

From the Treasurer.

I would like to share with you Haggai 2:8 and Deuteronomy 8:17-18.

Haggai 2:8 (NIV) says: The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it; and Deuteronomy 8:17-18 (NKJV) says: ¹⁷ then you say in your heart, 'My power and the might of my hand have gained me this wealth.'

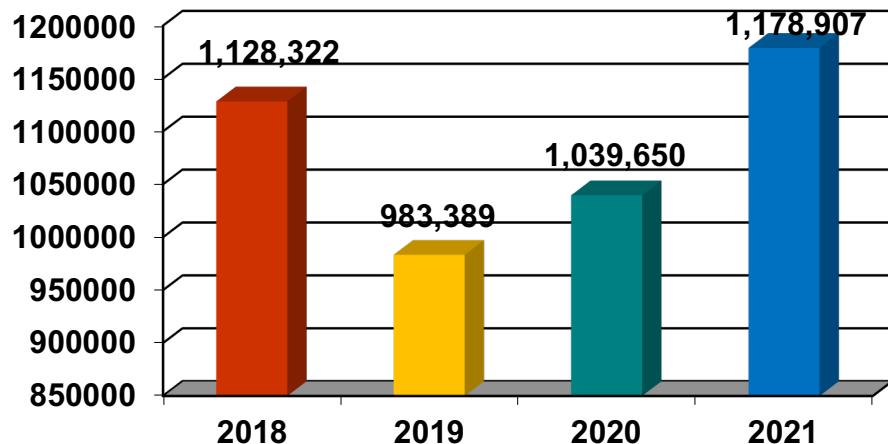
¹⁸ "And you shall remember the Lord your God, for *it is* He who gives you power to get wealth, that He may ^[a]establish His covenant which He swore to your fathers, as *it is* this day.

These verses are telling us that God is owner of the resources that this world has and also, He is the owner of the resources that He has given us. In addition, God is the one that gives us the health and strength to go to work and he helps us make enough to sustain our families. God called us to be good stewards not only in returning a faithful tithe and being generous with our offerings but also God is calling us to remember His work with our Estate Planning. The servant of the Lord says in Testimony volume 4: "Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God. This love is without a parallel, giving to men the relationship of sons to God. Therefore, the Father expects obedience from His children; therefore, He requires a right disposition of the property He has placed in their hands."

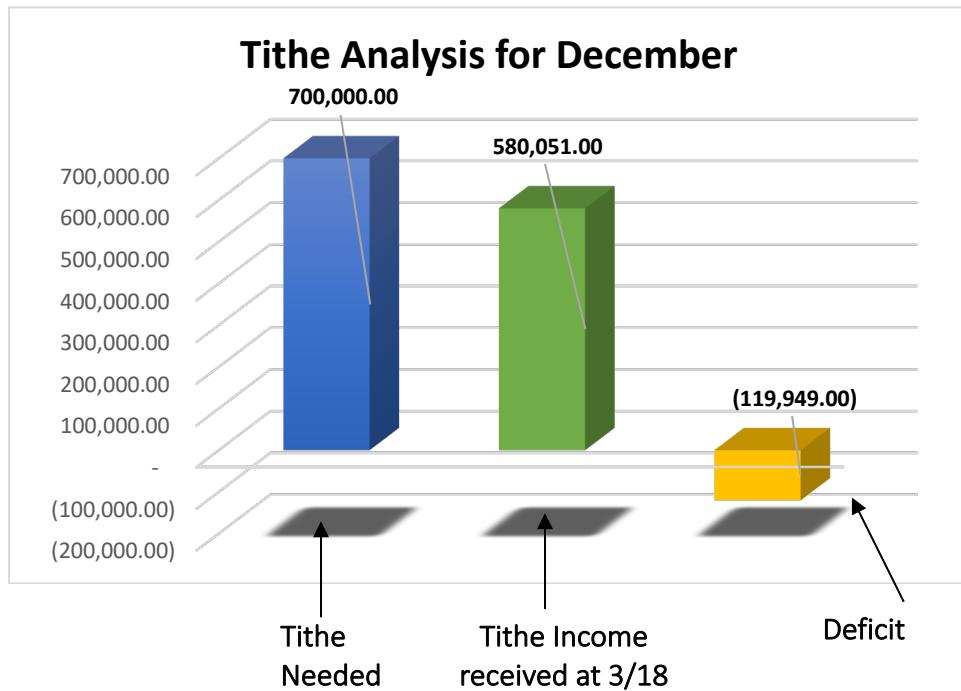
If you need more information on how to contribute to God's work with your Estate Planning, please do not hesitate to contact us at 405-721-6110 or contact me at cportanova@okla-adventist.org.

For this month's treasury report, let me say that the Lord has blessed us with an increase of 13.39% from January to February. See the graphic below:

Tithe Comparison January to February



Despite of the year-to-date tithe increase, we did not meet the \$700,000 monthly tithe goal that we have. Please see the graphic below:



When the conference receives less tithe income, the conference has less income to cover the expenses for its programs. Also, the conference uses its reserves to cover its expenses.

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We received \$1,686 less in comparison with the previous year (2020) which represents a 7% decrease. See the graphic below:

