Dear friend, January 2025

Newsletter

I've heard this statement so many times over the years. "The church may appear as about to fall, but it does not fall. It remains, while the sinners in Zion will be sifted out—the chaff separated from the precious wheat. This is a terrible ordeal, but nevertheless it must take place. None but those who have been overcoming by the blood of the Lamb and the word of their testimony will be found with the loyal and true, without spot or stain of sin, without guile in their mouths.... The remnant that purify their souls by obeying the truth gather strength from the trying process, exhibiting the beauty of holiness amid the surrounding apostasy." SDA Bible Commentary 7:911 This statement is always used to prove that the organized church will go through to the kingdom and that anyone who leaves the organized work are sinners and apostates. Is that what Ellen White really said? When she identifies church, is she talking about a building, an organization, a location? Or, is Ellen White concerned, not about a location or building, but about an experience with God and those that have such an experience are the church?

After discussing the church not falling, she proceeds to identify what will not fall. "None but those who have been overcoming by the blood of the Lamb and the word of their testimony will be found with the loyal and true, without spot or stain of sin, without guile in their mouths.... The remnant that purify their souls by obeying the truth gather strength from the trying process, exhibiting the beauty of holiness amid the surrounding apostasy." As she describes the church that will not fail, she discusses the believers that are overcoming thru faith in the power of Christ, those who are loyal and true, those who are obeying the truth!! In the mind of the prophet, the church is those with an experience with Jesus! Those who are surrendering to Him; those who know of His power to overcome; those who are loyal to God; this is the CHURCH in the mind of the prophet! God's faithful children always go forward!!

Think of a few times in history when God's professed people went into deep apostasy as it is today! What survived when invaders came in and destruction followed. The church survived, but buildings, organizational structure, the nuts and bolts of the organization collapsed and were destroyed. Go back to the days of Daniel, his friends, Jeremiah, and Ezekiel. What happened? The Bible records that, "And all the vessels of the house of God, great and small, and the treasures of the house of the LORD, and the treasures of the king, and of his princes; all these he brought to Babylon. And they burnt the house of God, and brake down the wall of Jerusalem, and burnt all the palaces thereof with fire, and destroyed all the goodly vessels thereof. And them that had escaped from the sword carried he away to Babylon; where they were servants to him and his sons until the reign of the kingdom of Persia:" 2 Chronicles 36:18-20 The faithful, along with some rabble, were carried away to Babylon. Through the faithful, the world was told of the true God of Heaven!!

The structure or centerpiece of ancient Adventist worship, which centered around Solomon's temple was destroyed. It was slowly dismantled until finally, it was burned to the ground! The church, made up of the faithful among God's people went through and lit up the world with the truth of God!! This happened again in the first century. The Adventist Church of the 1st church was in bold apostasy as we see today. The structure of the church, which centered around the temple in Jerusalem was destroyed as Christ foretold. (Matthew 24:1-3) However, the church of the faithful carried the truth to the then known world. In fact, Paul declares, "If ye continue in the faith grounded and settled, and be

not moved away from the hope of the gospel, which ye have heard, <u>and which was preached to every</u> <u>creature which is under heaven; whereof I Paul am made a minister;</u>" Colossians 1:23

This will happen again to the letter. Ellen White, as we noticed said the church of the faithful would never fall, but will lighten the earth with the glory of God. "And after these things I saw another angel come down from heaven, having great power; and the earth was lightened with his glory." Rev. 18:1 The apostate organization, which is no longer doing what it was raised up to do, has apostatized and this organization will be swept away!! ""The enemy of souls has sought to bring in the supposition that a great reformation was to take place among Seventh-day Adventists, and that this reformation would consist in giving up the doctrines which stand as the pillars of our faith, and engaging in a process of reorganization. Were this reformation to take place, what would result? The principles of truth that God in His wisdom has given to the remnant church, would be discarded. Our religion would be changed. The fundamental principles that have sustained the work for the last fifty years would be accounted as error. A new organization would be established. Books of a new order would be written. A system of intellectual philosophy would be introduced. The founders of this system would go into the cities, and do a wonderful work. The Sabbath of course, would be lightly regarded, as also the God who created it. Nothing would be allowed to stand in the way of the new movement. The leaders would teach that virtue is better than vice, but God being removed, they would place their dependence on human power, which, without God, is worthless. Their foundation would be built on the sand, and storm and tempest would sweep away the structure." 1 SM, pg. 204

We may very well live to see these things, friend!! Praise God!! Awesome time to be alive!!

