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Managing At It's Best

One of the best strategies for doing stewardship education is through existing ministries and programs of the local church such as youth, children, women, and family life. In this issue of the *Dynamic Steward*, we highlight the interview of *G*. Edward Reid, JD, principal contributor of the Adult Sabbath quarterly. Read <u>here</u> in PDF or on issuu.com below. <u>Subscribe</u>.

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WHERE DOES THE MONEY GO?—BIBLICAL PERSPECTIVES

What happens when we give to God through His church? Where does the money go? And are we entitled to withhold our tithe from the church if we don't like how the money is being used? This week, Pastor Chad Stuart and Dr. Frank Hasel continue our Biblical Perspectives series with the third episode titled "Where Does the Money Go?"



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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE NEWSLETTER



January to March 2023

God in His great mercy and love has provided a precious gift of guidance and spiritual blessing to the Seventh-day Adventist Church and to the world in the writings and prophetic ministry of Ellen G. White. For more than 70 years, between 1844 and 1915, God gave prophetic direction, counsel, encouragement, and correction "for the edifying of the body of Christ"...



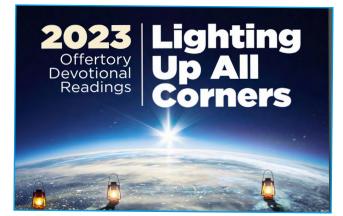


PODCAST: THE STORE-HOUSE SYSTEM FROM GENESIS TO JEROBOAM

PODCAST: A quick review of the Storehouse System from Genesis to Jeroboam as presented at the South Asia Pacific Division Leadership Summit in Bangkok, Thailand.

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2023 OFFERTORY DEVOTIONAL READINGS



English, French, Spanish and Portuguese

ighting Up All Corners is a collection of true stories written by Charlotte Ishkanian—stories of people around the world who have heard the voice of God and answered "Yes" to His call, "Follow me." The Lord asks, "Whom shall I send, and who shall go for Us?" Will you go? Contact us below if your church entity wants to translate the manuscript for distribution in your territory.

April 2023 Offertory Devotional Videos



MONTHLY OFFERTORY DEVOTIONAL VIDEOS

The offertory devotional videos (April and May 2023) are available on our website (+PDF &Script), YouTube and Vimeo. Watch videos of previous years: 2022, 2021 and 2020. Videos for June-December 2023 will be made available as they are ready. This years' videos are also available in <u>Cantonese</u>, French, Hungarian, Mandarin, Portuguese, Romanian, Russian, Simplified Chinese, Spanish, and Ukranian.

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BACK TO THE ALTAR

God's people are to be powerful, but we are distracted." Dwain Esmond, associate director of the Ellen G. White Estate, took the stage on October 11th to introduce a new and revolutionizing Church initiative during the 2022 Annual Council. As expressed by Ellen G. White in *Ministry of Healing*, p. 349, "The restoration and uplifting of humanity begins in...

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April 23—To The End of The World





April 29, 2023— Discipling A Dentist





BALANCING BUDGETS WITH ASSETS



This article written by Colette Newer and published in the Heart and Treasure newsletter,January 2023, Vol. 9, Issue 1. Read the newsletter here: <u>https://myemail.constantcontact.com/Heart-and-Tre-</u> asure---Volume-9--Issue-1---January-1--2023.html?soid=1120413263767&aid=bgvutbgqHcA

How can we help the poor in our communities?

ike you, I've attended my fair share of classes and read books about financial management and how to live on a budget. If people could just tell the difference between needs and wants, they advise, then we could balance our budgets. But, for many, this simply doesn't work; especially for the poor and destitute in our communities.



WE SERVE BECAUSE YOU GIVE



Courtesy of the Adventist Mission.

Planting the Seed in Setúbal

A small school in Portugal has big potential. This quarter a portion of your 13th Sabbath Offerings will help construct a new school building in a fast growing area of the city. Please join Adventists in Portugal in prayer for the future of this school.



