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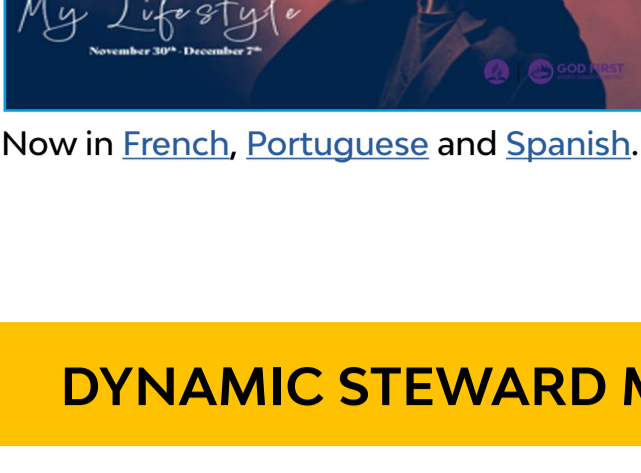
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Matthew 6:33



STEWARDSHIP REVIVAL WEEK—2024



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Nov. 30th - Dec. 7th—My Lifestyle

The Annual Stewardship Revival Week offers a unique opportunity for local churches to invite member to reflect on some crucial aspects of their lives as God's stewards. Each day's program includes a reflection and an appeal to commit to faithfully managing what God has entrusted to us. The week culminates with the Stewardship Sabbath, during which time a commitment ceremony . . .

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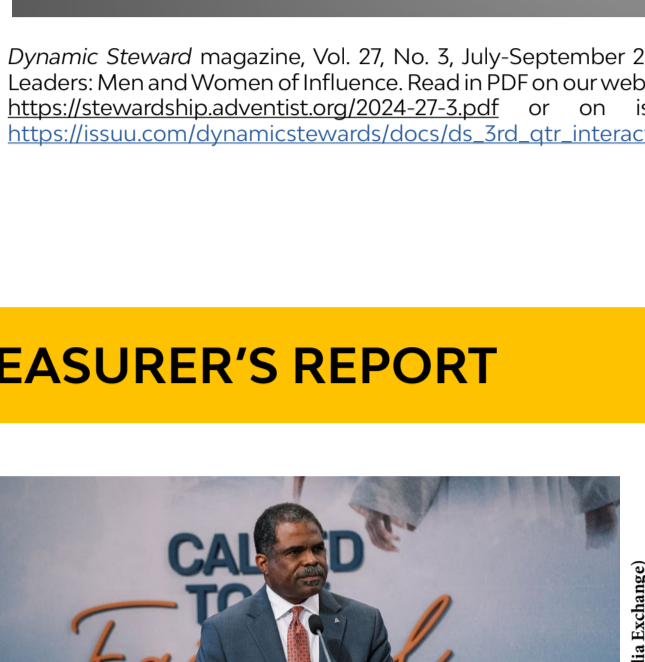
The Art of Systematic Giving

The year 2024 is a time of celebration for Seventh-day Adventists, marking the 150th anniversary of sending missionaries from everywhere to everywhere. We rejoice and reflect on how to move forward and faster. This issue of Dynamic Steward explores how Systematic Benevolence can decisively impact the expansion of mission. As we work to finish what started in 1874, we're called to give like our early pioneers. Read the digital flipbook on [issuu.com](#) or in PDF below.

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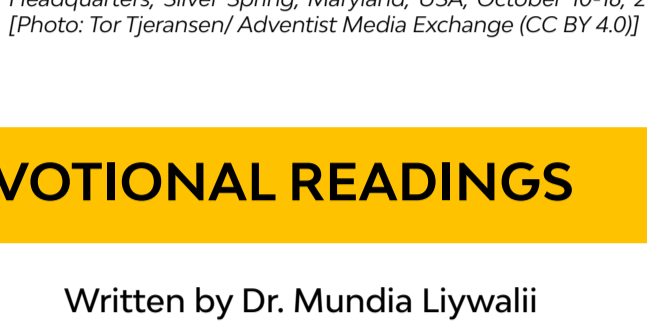
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ANNUAL COUNCIL TREASURER'S REPORT

