

QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

Welcome to Our Ministry Newsletter!



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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

Ministry Highlights

By Conrad Vine, DMin



Summer has now passed. As we see the leaves begin to fall, so I am rejoicing at how the Holy Spirit fell upon so many precious souls during the summer.

In late June, I participated in a local camp meeting in Sedro-Woolley (WA). The focus was on living in anticipation of Jesus' soon return. Two young adults were baptized! Praise God!

Immediately thereafter, Elder Dennis Page and I flew to Helsinki. We journeyed together to a beautiful campsite for the "Faith, Fear & the Future" camp-meeting. Each day, seminars and sermons challenged the hearers to face the future with faith and not fear, and to claim the promises of God as we await Christ's soon return. Three precious souls were baptized in a local lake on the final Sabbath!

Luda and I then flew to Maui (HI) for a 2-week evangelistic series. The local Kihei SDA Church, with 35 members, had been working hard to prepare for this event for 6 months. On

the opening night in a local high-school auditorium, God blessed with almost 200 attendees! The attendance stayed steady at approx. 120 persons each night!

Each evening opened with a nutritious meal for the attendees, followed by a 30-minute health nugget from Ernie and Kim Layon of City Exodus Ministries (AZ), before I presented a sermon. The sermons included Star Wars (the Great Controversy), the Lord of History (Daniel 2), the Greatest Promise (Daniel 9), the Hinge of History (Calvary), overcoming Satan, the state of the dead, the Law of God and the Sabbath, the new covenant, being born again of water and the Spirit, the final crisis of conscience, and the 2nd Coming. God moved, and we were blessed with 9 baptisms and 1 profession of faith. The baptisms took place in a mountain spring and at the beach. There was rejoicing in Maui, and in heaven above! You can see the joy at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cBuD-6PTKZs>.

Following Maui, I journeyed to Ashland (OR) and Portland (OR) for 2 present-truth camp-meetings, where I spoke with Elder Ron Kelly. 4 precious souls were baptized in the lake at Ashland! August concluded with the opening camp-meeting of the Advent Mission Institute in Berrien Springs and taking a much-needed 1-week break at home....to catch up with all the over-due chores from the summer!

Jesus is coming soon! It is our great privilege to herald His soon return and prepare a people to meet Him when He comes.

Behind the scenes, we successfully completed our 2025 external audit with an independent audit firm. We received an unmodified audit report, which is the goal for every audit, as it shows compliance with all the applicable IRS requirements and accounting standards. For this our team is praising God!

Development on the new WePreach website continued, with beta-testing now complete and roll-out in October 2026. Please pray that this website will be an online "shelter in the storm" when mainstream media platforms deplatform present-truth and end-time preaching in the coming crisis!



In Canada, we anticipate receiving our tax-exempt status from the Canada Revenue Agency in mid-November 2026 (<https://an2pcanada.org>). Meanwhile, I will be speaking at religious liberty events in British Columbia (October) and Ontario (November). Liberty of conscience has become a major issue in Canada in recent years, so please be praying for the Holy Spirit to move in a powerful way!

On behalf of the AN2P team, I want to thank the wider AN2P family of donors, prayer partners, meeting organizers, supporters and champions of liberty of conscience, scattered across North America and worldwide. Jesus is coming soon! It is our great privilege to herald His soon return and prepare a people to meet Him when He comes. May we all be found faithful in our portion of the Lord's vineyard when He returns for His own!

The Book in the Market

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

The following testimony from Muna, a seeker on the Dream Project website, will certainly inspire your belief in Jesus and His loving kindness.

I am Muna, and normally I forget my dreams just a few minutes after waking up; but this particular one stayed with me over my morning coffee, while I drove to work, and through the long hours that followed.

The Dream

I was passing through a crowded market, one that I'm familiar with from having been awake hundreds of days; it was noisy, full of haggling, and had the odor of spices. Suddenly, I came to a little shop that didn't belong there; there was no fabric and no jewelry, merely a single book on a stand, as though it had been waiting for me. The cover was unlike anything I had ever seen, elegant and almost glowing, and I wanted it the very moment I saw it.

