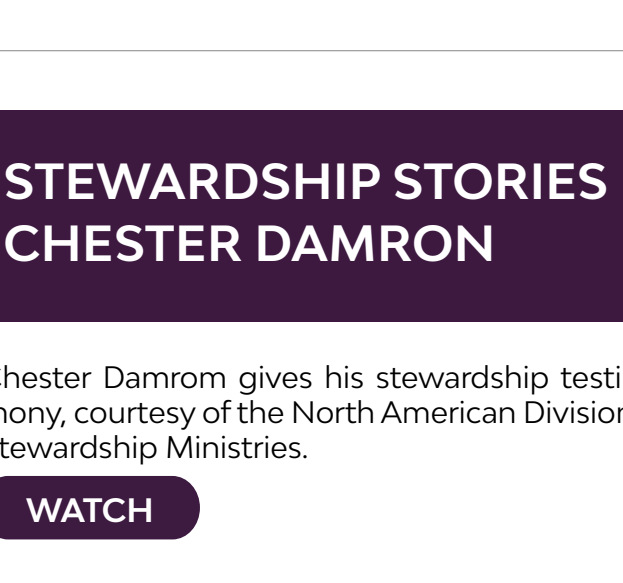




EDITORIAL - FAREWELL



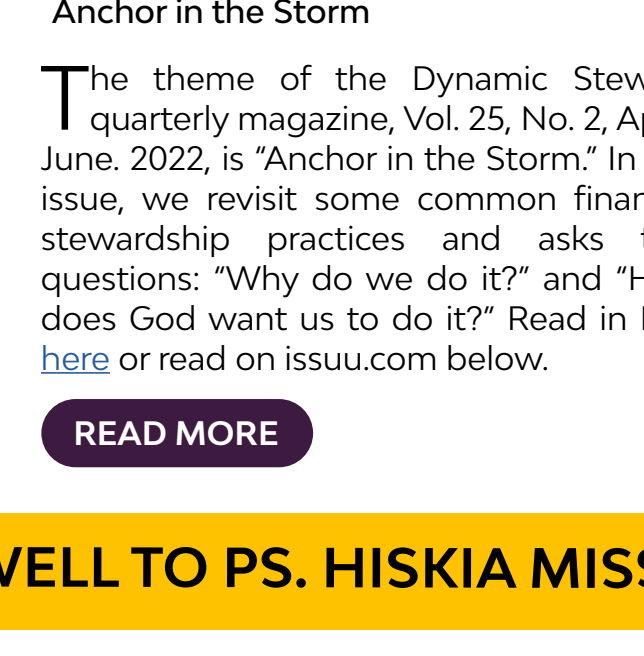
Juliana. She was my oldest sister; we were far apart in age. So she was like a mother to me. I lived in her house to attend the Adventist school, and our parents lived far from where we lived. She took care of me for most of my high school years, paid my school fees, bought my clothes, gave me pocket money, advised me if I did something wrong, and she loved me as much as a mother loves her kids.

[READ MORE](#)

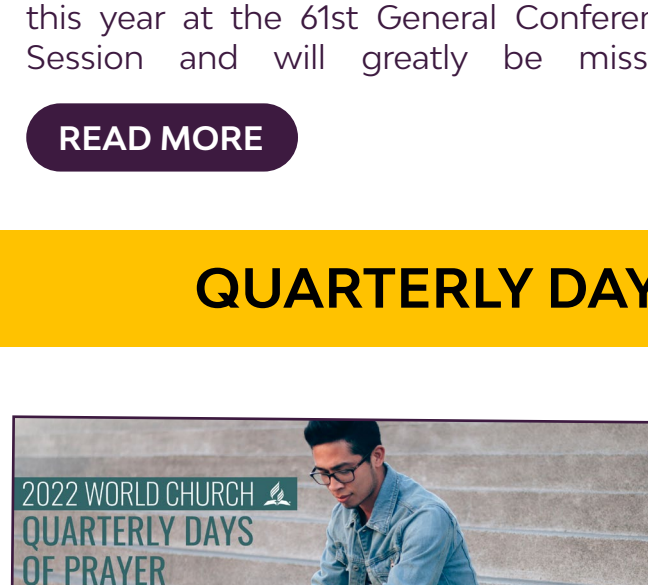
STEWARDSHIP STORIES CHESTER DAMRON

Chester Damron gives his stewardship testimony, courtesy of the North American Division Stewardship Ministries.

