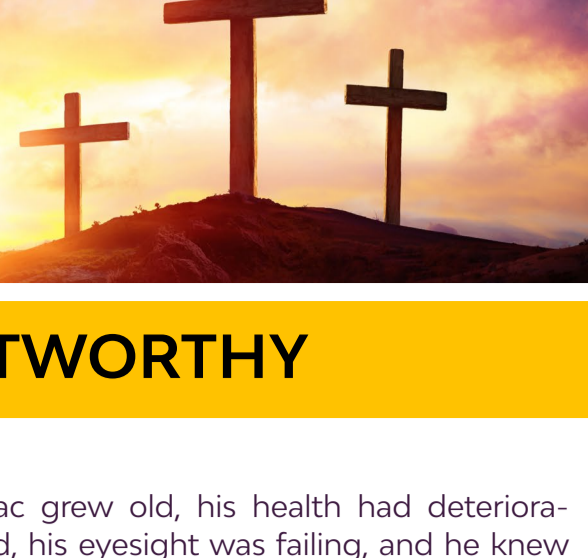
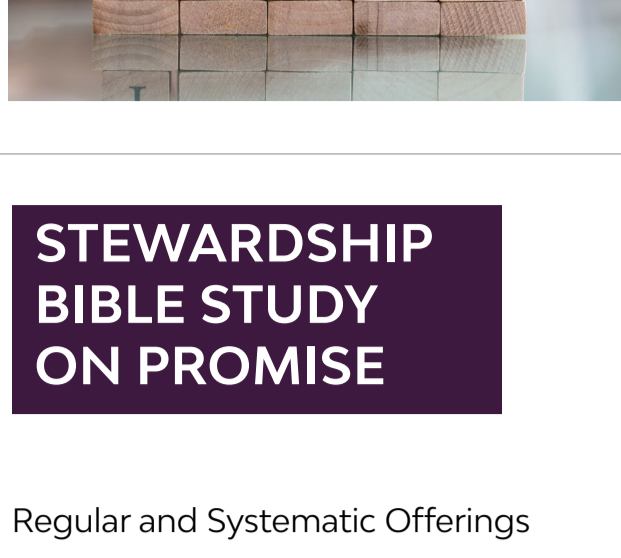




# Matthew 6:33



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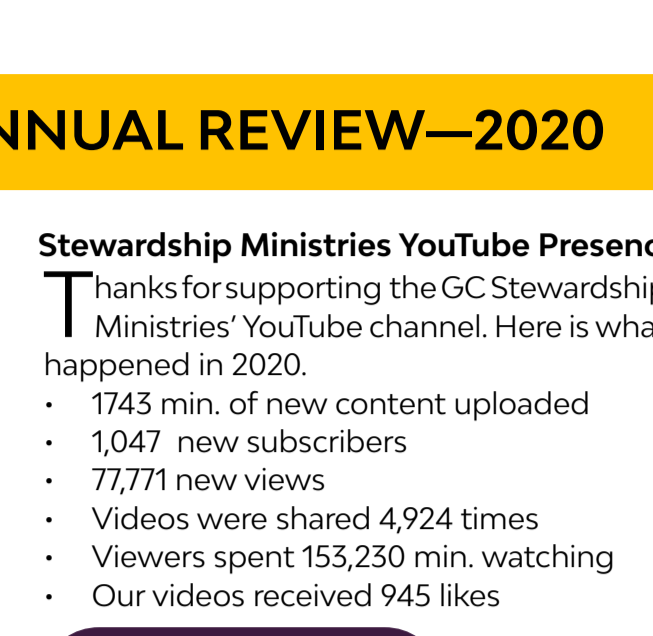
Isaac grew old, his health had deteriorated, his eyesight was failing, and he knew he did not have much time left to live on earth. As a customary tradition back then, a father had the right to give the birthright and special blessings to the children. Realizing his health condition, Isaac called his oldest son, Esau, and said, "I am old, I know not when the time of my death comes."

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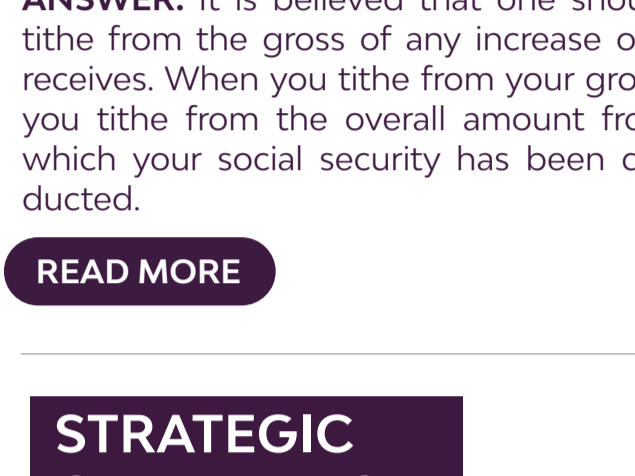
### Stewardship Ministries YouTube Presence

Thanks for supporting the GC Stewardship Ministries' YouTube channel. Here is what happened in 2020.