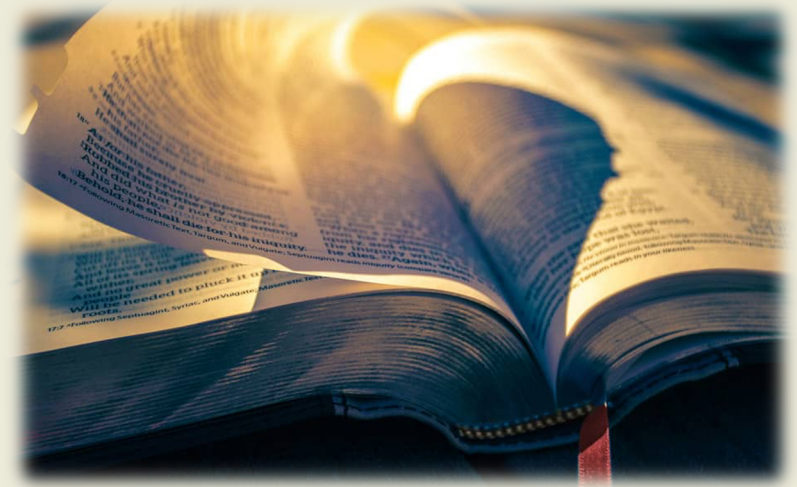
I enquired about the price and found it was more than I could pay. The shopkeeper then looked at me not in the way of a merchant but in a gentle manner and said, *"This is the Injil. I will give it to you free of charge... since you need it."* I woke up with those final words still ringing in my ears: "since you need it."

The Meaning

I did not tell anybody for two days because it seemed too strange to explain. However, the idea wouldn't go away. One night, unable to sleep, I

looked online for "dream about a book called the Injil, someone offered it for free." I came across a website which allowed people to submit their dreams for interpretation. I nearly closed the browser tab, but for some reason I decided to write it out and send it instead. I received the answer that same day. It examined the dream one part at a time: the market representing the noise of everyday life, the beautiful cover showing how precious God's word is, the high price illustrating how costly the truth can seem even if it isn't.

Then came the core of it, the shopkeeper's offer. "Freely you have received; freely give," it cited from the Injil, Matthew, and "Let the one who is thirsty come and take the water of life without price," it said from Revelation. As for that final phrase, "because you need it," the interpreter pointed out, it wasn't a general remark; it was personal and directed at me. I read it three times, and then I put my phone down and sat in the quiet of my room for a long time, not knowing what to do with what I was feeling.



The First Question

I wasn't converted that evening, since I'm not someone who makes up my mind quickly. Nevertheless, I followed the suggestion in the reply, so I got a copy of the Injil and opened it to the verse they had cited. "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28). I read it twice and felt disturbed by the way it appeared to speak directly to me.

For the weeks that followed, I kept coming back to it, with no particular plan, only reading a chapter here and a verse there, generally doing so late at night

when there was no other place for my mind to go. I read of a Man named Jesus who spoke to outcasts as though they mattered and who told stories about lost things being found and about fathers running to meet their sons.

I had some questions: was this the same Isa that the Qur'an refers to as "A word from God and a spirit from Him?" Why did these words sound more like an invitation than like rules? And why did the idea that "you need it" keep coming to mind, whether in a difficult meeting at work, in an argument with my brother, or in the quiet that follows my prayers?

I sent another message to the website, this time including the questions rather than the dream. Thus, a conversation started that helped me answer my questions and understand who the Man in White is; never pressured me into making a decision, but kept directing me back to the same book, the same Man, and the same words.

The Journey

Several months later, I would say that season was like a door towards which I kept moving without finally deciding to open it, and I read, questioned, and prayed prayers which I wasn't certain were permissible, asking a God not knowing if He was listening, whether or not any of this was real. Yet I continually returned to the dream, to the shop which had no place in the market, to the book which was too beautiful

and too expensive for me to have selected by myself, and to the shopkeeper who somehow knew precisely what I needed before I had the chance to ask.

"See here, I am standing at the door and knocking. If anybody hears my voice and opens the door, I will enter" (Revelation 3:20). I then considered the door in my own life, my hand still close to the handle. I had not yet opened it, but for the first time I no longer want to leave it. I now realize the journey didn't end with a dream of a market and a free book; it has only just started. I have now started my journey of following Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior.

Is God moving you to help people from Muslim backgrounds? If so, support the Dream Project. Please keep us in your prayers as God uses us to share Him and His truth with the people He is reaching through dreams.

The Harvest Time

By James A. Petty II, CSPG



Many of us have gardened through the years. Is the frost gone? Is it safe to plant? Once the seeds are planted, we need to cultivate, water, and weed. A garden requires a great deal of attention if we want to harvest at just the right time.

