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## PERFORMER OF JUST ONE MUSIC

Fleeing from Cuba, the violinist Jaime Jorge was only 10 years old when he arrived with his family and without his violin in Miami, Florida, United States, in 1980. Struggling hard to survive, miracles started to happen when his parents decided to move with the family to Milwaukee, Wisconsin, arriving during the worst winter in 80 years. Owning nothing, the family received strong support from the church members and neighbors, and finally Jaime's mother was able to acquire for him a violin for his practices! As they couldn't afford to buy sheet music, his mother also purchased an old turntable and a vinyl disc of a Beethoven violin concert. "You must hear and rehearse it," she told Jaime.

While applying for a scholarship for the Milwaukee Conservatory, Jaime rehearsed that specific music many times! During the test, when a professor was wondering how a boy was able to play that kind of music, Jaime told him about his family's struggles, the turntable, and why that was his only music. The professor, who had arrived from Europe just three months before, asked who the performer on the disc was. When Jaime answered, the professor said: "I could

immediately recognize him by the way you are playing. He was my professor there!" And Jorge Jaime got the scholarship!

God coordinated the time the Jorge family arrived in the United States with the time that Jaime's professor arrived from Europe. The Lord also led the Jorge family to that specific city, and provided for their basic needs during the winter. He provided the violin, the turntable, the right vinyl disc, the conservatory, and the connection with that specific professor and scholarship as well!

Jaime Jorge became a well-known Adventist violin performer, using his musical gifts to preach and minister to people around the world.

**APPEAL:** As you put your tithes and offerings into the offering plate, close your eyes and worship Him who has a plan for your life and is fully able to provide for you according to your needs.

**PRAYER:** Dear heavenly Father, please accept our worship and help us to trust in Your power to provide not only for our daily needs but also for our special ones, according to Your plans for our good. Amen.