

QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

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Ministry Highlights

By Conrad Vine, DMin

Summer is here. This means non-stop public speaking events: camp meetings, evangelistic series, Religious Liberty (RL) weekends, and more. And God has been blessing immensely.

In May, I spoke at a prophecy seminar in The Hague, with over 400 people present from across the Netherlands, Belgium, and Germany to learn more about the pre-advent judgment, the close of probation, and Michael standing up to deliver His people. Immediately thereafter, and jet lag notwithstanding, I spoke for a RL weekend at Trinity Western University in Langley, British Columbia. Fellow presenters included RL attorneys Jonathan Zirkle and Barry Bussey.

With almost half the audience being non-Adventist but keenly interested in religious liberty, given Trinity Western's well-publicized battle with the Canadian legal establishment over the university's biblical definition of marriage, I preached on the final crisis of conscience, the seal of God versus the mark of the beast, true versus coerced worship, and the Three

MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of *As a Needle to the Pole, Inc.*, is to prepare a people to meet Jesus Christ when He returns

"The greatest want of the world is the want of men—men who will not be bought or sold, men who in their inmost souls are true and honest, men who do not fear to call sin by its right name, men whose conscience is as true to duty as the needle to the pole, men who will stand for the right though the heavens fall."

— Ellen G. White, *Education*, p.57



Angels' Messages. Afterwards, we received a warm invitation to return in 2027 and speak further on these topics. This was the first time many had heard of the Three Angels' Messages, and interest in the Adventist message was high. From there, Luda and I flew down to Arizona to speak at the Ark of Sustainability camp meeting, which was well attended.

For the first ten days of June, I led an evangelistic series in Ljubljana, the capital of Slovenia. Slovenia is a beautiful country in the foothills of the Alps, just south of Austria and east of Italy. The outreach was well supported by local members, conducted in a local veterinary faculty hall, and concluded with a public baptism in a local park. Five more precious souls requested Bible studies to prepare for baptism in September, when Advent Media Connect will be presenting another series.

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The joy was palpable. Local members could not remember the last time a public baptism had been held. Please pray for these precious souls, that they may grow in grace and in truth. They are already participating in local home groups scattered across Slovenia.

The rest of the summer is fully packed. I will be speaking in eastern Washington at a camp meeting before leaving for

Sweden for a camp meeting on end-time living. Immediately after returning, I will fly with Luda to Hawaii, where we will lead a two-week evangelistic campaign with a small congregation in Kihei, Maui, through early August.



Bible workers have already been working with the local community for the past three months, and we anticipate a blessed harvest of precious souls in Hawaii.

August includes two camp meetings in Oregon, and then in September we return to regular preaching in different congregations each weekend.

The labor is hard, but the harvest is plentiful. Our world is full of brokenness, and the gospel is the power of God to deliver, to set free, to bring new life for today and hope for tomorrow. Thank you for your prayers, your support, and your encouragement. Together, souls are being won for eternity, and people are preparing to meet Jesus when He returns.

AN2P's Newest



By James A. Petty II, CSPG

I am excited to introduce myself as AN2P's newest employee, serving as the Planned Giving and Trust Services Officer.

I began working in planned giving and trust services in September 2012. Having previously worked with individual taxes, I was already familiar with many of the opportunities available through planned giving and estate planning. In August 2013, I completed the Trust Officer Training program offered by the North American Division. Not only did I complete the course, but I also graduated at the top of my class.

In October 2024, I completed the coursework for the Certified Specialist in Planned Giving (CSPG) designation. After successfully completing the practicum, I fulfilled the remaining credentialing requirements and received my certification from The University of California, Long Beach, on February 14, 2025.

I now have more than fourteen years of experience in planned giving and trust services. Throughout my career, I have worked with charitable gift annuities, charitable remainder trusts, charitable lead trusts, in-kind gifts such as stock and real estate, and deferred gifts.

I look forward to assisting you as you plan how to advance the gospel through the resources God has entrusted to you. Please feel free to contact me at 269-929-7840 or by email at plannedgivingAN2P@gmail.com.

Why Do We Need Safe Spaces to Share Dreams?

By Abed Al-Noor (The Servant of the Light)



Early in my ministry, I came across the story of Al-Uris, a man from Saladin's time during the Crusades, and it has haunted me ever since. He had a powerful dream in which Jesus appeared to him and confirmed the crucifixion. When Al-Uris shared this vision with a dream interpreter, instead of receiving understanding or compassion, he was told he would be crucified because his dream contradicted established religious doctrine. That is exactly what happened. Al-Uris died a horrific death simply because he had the courage to share a meaningful spiritual experience with the wrong person.