[WATCH](#)



DYNAMIC STEWARD MAGAZINE—APR. - JUN. 2022



Anchor in the Storm

The theme of the Dynamic Steward quarterly magazine, Vol. 25, No. 2, April-June, 2022, is "Anchor in the Storm." In this issue, we revisit some common financial stewardship practices and asks two questions: "Why do we do it?" and "How does God want us to do it?" Read in PDF [here](#) or read on [issuu.com](#) below.

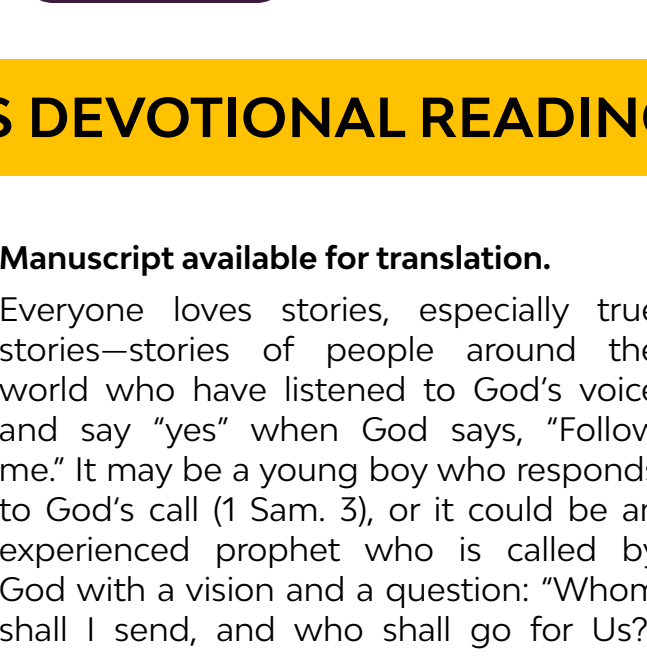
[READ MORE](#)

STEWARDSHIP BIDS FAREWELL TO PS. HISKIA MISSAH

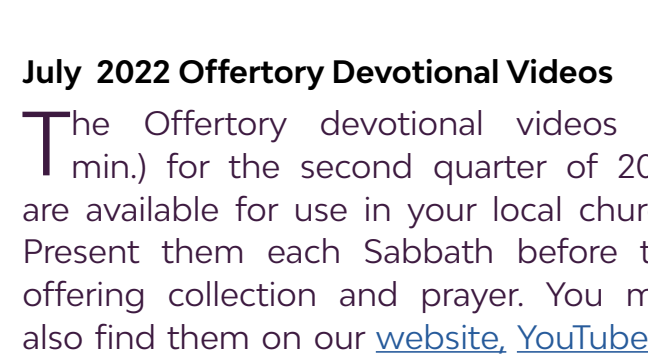
Retirement Celebration in Pictures

Pastor Hiskia Missah, an ever grateful man of great stories with profound meaning and many lessons, has been a treasured asset to the GC Stewardship Ministries Department during the last seven years. His ministry has been a blessing to the Church for 50 years! He retired this year at the 61st General Conference Session and will greatly be missed.

[READ MORE](#)



