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Son, go work today in My vineyard... *Matthew 21:28*



Our Work

The Lord has given to His church a work of personal service. He has intrusted the knowledge of the truth of redemption to every converted soul. This knowledge we are to give to others. A responsibility rests upon us to work for all, our friends, our acquaintances, those who are bound up with the world and alienated from God.

How earnestly and untiringly Christ, our great Example, labored to reach all, the most lowly, as well as those in higher positions! His heart was ever touched by human woe. Constantly He walked and worked in the cities, inviting the weary to come to Him, crying: 'Come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you, and learn of Me; for I am meek and lowly in heart; and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For My yoke is easy, and My burden is light.'

Christ is the mighty Healer of all spiritual and physical maladies, and He employed every means to arrest the attention of the impenitent. He longed to break the spell of infatuation upon those who were deceived and deluded by the enemy. He longed to give the sin-polluted soul pardon and peace.

How tender and considerate were Christ's dealings with all! Look upon the sympathetic Redeemer. With the eye of faith behold Him gathering the weak and weary to Himself. Helpless, sinful human beings crowded about Him. See the mothers with their sick and dying little ones in their arms, pressing through the crowd that they might come within reach of the Saviour's notice. Watch them urging their way to Him, pale, weary, almost despairing, yet determined and persevering, bearing in their arms their burden of suffering.



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As these anxious ones are crowded back, Christ makes His way to them, step by step, till He is close by their side. Tears of gladness and hope fall freely, as they catch His attention, and look into the eyes which express such tender pity and love for the weary mother as well as for the suffering child. He invites her confidence, saying, What shall I do for thee? She sobs out her great want, "Master, that thou shouldest heal my child." She has shown her faith by urging her way to Him, tho she did not know that He was making His way to her; and Christ takes the child from her arms. He speaks, and at His touch and word disease flees. The pallor of death is gone; the life-giving current flows through the veins; the muscles receive strength.

The Saviour speaks words of comfort and peace to the mother; and then another case just as urgent, presents itself. A mother asks help for herself and her children; for they are all sufferers. With willingness and joy Christ exercises His power, and the mother and her children praise and glorify Him who doeth all things well.

No frown on Christ's countenance spurned the humble suppliant from His presence. The priests and rulers sought to hinder the suffering from going to Him, saying that He healed the sick by the power of the enemy. But His way could not be hedged up. He was determined not to fail or become discouraged. Suffering privation Himself, He traversed the country, scattering blessings wherever He went, and seeking to reach obdurate hearts.

At one time Christ found Himself in a desert place, surrounded by a multitude who had followed Him to hear His words. "When He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd." The Redeemer's soul was drawn out in heartfelt compassion for the weary people. Their physical weakness and suffering excited His deep interest and sympathy. He longed to relieve the hunger and thirst that made some faint and fall by the way. There was no thought in that heart of infinite love of indifferently passing by, without helping those who needed help.

The compassionate Saviour, who drew hearts to Him by being touched with the feeling of their infirmities, saw a still greater need than bodily suffering. He saw symptoms of a deeper illness. Outward affliction is the result of a diseased heart; and the physical suffering of the people suggested to the Saviour the cause that produced this effect. It was this soul-trouble that led the great Physician to come to the earth as a restorer. The sufferings of the body excited His pity, but He was moved to a still greater compassion by the needs of the soul.

Christ's sympathy for outward necessities was followed by ministry for the soul. Many in that multitude never forgot the experiences of that day. While they were rested, fed, and healed of physical infirmities, their slumbering senses were aroused. They felt their spiritual need, and commenced to live a new life.

So, it must be in the work which we as children of God are to do for suffering humanity. While ministering to the physical needs of those who need our help, we are to show them that their hearts must be cleansed from defilement.

The compassion Christ manifested as He looked upon the multitude was not a strange thing to Him; for this love and compassion dwells in the heart of the Father. "God so loved the world, that He gave His only-begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." It was compassion that brought Christ from heaven. It was compassion that led Him to clothe His divinity with humanity, that He might touch humanity. This led Him to manifest unparalleled tenderness and sympathy for man in his fallen condition.

Today, there is a multitude to be reached. The world is full of suffering and distress, of disease of every stripe and type. There is constant need of deep, Christlike sympathy. This sympathy should be manifested at all times and in all places.

God could have sent angels to work for man's reformation, but He did not do this. Humanity must work for humanity. God uses those who are willing to be used.



The command to work unselfishly and earnestly for others, rests upon every soul.

The church is His instrumentality, and if the church had cherished a sense of her responsibility, fervent, earnest messengers would have carried the truth to countries far and near. God's living Word would have been preached in every corner of the earth.

There are heathen at our doors; but there is infidelity in our churches, and this infidelity palsies the working element. The work of saving souls is so limited that the advancement of the kingdom of God is slow. A backslidden church is the sure result of a neglect by the church to use her talents in the work of cooperating with Jesus to restore the moral image of God in man.

What was Christ's last commission to His disciples?—Lifting up His hands, He blessed them, and said, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature." He who has been truly converted, who loves God supremely and his neighbor as himself, cannot rest content with doing nothing. He has a longing to save the souls who are out of Christ, and he goes forth proclaiming, "Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world." As he comes to Christ Himself, his whole soul breathes out for Christ.

