



## In Light of Prophecy Fulfilled

### Re-establishing the Prophetic Foundations of Adventism



#### Will the Remnant Have A Creed?

The city of Nicaea was a large and important metropolis in 325 A.D. It received its name from Lysimachus, one of the four generals who divided Alexander's empire amongst themselves. Lysimachus captured the city in 301 B.C. and renamed it for his wife, who had recently died. Located in present day Turkey, it was only a little ways southeast from Byzantium, soon to be renamed Constantinople and to become the new Roman capitol.

But in June of 325 the city was a bustle of activity and excitement. The emperor, Constantine himself, had arrived. With all the grand trappings of the imperial court, he was coming to attend the first ecumenical council of the recently legalized Christian religion. Three hundred and eighteen specially invited bishops had come to discuss the issue then dividing the Christian church and threatening to split the newly reunited empire. The main issue of discussion was the nature and origin of Jesus Christ. Arius contended that He was a created being with a beginning sometime before all other creatures. But other Christian leaders and bishops believed He was a divine being, with no beginning.

This council was a landmark in Christianity, being the first council ever to be called by the state, instead of the church. It was necessary therefore, that Constantine be there in person. "Resplendent in purple and gold, Constantine made a ceremonial entrance at the opening of the council... but respectfully seated the bishops ahead of himself." *Carroll, Warren (1 March 1987), The Building of Christendom page 11.* The emperor presided over the council but cast no vote in the proceedings. But whatever decision the council made, he was prepared to enforce it with imperial might.

The result of that council, sanctioned and enforced by the state, was the first official Christian creed. Taking its name from the city itself, the Nicene Creed set forth the belief that Christ had no beginning, He was as divine as God Himself. But it did more than this, it also denounced and repudiated Arius and all who believed and taught his doctrine. Beyond this, it separated the computation of the time for Easter from the Jewish method of calculating the time for Passover.

There was a big push among Christians of this time to disassociate themselves from the Jews. Ever since the destruction of Jerusalem by Titus in 70 A.D. the Jews had been despised and hated in the empire. The Christians, therefore, did not want to be linked in any way to this hated race. This feeling of needing to differentiate themselves from the Jews, had led many in the church to adopt the practice of celebrating Sunday instead of the Jewish Sabbath. This practice was officially embodied in the Nicene Creed by separating Easter from the Jewish Passover.

Constantine was very much in favor of this change. He had already issued the first Sunday law in 321. In order to replace all the pagan based "lucky and unlucky days" of the pagan empire, he instituted the official day of rest for the empire as the "Christian" Sunday sabbath. The strange thing about this, of course, was that Sunday was not the Bible Sabbath, but one of the normal pagan "unlucky days" on which no business could be contracted. But it wasn't strange in Constantine's mind, because he was trying to unite his pagan and Christian subjects under Christianity.

But getting back to that first creed, it did even more than deal with Easter. It also set forth that the Paulicians were not considered Christian and would have to be re-baptized to join the Orthodox Catholic Church. Who were the Paulicians? Officially they were followers of Paul of Samosata. According to historical records, his



doctrines were heretical, and he was a self serving egotist. But before we throw out the Paulicians as a fanatical sect, blindly following a mad man, who was creating a cult, let us consider the fact that the Paulician label was generously applied by Rome to almost everyone who still kept the seventh day Sabbath. Many of the people labeled Paulician retained the original Greek Bible (the one the KJV is based on) and insisted on the doctrines of the apostles. So the creed not only set forth the beliefs of the Orthodox Roman Church, but it excommunicated (disfellowshipped) all who taught and practiced differently from that church.

When the council dissolved in 325, Arius and all who refused to abide by the Nicene Creed were excommunicated from the church and exiled by the emperor. Such was the immediate result of the Nicene Creed and such has been the result of all the creeds that have been formed by Christian groups ever since. John Loughborough said in 1861 “The first step of apostasy is to get up a creed, telling us what we shall believe. The second is, to make that creed a test of fellowship. The third is to try members by that creed. The fourth to denounce as heretics those who do not believe that creed. And, fifth, to commence persecution against such.” *J.N. Loughborough, Review and herald, October 8, 1861.*

The Nicene Creed, the first official creed, was formulated by a corrupt church for the purpose of forcing her doctrines on all Christians. It marked the beginning of the persecution of Christians against Christians, and the world plunged into the Dark Ages. But with the Protestant Reformation the world began to emerge from that darkness. The Protestants broke free from Rome, but they did not realize that creeds were at the root of Rome’s power and authority. Seeking to rival Rome, they formed creeds of their own. They demanded freedom for themselves but persecuted those who rejected their creed. Thus we find Protestants persecuting Protestants.

At one point during the Reformation, the Swiss Protestants under Zwingli attempted to unite with the German protestants under Luther. They tried hard but could not agree on their creed. There was one point in the Swiss creed that the Germans would not accept and the Swiss would not accept that point in the German creed. Thus it was the fault of the creeds that Protestantism never united. To this day we have conflicting Protestant church denominations because they will not give up their creeds but insist that all who join them adhere to their creed, because their church is built on it.

Sister White tells us about those who base their faith on their creeds, “They are so fearful lest something shall be introduced that will turn away the people from their creeds and dogmas, and divert the means into other channels, that they spare no effort to excite prejudice, and resort to commands and threats to prevent their members from going to hear Bible preaching... They do not, like Luther, test their doctrines by the Bible, but by their creed, their church customs, the practices of the Fathers. Their so-called Lutheranism is little better than Catholicism with the name of Luther attached to it.” *Ellen G. White, Historical Sketches of the Foreign Missions of the Seventh-day Adventists (1886) page 198.*

It’s no different than what the Jews were doing at the time of Christ. We read, “He (Jesus) told them that they made the commandments of God of no effect through their tradition. The requirements of men were placed where the requirements of God should have been, and Jesus charged them with being ignorant both of the Scriptures and of the power of God. It is Satan's studied plan to pervert the Scriptures, and to lead men to put a false construction on the words of God. He has led the Roman Church to take a position that the Bible is to be read in the light of the interpretation of the Fathers and of the Church, and therefore the Lord cannot penetrate the minds of the members of this Church until they read the Bible as the word of the infinite God. All articles of faith, all doctrines and creeds, however sacred they have been regarded, are to be rejected if they contradict the plain statements of the word of God. If the Bible supports the doctrine we have held in the past, we are justified in retaining it; for the word of God gives us foundation for our faith.” *Review and Herald, March 25, 1902.*

The Advent believers in 1844 rejected all creeds, recognizing them as part of what made the churches