QUARTERLY DAY OF PRAYER —JULY 2

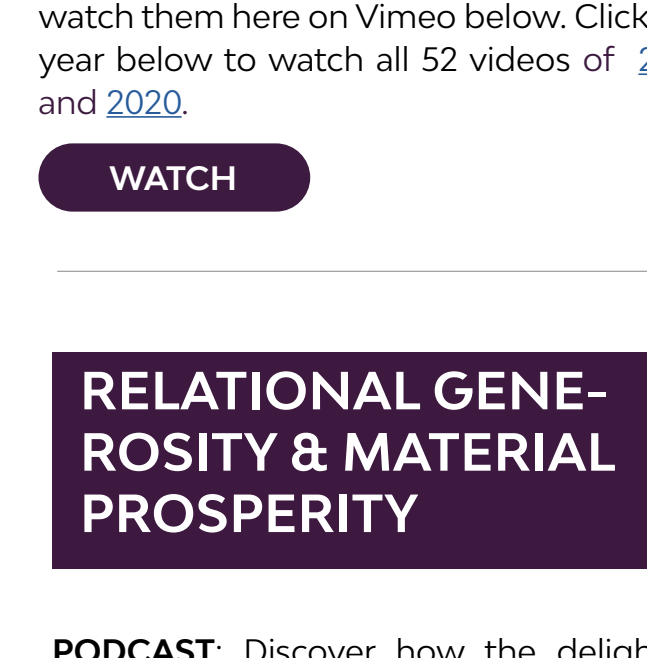


Praying the Three Angels' Messages

Today, amid perhaps unprecedented polarization in the world, our nations, and our church, we too need to heed Jesus' counsel to seek His Spirit and come together for mission. The task seems daunting and impossible in our humanity. That's why we need to pray as never before for the miracle of reconciliation that only God can bring.

[READ MORE](#)

2023 TITHE AND OFFERINGS DEVOTIONAL READINGS



Manuscript available for translation.

Everyone loves stories, especially true stories—stories of people around the world who have listened to God's voice and say "yes" when God says, "Follow me." It may be a young boy who responds to God's call (1 Sam. 3), or it could be an experienced prophet who is called by God with a vision and a question: "Whom shall I send, and who shall go for Us?"

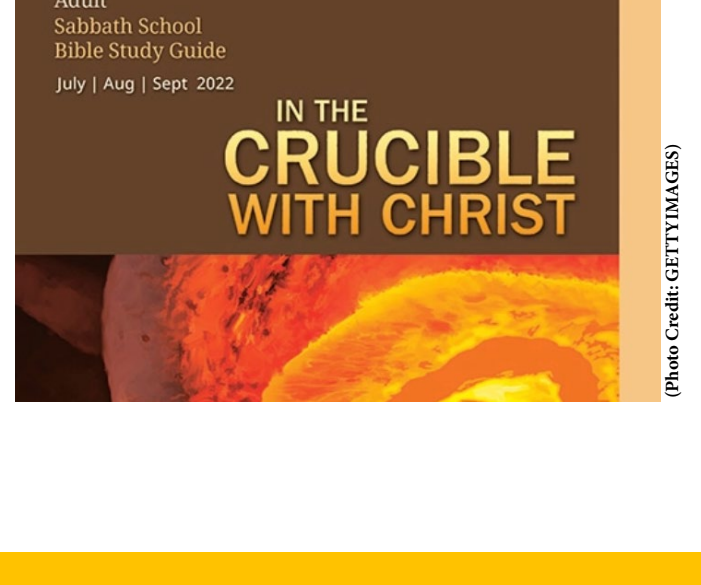
[READ MORE](#)

TITHE & OFFERINGS DEVOTIONAL VIDEOS—JULY 2022

July 2022 Offertory Devotional Videos

The Offertory devotional videos (2-min.) for the second quarter of 2022 are available for use in your local church. Present them each Sabbath before the offering collection and prayer. You may also find them on our [website](#), [YouTube](#) or watch them here on Vimeo below. Click the year below to watch all 52 videos of 2021 and 2020.

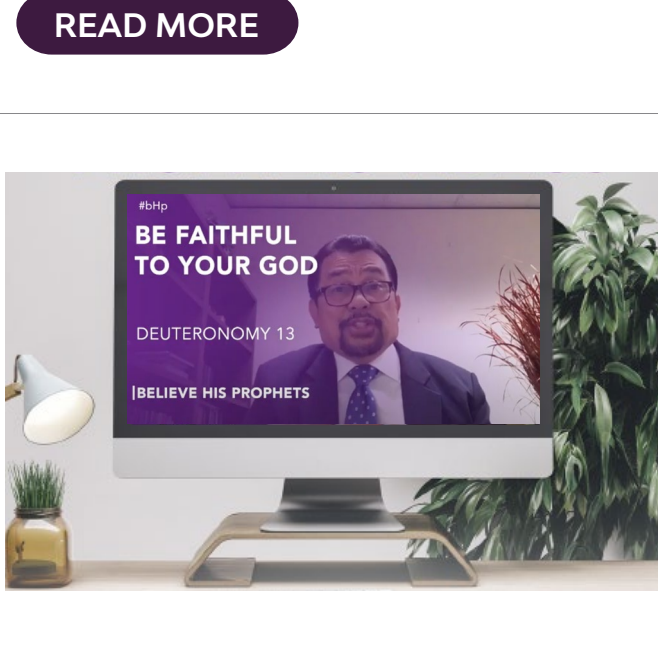
[WATCH](#)