The Holy Spirit molds his heart, and the light that shines into his mind cannot be shut in. He receives the knowledge that the Lord gives to every true seeker to impart to others.

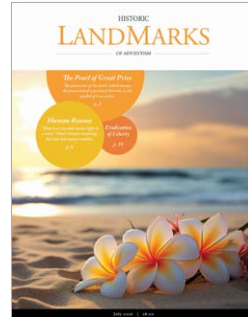
It is a most fatal mistake to suppose that the work of saving souls depends alone on ordained ministers. It is by the Spirit's power that souls, dead in trespasses and sins, are quickened to hear the word of life. And the command to work unselfishly and earnestly, rests upon every soul. All who are ordained unto the life of Christ are ordained to work for the salvation of their fellow-men. Whatever their work, whatever their business, their first interest should be to seek for the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and by precept and example, in word, spirit, and action, show their earnest zeal for Christ. "The Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely." *The Signs of the Times*, August 25, 1898



Article by
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Foreign Mission Project Update

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Diversifying Outreach

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Continued Prison Outreach

Our prison outreach efforts are successfully continuing as the Bible students diligently work on their lessons. Six more officials are now working the lesson studies and have received Spirit of Prophecy books. Inmates who have been released took their lessons with them and we will maintain contact with them as they continue the studies at home. New inmates also have begun the lessons and are receiving tracts and other reading and study material.

We are hoping to soon reach out to Oturkpo Prison facility about 100 kilometers away from Makurdi in the same way we did at the Makurdi and Goko facilities. Since our postal system is not very good, we would prefer to meet with the students in person, but scheduled visits with the inmates may have to be monthly rather than weekly as with the inmates at the other facilities. We will need to go with food items, clothes, large quantities of the Bible lessons, writing materials, and Bibles. Sadly, it is neither practical nor cost effective to try to send clothing and other materials from the United States or Europe for the prison ministry. If you wish to support our prison ministries, please mark your donations *Missions – Nigeria Prison Ministries*. This will enable us to purchase locally what is necessary to help our Bible study students.



Other Outreach

- A one-week prophecy and health seminar was conducted May 24–31, 2026, at Koti Apera in the Kwande local councilor area about 200 kilometers from Makurdi.
- Medical missionary training materials have been sent to the brethren in Kenya.
- Prophecy and health seminars were conducted during the last week of March, 2026 in Apir and Akpagher. Many people attended both events and 15 signed up for more studies. A Pentecostal pastor and two other individuals have indicated a willingness to begin medical missionary training in Apir.
- We desire to make this outreach efforts a quarterly event held in the center of the metropolis to attract more people. Many have requested that the seminars be brought to their town.

Prophecy-Health Seminar in Koti Apera and Kwande.

We solicit your prayers as there is great unrest and insecurity here, particularly in the rural areas. Current events have made things much more difficult, but God provides grace sufficient to help us succeed as He directs, and angels who excel in strength are sent to protect those who faithfully work here to deliver the gospel of Jesus Christ and the three angels' messages.

Thank you so much for everything.

 India

Pastoral Training in India

Pastor Domingo Nunez



At the beginning of 2026, I traveled to Bengaluru, Hyderabad, and Pune, India. I went to make an appeal to all the church leaders to come together in unity, to work together preaching and teaching the three angels' messages.

I met with the brethren in Vijayawada, about a four-to-five hour drive from Hyderabad. I wanted to assess the knowledge, both spiritual and academic, of Seventh-day Adventist doctrines and the three angels' messages that these leaders possessed so that I could properly assist them in becoming instruments used by God to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ.

I am very happy that they all demonstrated the serious desire to participate in the pastoral training and church organization for church leadership programs. The last four months have shown the wonderful progress in India, as, through these training programs, the leaders in India are growing in knowledge and understanding of God's work.

As the training and unified work in India continues, I ask that you will pray for the work and India's workers as they present God's present truth to the communities around them. Pray that the Lord will guide me and the Steps to Life ministry with wisdom and patience as we help His people according to His plan for the work in India.

We are now working to establish the various delegates to work together and to select others as the representatives from among their congregations needed to continue the work. Through emails, phone calls, and online meetings, we will continue to encourage the good progress being made among these independent church congregations, and the development of strong leadership. India is a country with many challenges for God's work, but with confident, well-trained, and committed workers, these challenges can be overcome by God's power, and many souls can be secured in the kingdom of heaven.



Top: Meeting at Pune led by Brother Thompson

Middle: Potential leaders in the India gospel work

Bottom: Outdoor meeting at the same event at Pune

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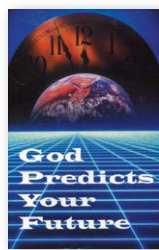
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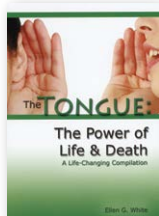
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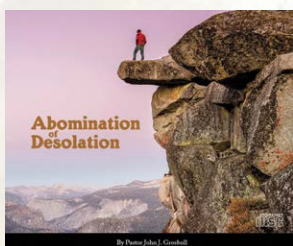
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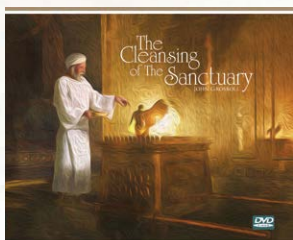
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