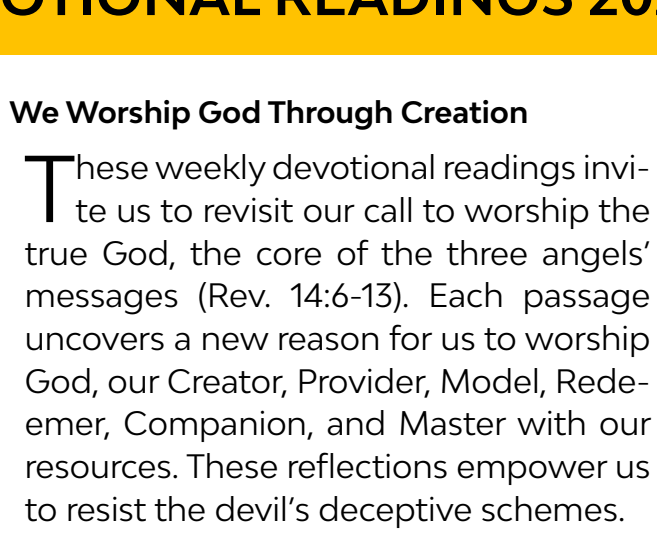
Uplifting Generosity During A Global Crisis
This issue of the Dynamic Steward, vol. 24, no. 3, Jul.-Sept. 2021, is a collection of experiences of church pastors, leaders, and stewardship educators around the globe as they confront and triumph over these challenges. Their stories will inspire and trigger reflections and demonstrate the flight of the three angels even in adverse climate. Read on issuu.com, or click below.

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The Church sought to strengthen member visitation and increase a deep commitment to God, using the theme "Seeking First the Kingdom."

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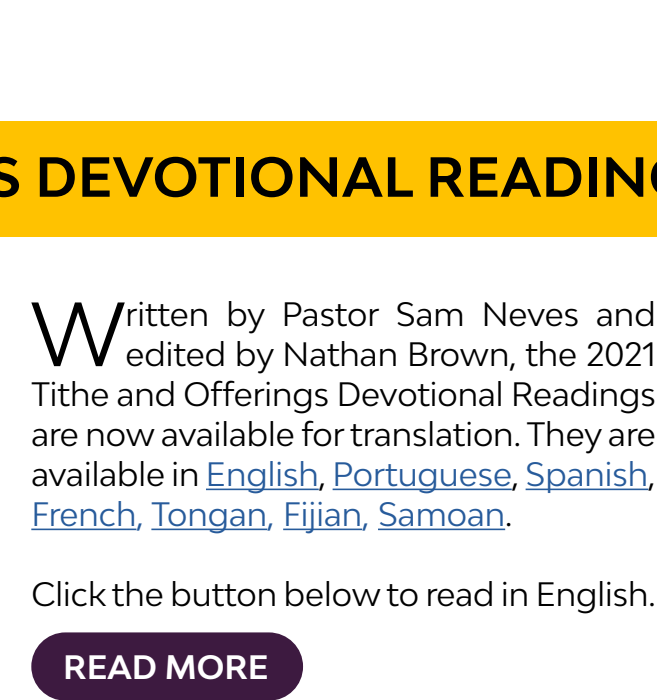
We Worship God Through Creation
These weekly devotional readings invite us to revisit our call to worship the true God, the core of the three angels' messages (Rev. 14:6-13). Each passage uncovers a new reason for us to worship God, our Creator, Provider, Model, Redeemer, Companion, and Master with our resources. These reflections empower us to resist the devil's deceptive schemes.

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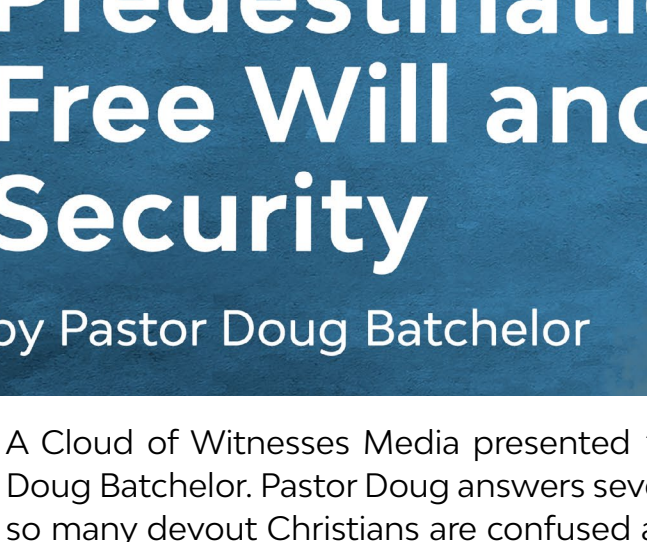
STEWARDSHIP MIN. STRATEGIC ORIENTATION

Based on the "I Will Go" Strategic Focus (2020-2025) of the General Conference, this strategic orientation is now available in [French](#), [Portuguese](#), [Spanish](#), and [SAD's adaptation](#).