- 1743 min. of new content uploaded
- 1,047 new subscribers
- 77,771 new views
- Videos were shared 4,924 times
- Viewers spent 153,230 min. watching
- Our videos received 945 likes

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## DYNAMIC STEWARD MAGAZINE—JAN.-MAR. 2021



### "I Can Serve Because You Give."

Dynamic Steward, vol. 24, no. 1, January-March 2021, "I Can Serve Because You Give" explores the responsibility of stewardship leaders to teach the eternal importance of stewardship. This quarter we share experiences of missionaries in the field, the impact our giving has on the world church, and being blessed to be a blessing. Read on [issuu.com](http://issuu.com).

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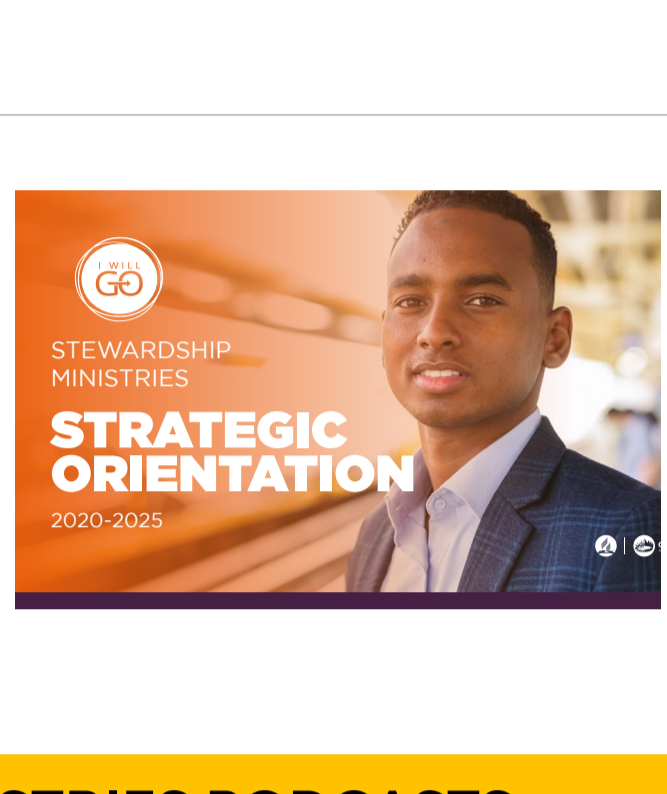
## STEWARDSHIP QUESTION AND ANSWER

### TITING FROM SOCIAL SECURITY

**QUESTION:** If your only income is from social security, are you supposed to pay tithe and offering?

**ANSWER:** It is believed that one should tithe from the gross of any increase one receives. When you tithe from your gross, you tithe from the overall amount from which your social security has been deducted.

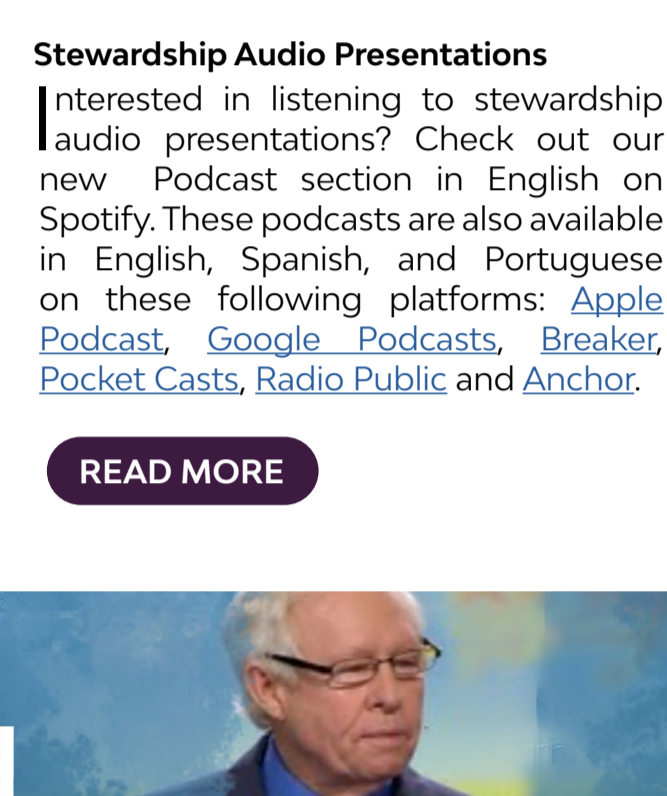
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### STRATEGIC ORIENTATION (2020 - 2025)