Babylon. James White wrote, “It is the opinion of the mass of professors of religion, that human creeds are indispensable to the maintenance of gospel order. They seem to think that without creeds all would be confusion in the church. But what is the real condition of the churches with all their creeds to aid them? They are in a condition but little less than perfect confusion. And is it not a fact that creed making has produced the Babel confusion now existing among them? If it has, and it is evidently a clear case, then why talk of a human creed being indispensable to the maintenance of gospel order?” *James White, Review and Herald, December 13, 1853.*

Ellen White agreed with this, for she wrote in the Great Controversy, “Rome withheld the Bible from the people, and required all men to accept her teachings in its place. It was the work of the Reformation to restore to men the Word of God; but is it not too true that in the churches of our time men are taught to rest their faith upon their creed and the teachings of their church rather than on the Scriptures? Said Charles Beecher, speaking of the Protestant churches: ‘They shrink from any rude word against creeds with the same sensitiveness with which those holy fathers would have shrunk from a rude word against the rising veneration for saints and martyrs which they were fostering. . . The Protestant evangelical denominations have so tied up one another's hands, and their own, that, between them all, a man cannot become a preacher at all, anywhere, without accepting some book besides the Bible. . . . There is nothing imaginary in the statement that the creed power is now beginning to prohibit the Bible as really as Rome did, though in a subtler way.’” *Great Controversy, 1888 edition page 388.*

It was not a creed, a statement of belief and doctrine that united the Advent believers. It was a message, strong and powerful, a hope, uplifting and ennobling, a common goal and purpose that united them in bonds stronger than any union formed by a human creed. We read of that time, “If God's professed people would receive the light as it shines upon them from his Word, they would reach that unity for which Christ prayed, that which the apostle describes, ‘the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.’ ‘There is,’ he says, ‘one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism.’ Such were the blessed results experienced by those who accepted the Advent message. They “came from different denominations, and their denominational barriers were hurled to the ground; conflicting creeds were shivered to atoms; the unscriptural hope of a temporal millennium was abandoned, false views of the second advent were corrected, pride and conformity to the world were swept away; wrongs were made right; hearts were united in the sweetest fellowship, and love and joy reigned supreme. If this doctrine did this for the few who did receive it, it would have done the same for all, if all had received it.” *Great Controversy, 1888 edition, page 379.*

When the Advent believers officially organized themselves into the Seventh-day Adventist Church, they rejected the formation of a creed. “This peculiar people will stand forth free from the confusion of creeds; free from the traditions and commandments of men — keeping the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.” *James White, Review and Herald, December 6, 1853.*

They did adopt a covenant, one that new Adventists signed. “When the the tent was taken down, Brother Hare took it to Gisborne and began meetings... I remained at Napier with the intention of staying but a few weeks to establish the truth more firmly, and then going to a new place. But the interest increased so that I could not see my way clear to leave. About sixty persons have signed the covenant, making ninety-five in all. Of this number, fifty-four have joined the church. We expect to have baptism soon when about twenty more will join.” *A. G. Daniels, General Conference Bulletin, October 18, 1889, page 46.*

What was this covenant that the new members signed? It wasn't 27 fundamental beliefs. It was simply this, “We, the undersigned, hereby associate ourselves together, as a church, taking the name, Seventh-day Adventists, covenanting to keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus Christ.” *Review and Herald,*



October 8, 1861.

Said James White, “The Bible! The Bible!—Let the Bible be your rule of faith, and of order. Take heed to the sure word, the light that shineth in a dark place.” *James White, Review and Herald, December 6, 1853.*

This covenant was very similar to that taken by the early Christian converts in Jerusalem. It is recorded that their covenant was this, “I believe in the Father, and in the Son, and in the Holy Ghost, and in one Baptism of repentance.” Wikipedia article, “Creed of Jerusalem.”

“We walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.” *1 John 1:7*

“We want no human creed; the Bible is sufficient. The divine order of the New Testament is sufficient to organize the church of Christ. If more were needed, it would have been given by inspiration. But with only that which was ‘given by inspiration of God,’ the man of God is ‘thoroughly furnished unto all good works.’ 2 Tim. 3:16, 17.” *James White, Review and Herald, December 6, 1853.*

Sister White tells us, “The prayer of Christ to His Father, contained in the seventeenth chapter of John, is to be our church creed. It shows us that our difference and disunion are dishonoring to God. Read the whole chapter, verse by verse.” *Manuscript Releases Vol. 5 page 49.*

Once in a while the Adventist covenant was altered to fit a particular case. “Among those who embraced the Sabbath here was a young man who was hopelessly given to intoxicating drink. Even his wife despaired of his ever reforming. He felt anxious to sign the covenant, so we presented it to him with the temperance pledge embodied in it. This he finally signed; and in a letter received from there about a month after, it was stated that he had not drank a drop of liquor since.” *Historical Sketches of Foreign Missions, 1886 page 103.*

What is a creed? It is an, “Officially authorized, usually brief statement of the essential articles of faith of a religious community, often used in public worship or initiation rites. Creeds are most numerous in Western traditions.” <http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/creed>

A creed is any statement of belief that is used as a test of fellowship. Even if this statement of belief is formulated as questions rather than statements, if it is used to test potential members, it is a creed. A creed is made up of doctrines, whether they are true or not. It is interesting that the covenant used by James White and the other leaders of the SDA church in 1861 falls under the definition of a creed as found in the dictionary, even though they claimed it was not a creed. Also, the Jerusalem creed was not recorded until well into the fourth century, years after the Nicene Creed was created. There is no evidence that it was used by Paul or the apostles.

We read in the Spirit of Prophecy that creeds are a part of the wine of Babylon. “Cut out this exclusiveness wherever it may be. The light God has given is for the world. It is not to be put under a bushel or under a bed. The devil is far from being narrow and proscribed in his work. This is plainly revealed by the rapidly increasing darkness, the multitudinous errors, heresies, misconceptions, and delusions of these last days. Creeds and false doctrines are popular and all pervading, to leave the minds of the world with the drinking of the wine of Babylon, the most deadly heresy. The neglect of plainest warnings will place us on the guilty list. Yes, we have plenty of evidence of Satan's might. We have evidence also that the day of work is nearly ended. Let every power that God has entrusted to His agencies be now employed. Restrict no one's labor, in any line if they are established in the truth, but let all work who will.” *Manuscript Releases page 381.*

“In the professedly Christian world many turn away from the plain teachings of the Bible and build up a creed from human speculations and pleasing fables, and they point to their tower as a way to climb up to heaven... The existing confusion of conflicting creeds and sects is fitly represented by the term ‘Babylon,’ which prophecy (Revelation 14:8; 18:2) applies to the world-loving churches of the last days.” *Patriarchs and Prophets, page 124.*