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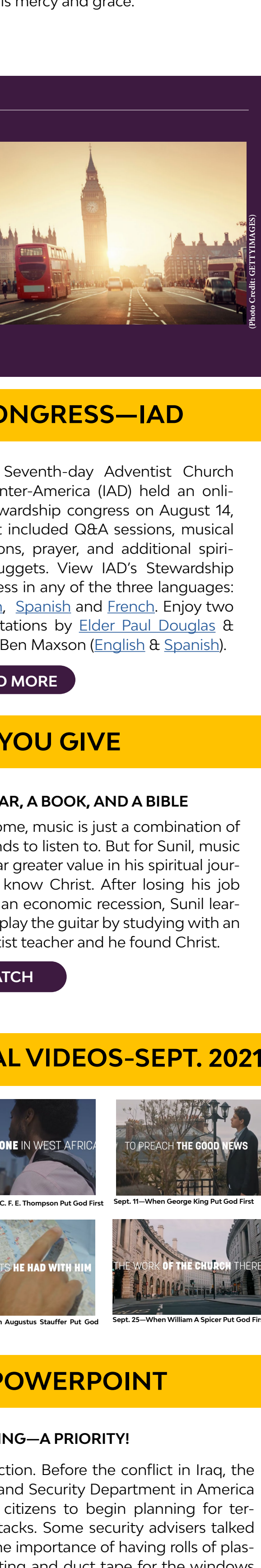
Written by Pastor Sam Neves and edited by Nathan Brown, the 2021 Tithe and Offerings Devotional Readings are now available for translation. They are available in [English](#), [Portuguese](#), [Spanish](#), [French](#), [Tongan](#), [Fijian](#), [Samoan](#).

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Predestination, Free Will and Security

by Pastor Doug Batchelor

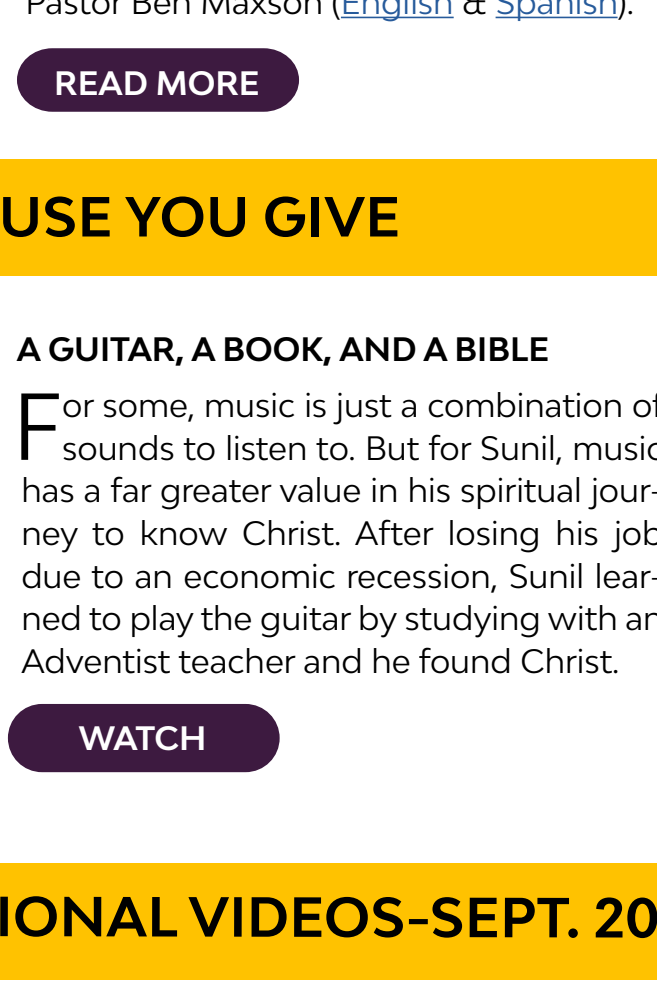


A Cloud of Witnesses presented "Predestination, Free Will & Security" by Pastor Doug Batchelor. Pastor Doug answers several key questions/Free Will & Security" by Pastor Doug Batchelor. He points out that any correct understanding of salvation must account for justification (removal of the penalty of sin), sanctification (removal of the power of sin) and glorification (removal of the presence of sin. God intends for all of us to experience these in our lives. He wants all to be saved. But we must claim His salvation. He calls all of us to not harden our hearts to His mercy and grace.