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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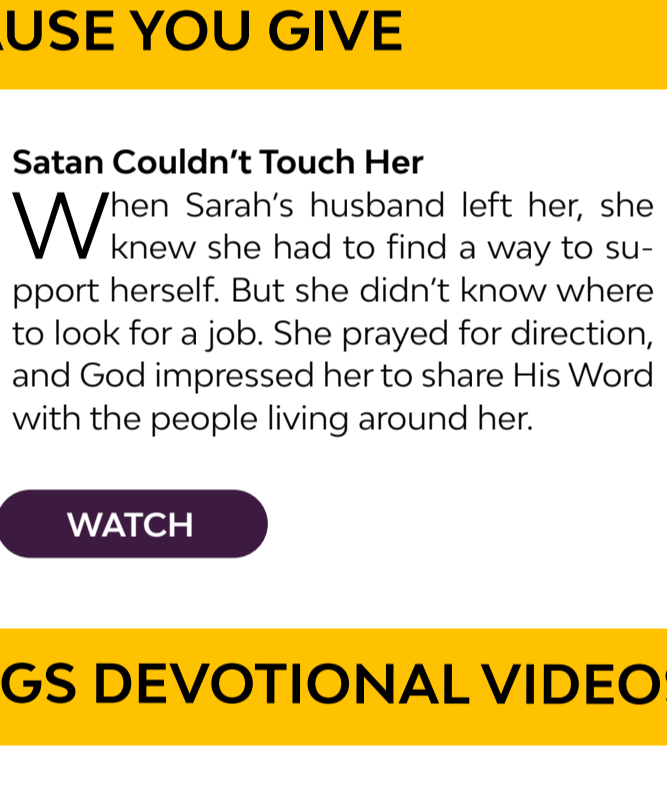
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Interested in listening to stewardship audio presentations? Check out our new Podcast section in English on Spotify. These podcasts are also available in English, Spanish, and Portuguese on these following platforms: [Apple Podcast](#), [Google Podcasts](#), [Breaker](#), [Pocket Casts](#), [Radio Public](#) and [Anchor](#).

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# Not Ashamed

by Pastor John Carter



3ABN presented *Not Ashamed* by Pastor John Carter, a sermon preached during the Homecoming Camp Meeting of September 2015. Pastor Carter gives person testimonies about his stay in Russia and encourages everyone not to be ashamed of the gospel! Jesus is coming soon. We must take the message of the gospel, how God, Creator of this infinite universe, was nailed to the cross to die for all humanity. We have nothing to boast about except for Calvary.

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### WHY A DECLINE IN OFFERINGS?

As most of us know, because of the Covid-19 global pandemic, world offerings are down more than 20 percent (in some divisions the reduction is as high as 50 percent), as observed in the drop of mission offerings, while the tithe income is more or less staying at the expected level. What does this indicate?

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### 2021 GOD FIRST—TITHE & OFFERINGS READINGS DEVOTIONAL

Written by Pastor Sam Neves and edited by Nathan Brown, the 2021 Tithe and Offerings Devotional Readings are now available for translation.

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## WE SERVE BECAUSE YOU GIVE



Courtesy of the Adventist Mission.

### Satan Couldn't Touch Her

When Sarah's husband left her, she knew she had to find a way to support herself. But she didn't know where to look for a job. She prayed for direction, and God impressed her to share His Word with the people living around her.

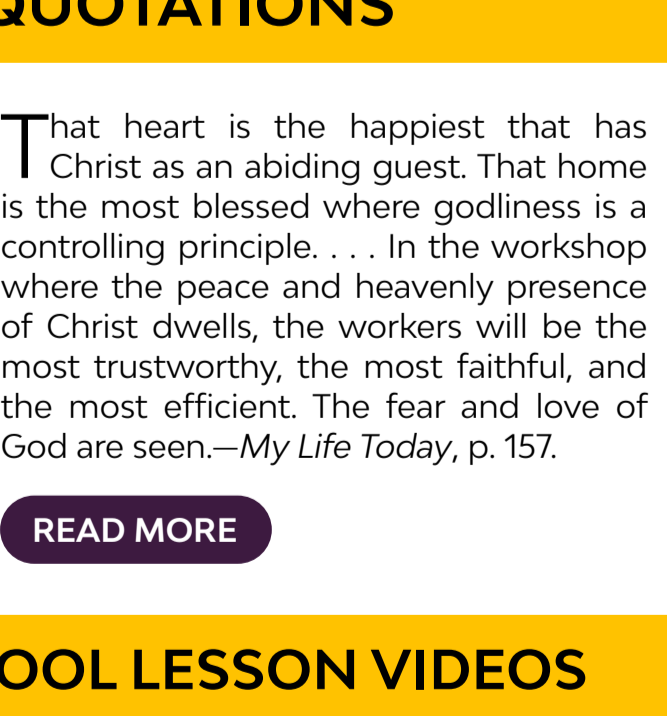
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## FEB. 2021 TITHE & OFFERINGS DEVOTIONAL VIDEOS