“The term Babylon, derived from Babel, and signifying confusion, is applied in Scripture to the various forms of false or apostate religion. But the message announcing the fall of Babylon must apply to some religious body that was once pure, and has become corrupt. It cannot be the Romish Church which is here meant; for that church has been in a fallen condition for many centuries. But how appropriate the figure as applied to the Protestant churches, all professing to derive their doctrines from the Bible, yet divided into almost innumerable sects. The unity for which Christ prayed does not exist. Instead of one Lord, one faith, one baptism, there are numberless conflicting creeds and theories. Religious faith appears so confused and discordant that the world know not what to believe as truth. God is not in all this; it is the work of man,--the work of Satan.” *Spirit of Prophecy Vol. 4 page 232.*

“The work is before us individually. Our moral identity cannot be submerged in any human being. We shall be called of God to do our work according to our several ability. The vineyard is large and requires every jot of moral power everyone has had entrusted to him or her. Partition walls will be broken down. Everyone who will hear the message and believe the truth will no longer be confined, bound to creeds, but will take the Bible as his guide, as the very creed of life, as the waters of salvation. The very intensity of the light shining from heaven makes men messengers of truth and salvation. They cannot hold their peace. They have accepted the truth and emerged into the light, the light shining in these last days.” *Manuscript Releases page 223.*

Unfortunately, we have already seen the baleful results of forming a creed in the Remnant movement. Remember what Loughborough said in 1861? “The first step of apostasy is to get up a creed, telling us what we shall believe. The second is, to make that creed a test of fellowship. The third is to try members by that creed. The fourth to denounce as heretics those who do not believe that creed. And, fifth, to commence persecution against such.” *J.N. Loughborough, Review and herald, October 8, 1861.*

We have seen these steps followed to the letter in the Seventh-day Remnant Church. We first came up with a set of test questions that embodied our doctrines. We then used it to test those who wanted to unite with us. Next, we tested our members by it and removed any who disagreed with any of the points in it. Then, one of our members trademarked the name Seventh-day Remnant, to protect us from those who might take it from us. He then decided that those who did not agree with our creed should not use our name. Then, when we disagreed with his methods of keeping the church pure and unified, using our creed, he decided that we should not use the name either and commenced persecution, by threatening legal action if we did not drop the name. He says he will never sue us, but is not the taking out of a trademark and the issuance of a cease and desist order a legal action? Using the courts of the land to enforce his creed on others, if they wish to use the name Seventh-day Remnant? In little less than 10 years we have seen the Seventh-day Remnant Church go from being the Remnant of her seed to being perfect Babylon. A closed structure, with fixed rules that all must abide by and believe in, or they are kicked out. Has there ever been a more rapid slide into apostasy than this? Let us not repeat these same mistakes again.

When a home church uses a series of questions to evaluate a potential new church member and expects the potential new member to answer the questions perfectly according to the church’s idea of truth, this is a creed. We don’t see this type of gospel order being used by either the Adventist pioneers, or the apostolic church.

We were a part of the group that formulated this creed. We promoted and used it too. We now see how wrong it really was and apologize for our part in advancing and upholding this wrong method of organization. Perhaps, if we had understood the danger of creeds and had stood against it right from the start, this split and the loss of the name would never have occurred. We bear at least a portion of the responsibility for the loss of the soul of this brother and those who have followed with him, but even though we have made a serious mistake in this,



God will forgive and He is now giving us a second chance to organize on the right foundation. But if we refuse to correct our ways, will He not cast us off as a part of Babylon? Will He not find others who will do things according to His will? God is leading a people out of Babylon, but how can He separate us from Babylon if we continue to use policies of order that are the very foundation of Babylon?

“Some who have had great light have had an almost uncontrollable desire to bind all our medical institutions under the supervision of one power. I am instructed to say that this desire is prompted by the same spirit that in the world manifests itself in the efforts of the unions to become a controlling power. The work that God has given His people to do is to bind up the testimony, and to seal the law among His disciples... Let none say, ‘You must bind yourselves by specified agreements to do thus and so, or else you cannot be endorsed by us.’ The signing of such agreements must cease. The day for work of this kind is past. It has already wrought much mischief. The Lord is our guide and our ruler. Let us bind ourselves up with Him. God does not desire men to be under binding agreements; for He is to move in His own way. Every yoke is now to be broken. The truth as it is in Jesus is of sufficient binding force to hold every mind, control every impulse, and direct every movement. Those whom God would control if they would submit to Him, but who do not choose to walk humbly with Him, are not to make terms for others. Let every man look to God, not to men. The Lord God of heaven rules.”  
*Manuscript Releases Vol. 4 page 71.*

“This is a wonderful age in which we are living. God is beholding the deplorable state of society. He requires those who believe His gospel to come out from the world. ‘Be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing.’ Human, kingly power among God’s people in any branch of his cause, as represented by the documents prepared for men to sign, is not ordained of God. Let those who believe the Bible study the principles that are to govern them in dealing with human minds. God is not the author of confusion, but of peace. The selfishness that exalts one man to rule the minds of his fellow men, is not inspired of God; for the Lord works in and through those who will be worked by Him, and who in every line of Christian service will act in accordance with divine enlightenment.” *Manuscript Releases Vol. 4 page 72.*

A creed prevents growth and the acceptance of further light. Said James White, “In Eph. 4:11-13, we read, ‘And he gave some apostles, and some prophets,’ etc. Here we have the gifts of the church, presented. Now I take the ground that creeds stand in direct opposition to the gifts. Let us suppose a case: We get up a creed, stating just what we shall believe on this point and the other, and just what we shall do in reference to this thing and that, and say that we will believe the gifts too. But suppose the Lord, through the gifts, should give us some new light that did not harmonize with our creed; then, if we remain true to the gifts, it knocks our creed all over at once. Making a creed is setting the stakes, and barring up the way to all future advancement. God put the gifts into the church for a good and great object; but men who have got up their churches, have shut up the way or have marked out a course for the Almighty. They say virtually that the Lord must not do anything further than what has been marked out in the creed. A creed and the gifts thus stand in direct opposition to each other.”  
*James White, Review and Herald, October 8, 1861.*

“In the absence of Bible testimony in their favor, many with unwearying persistence urged, — forgetting how the same reasoning had been employed against Christ and his apostles, — ‘Why do not our great men understand this Sabbath question? But few believe as you do. It cannot be that you are right, and that all the men of learning in the world are wrong.’ To refute such arguments it was needful only to cite the teachings of the Scriptures and the history of the Lord's dealings with his people in all ages. God works through those who hear and obey his voice, those who will, if need be, speak unpalatable truths, those who do not fear to reprove popular sins. The reason why he does not oftener choose men of learning and high position to lead out in reform movements is that they trust to their creeds, theories, and theological systems, and feel no need to be taught of God. Only those who have a personal connection with the Source of wisdom are able to understand or explain



the Scriptures. Men who have little of the learning of the schools are sometimes called to declare the truth, not because they are unlearned, but because they are not too self-sufficient to be taught of God. They learn in the school of Christ, and their humility and obedience make them great. In committing to them a knowledge of his truth, God confers upon them an honor, in comparison with which earthly honor and human greatness sink into insignificance.” *Great Controversy, 1888 edition page 455.*

When a creed is formed it is human nature to rest on that creed and think that we have and know everything we need to. This is never a safe position to be in and leads us to treat those who are moving forward with coolness and often hardness just because they see things in a different light than we do.

