Dear Friend, September newsletter 2026

The literature continues to come in from various parts of the United States for literature evangelism throughout the world. In fact, a dear gentleman was able to get several thousand books that will help many in the earth!! Also, there is a small group that prints portions of Ellen White's larger books and sends them to us weekly. How awesome!! As the SOP commanded, ""The message of truth is to go to all nations, tongues, and people; its publications, printed in many different languages, are to be scattered abroad like the leaves of autumn." –Testimonies for the Church, vol. 4, p. 79 It is exciting to be a part of this divinely ordained work!!

It is amazing to watch leaders scramble, misquote, and avoid certain things in order to denounce, discredit, and maintain the flow of funds into the denominational coffers! As we mentioned last month, Dr. Conrad Vine gave a very logical, Biblical, and calm message in Washington back in June where he mentioned that the denomination should not be funded as long as they are espousing Marxist ideology. This is something we have been saying for decades! The otherwise dumb dogs of Adventism started barking and wagging their proverbial tails!! Ivor Myers, Scott Reitsma and other lesser knowns barked up a storm!

Now, because these underlings' arguments have been pathetic, the big gun was let loose the first week of August. Mark Finley took to the offensive, declaring that:

1. The storehouse/Lord's treasury are the conference and the only place money (especially tithe) should go.
2. When Ellen White sent tithe to Southern workers, it was solely for the aged because there was no sustentation/ social security in existence back then. However, since there now are retirement benefits available, this is no longer necessary. Thus, money should go into the conference. Even when Ellen White sent money to Southern workers, she ALWAYS sent it through the Southern Missionary Society, an arm of the conference of course!
3. One of Finley's Biblical arguments for supporting apostasy was the story of the widow's mite.

One of the documents that Finley quotes from heavily was the Watson letter. The Watson letter was written to the Colorado Conference president in 1905 by Ellen White. Some workers in an independent ministry began a project which church leaders did not consider worthy of support. They would neither do it themselves nor encourage or support others to do it. Over a course of several years, Ellen White wrote a number of letters of approval and encouragement to the workers carrying on this work in the southern states. Many of those letters will be found in the book, The Unpublished Testimonies (also called The Spalding-Megan Collection). In her letters to these workers, in addition to other encouragement and advice, Ellen White counseled them to appeal directly to the church members for funds, since church leaders refused to honor their requests for funds or even admit publicly that they existed. She told them that donations, sent through church channels, earmarked for their work—would

not be forwarded to them. (That unethical procedure parallels the present pattern imposed upon denominationally approved independent ministries at the present time. Following her advice, the ostracized workers began writing directly to church members for help. In addition, in 1904, several of them traveled as far west as Colorado. In several meetings, they told what they were doing and spoke of their needs. Among the donations they received was tithe money. Returning to their area of labor, they spent the funds. Those faithful workers were carrying on their ministry in accordance with Spirit of Prophecy counsel, and they deserved the encouragement and support which church leaders did not wish to grant them. After their departure, Elder G.F. Watson, Colorado Conference president, learned about the giving of tithe to these workers—and that members of his conference had given it! He was furious, feeling that all the tithe produced by Colorado Conference church members belonged to him, to manage and dole out. We can understand his feelings, recognizing that many church officials hold similar views today. Without stopping to consider that God was well-able to continue caring for His work in Colorado even while, at the same time, impressing some of its members to help support a needed work elsewhere, Elder Watson fired off an angry letter to those workers. He told them that, since they were not denominationally employed workers, were operating an independent ministry, and had not received their funds through regular channels—they were not entitled to receive funds from on the-rolls Seventh-day Adventist church members. Their activities had not been approved by his committees." Taken from Vance Ferrell's booklet, Truth About Tithing, pg. 39

Where would the SOP stand? For the haughty conference president or the humble, self-supporting workers? She stood with the self-supporting workers who were worthy of the tithe. She told Elder Watson, ""In regard to the colored work in the South, that field has been and is still being robbed of the means that should come to the workers of that field. If there have been cases where our sisters have appropriated their tithe to the support of the ministers working for the colored people in the South, let every man, if he is wise, hold his peace. I have myself appropriated my tithe to the most needy cases brought to my notice. <u>I have been instructed to do this; and as the money is not withheld from the Lord's treasury, it is not a matter that should be commented upon</u>; for it will necessitate my making known these matters, which I do not desire to do, because it is not best."

Finley's argument that the conference is the Lord's treasury is clearly refuted by Ellen White's comment's in this letter. When Ellen White and others sent their tithes directly to Southern workers, Ellen White said it was not being withheld from the Lord's treasury. Clearly, Ellen White saw tithes going to help Southern workers as part of the Lord's treasury; whereas Finley emphatically implies that the Lord's treasury is only the conference!!! Strike One!!

Ellen White and others were helping self-supporting ministers/ministries with their tithe because they were doing a work the denomination refused to do. While Ellen White and others assisted aged pastors, they clearly helped self-supporting workers who were not being paid by the conference. For Finley to declare that they were only helping the aged and that is no longer necessary because of social security, Ellen White would clearly still support helping those in self-supporting ministries who are doing a work the denomination is not doing!! Strike Two!!

Jesus, in Mark 12:41-44, commends the widow who gave of her need rather than the wealthy who gave from their abundance. This story has nothing to do with Jesus commending the woman for supporting an apostate conference organization. Unbelievable that Finley would site this as justification for supporting apostasy!! Shocking!! The big gun just struck out!! Strike three!