DYNAMIC STEWARD IN POWERPOINT



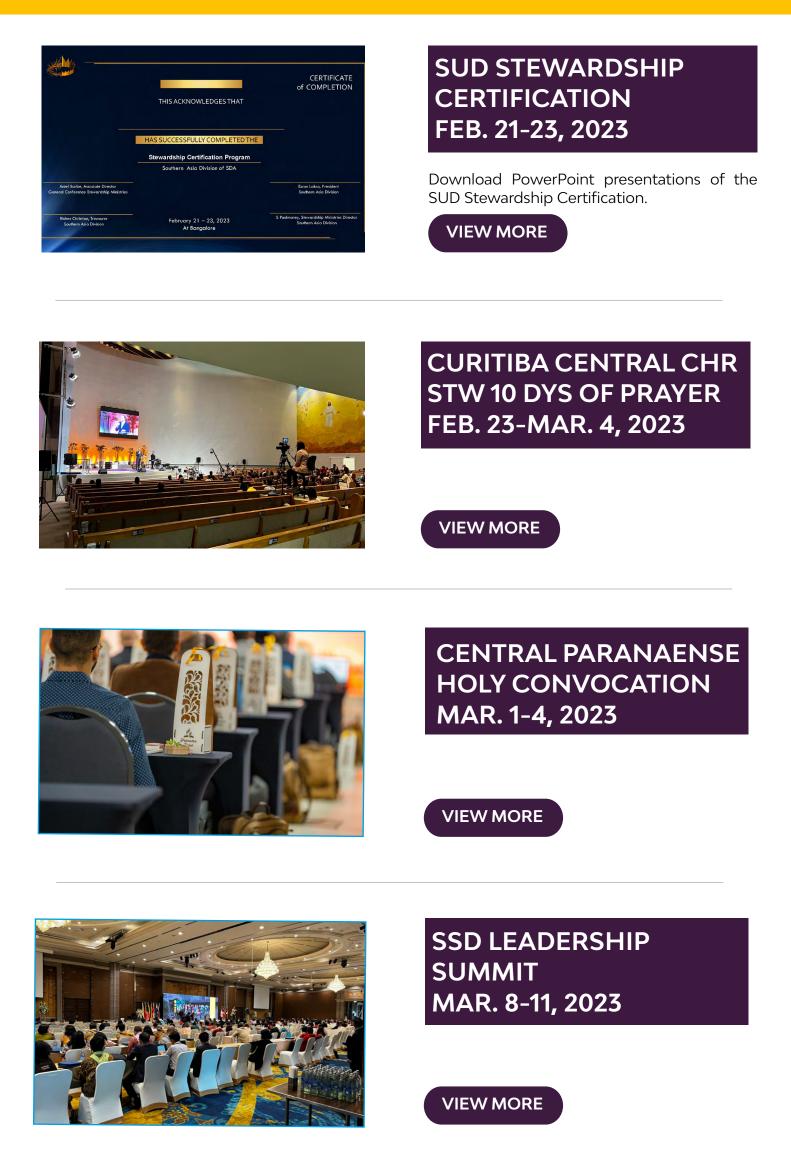
THE USE OF TITHE

Throughout my years as a church admi-

This article was written by Elder Ray Wahlen, Undertreasurer of the General Conference of Seventh--day Adventists and published in the Dynamic Steward magazine, January-March 2023, Vol. 26, No. 1, pp. 12:14. Read the article here: https://stewardship.adventist.org/the-use-of-tithe-wahlen or the complete magazine here: https://stewardship.adventist.org/2023-26-1.pdf I nistrator, I've been asked this question (albeit within a variety of different settings and languages): "If everything the church does is for mission, why can't everything the church endeavors to do be funded by tithe?" Indeed, this sentiment has likely been voiced from as early as when the church adopted the important principle of tithing.



STEWARDSHIP MINISTRIES ITINERARIES



ARE SMALL BUSINESSES EXPECTED TO TITHE?

Tithing Question

own a small business. It's a corporation. I started to pay my tithe out of my check. My question is: is my company expected to pay tithe too? I just took over this company. It has bills that are waiting to be paid. I'm just curious to know what is our stand small businesses pay tithe as a Bible believer.





SERMON ILLUSTRATION IDEAS

HALF-HEARTED GIFTS



Illustrates Generosity

One day as the great peacemaker Gandhi stepped aboard a train, his left shoe slipped off and landed on the track. He was unable to retrieve it before the train moved out of the station.

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OPEN HANDS



<u>Illustrates Generosity</u>

We are called to have compassion for the people around us, so if we have the ability to meet a need, then we must meet it, according to Proverbs 3:27. An image to consider to illustrate the ...

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SUGGESTED RESOURCES



Books—Faith and Finance (Particpant's and Leader's Guide). This is a 12-week personal finance seminar that helps families manage their finances, courtesy of NAD.





Resources—*Model Steward Canvas*. Learn to do business as a steward with God as Owner, Senior Partner, and Key Client. Grow your business according to His plan.



E. G. WHITE'S QUOTATIONS



Many, very many, have not so educated themselves that they can keep their expenditures within the limit of their income. They do not learn to adapt themselves to circumstances, and they borrow and borrow again and again, and become overwhelmed in debt, and consequently they become discouraged and disheartened. —*Counsels For the Church*, p. 155



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