RELATIONAL GENEROSITY & MATERIAL PROSPERITY

PODCAST: Discover how the delight of kindness strengthens damaged relationships and opens the way for God to work on your behalf, providing for your needs.

[READ MORE](#)

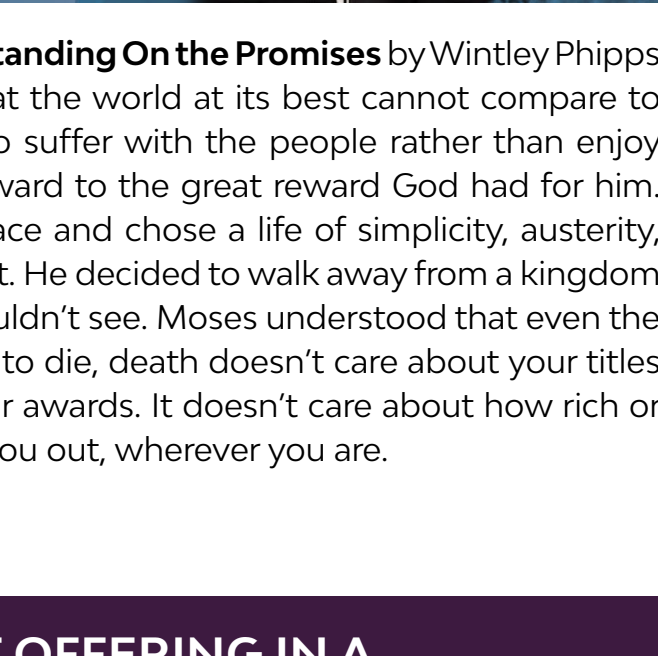


SABBATH SCHOOL VIDEO SERIES, 3RD QUARTER, 2022

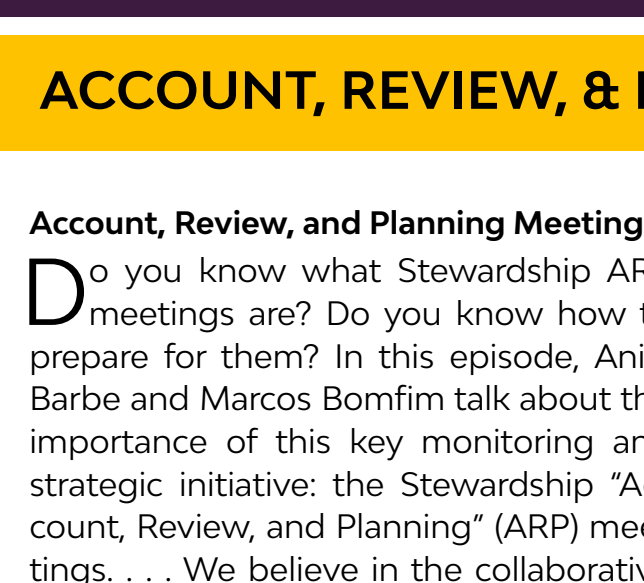
In the Crucible with Christ

Our Creator suffered in a way that none of us ever could. We can experience only our own griefs, our own sorrows; at the cross He bore "our griefs, and carried our sorrows" (Isa. 53:4). It's the most amazing act in all cosmic history. This quarter, we hope to better comprehend our own suffering, the sufferings of Christians, those whose lives are committed to Christ.

[READ MORE](#)



TITHE AND OFFERINGS DEVOTIONAL READINGS 2022



Now in **English, French, Spanish, & Portuguese.**

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.

[READ MORE](#)

BELIEVE HIS PROPHETS DAILY BIBLE READING

Unite with thousands of brothers and sisters around the world and read the Bible, one chapter **daily**. [Subscribe](#) now. Get your personal [invitation](#) or watch our daily chapter insights.

[WATCH](#)



Moses Standing On the Promises

by Pastor Wintley Phipps



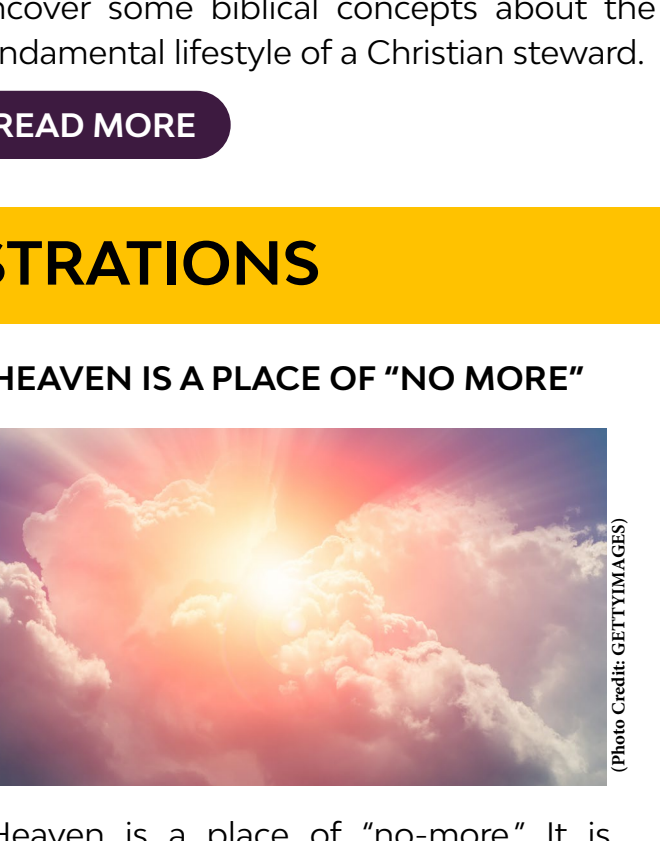
Alleghany East Conference presented **Moses Standing On the Promises** by Wintley Phipps during its fiftieth anniversary. Wintley says that the world at its best cannot compare to God's reward for His children. Moses chose to suffer with the people rather than enjoy pleasures for a season for he was looking forward to the great reward God had for him. Moses looked beyond the drapery of the palace and chose a life of simplicity, austerity, obedience, and self-denial for the sake of Christ. He decided to walk away from a kingdom he could see for the promise of a reward he couldn't see. Moses understood that even the best life is a brief life. When it comes your day to die, death doesn't care about your titles or your degrees, your accomplishments or your awards. It doesn't care about how rich or popular you are. Death can find you and take you out, wherever you are.

[WATCH](#)

THE MOST NEEDED KIND OF OFFERING IN A CHURCH WITH A WORLDWIDE MISSION, PART 3

Have you ever wondered how you might distribute your offerings so that the funds may speed Jesus' coming and spread His message more efficiently throughout all the three geographic segments alluded to by Jesus in Acts 1:8 (local, regional, and international)? In the previous articles, we explored why offerings are as important as the tithe, how are they used. . .

[READ MORE](#)