This story from centuries ago still resonates today because, in many ways, nothing has changed. People are afraid to share their most profound dreams and spiritual experiences because they fear ridicule, judgment, or worse. We dismiss dreams as "just psychological noise," pathologize spiritual visions, or attack anything that confronts our beliefs. But dreams matter. They are windows into our deepest selves, sources of inspiration, and sometimes carriers of truths we need to hear. When we keep them locked away out of fear, we lose something



essential about what makes us human.

What happens when we create safe spaces for dream sharing? People discover they are not alone in their experiences. They find validation instead of shame. Cultural and religious barriers begin to dissolve when we recognize how similar our inner lives are. I have seen the transformative power of someone finally feeling safe enough to share a dream that has weighed on their heart for years. The relief, the connection, and the sudden recognition that their experience matters are powerful.

This is why the Dream Project exists. We need digital spaces with strong community guidelines where people can share their visions without fear—places where wonder replaces skepticism and where questions arise from genuine curiosity rather than a desire to tear down or dismiss. But there is something even more important at stake. Throughout history, God has used dreams to communicate with people across cultures and faith traditions.

We see this pattern repeatedly in Scripture, from Joseph's dreams in Egypt to Daniel's visions in Babylon. Today, countless Muslims around the world are experiencing powerful dreams and visions of Jesus, yet many have nowhere safe to share or explore these life-changing encounters.

The Dream Project is not simply about creating safe spaces; it is about providing a bridge through which the

Good News can be shared naturally and respectfully. When someone from a Muslim background has a dream about Jesus, they need a place to explore what it means without fear of persecution from their community or judgment from Christians who may not understand their cultural context.

The Three Angels' Messages of Revelation 14—which call all people to worship the Creator, warn of Babylon's fall, and reveal God's final call to humanity—must reach every nation, tribe, tongue, and people. Dreams and visions are often among the first ways God reaches hearts that seem closed to traditional evangelism.

Al-Uris was described as a "searcher of truth" who was willing to follow his convictions even unto death. We cannot change his destiny, but we can honor his memory by ensuring that others can safely explore the truth Jesus reveals through dreams and visions.

Will you help us build this bridge? It is about creating space for the Holy Spirit to work through dreams, for people to ask honest questions about Jesus without fear, and for the Good News to be shared with the love and respect each person deserves as they explore spiritual truth.

In our divided world, safe dream-sharing spaces offer something rare: sincere human connection that transcends our differences. They show us that beneath our surface disagreements, God is working in hearts everywhere, calling people to Himself through the universal language of dreams. The creation of these spaces is not just a good idea; it is both an ethical obligation and a mission field.

By supporting the Dream Project, you help fulfill the Great Commission among one of the most unreached populations in the world while honoring the dignity and safety every person deserves as they explore spiritual truth.

The scope of this mission is vast. We currently operate several interconnected websites in ten languages, reaching people in their heart language, where they feel most comfortable sharing their deepest spiritual experiences. We are building bridges in the languages in which dreams are first dreamed and where truth can be explored without the barriers of translation or cultural misunderstanding.



The Price of Discipleship

By Daniel Elias, PhD

A Cost That Cannot Be Avoided

What is the price of discipleship?

The answer often depends on where you live and how your surroundings respond to your decision to follow Jesus. In some places, the cost is visible and immediate. In others, it is quieter but no less real.

One thing is certain: there is always a price to pay—not only to become a follower of Christ, but also to remain one.

A Night of Prayer... and a Bullet

It was a late, chilly evening in March when David stepped out for a few hours to be alone with the Lord. A new believer and already a key leader in a growing discipleship movement, David carried both a passion for people and a growing tension at home because of his "new faith."

That night, prayer was not just a routine; it was a necessity. He drove a few kilometers, parked in a quiet place, and began to pray. As he poured out his heart, he sensed God's presence encouraging, strengthening, and reminding him not to give up.

Then suddenly—a gunshot! A bullet flew past his left ear.

For a moment, David froze. He could hardly process what had just happened. He stepped out of the car and soon realized that someone parked behind him had taken their own life. In that tragic moment, a stray bullet had nearly claimed David's life as well.

But it didn't.

David had just witnessed God's protection in a very real, physical way.

When he later shared this story during the Bible study, we gathered around him in prayer. Yet deep down, we all knew this was not the end. Those who have walked this path before understand: the price of discipleship is not paid once.