More than 300 members of the Executive Committee (EXCOM) of the General Conference (GC) of Seventh-day Adventists listened to the Treasurer's Report on October 14 as part of the 2024 Annual Council, held at the denomination's headquarters in Silver Spring, Maryland, United States. During the report, treasurer Paul H. Douglas shared a general outlook of the GC's financial position, while associate treasurer Timothy Aka and undertreas-



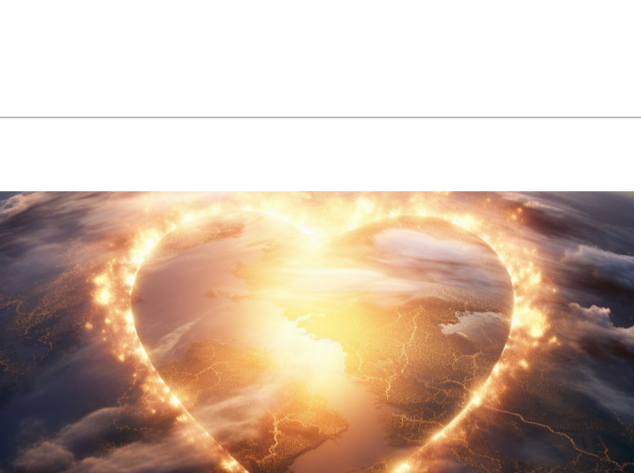
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Paul H. Douglas, Treasurer, General Conference (GC), presents the Treasurer's Report during the General Conference Annual Council 2024 with theme "Called To Be Faithful, General Conference Headquarters, Silver Spring, Maryland, USA, October 10-16, 2024. [Photo: Tor Tjersens/Adventist Media Exchange (CC BY 4.0)]

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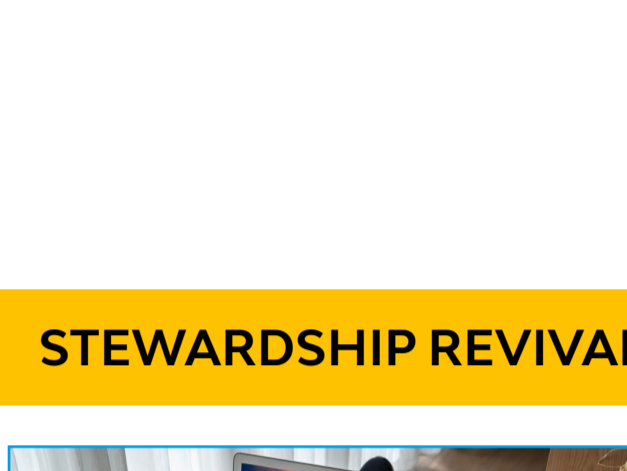
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Written by Dr. Mundia Liywalii

The 2025 Offertory Devotional Readings is a powerful blend of timeless Bible truths and relatable personal experiences, all designed to inspire and educate church members on the importance of putting God first in their lives. They guide readers to worship God through generous giving, gratitude for His blessings, and commitment to systematic benevolence.

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PODCAST: GOD'S LOVE IN JEREMIAH'S PRAYER

What can we learn about God's attributes from Jeremiah's prayer, as found in Jeremiah 32:17-25? In this podcast you will discover some interesting connections between Daniel's prayer and the prayer of Jeremiah, in chapter 32.

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STEWARDSHIP REVIVAL WEEK SERMONS QR CODE



Coming on November 15th to our website are video recordings of the 2024 Stewardship Revival Week, featuring eight inspiring sermons and an introductory message. Though the event takes place from November 30 to December 7, you can enrich your church services or nourish your congregation by sharing these recordings anytime. Simply use the QR code to access the videos. Read the English booklet [here](#).

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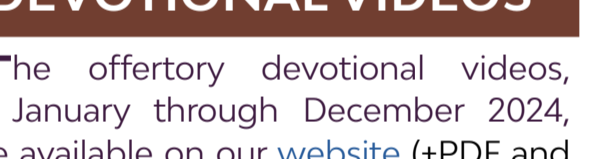
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WEEKLY OFFERTORY DEVOTIONAL READING



Principles of True Worship

Athor Josanan Alves uncovers 52 Principles of True Worship in the 2024 Tithes and Offerings Devotional Readings. These readings are to be presented in the local church every Sabbath before the local offering collection. Contact us below if your church entity wants to translate the manuscript or videos for distribution in your territory. The videos are now available [here](#) and others will be gradually added as they are produced.