### February 2021 Videos

Offering devotional videos (2-min.) for the first quarter of 2021 are ready for use in your local church. They are available in [Chinese](#), [English](#), [French](#) (undated 2020 videos), [Hungarian](#), [Japanese](#), [Portuguese](#), [Romanian](#), [Russian](#), and [Spanish](#). Present them each Sabbath before the offering collection. Find them also on our [website](#).

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Feb. 6-When Hannah Put God First Feb. 13-When David Put God First  
Feb. 20-When Daniel Put God First Feb. 27-When Esther Put God First

## DYNAMIC STEWARD IN POWERPOINT



The devotional was written by Johnetta B. Flomo and was previously published in the *Dynamic Steward* magazine, vol. 19, no. 3 (July-Sept 2015), p. 5, [https://stewardship.adventist.org/2015\\_3\\_5.pdf](https://stewardship.adventist.org/2015_3_5.pdf)

### Devotional: What Is In Your Hand?

Allowing God to use what's in your hand for His glory can not only bless you but others as well. A closed hand never receives. If we would like the Lord to change the course of our lives and mold us, we must open our hand and release what's in it. Moses, struggling with an identification crisis, brought the Lord to use his shepherd's staff to bring freedom to the children of Israel.

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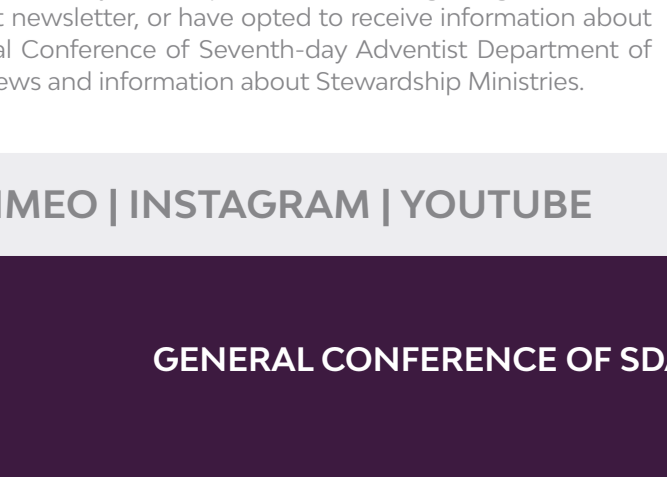
### BOY TRUSTED HIS FATHER



A group of scientists and botanists were exploring remote regions of the Alps in search of new species of flowers. One day they noticed through binoculars a flower of such rarity and beauty that its value to science was incalculable. But it lay deep in a ravine with cliffs on both sides. To get the flower with someone...

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### ALL OF OUR STRENGTH



The story is told of a little boy and his father. They were walking along a road when they came across a large stone. The boy looked at the stone and thought about it a little. Then he asked his father, "Do you think if I use all my strength, I can move that rock?" The father thought for a moment and said, "I think that if you..."

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## SUGGESTED RESOURCES



**Devotional:** *Growing Your Life: Reflections on Personal Stewardship From the Lives of Joseph and Jesus*. Get the [Kindle eBook](#) or click the button below to read the PDF.

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**Study Guide:** *GodFirst at Home: The True Rest*. Based the book *Child Guidance*, this study guide aims to develop godly values/actions related to Sabbath keeping.

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## STEWARDSHIP TESTIMONIES



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### SSD: The Withheld Tithe

One businessman profited from a considerable amount of money, and his tithe amount to be one hundred thousand pesos (Php. 100,000.00). He was blinded by the sparkle of enormous wealth and decided to use it as additional capital for his business. So he didn't return his tithe the following Sabbath.

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### STEWARDSHIP MIN. ADVISORY RESCHEDULED

**FOR INFORMATION ONLY:** The Stewardship Ministries Advisory, originally scheduled for Sept. 22-23, 2021, will now take place on Sept. 21-22, 2022. Please, mark your Calendar.



## 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 dwell, 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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## Q1 2021 SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON VIDEOS

### Courtesy of the South Pacific Division

Isaiah: Comfort My People. "Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool" (Isaiah 1:18, KJV). Watch video insights of the lesson: <https://vimeo.com/showcase/7560082> or download the lesson from the Adult Bible Study website: <https://absq.adventist.org/next-quarter>.

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