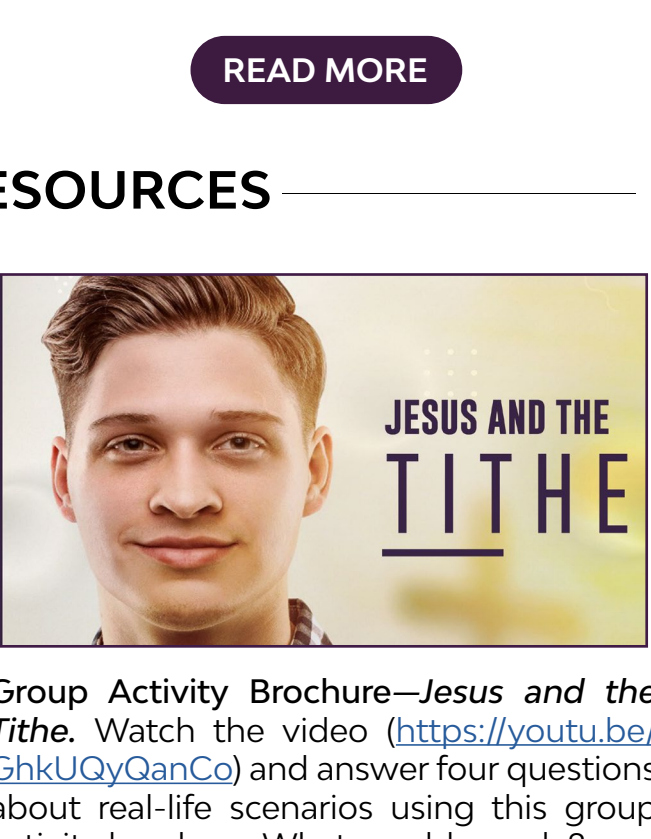


ACCOUNT, REVIEW, & PLANNING MEETINGS (ARP)

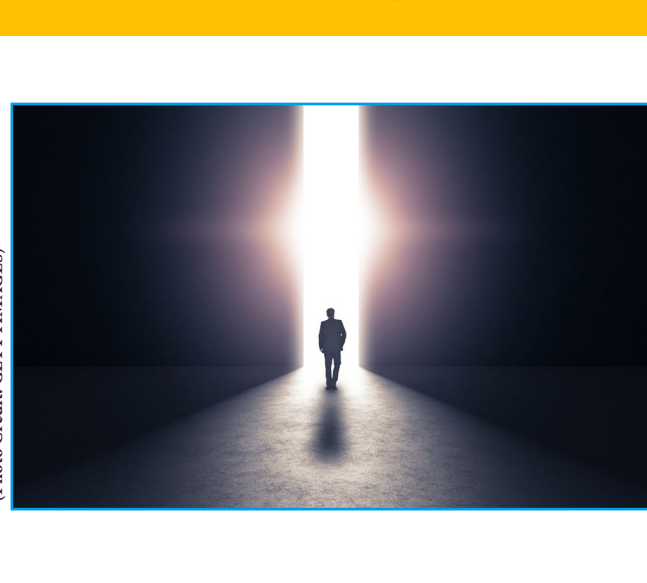
Account, Review, and Planning Meetings

Do you know what Stewardship ARP meetings are? Do you know how to prepare for them? In this episode, Aniel Barbe and Marcos Bomfim talk about the importance of this key monitoring and strategic initiative: the Stewardship "Account, Review, and Planning" (ARP) meetings. . . . We believe in the collaborative nature of our ministry.

[READ MORE](#)



TITHE AND OFFERINGS VIDEOS EDITABLE FILES—2022



The editable files of the second quarter 2022 Tithe and Offerings Devotional videos are now available for translation, including custom thumbnails for [Facebook](#), [YouTube](#), and [Instagram](#) posts. All videos are posted on our [official GodFirst YouTube Channel](#) and [Vimeo](#). Contact us if your church entity wants to translate and reproduce the videos in your local language or receive the videos to share via WhatsApp.

[REQUEST FILES](#)

THE HYPE PODCAST

Your #1 resource for missional entrepreneurship. Get inspired to start, grow and scale your missional business with relevant advice, encouraging stories & professional resources.

[LISTEN](#)

SDA Business Directory

Join the largest network of Adventist businesses and ministries.