Does not a statement of beliefs or a series of doctrinal test questions keep our ranks pure and preserve unity among us? No, sad experience has taught us that it does not. It only serves to divide, separate, and cause distrust and suspicion. The members of the church of God are to have confidence in their brethren, not suspicion of them.

“It is not in accordance with the mind of the Lord to encourage suspicion, jealousy, envy, and evil surmising. The Lord desires His people to unite and to look constantly to Jesus. They are to work in sympathy and love, with entire confidence in one another. Christ declares, ‘All ye are brethren.’” *Manuscript Releases Vol. 5, page 364.*

But how, it will be asked, are we to preserve purity and unity in our ranks, if we don’t have a creed? We answer that this is the work and office of the Holy Spirit, not of any man. “Now is the time for earnest wrestling with God. Our voices should join with the Saviour’s in that wonderful prayer: ‘Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.’ Let the whole earth be filled with his glory. Many may ask, ‘Who is sufficient for these things?’ The responsibility rests upon every individual. ‘Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think anything as of ourselves; but our sufficiency is of God.’ The scheme of salvation is not to be worked out under the laws and rules specified by men. **There must be no fixed rules; our work is a progressive work, and there must be room left for methods to be improved upon. But under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, unity must and will be preserved.**” *Review and Herald, July 23, 1895.*

“If there be therefore any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any bowels and mercies, Fulfill ye my joy, that ye be like minded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind. Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves.” *Philippians 2:1-3.*

An organization that does not have a creed forces it’s members to study the Bible for themselves. They must become established on the truth themselves so that they can combat error on an individual basis. A creed allows the church members to be lazy. If someone comes up with new light on a particular topic or is caught in a fanaticism, we can just refer them to our creed and not bother to study out their position and respond on an individual basis.

Also, if there is no creed and you are taken to court for your faith, the judge won’t be able to simply look up your church creed to find out what you believe and lump you into a group. You will be able to witness for your faith personally, as a Christian should.

“But the teacher of sacred truth can impart only that which he himself knows by experience. ‘The sower sowed his seed.’ Christ taught the truth because He was the truth. His own thought, His character, His life-experience, were embodied in His teaching. So with His servants: **those who would teach the word are to make it their own by a personal experience.** They must know what it is to have Christ made unto them wisdom and righteousness and sanctification and redemption. In presenting the word of God to others, they are not to make it a suppose-so or a may-be. They should declare with the apostle Peter, ‘We have not followed



cunningly devised fables when we made known unto you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eye-witnesses of His majesty.’ 2 Peter 1:16. Every minister of Christ and every teacher should be able to say with the beloved John, ‘The life was manifested, and we have seen it, and bear witness, and show unto you that eternal life which was with the Father, and was manifested unto us.’ 1 John 1:2.” *Christ’s Object Lessons, page 43.*

Is there to be no order or organization in the remnant then? No, we must have order and organization, but this order is for missionary purposes, not control. (See *Testimonies for the Church Vol. 6 page 29; Review and Herald September 12, 1907; Review and Herald, October 30, 1894.*) James White once said, “There are those at the present time who start back at the idea of gospel order...They will have to learn that God has not called any of his people away from the confusion of the churches, designing that they should be left without discipline. In mercy he reached forth his hand, and enabled the Advent people in 1844 to break the cords of sectarianism that bound them, that they (the Philadelphia Church) might be disciplined and guided into the kingdom by the order and pure doctrines of the gospel. To suppose that the church of Christ is free from restraint and discipline, is the wildest fanaticism.” *James White, Review and Herald, December 6, 1853.*

But this order and organization will not bind men. True order will support and encourage them as they work for the Lord. “Those who know the truth are to be worked by the Holy Spirit, and not themselves to try to work the Spirit. If the cords are drawn much tighter, if the rules are made much finer, if men continue to bind their fellow-laborers closer and closer to the commandments of men, many will be stirred by the Spirit of God to break every shackle, and assert their liberty in Christ Jesus. If men would act toward their fellow-men as to those whom Christ loves, if they would obey the commandment to ‘love thy neighbor as thyself,’ there would be sweet harmony among the brethren. How much better it would be if those who claim to be Christians would behave like Christians. How much better it would be if all would cease speaking of their own good works and ways, indulging their self-esteem; refrain from the putting forth of the finger, imagining evil, and using their influence to weaken, oppress, and destroy. If men will not come to the terms made by the leading workers, they will not entertain them, they do not care what results may follow their injustice. With them it is rule or ruin. God has not appointed any man to do such work. And no human being shall be permitted to prescribe my liberty or intrench upon the perfect freedom of my brethren, without hearing my voice lifted in protest against it.” *Review and Herald, July 23, 1895.*

“The real character of the church is measured, not by the high profession she makes, not by the names enrolled upon the church book, but by what she is actually doing for the Master, by the number of her persevering, faithful workers. Personal interest, and vigilant, individual effort will accomplish more for the cause of Christ than can be wrought by sermons or creeds.” *Review and Herald, September 6, 1881.*

“The apostle showed that religion does not consist in rites and ceremonies, creeds and theories. If it did, the natural man could understand it by investigation, as he understands worldly things. Paul taught that religion is a practical, saving energy, a principle wholly from God, a personal experience of God’s renewing power upon the soul.” *Acts of the Apostles page 451.*

So, will the remnant have a creed? In light of all that we have shared here, we answer a resounding – NO! to this question. The remnant will stand solidly united on the Bible. We must go back to that order established in Jerusalem and on which the Advent believers were building. We must build again on the platform they established and move forward solidly on the path of truth. Order is necessary, but it is an order that does not control any individual, but leaves each free to follow the guidance of the Holy Spirit in his own life and work. This is the order for which we strive, we will not be bound by what others think is the truth, we will stand free to seek and know the truth for ourselves and to follow where the Holy Spirit leads, regardless of what others may





think or do.

