



## GOD'S RIVER OF LIFE

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A new year is starting, and Jesus is coming very soon! What will you do this year to participate in His end-time mission? You may help advance the establishment of His kingdom through your prayers, work (working for others), and tithes and regular offerings!

By the way, have you ever wondered what happens to your Promise offerings? Think of your offerings as a vital river flowing through the entire world, providing life-giving support to build God's work in every mission field, locally, regionally, and internationally. But exactly where do our offerings go? What do they achieve? And what do they support?

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Suppose your regular and systematic offerings, which we call Promise offerings, are distributed as suggested by the Combined Offering Plan. In that case, 50 to 60% should support the missionary work of your local church, 20 to 30% will support the regional missionary endeavors of your conference, and 20% will always support the World Missionary Fund (or World Budget). This fund provides for about 400 missionary families around the world, plus some 1,600 Global Mission Pioneers. It is also from the World Missionary Fund that missionaries and mission activities are supported among the 13 world divisions plus the Middle East North Africa Union Mission, the Chinese Union Mission, the Ukrainian Union Conference, and the Israel Field, which are attached fields to the General Conference.

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Other parts of the World Missionary Fund support several church institutions that prepare missionaries for the world church, like Loma Linda University, Andrews University, Adventist International Institute of Advanced Studies (AIAS), and Adventist University of Africa (AUA). This fund also supports Adventist World Radio and Hope Channel's outreach work and the humanitarian ministry of ADRA, the Adventist Development and Relief Agency.

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As a result, millions of people, from different cultures and backgrounds, have recently found salvation in Jesus and have joined the Seventh-day Adventist Church Family. A recent study suggests that every 22 seconds someone becomes a Seventh-day Adventist and a new church is established in the world every four hours.

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Thanks to your offerings and the Global Mission focus, thousands of new congregations have been established in previously unreached areas and among new people groups. However, after these new believers have been baptized, how are they nurtured?

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Part of our Promise offerings also provides resources that help to disciple and care for the new members of our church family, teaching and guiding them so they can also become a source of hope for others. As you return your Tithe and Promise, regular and systematic offerings, remember that you are part of a flowing river current that helps grow and sustain mission work equitably, locally, regionally, and globally. May we put our desires last, and God first.

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