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SECURITY IN TIMES OF UNCERTAINTY

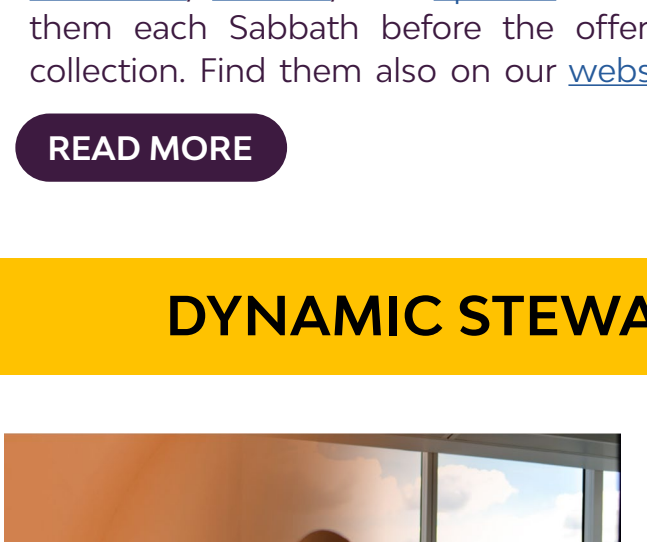
As Stewardship director of the South England Conference, I have reflected on God's faithfulness to His church in this time of crisis, and I am more convinced than ever of the paramount importance of stewardship. As I am writing this article, many uncertainties remain. The government says that the lockdown will soon be eased.



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Article by Pastor Frison Todd Fife, Stewardship and Trust Services director for the South England Conference in the United Kingdom, and published in the July-September 2021 issue of the Dynamic Steward magazine, vol. 24, no. 3, pp. 21-25. <https://www.godfirst.org.uk/issue24no3> or read the complete magazine here: <https://www.godfirst.org.uk/issue24no3>

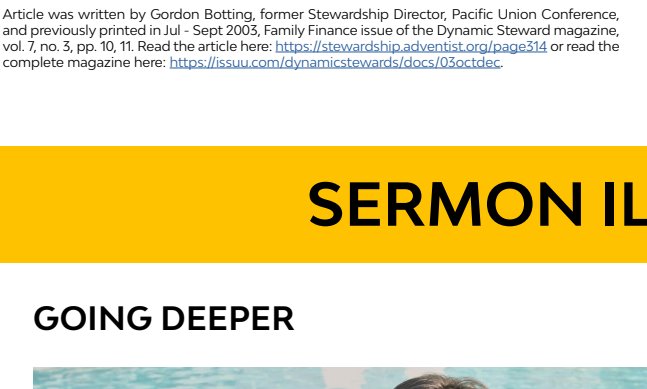
ONLINE STEWARDSHIP CONGRESS—IAD



The Seventh-day Adventist Church in Inter-America (IAD) held an online Stewardship Congress on August 14, 2021. It included Q&A sessions, musical selections, prayer, and additional spiritual nuggets. View IAD's Stewardship Congress in any of the three languages: [English](#), [Spanish](#) and [French](#). Enjoy two presentations by [Elder Paul Douglas](#) & Pastor Ben Maxson ([English](#) & [Spanish](#)).

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A GUITAR, A MUSIC, AND A BIBLE
For some, music is just a combination of sounds to listen to. But for Sunil, music has a far greater value in his spiritual journey to know Christ. After losing his job due to an economic recession, Sunil learned to play the guitar by studying with an Adventist teacher and he found Christ.

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September 2021 Devotional Videos
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PLANNING—A PRIORITY!
Introduction. Before the conflict in Iraq, the Homeland Security Department in Iraq warned citizens to begin planning for terrorist attacks. Some security advisers talked about the importance of having rolls of plastic sheeting and duct tape for the windows in homes, in case of biological weapons of mass destruction.

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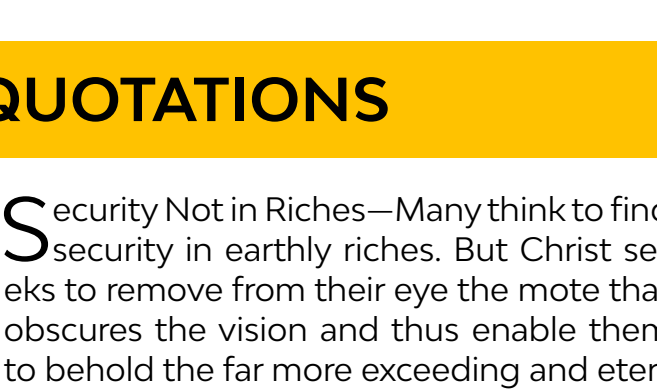
GOING DEEPER



The 3-year old felt secure in his father's arms as Dad stood in the middle of the pool. But Dad, for fun, began walking slowly toward the deep end, gently chanting, "Deeper and deeper and deeper," as the water rose higher and higher on the child. The lad's face registered increasing degrees of panic,...