Again we read that statement from the Great Controversy. “If God’s professed people would receive the light as it shines upon them from his Word, they would reach that unity for which Christ prayed, that which the apostle describes, ‘the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.’ ‘There is,’ he says, ‘one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism.’ Such were the blessed results experienced by those who accepted the Advent message.” *Great Controversy. 1888 edition, page 379.*

This is the only formula found in inspiration for true unity. Is this not worth striving for?

“The prayer of Christ to His Father, contained in the seventeenth chapter of John, is to be our church creed. It shows us that our difference and disunion are dishonoring to God. Read the whole chapter, verse by verse.” *Manuscript Releases Vol. 5 page 49.*

The Nicene Creed became the very foundation of the Roman Church, adopted by the east and the west, it is still at the foundation of the Papacy to this day. The remnant will not base their unity and organization on this type of Papal foundation. They will be based solidly on the Word of God and the last message of mercy. Any church organization that bases itself on the same foundation of a creed, even if every point of that creed is truth, is surely setting up an image to the Roman beast. Any church that bases their beliefs on any other creed than the Bible ceases to be a remnant church and becomes a Babylonian church. The true remnant never has had, does not have, and never will have a creed!

### **Food for Thought**

“The question has been asked me, ‘Do you think that the Lord has any more light for us as a people?’ I answer that he has light that is new to us, and yet it is precious old light that is to shine forth from the word of truth. We have only the glimmerings of the rays of the light that is yet to come to us. We are not making the most of the light which the Lord has already given us, and thus we fail to receive the increased light; we do not walk in light already shed upon us.” *Review and Herald, June 3, 1890.*

## **Special Update**

### **From Islam to Christianity**

(Editors Note: We have changed the names of those involved in this story in order to protect them.)

One of our workers, brother A was traveling on a bus a while back and found himself sitting next to a Muslim by the name of C. This man explained his Muslim beliefs to brother A and in turn brother A decided to take a chance and explain his Christian beliefs. He then gave C a couple of booklets, the Golden One Hundred and another booklet about Islam and Christianity.

Several months later we received an e-mail from C containing an amazing story. We are going to simply share the letters we have received from brother C so that you can share our joy in this wonderful conversion and join us in prayer for this brother.



Also, a special thank you to everyone who sent love offerings for this brother. Thanks to your gifts he was able to pay his hospital bills and the burial fees for his wife. He is also attempting to establish a small business to support himself and two children.

**June 6, 2014 (from Brother C)**

Dear Man/Woman of God;

Am C of B\_\_\_\_. I've been in Islamic from my child hood till I got a brother whom we just met in a bus he told me that he is from N\_\_\_\_ and one of the SDR member. I have forgotten his name even the contact . Am just finding how to get him. He gave me some tracks & booklets entitled (Christianity and Islamic, one God one people and Golden 100) we want to join the movement and need this books. We are more than 30 who need this service. Please if you are a true Remnant church and you know this man of God, please I would be very much happy to hear from you. I got this email in internet.

**June 19, 2014 (from Brother A)**

Dear brother Rick,

Thanks for you support to make word of God move. Truly all those request testimonies is because of your support and me. Praise God! Happy to inform you that we met with brother C and three others. They are truly thirsty of the word of God, truly they have got it. They need 2 tracts (ONE GOD ONE people, Islamic & Christianity) and Golden 100 booklet. Each copy they need at least 200. They told me that they have many friend whom by grace of God, praying to get the present truth. It is a big task to me and all fellow SDR movement. They want this mission work as soon as possible. This need total prayer. God is working and we have to do our work. This is God's work, I can't say that there is something special which I did to get men turn to God. It's the Holy Spirit on control to who are truly searching plain truth.

What advise brother.. can help?

The D\_\_\_\_\_ people are waiting likewise C and their team also. All need tracts and golden 100. They are all important for the sake of lives. Tough situation, God is watching how we are going to handle it. This shows how work is still big.

Praying .....

Brother A

**June 20, 2014 (from Brother C)**

Thanks so much Man of God. Indeed you directed me to the real man of God we have talked to. It forced me to go his home and I really enjoyed the welcome and the teaching I got. We were with some of our colleague. We talked at length but it seem as if our eager to get this books will wait for a number of unknown. I was thinking that we could done this mission by next week but brother A told me that he don't have enough to do it right away.

My humble pray to you and fellow there, can you try in all means so that I can get those books. I've confess to fellow Islamic and want to come out with many if not to get the present truth. Please! please! please! help us God will reward you.

Please take me as a brother in faith not a Muslim. My heart is really burning because of this truth. Brother gave me, us one Golden100. But I need more than 200 copies. I want to say goodbye to Islamic leaving them with the reason why I left. Waiting to hear sweet promises/words toward this.

Regards

C



**July 5, 2014 (from Brother C)**

Thank you so much brother. It was a blessed days from Thursday to day. There are men of God who are inspired. We really got what we have been waited. Brother A came with a lot of tracks and golden 100 booklets. We really appreciate good coordination. I want to say again thanks. To my humble request is that, please don't let as alone we are still young and need more clarifications. I want to tell all my friends who are still in Muslim to come out from great Babylon . It is a tough situation but I know the Almighty Father will guide me in the right directions keep us all in your prayers. What I came to learn from brother A is that God is using him so much and more people need his attentions. He told me that he will travel to D \_\_\_\_\_ on Monday for mission work. praying, praying, please don't leave us.

Regards,  
C

**July 14, 2014 (from Brother A)**

Dear brother Rick,

I want to say thanks allot for your support. I met brother C and other brethren from Islamic, after along discussion and giving out tracks and golden 100, I gave them a lot of courage, Biblical truth and promise them that we are with them and will continue communicating and visiting if I get time. They were very happy to see us just wanting to help them in prayers. You can understand how leaving Islamic to Christianity is not easy but by grace of God we can see how the Holy Spirit is working.

As I told you the journey to D \_\_\_\_\_ I found a high welcome. They were very much happy to see me having Golden 100 and a lot of tracts to them. We had 3 different places of meeting. God help us and we finished well and we really see the hand of God.

There is power in printed pages. It can enter where we sometimes can't reach. And the Holy Spirit will work on them as we can see the Islamic brethren. My message to you and brethren and sisters is to continue keeping us in your knees. Even though we sometime get strong challenges in this ministry but we should keep our effort to minister to God's people in this last days till our death. Brethren here and D \_\_\_\_\_ sent their greetings to you and your family. They said, they are praying to you and you too keep them in your prayers.

More blessing to you and your family.

Brother A

**August 4, 2014 (from Brother C)**

To all brethren and sister, greeting in the name of Almighty Father. Thanks for your supports to help us got the Golden100 and some tracts. Indeed they are inspired. It was my desire to all brethren and sisters who were still in Islamic to know the plain truth. But Satan is not sleeping. The Islamic high priest gave a strong order that I should be killed. It forced me to hide even now am on the way to B \_\_\_\_\_ to A's home to hide there for awhile planning to move to D \_\_\_\_\_ to stay there for some times. They have distributed those letters to every Islamic mosque.