Harvest too late, and the potatoes may come loose from the plant before you're ready to gather them. A zucchini can turn into a baseball bat. And if a cucumber plant is allowed to produce a fruit with viable seeds, the plant thinks its job is done and may stop producing new cucumbers. Knowing when to gather a bountiful harvest is an art few have mastered.

Throughout our working years, many of us plant "seed funds" into our retirement accounts, hoping to reap a bountiful harvest that will sustain us during our golden years—when we are no longer able to generate income as we did when we were younger.



The IRS has established when you need to begin harvesting those retirement funds. This harvest is called a **Required Minimum Distribution (RMD)**. These distributions are generally taxable, and under current law, RMDs generally begin at age 73.

But, thankfully, the IRS has provided a way to potentially avoid including this harvest in your taxable income. It's called a **Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD)**.

A QCD is available beginning at age 70½—well before RMDs are required. QCDs are charitable gifts made directly from your IRA to a qualified charitable organization of your choosing. Subject to the annual IRS limit, an individual can give up to \$111,000 annually this way. Once you reach RMD age, a QCD can also satisfy all or part of your RMD while keeping the donated amount out of your taxable income.

Even between ages 70½ and 73, when RMDs generally aren't yet required, a QCD can allow you to give directly from your IRA to charity without including the donated amount in your taxable income. What a wonderful way to reap the harvest you've carefully cultivated over the years while also supporting a cause you care about—and potentially avoiding taxation on the amount given!

For more information on utilizing the QCD to harvest without taxes, please feel free to contact me by phone at 269-929-7840 or by email at plannedgivingAN2P@gmail.com.

The Serpent Strikes, but the Word Stands

By Daniel Elias, PhD

Five thousand Bibles. One house. And a series of events none of us could explain.

The Most Beautiful Room

We should have been sleeping. For several nights, we had hardly closed our eyes. After months of prayer, planning, printing, transportation, customs complications—and even the temporary detention of the shipment—the impossible had finally happened: all 5,000 Bibles were inside the country and safe.

They were stacked in the home of Luke,* one of the leaders of our local discipleship movement. There was hardly room for furniture. Boxes lined the walls and filled the room. Yet none of us had ever seen a room look more beautiful.

We opened the boxes and held the Bibles in our hands. Thousands of copies of God's Word in our own language were finally ready for disciples who had been waiting and praying for them. Exhausted but too joyful to sleep, we talked through the night, remembering every obstacle and every answered prayer.

Then one disciple quietly said:

"Where there is the Word of God, there is special divine protection."

None of us knew how much we would remember those words.

The Battle Becomes Personal

A few days later, Luke's healthy teenage son suddenly fainted in the bathroom. He fell face-first onto an exposed wastewater pipe protruding from the tiled floor. The impact severely injured his upper lip and front teeth. Luke rushed him to the hospital, where doctors stitched his lip and treated his damaged teeth.



We prayed more earnestly. Then, one week later, the unimaginable happened. Luke's son entered the same bathroom, fainted again, and fell onto the same pipe. His newly repaired lip was torn open again. His teeth were injured again. This time, he also broke his hand. Even the doctors struggled to believe that virtually the same accident had happened twice. Neither could we.

A Snake in the Yard

Another week passed.

One evening, Luke's youngest daughter came inside after playing in the yard.

The serpent may strike. But he will not have the final word. The Word of God will keep moving forward.

"My leg is itchy, and it hurts here," she told her mother.

Her mother thought perhaps a plant had irritated her skin. But Luke looked closely.

"It looks like a snakebite."

His wife could hardly believe it. They had lived there for decades and had never seen a snake around their home. Luke took his daughter to the hospital anyway. The doctors confirmed it: she had been bitten by a snake.

Thankfully, the bite was not dangerously venomous, and within several days the swelling subsided.

"He Will Crush Your Head"

At our next house-church gathering, we prayed for Luke's family. Other movement leaders began sharing stories of unexpected difficulties their own families were experiencing.

We cannot explain every accident or claim to know what happens beyond what our eyes can see. But these events reminded us that mission unfolds within the Great Controversy between Christ and Satan. We didn't retreat. Rather, we turned to prayer. Then, almost simultaneously, several leaders began quoting the same promise:



**"He will crush your head,
and you will strike his heel."
—Genesis 3:15, NIV**

Those ancient words suddenly felt very close. Yes, the serpent strikes. There may be wounds. The battle may become painfully personal. **But the serpent does not win.**

Today, those Bibles are going out from Luke's house, box by box, and entering homes hungry for God's Word. We do not know what challenges will come next. But we know how the story ends.