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WEEKLY OFFERTORY DEVOTIONAL VIDEOS

The offertory devotional videos, January through December 2024, are available on our [website](#) (+PDF and Script), [YouTube](#) and [Vimeo](#). Watch videos of previous years: [2023](#), [2022](#), [2021](#) and [2020](#). These 2024 videos are in [English](#), [French](#), [Spanish](#) and [Portuguese](#).

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November 2024 Offertory Devotional Videos



November 2—Transformation of Character



November 9—Beyond the Practice of Medicine



November 16—When Worship Seems Risky



November 23—A Strange Dentist

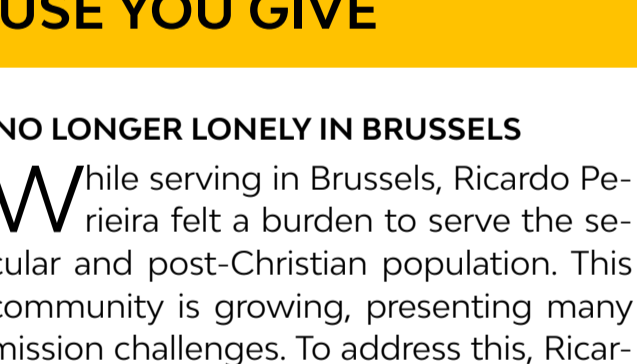
SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE

Pastor Daryll Arékion

After the Great Disappointment of 1844, despite reticence for a structured church, the financial needs of ministers, among other issues, made it necessary to think about solutions for the developing movement. In response, the financial plan of "Systematic Benevolence" was introduced.

Financial Situation of Ministers in the 1850s
At that time, many pastors focused their pastoral efforts on weekends because they . . .

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The article was written by Pastor Daryll Arékion, district pastor who currently serves in Rodrigues Island in the Maurice's Conference, and previously published in the Dynamic Steward magazine, Vol. 27 No. 3, Jul. - Sept. 2024, the Art of Systematic Giving, pp.8-9. Read the entire magazine here: <https://stewardship.adventist.org/2024-27-3.pdf>.

WE SERVE BECAUSE YOU GIVE



NO LONGER LONELY IN BRUSSELS

While serving in Brussels, Ricardo Pereira felt a burden to serve the secular and post-Christian population. This community is growing, presenting many mission challenges. To address this, Ricardo decided to start a Portuguese-speaking church plant, hoping to provide people with an opportunity to encounter God.

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DYNAMIC STEWARD IN POWERPOINT



Growing up I can distinctly remember the first time my parents taught me about tithes and offerings. When it came time to hand out the weekly allowance, they were always very intentional about making sure that the regular amount was carefully divided up into small change so they could illustrate in a tangible way how we use and allocate our finances. I received three large empty jam jars that were carefully labelled: Tithes, Offerings, and Savings.

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SERMON ILLUSTRATION IDEAS

BE CONTENT WITH WHAT YOU HAVE



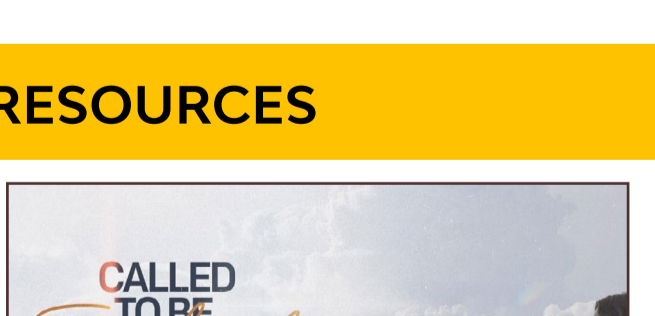
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Illustrates Contentment

Years ago, Russell Conwell told of an ancient Persian, Ali Hafed, who "owned a very large farm that had orchards, grain fields, and gardens... and was a wealthy contented man." One day a wise man from the East told the farmer all about diamonds and how wealthy he would be if he owned a diamond mine . . .