The books you gave us I was trying to go door to door. Most of the people were asking then about Jesus and how Mohamed came to save, but they didn't have good reason to reply. From there is one of them told then that the whole problem is caused by me. Am just on a cafe and want to try to get where to sleep is when tomorrow morning planning to reach at brother A's home.

Now my first request is to pray for the tough situation am facing. Second if there is any body who can help financially because I still don't know how I will end. I have a family and 2 kids.

PLEASE!! PLEASE!! Help praying, so that even those who are interesting of killing me know the truth.



Send to any church member you might know.

Brother C

**August 6, 2014 (from Brother A)**

Dear brother Rick,

Thanks in advance. I'll let you know if I've received it.

Brother, thank you for your prayers. Today I got a shocking news. Brother C came to me along with his wife and two children at my home. Very fearful, trembling, don't have peace. All because he decided to follow Jesus and left Islamic. He told me that the Islamic high priest has offered to kill him and his family. Simply because they are saying that he has betrayed them by teaching about Jesus. He is not settled, he is just afraid that may be one could report him to any Islamic around. He is planning to move to D\_\_\_\_\_ to hide there for some month. Please also keep them on your knees too.

This, reminds me of what Jesus said in Matt. 10:34-39, not peace but a sword. Only prayer and faithfulness will lead us to eternity.

Brother A

**August 27, 2014 (from Brother C)**

Thank you dear brethren and sisters in Christ, for you prayers. It will force me to be off of phone and internet for some times simply for my safety. I reached D\_\_\_\_\_ yesterday through help of brother A. Just a special request to any one who can help me financially because I've to start a new life here. I left most of my belongings and life must continue.

I thank God brother, A has help me a lot encouraging me so much, more so even my present here is because of his support. Please if brethren and sister can have something small, I would kindly request all to be sent through brother A I know I will receive it safely. Keep helping praying God knows why all this happen to me. Very humble waiting for positive response.

Brother C

**September 13, 2014 (from Brother C)**

Hi, brother, how are you? I want first thank you for the good support you gave us which saws light and fire in most of the islamic brethren and of course which made me flees and hide for a duration not known here in D\_\_\_\_\_. Is well am in D\_\_\_\_\_ but because of unexpected events, made me and my family to get refuge here. It is because of God's sake. I want to thank brother A so much for the support he made to be here. He did it silently and forced me to change my name.

Now brother, because I didn't take most of my properties am not in good position to keep going with life. Am really praying that may the Holy Spirit speaks in your heart and friends over there to help me financially to get how I can start small business to help the family. I do know that you can understand the tough situation am going in the foreign land. I know you also have a lot to do or help but also please help, just talk to fellow brethren and sisters there to see what they can do. I've tried the email of brother A but haven't got reply. I just don't know what is going on.

Brother C

**October 1, 2014 (from Brother C)**

Dear brother Rick,

Thank you so much for your reply. we have talked to brother A, he was having a problem with his email . Thanks again for praying for me, in fact am not in good situation , however, I know God is on our side. Just





praying however little you can get, please sent to help, on God knows the situation I am at this point. All in all , better die in the hand of the Almighty Father.

Brother C

### **October 22, 2014 (from Brother C)**

Dear brother Rick,

I want to thank you so much for your concern to my help. Brother A forwarded me an email from brother Jim showing that there is help they want to sent to me. I heard that he is your father in law. Praise God, you are really kind to me. Just tell him to sent it to A because I lost my national ID.

Brother, I've had problem after the other, of late my child was really sick, when he got a little bit OK, now, my wife again is too sick. Vomiting, headache, sweating, she was admitted on Monday but still no improvement. I just need a special prayer. I don't know how tomorrow will be, just hoping for the best. I wish brother A was near me, he would have help to share the idea but we talked to him and told me that he is looking some fund if he got he will come.

Brother C

### **October 25, 2014 (from Brother C to Brother A)**

Dear brother A,

Thank you so much for your prayers support and strength to help me be here. But at LAST my wife has passed away in a foreign country today at 7.10 pm. Please my brother, would you come and help me how I can get my wife buried. The all I had I used in treating hopping she would be a live but God saw that is good to sleep at this time. Kindly inform my brethren in faith, also inform brother Rick and others to help me praying.

C

### **November 11, 2014 (from Brother C)**

Dear brother Rick,

Thank you brother for your prayer support to me. I heard from brother A how you inform brethren and sisters to pray for me, gave some donations to help my situation. May the Almighty Father continue to guide you and the work you are doing over there. I want to say thank to all who really help, please send my thanks to brother Jim and brother who sent me donation, truly that donation really help me so much to bury my wife and pay the hospital bills. Also I want to thank brother A for his help, in fact I couldn't made it alone but through his effort, courage and co-ordination with some brethren here, I really see the hand of God. Let's keep him in prayer also for the work he has been called to. As we were talking with him yesterday, he told me that there are some donations brethren and sisters has donated. I just want again to thank you in advance for that coordination. God wouldn't let his true servant alone. Just sent them to brother A, I still need how to get started business to earn daily living. Just continue praying for me to be upright like a man.

God bless you all.

Brother C

## **Ministry Update**

“The work is soon to close. The members of the church militant who have proved faithful will become the church triumphant. In reviewing our past history, having traveled over every step of advance to our present standing, I can say, Praise God! As I see what God has wrought, I am filled with astonishment and with confidence in Christ as leader. **We have nothing to fear for the future, except as we shall forget the way the Lord has led us**, and his teaching in our past history.” *Review and Herald, October 12, 1905.*



We have certainly seen God's leading in establishing this ministry. This is not our work but God's and we have merely stood on the shoulders of those who have gone before us. Our journey really began in 2010. We had began studying the subject of the time of trouble since 2005. Both of us had been impressed for a number of years that we were already in the time of trouble and the more we read and studied, the more we were impressed that the standard, SDA end time scenario, that our remnant brothers and sisters were believing and teaching was really a serious error that would lead them to be caught unprepared.

In 2008 we started collecting all the quotes in the SOP and the Bible regarding the time of trouble and the Sunday law. At the time we planned to write a single study titled "Caught Unprepared." Little did we know that the single study would turn into a 10 part series and book. By the end of 2010, we felt that we had enough material for the presentation on the time of trouble but that there were some big pieces missing, so we prayed for guidance.

Right after we began praying for light on the time of trouble, and specifically, on how the little time of trouble concept came into Adventism, we stumbled onto the king of the north in Daniel 11:45. We had looked at it before with mild interest but never seriously considered it as more than one of those gray areas that was not essential to understand. But this time it was like a light bulb had been turned on and we could see the whole prophecy laid out perfectly in connection with the time of trouble and the Caught Unprepared study.