When the Storm Hits Home

Just a week later, the storm intensified. The tension in David's family reached a breaking point. His new faith, which had already been a source of conflict, became the trigger for something far more painful.



One morning, he woke up to a devastating reality: his wife was filing for divorce.

His world was falling apart.

As he shared through tears, we stood with him in prayer, knowing this too was part of the journey.



"Whoever does not take up their cross and follow Me is not worthy of Me." — Matthew 10:38

The question is not whether the cost of discipleship is real. It is. The question is whether those who pay that cost will have brothers and sisters standing beside them.

Another Blow

Only days later, another call came.

I saw David's name on my phone, and something in my heart already knew that something had happened again.

His voice was shaky:

"I lost my job."

Three blows in three weeks:

- A bullet inches from his head
- A broken marriage
- A lost livelihood

Could it all be a coincidence?

Hardly.

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The Cost... and the Calling

Stories like David's remind us that discipleship is not merely a decision; it is a journey marked by surrender, sacrifice, and perseverance.

David's story is still unfolding. The trials did not end there, but neither did God's faithfulness.

And for those who continue to follow Him, the cost is never the end of the story.



Through mentoring, discipleship training, Bible studies, leadership development, and practical support, we seek to walk alongside believers like David during their most difficult moments. When new followers of Christ face opposition, they need encouragement. When they experience loss, they need a spiritual family. When they feel isolated, they need to know they are not alone.

Would you prayerfully consider partnering with the Underground Disciple Making ministry? Your prayers make a difference. Your encouragement strengthens weary workers. And your financial support enables us to continue discipling new believers, training leaders, translating resources, and supporting those who are paying a very real price for their faith. Thank you for standing with us as we stand with them.



When Faith Sat the Exam

By Luda Vine, PhD

In the mid-1990s, when Saturday was still a regular working day, I was a student at a State University in an ex-communist nation. At the time, only Jews were generally associated with Sabbath observance, and most of the Jewish population had long since emigrated. I was open about my Christian faith with my professors. Although they did not share my beliefs, some were understanding and accommodated my practice of not working or studying on the Sabbath.

One professor, however, was genuinely perplexed by my request. An atheist, she told me that while she could overlook my absence from classes during the semester, there was no way she could allow me to miss the final examination. If I failed to sit the exam, she explained, it would reflect poorly on her professional standing within the university.

There seemed to be no solution. So I prayed and waited for God to work through what appeared impossible. When the day of the year-end examination arrived—a Sabbath—I went to church, praying all the way that God would soften my professor's heart. Throughout the day, God gave me complete peace.

The following Monday, I went to see my professor, uncertain of what awaited me. Would I be required to repeat the entire year because I had refused to take the exam? Would I face disciplinary action for disregarding university regulations? What would I tell my parents?

To my astonishment, the professor was delighted to see me. She congratulated me on an outstanding examination paper, describing it as insightful and saying that I was the only student in the class to receive an A.

"But I wasn't here on Saturday," I reminded her. "I was in church. I didn't take the exam."

Yet she seemed completely unaware of what I was trying to tell her. At that moment, I could only smile, silently thank my guardian angel, and praise Jesus for working a miracle on my behalf.



I treasure experiences like this because they remind me of what God can do when our own wisdom, strength, and resources reach their limits. When all we can do is step forward in faith and claim His promises, He is still able to accomplish what seems impossible.

UPCOMING EVENTS



This schedule is subject to change. For the full schedule and latest updates, go to <https://an2p.org/schedule/>.

July

- **5-12:** Sweden SDA Summer Retreat.
<https://ralingsasgarden.se>
- **Jul 16 – Aug 5:** Kihei Maui, Hawaii evangelism

August

- **8:** Southern OR camp-meeting.
adventfaith@gmail.com
- **14-15:** Present Truth & Modern-Day Deceptions Conference, Portland, OR. <https://www.northwestpresenttruth.org/index.html>
- **20-22:** Advent Mission Institute 365 opening, Berrien Springs, MI

September

- **4-5:** Auburn SDA Church, ME
- **12:** Emmet SDA Church, ID
- **18-19:** Freedom Alley, Macdoel, CA.
dennis@realitycheckseminars.com

October

- **10:** Southern OR camp-meeting.
montanarichards@gmail.com
- **16-17:** Country Life SDA Church, TX
- **22-24:** Pathway to Paradise Ministries Adventist Heritage weekend

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