From Malawi “Our Local leaders met and specifically appreciated you. They testified that your spiritual publications are actively transforming their communities. People are being taught, strengthened, and equipped through the books and materials you've sown into this work. One leader said ''These books are doing what sermons alone can could not, they’re staying in people's homes and changing families. I have seen it too, the resources you send are not sitting on shelves. They are being used in discipleship, and home fellowship and outreach. Your labor is bearing fruit here in Town, villages and in regions.”

From Edward in Zambia “For the past several years, we have sent wonderful DVDs to Seychelles, an Island off South African Coast of India. Seychelles is one of the few African countries that are peaceful with good GDP for its economy is strong. The population of Seychelles is mainly comprised of Indians who own 75% of Seychelles economy. There is a good Indian national known as Rajah Gupta Patel whom am going to talk about in this update PB. Rajah is a business man in Seychelles. He has a friend in Cape Town where he goes for a vacation during the best times of the year with his family. By the end of last year, Rajah with his family visited his good friend in Cape Town. They had a good welcome by his friend’s family. That evening when both families were having supper together, the wife of his friend was playing a sermon series of Jesuit Agendas and you were cracking on Banks PB. The volume was medium and audible. We don't know why the wife of his friend played that sermon but I believe it was the Spirit of God leading. As that most powerful series sermon was on, you spoke about Jesuits control with the papacy dominance as you went on cracking deeper into this secret society. Rajah caught the attention of the sermon; his mind was smashed by the spear of Truth which he has never heard before. The man stopped eating and listened very carefully at the man in the video. He was thrilled, he was so surprised. He forgot that he was in the table with others when he dropped the spoon and fork. His friend asked Rajah if something was wrong. He turned to his friend and told him that he cannot eat any more until he listens to this man pointing to you Pastor Bill. The Indian man was hooked. He left the table and sat closer to the TV set and listened until the end of the sermon. The rest members ate the food and left the table. At the end of that sermon, Rajah asked his friend who is this man in the video? How can I access what he is saying, he ended his question by saying the man in the video has overwhelming truth I have never seen anywhere nor heard anywhere? His friend agreed and said they have been listening to this man for over a year now and the same man has helped them to lay off certain Indian false beliefs about God and religion for the man digs deep and deeper. Rajahs friend opened a good discussion with his friend who appreciated their visit. His friend disclosed that he will need more DVDs with time to just listen and follow what this good American is revealing and by and by he shall be discipled by the truth. Rajah was given another sermon and more sermons. After 2 days of straight talk of God in the DVDs, Rajah told his friend that he is glad to know more about Jesuits and their works wide control under the papacy system, a well-organized system people are ignorant about. Rajah spent all his vacation days listening to series while his wife and their kids visited places of their choice. It was time to return back to Seychelles. Rajahs friend gave him a few DVDs he had and introduced him to the website and the YouTube where he can get more in-depth uncommon truths by the American. Today in Seychelles, Rajah has downloaded many sermons from the website and from the YouTube he is sharing with may Seychelle residents. He is observing the Sabbath of the Lord and he has set you PB as their only teacher for their spiritual growth until the end of time. I want to say a bit more about Rajah in Seychelles after he returned home. He thanked his friend with his wife to welcome them with a sermon that changes his life to become a humble fisher of men of Seychelles. God used the wife of his friend to play that sermon. Sometimes our mothers can do amazing things that please the Lord. When Rajah arrived home, he

began to commit every evening to listening and listening all the DVDs he was given. He thanked God and appreciated the new faith he was growing. After 2 weeks, he assembled his family and brought out all the Indian idols and placed them on the table for all to see. He told his family that we have been slaves to these idols since we were born but today, (lifting the Bible) we are free to leave these idols and save the God of the American through this Bible. He took the idols and asked his family members to walk out with him to a place where he burned those idols an said from hence forth we will serve the God of the American and follow what the Bible is saying. Yes, it was now after 2 months that the burning of idols took place. Rajah vowed to reveal this new God to his friends by inviting free individuals to his home. He also uses his HP Laptop to copy some DVDs requests for his friends. He asked me to send him all the DVDs by the American. He has resistance by his family members and his other friends. Some have stayed away from him. His relatives have all abandoned him. That has not worried him. He now has fewer customers who come to his shop. He learned how to pray and he has presented his case to the Lord. The DVDs PB are revealing the true God with His knowledge. People are finding God right from their homes. The YouTube and the website are blessings that are shaping Africa from darkness to the marvelous eternal light of Truth. Am happy to keep burning and sending out. He found my address and sent me a word via WhatsApp as shared with me his story, this story. “

From Malawi “Today, by the grace of God, we successfully distributed books to people in the community, including community leaders, church leaders, and many other individuals. We thank God for this wonderful opportunity to place these valuable books into their hands. The people received the books with great joy and appreciation. They expressed their sincere thanks and promised to read them and share what they learn with others.

Testimony 1: “One community leader said, "These books have come at the right time. They will help us grow in our knowledge of God's Word and encourage many families in our community."

Testimony 2: “One of the recipients said, "I have been praying for books like these. I believe they will strengthen my faith and help me understand the Bible more clearly. Thank you to everyone who made this possible." We thank everyone who prayed for and supported this book distribution. May God bless you abundantly for your generosity and partnership in His work.” Pastor Manda

<u>Upcoming Appointments</u>

Sept. 19 Deer park, WA Pastor Al and Kaye Fletcher 818- 421-3305

Oct. 3, 2026 Springville, Az Billy and Sylvia Boyne

November 5-8 Mena, AR Marsha Chadwick 479-216-1446

Blessings to you,

Pastor Bill Hughes