There followed several months of intense research of history and the Bible and SOP, along with the history of Adventist teaching on the subject. By the summer of 2011 we had amassed an enormous amount of material on the subject. We now felt that we had something major that our remnant people needed to see. So we began to assemble the material into a series of articles on the king of the north, hoping to publish them. We began to share them with our brethren in the movement, hoping for an open discussion of the topic and an opportunity to publish our findings. To our great disappointment, there was almost no response and no opportunity to publish the articles.

After trying unsuccessfully for two years to get the articles published, we decided that people needed so see the study as a presentation. So we began preparing the 10 part slide series, Caught Unprepared. By December of 2013 the series was finished.

In January of 2014 a brother we knew from Northern California came to see us. His purpose was to set us straight and show us where we were going wrong. He was going to convince us that the Papacy had to be the king of the north. But first, he allowed us to share our study and the reasons for our position. By the time we finished, he had nothing to say in opposition. He was entirely convinced that we were right. He was so excited about the information that he began sharing it with everyone who would listen. Seeing the need for a condensed version, this brother condensed our 10 part series into the single King of the North presentation. In the mean time, we were invited to present the series on the "Let There Be Light" online church, which we agreed to do. We also put up our website.

We were then invited by the Christadelphian church we rent a building from, to share our research with them. We took the condensed version and reformatted it for non SDA's and then created a booklet from it. The presentation to the Christadelphians was well received and when we left out a hand full of the Time of Trouble booklets, they were all taken by the next week.

We finished the online presentation the beginning of September, 2014. We received no negative comments or responses to the material, but were met with great enthusiasm.

One brother from Uganda was so impressed that he went and got a projector, downloaded our series, and began to share it with everyone he could. He told us that he had been wanting to do a presentation on this very topic and was really happy about the material we had provided.



By the first of October, 2014 we had a second booklet ready, this one for Adventists called Caught Unprepared.

We held a convocation in Orland the weekend of October 10, 2014. There were about 30 people present, at least 3 of them conference Adventists. Again, there was no negative response to the material, but rather enthusiasm.

We also started getting requests for the booklets from Kenya. Working through our contact there, we provided funds for him to print 330 copies of the booklets. Within one month all the booklets had been handed out and the people were begging for more.

We have been receiving one or more booklet, visit, and rally/crusade requests a week, mostly from Kenya, but also from Tanzania, and Uganda. There are 3 rallies being planned in Kenya in December, all of which are requesting booklets. We have received donations to cover printing of another 330 booklets, which are being printed now.

We also asked our contact in Uganda if he could print some booklets. He replied that he would love to print the booklets and had already put together a tract on the subject, that he was currently printing. He requested funds to print 5000 booklets and a minimum of 100,000 tracts.

We are planning a topical magazine titled "The Loud Cry." We are working on a series titled "The Four Waymarks, Islam In Bible Prophecy." This series is aimed at a general audience for general witnessing purposes. We have received numerous requests for a DVD and are getting ready to start production of "Caught Unprepared" as a video series.

Please pray for us as we go forward as the Lord leads in this great work.

God Bless,

Rick and Gini Markwell

## Letters

### Single Letters

**May 6, 2014**

Dear man of God,

Indeed it is a blessed site. Is there any means we can get some prophecy materials here in Kenya? How can we join you? Am in K\_\_\_\_\_ Kenya, is there any of your branch near us? Please, help to know. We are living in the very last days only prophecy can show us where we are and the satanic movements. Truly am in need, kindly give the reply.

N. K.

Kenya

**August 4, 2014**

Dear brother,

Is there any way I can get that booklet called TIME OF TROUBLE. As you know that we are in the last days. We should be equipped full.

Regards

P. O.

Kenya



**August 16, 2014**

Dearest Brethren,

As I have been going over the study, I had a burning question in my heart, and an earnest need for an understanding by God's grace. As a babe in the faith, and from my understanding of sister White's writings on the great deception, we know that through Catholicism they changed the images and cause people to worship and bow down to them. Though we do not bow down to these images, I learned that the images of Jesus as we know them today leads back to Rome, with the pope immortalizing his son Ceaser Borgia, why do Christian's continue to use them today as apart of the truth? I found this study to be a true blessing and I would love to share with others but I want have a full understanding just in case I am faced with such questions. It is with humility and an earnest Spiritual need that I ask this question, I pray that it is received well by God's grace. Please, please dear brethren, I am ready and willing to learn about the word of God so please feel free to share your thoughts.

With Christian Regards, S. C.  
United States

(Editor's Note: After considering this question carefully, we have decided to remove all pictures of Jesus from the slides and replace them with different images. We are in the process of doing this now. The pictures of Jesus are not necessary to the study and nothing will be lost by removing them. We do not wish to be the cause of stumbling for anyone and apologize if our use of these pictures has caused concern for anyone.)

**October 10, 2014**

Hi,

This is brother O. of N\_\_\_\_\_ Kenya, I was in your website and really impressed with the way you organized it, by the way, are you one of the remnant movement? It looks to me you are. Now, if so, the booklets I saw, how can I get them? They are very courageous to this last days and good to for spiritual nourishment. If truly you are the remnant group, I would be more happy to hear from you again. We are a group of three families looking for true and pure remnant people to fellow with. Looking for positive response, only if you are a true remnant. Thinking you are here in Kenya.

God Bless you!  
B.O. and B.O.

**October 21, 2014**

Hi, man of God?

Am A. G. of T\_\_\_\_\_ Kenya. I've been a SDA CHURCH member but now looking for true remnant people to fellow with. We are a group of 4 families. I join your website and looks to me that you might be. So much blessed with it and the booklets I found, more inspired to this last days. Now my main concern is how to get you and those booklets. Are you too in Kenya? If yes, which part/town? Please may I know. Looking for positive response.

Sincerely,  
A.G.  
Kenya

**October 22, 2014**

Dear man/sister of God,

Good day, the in light of prophecy fulfill website is really enlightening brethren, more so to me. I want to appreciate the present message you post to those who can access internet and understand it well. Now is there





any means we can get hard copy of those booklets in the website? By the way we are in Kenya at K\_\_\_\_\_  
T\_\_\_\_\_, really searching God's true remnant church. We are tired to stay in the Babylon church. As per now we are still fellowship with SDA church because we haven't got true brethren to fellow with. Please may I know from you if true you are, because the website shows to me that, you might be one of the remnant movement. just waiting to hear more on your side.

B.O.  
Kenya

## Multiple Letter Collections

**From A.B., Kenya**

**September 11, 2014**

Dear man of God.