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**Names changed for security. The accompanying photograph is authentic; the face has been obscured to protect those involved.*



Nadia's Story

By Nadia Anwar

My name is Nadia, and when I look back over my life, I see a story marked by hardship and loss, but even more deeply, by the faithfulness of God. Through war, persecution, displacement, and widowhood, God has continued to provide for my family, strengthen me, and open doors when I could not see a way forward.

As a Christian woman in Iraq, I experienced firsthand the growing danger faced by religious minorities after 2003. I worked with humanitarian organizations and later with an American contractor supporting reconstruction. Because of my work and my faith, I became a target. I received threats, had to hide where I worked, change residences, and even use a different identity in my neighborhood. Friends and coworkers were kidnapped, attacked, or killed.

One experience remains especially powerful in my memory. A car bomb was placed beside our church. The bomb failed to explode during the worship service because its timer had been incorrectly set. I believe God protected us that day. What could have become a devastating tragedy instead became a powerful reminder that our lives were in His hands.

Eventually, the threats became too great, and in December 2005 I fled Iraq with my elderly mother. Leaving my homeland was painful, but God

provided a way of escape when remaining was no longer safe. He led us to Jordan, where we began again with very little certainty about the future.

Our journey continued to South Africa, where my husband worked with the United Nations World Food Program. After his death in 2014, I suddenly faced the responsibility of caring for my two children while also caring for my elderly mother. I experienced grief, financial uncertainty, and the difficulty of living without permanent residency or work authorization. Yet through every season, God gave me strength to keep moving forward and to care for my family.

My mother passed away in 2021, bringing another profound loss. Still, God remained faithful. He gave me the strength to continue raising my children and the courage to face an uncertain future. Although I have lost my husband, my homeland, and much of the security I once knew, I have not lost hope.

God has also worked through people. Friends, church members, humanitarian organizations, donors, and supporters have provided encouragement, practical assistance, prayer, and companionship during some of the most difficult seasons of my life.

I have learned that God's faithfulness does not always mean that difficult circumstances disappear. Sometimes His faithfulness is seen in the strength to endure another day, the unexpected protection that preserves a life, the person who appears at exactly the right moment, or the door that opens when every other door seems closed.

My story is not only a story of what I have survived. It is a testimony of what God has carried me through. When I look back, I can see His hand in places where, at the time, I could only see fear and uncertainty. He protected us, provided for us, strengthened us, and gave us hope when we had every reason to be discouraged.

I am deeply grateful to every friend, donor, supporter, and person who has stood with my family. Through your prayers, generosity, and compassion, God has shown His goodness in tangible ways. I continue to trust that the same God who has faithfully guided us through the past will also faithfully lead us into the future.

UPCOMING EVENTS



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

October

- **10:** Southern OR camp-meeting.
montanarichards@gmail.com
- **22-24:** Pathway to Paradise Ministries Adventist Heritage weekend
- **Sep 30 – Nov 1:** Religious Liberty Convention, Enderby, British Columbia.
adventharvestmission.com

November

- **13:** Health Under Fire, Ontario, Canada.
www.thinkcanada.net

December

- **4-5:** Middleton SDA Church, ID
- **19:** Plymouth Sorrento SDA Church, Apopka (FL)

January

- **1-2:** Cartersville SDA Church (VA)
- **8-9:** Central Wisconsin (location to be determined). dmspieth@proton.me.
- **22-23:** Stateline SDA Church (AL)

How can I support AN2P?

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As we step forward in faith, please join us in prayer, service, and giving. You can donate using the following options:

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- Online (<https://an2p.org/donate>), using PayPal, credit or debit card.
- Zelle, sent to AN2P, using email address: conradvine@an2p.org.
- Bill pay or bank transfer, with details at <https://an2p.org/donate/>.
- Gift in your will. For information on different options for including AN2P in your will or estate plan, contact James Petty at plannedgivingAN2P@gmail.com.

Where needed most?

Dream Project	\$50,000
Underground Disciple Making / House Church	\$20,000
Persecution Fund (supporting persecuted Christians)	\$25,000
WePreach Website Development & Operations	\$35,000

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