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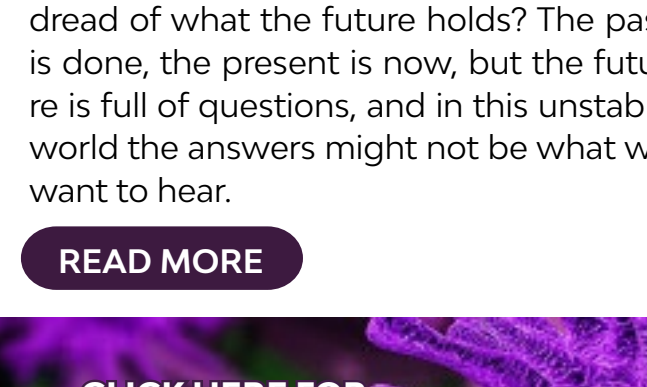
GOD PROTECTS HIS CHILDREN



Ira Sankey, who for years led the music for D.L. Moody's evangelistic meetings, was traveling by steamboat on Christmas Eve in 1875. He was recognized by some of the passengers, and they asked him to sing. Sankey agreed, and began singing "Saviour Like a Shepherd Lead Us." When the song was done, one of the...

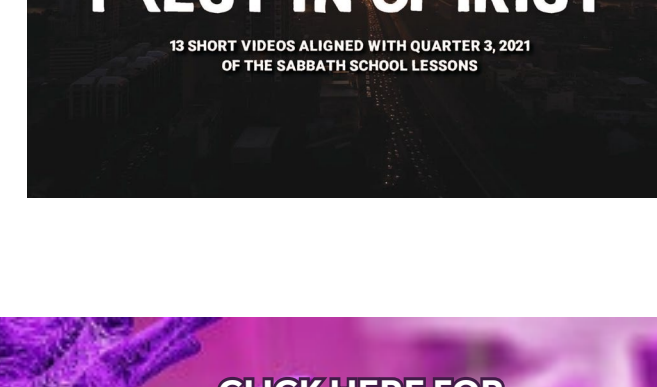
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The Stewpot: Motivates members to become better stewards. August's issue, Stewarding Our Perspective by Becky St. Clair, encourages stewards not to fear but understand the perspective of others.

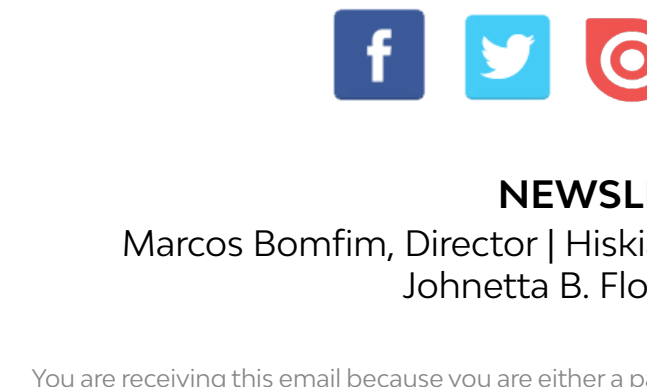
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Primeiro O Reino, "Kingdom First," is a new Stewardship book, written by Josanan Alves, Jr., based on the widow's mite. It brings out the biblical principles of fidelity and commitment to the cause of God.

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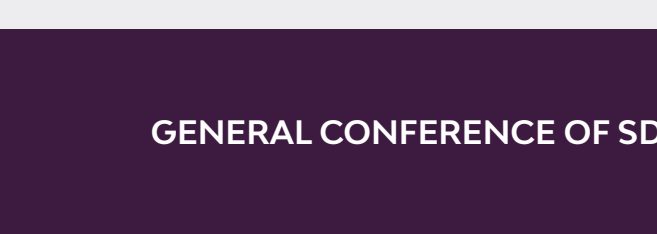


Security Not in Riches—Many think to find security in earthly riches. But Christ seeks to remove from their eye the mote that obscures the vision and thus enable them to behold the far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory. They...have lost sight of the glories of the eternal world. Christ calls upon them to extend their view beyond the present and add eternity to their vision.—*Sons and Daughters of God*, p. 247.

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SABBATH SCHOOL VIDEO SERIES, THIRD QUARTER, 2021

Rest in Christ—Courtesy of SPD
Restlessness and fear often go hand in hand. Living in a world that keeps most people busy 24/7 can result in restlessness and fear in our lives. Who doesn't, at times, struggle with fear, with worry, with dread of what the future holds? The past is done, the present is now, but the future is full of questions, and in this unstable world the answers might not be what we want to hear.



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