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WHEN COINS BLIND OUR VISION



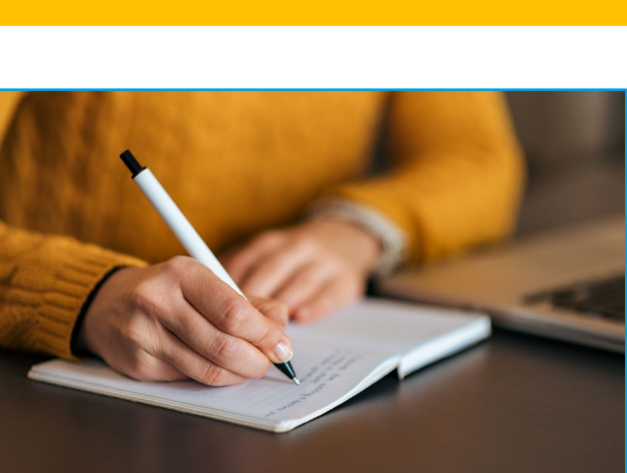
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Illustrates Money

In I Talk Back to the Devil, A.W. Tozer reminds us oney often comes before men and God. Someone has said that you can take two small ten-cent pieces, just two dimes, and shut out the view of a panoramic landscape. Go to the mountains and just hold two coins closely in front of your eyes--the mountains are . . .

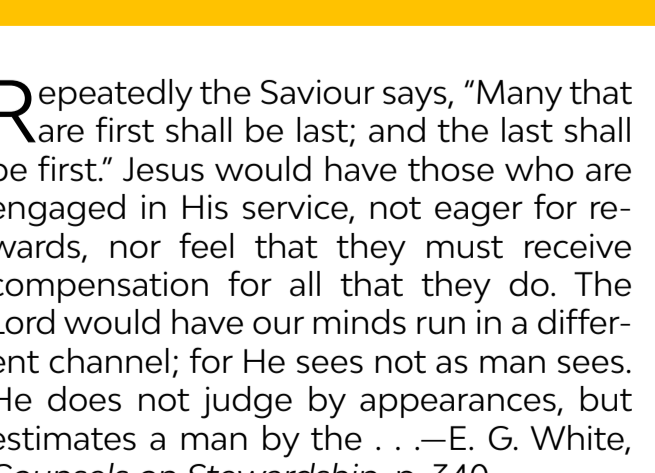
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SUGGESTED RESOURCES



Heirs of the Kingdom—In this book, Josanan Alves explores the faithfulness of Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego in Babylon. Despite the temptations and pressures of the royal court, these four young Hebrews trusted in God and made right choices. Alves examines their courage and how they withstood the luxuries of Babylon.

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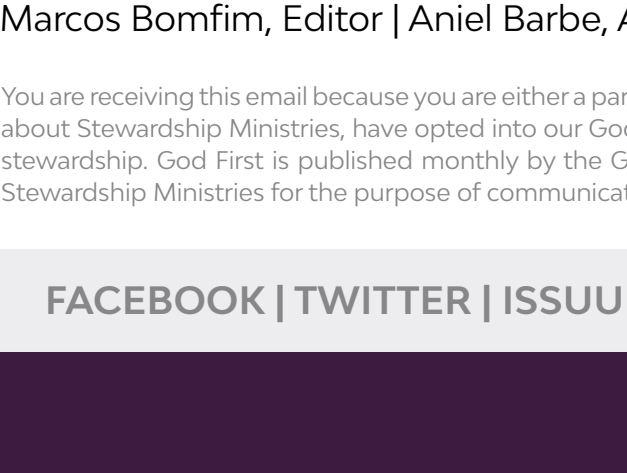


2024 Annual Council Devotionals on the Ten Commandments—This year's Annual Council featured devotional presentations on the Ten Commandments, with each commandment explored by one of ten delegates followed by Pastor Mark A. Finley who shared life applications, providing steps for integrating timeless principles in our everyday lives.

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E. G. WHITE'S QUOTATIONS



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Repeatedly the Saviour says, "Many that are first shall be last; and the last shall be first." Jesus would have those who are engaged in His service, not eager for rewards, nor feel that they must receive compensation for all that they do. The Lord would have our minds run in a different channel; for He sees not as man sees. He does not judge by appearances, but estimates a man by the . . . —E. G. White, *Counsels on Stewardship*, p. 340

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