From Edward "Yesterday, Zambia was celebrating her 60th Independence. Throughout the country, celebrations were taking place and it was a public holiday like other years. For me and my team, we were at liberty to do something different on this day which I would like to share with you. We took several DVDs sermons tracts and GC books to Kitwe. This city is second from Lusaka in population. We found a good place and displayed what we brought on our table for the people that were passing by. My intention was to find a soul longing for the truth. We had a megaphone which I loaded with a very good sermon from the closing scenes and the Life if Jesus. I increased the volume so that those passing a few meters away from where we were can hear the message and come to get free DVD messages. I was glad to see a good number of people turning to our table with correct memories of the voice of the American. I counted more than 60 men and women who appreciated the lessons of the American that caused them to be Sabbath keepers from their home's others tried to join the mainstream but later decided to stay at home and continue getting forthright messages from the American for what they were getting from local elders and conference pastors. P.B it is so sad that conference pastors here are spending much time talking about building mega churches, promoting music with dancing, promoting offerings. These things caused those that were converted to our faith through your messages to view these pastors as jokers. Most of them have since left the mainstream and opted to stay at their homes to continue to eat real shewbread from your Pulpit. God bless you. After about an hour, we saw a blue Mercedes Benz car coming and stopped right near us and a good size looking man wearing a black suit came out and stopped for a few seconds to listen to the message from the Megaphone. He then walked to us. He was wearing dark glasses. He reached us and removed the glasses and greeted us. We responded. He then said (pointing to the megaphone) that, that is the voice of a man who pulled me out from a typical yoke of slavery. PB, I was looking at him with much care as I was suspecting him to be either a Jesuit agent or government agent who had something to say or do with us but here is the rest of the story. He looked at me straight and said, tell the American that several years ago, he is that first priest who left the seminary here in Zambia after listening to the Radio sermons of him from FM radio. During that time, he made a personal research about what the American was revealing and found out that everything he has saying was correct and true. He got convinced and thrilled to start following the teachings of the American seriously to this day. He later began sharing with others the teachings of the American until the superiors discovered his influence among other seminarians. His life was threatened and he saw death coming. He escaped in the night to Malawi and lived in the mountain side for several months before relocating to Mozambique. He was able to carry the voice of American in the flash disc. It was through the means of those messages that sustained him all these years. He has a small DVD burner which he uses to burn DVDs that he sends to his friends in other countries. He does not stay in one place for he is on a wanted list of Jesuits to be killed. He came to Zambia on Independence Day to visit his parents and will be leaving tonight. He blessed the American and praised God while he was standing and about 30 people were listening to what he was saying. He told the people standing by to get as many messages of the American, that they shall never go wrong or be cheated. He turned to the people present and told them all that the papal system knows the American and what he does. He is their main target but God has hidden this wonderful man to continue talking sense. He warned me to stop appearing in public like this but continue distributing the voice of this man for many Catholics are still ignorantly worshipping a wrong head from the Vatican. He appreciated the efforts we are doing to enlighten Gods people. He then asked everybody to pick up some DVDs or he was going take them all with him to Mozambique. The people scrambled for the DVDs and he took all the materials that remained. But before he left, he encouraged the people to get latest sermons of the American from the YouTube. He said goodbye and drove off. We looked at each other and said God works in many ways. I was humbled to witness a man who after several years has still held on to the code of truth. We praised the Lord and returned back home to continue burning. The Lord bless you P.B. I have no words."

From Australia "I just want to thank you for sending the books to me here in Colliver, Victoria, Australia. I do appreciate it greatly. Colliver is a suburb of Shepparton, Victoria 3630 and it is in the central north of Victoria in the fruit growing area, the largest food bowl in Australia. I love listening to your sermons and I receive a great blessing from them. I became an Adventist 50 years ago and I do believe in the Seventh Day Advent Message that our Pioneers gave to this Church. Unfortunately, the Church I became a member in 50 years ago is not the same today. Rome has made great inroads into this church. Thank you for alerting us to what Ganoune Diop is doing. I decided to do some research on the internet to find out more about him. The Adventist Church doesn't give much information into his background. Well, eventually I found what I was looking for, a detailed history of his life. I have attached this below. Surprise, surprise, I found it on the Georgetown University, Berkley Centre for Religion, Peace and World Affairs, the Private Jesuit Research University. It is an Interview they conducted with him. Well, after reading all of this, I was astounded that our Church would employ him in such an important position as he holds. He actually belongs in the Catholic Church as that is where his allegiance lies. He has had a long romance with the Catholic Church. It makes me wonder if he is a Jesuit. You may already know about his background but I thought I would send this to you just in case you didn't know. Are there any Adventists that you are in contact with in Victoria, Australia, or any groups that meet together in Victoria. I had not been involved in the Adventist Church for over 25 years and have only been going back to Church for the last year and a half. I have found it is not the same Church I came into 50 years ago. Once again, thank you for the wonderful Ministry you run. It is such a blessing."

From Nigeria "Dear Pastor Bill Hughes, "Christian greetings from your Fellow Yoke Bearers, Brother Emmanuel and the Missionary Team of Truth Triumphant Bible School South East Workers. Since our Last Mission report to you, we have been so busy in our Missionary outreach in so many Villages, distributing Present Truth Books, Tracts etc. and studying together with our Prospects Including a three weeks Public evangelism that Started 7th September through 27th September 2024. Which ended with eleven Souls being baptized by Pastor O.C. Onwuasoghianya. The Evangelism was conducted at a village Called Umuoba. The Village is being dominated by the Roman Catholics and Anglican Communion Church. It was a though battle to reach Souls with Present Truth there. In everything the Lord made a name for Himself by convicting the eleven Souls that came out of the two churches to embrace the everlasting Gospel, To God be the Glory. *One of the Priests of the Roman Catholic Church* there in Umuoba that I visited during our door to door Outreach after our Conversation together told us that the people we are preaching the message of the SDA's. The "Seventh Day Adventist Church General Conference" has become part of their own Mother Church, Roman Catholic Church through there ecumenical dealings with them; that we should stop these segregational messages that we are bringing into Christendom; that very soon most of us who will not adhere to the orders of the Roman Pontiff will have ourselves to be blame. Inspiration Says" our publications are now sowing the gospel seed, and are instrumental in bringing as many souls to Christ as the preached word. Review and Herald, June 1880. We appreciate your Support of bags of SOP books, tracts, DVDs etc. to our missionary work here in South east Nigeria. We do receive them as well as using them to reach souls. May the Lord Jesus Christ Continue to keep you, bless your ministry, your family and the church family. Amen."

Upcoming Appointments

Jan. 17-19 Arizona with Billy and Sylvia Boyne (928) 583-4806

February 8 Colton, CA 7th day Sabbath Church (909) 370-1311

March 4-9 Ethiopia

April 20 Countryside Sabbath Fellowship Pastor Al and Kaye Fletcher 509- 258- 6992

Blessings to you,

Pastor Bill