WE SERVE BECAUSE YOU GIVE



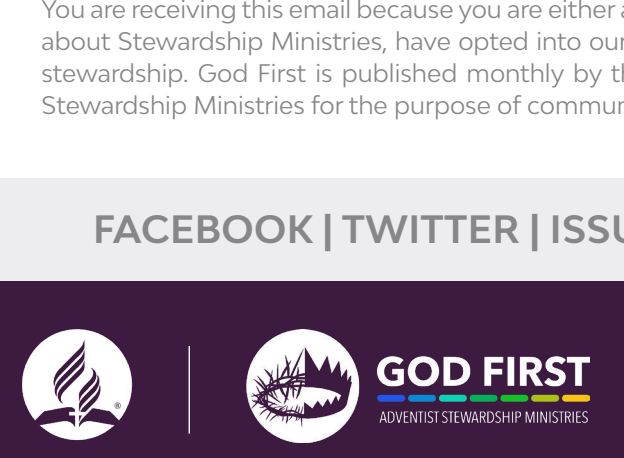
Courtesy of the Adventist Mission.

A SCHOOL CALLED ZION

Victoria didn't let retirement stop her from using her skills to help one of the most unreached people groups in society. Today her efforts are paying off and God is blessing her work in Sri Lanka.

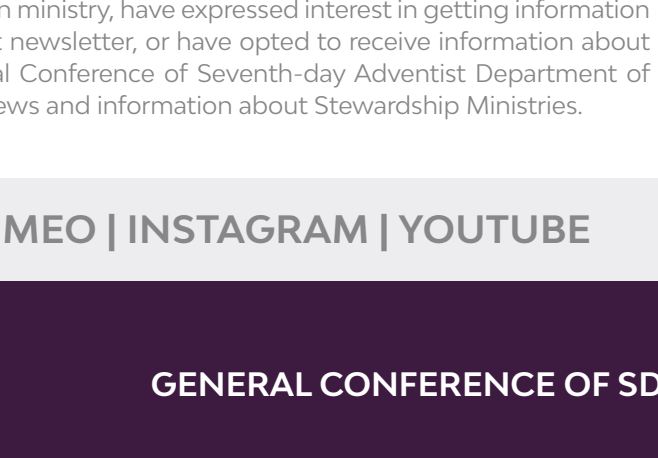
[WATCH](#)

DYNAMIC STEWARD IN POWERPOINT



Article by Roberto Herrera, Stewardship Ministries director of the Inter-American Division of Seventh-day Adventists Churches. The article was published in the April-June 2022 issue of the Dynamic Steward magazine, vol. 25, no. 2, pp. 4-5. <https://stewardship.adventist.org/2022-25-2.pdf> or <https://stewardship.adventist.org/fundamental-ideas-of-christian-stewardship>.

[READ MORE](#)



Group Activity Brochure—*Jesus and the Tithe*. Watch the video (<https://youtu.be/GhkUQyQanCo>) and answer four questions about real-life scenarios using this group activity brochure. What would you do?

[READ MORE](#)

E. G. WHITE'S QUOTATIONS

The more deeply to impress these truths [In Moses' farewell speech to the children of Israel, he set before them the results of obedience versus disobedience, a choice between life and death.] upon all minds, the great leader embodied them in sacred verse. —*Counsels on Stewardship*, p. 22.

[READ MORE](#)

CLICK HERE FOR CORONAVIRUS RESOURCES & TOOLS

CLICK HERE FOR COVID YOUTH ALIVE MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES

Please send us stories, photos, and videos of stewardship events in your region or innovative stewardship ideas. You could be featured in future newsletters! **SUBSCRIBE** [here](#) to the monthly God First newsletter and stay informed about stewardship news.

[WEBSITE](#) | [ABOUT](#) | [RESOURCES](#) | [PUTTING GOD FIRST](#) | [CONTACT US](#)

NEWSLETTER STAFF

Marcos Bomfim, Director | Hiskia Missah, Editor | Aniel Barbe, Advisor
Johnetta B. Flomo, Assistant Editor

You are receiving this email because you are either a partner in ministry, have expressed interest in getting information about Stewardship Ministries, have opted into our God First newsletter, or have opted to receive information about stewardship. God First is published monthly by the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventist Department of Stewardship Ministries for the purpose of communicating news and information about Stewardship Ministries.

[FACEBOOK](#) | [TWITTER](#) | [ISSUU](#) | [VIMEO](#) | [INSTAGRAM](#) | [YOUTUBE](#)

GOD FIRST
ADVENTIST STEWARDSHIP MINISTRIES

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SDA