Am A. B. of A\_\_\_\_\_ Kenya. Very much impressed by your web site. In fact we are living in the last days and we should awake others, that is why I've been looking for a site like this. Is there any way I can get that booklet "time of trouble"? And again is there any true Remnant followers here you might know? The best thing we can do in this last days is to enlighten brethren and sisters so that they can't be caught unprepared. Nice to hear more from you.

Yours in Christ,  
A. B.

**September 13, 2014**

Thank you so much dear brother for your positive response toward the book and letting me know that there are some true remnant brethren here in Kenya. A brother here named I. has contacted me and gave me a strong assurance that when he get time will come as soon as possible and see where I am and we will discuss more. Just hoping he might come with those books if God allows. Praying for it. Thank so much Brother.

A. B.

**September 17, 2014**

Hi brother,

Very much happy to hear from you again. Am very great-full now, because brother I. also has contacted me and eagerly waiting that day. It looks like now an soon getting a home church. Just waiting the day the see way forward. God bless you so much brother, just help us praying for this meeting to go well and the name of God be glorified.

A.B.

**September 28, 2014**

Thank you brother. you really direct us to a real brother. I appreciate the call he has been called to do. Very great, strong messages to this last days we heard from his lips God has his people to reveal His words to the true needy. Thank you again for letting us have the booklets may God bless you abundantly. We are just praying to have a crusade on October and will let you know the date. You promises you could hep us what a still don't

know, did you mean booklet too or can go extra for the crusade. Thank you for your support.

A.B.

**From S.O., Kenya**



**September 15, 2014**

Thank you so much man of GOD.

My main concern was to have true remnant brethren to fellow and communicate with. That is why when I entered into your website it looks like one of the true remnant followers, am I wrong? I really enjoy the web is good and I was more blessed by it.

Am S. O. of R\_\_\_\_\_ Kenya. How can you help know if there are brethren here in Kenya to help us establish a home churches and to help us have big crusade here in R\_\_\_\_\_. If truly you are a true remnant brother, please help us to get the booklet "Time of Trouble" and other good booklets which can nourish our minds in this last days. Looking forward with humble prayer that if truly you are the remnant group, will receive good reply and the name of God will be raised up. Nice to here more from you.

Regards,  
S. O.

**September 16, 2014**

Dear brother Rick,

Thanks so much to hear that we have many remnant brethren here in Kenya. Thanks again to hear that you can send booklets directly to me. But my main worry now is that I don't have postal address. How can you help that situation? Is there any alternative? Because, we are just waiting that brother to come so that we can organize a crusade on October late through November for at least a week. Help praying for that work and any necessary assistance you may give. More so Booklets as many as possible,  
S.O.

**From B.N. Kenya****September 15, 2014**

Hi,

This is N. of S\_\_\_\_\_, Kenya. I've been in SDA church till my birth, but now what am seeing going in the church is no longer Godly. I've tried to find last remnant children of the Almighty but can't get. This is why I decided today to look for true remnant. There is a strong message which I heard preached by Ev. which they said was coming may be N\_\_\_\_\_ I can't remember well. But it was a crusade organize and I was a visitor in that place so I wasn't close but all the message I heard from where I was. they were using a strong PAS. I just thought he was a strong remnant. Comparing what I have learned from your website seems to me that your ministry is pure remnant. The slide shows, the images, the SDA church now can't preach. That is why am fully agreed that your ARE.

B.N.

**September 17, 2014**

Hi again brother,

Thanks so much, am really more excited. You really mean that the preacher is your main contact here in Kenya? Wow, no more to say. I know am in the right true brethren. Very much waiting that man of God to come. He was the main speaker by that time with a plain truth. If yes, does he have the booklet I saw in your web "Time of Trouble?" Can I have some here? Please may I know? Very much happy even I haven't meet him but very sure we will meet.

More blessing.

B. N.



**October 1, 2014**

Dear brother,

Am very much happy to inform you that the meeting was successful and God really used his servant. Truly you are the true remnant movement. Thanks again for the booklet we received may God bless you abundantly. Will update you on the progress.

B.N.

**From B.W., Kenya**

**September 18, 2014**

Hello,

Am W. of H\_\_\_\_\_, Kenya. I was digging so much in your website, but I was amazed with the presentations. Caught unprepared, the message which I got there really draws my attention to the last events and how Jesus will caught his people unprepared. Are you in Kenya? In which part if yes. If outside, do you have a branch here in Kenya, how can I get those booklets? These are the true books we should read and share with others before the close of this earth. Kindly may I know more from you. Even there is another booklet there Time of Trouble. I kindly requesting you, please help me to get those books. I would be more happy reading them and sharing the message with others.

Sincerely

B.W.

**October 2, 2014**

Hi, brother,

What a wonderful meeting at A\_\_\_\_\_. We met with brother I.and we really enjoyed, the speeches, preachings more so Bible studies. Thank you for your booklets help. May God bless you so much. Will need booklets in near future, so just keep on with that Spiritual heart. It is only networks problem, I would have contacted you earlier, anyway we really enjoyed, hoping to connect soon.

B.W.

**From S.B., Kenya**

**September 21, 2014**

Hello, sister/man of God,

We are a group of women and brothers true searching remnant people of Almighty Father. We are in Kenya. We were fellowship with SDA church but we are seeing a great Babylonian in it. That is why we are out to search for true remnant children of GOD. As we enter into you website we discover that you are one of remnant church. The way the web is designed, the pictures, and the booklet we read, saws to us that you could be one of the remnant movement group. Now our main concern/request to you is that we would be very much happy to see you face to face talking to us and giving us way forward. We are planning to establish a home church but before we do that we need a link with fellow around us, so that we can continue helping one another nourishing ones mind. Please let us know if truly you are one of the remnant church. If yes, how you could help us organize a big crusade then after that we can start establishing a home churches. If not the remnant group, please kindly, don't reply us.

S.B.



**September 22, 2014**

Dear brother Rick,

Thank you so much for your reply. We are very much happy now because soon we will have to start a home church here. Patiently waiting to hear from the brother you gave me his contact. God bless you, as we wait to see way forward. Keep us in your prayers for the work ahead us.

S.B.

**October 19, 2014**

Thank you dear brother for your connection. Yes, we met brother I. and we really blessed by the message from him and also we appreciate the offer we get from you of booklets. Truly you have a strong minister here. The people were so happy with the present message we got. Brother, please, just keep us on your prayers. We still need a lot of those booklets, there are many people who are still in need. Being that we were using loud speaker many were hearing from far and they didn't have chance to attend, now they are coming one after the other just wanted to know where the preacher from. We want to organize a big rally and need many booklets as possible, kindly bear with us the situation to meet them. We know God will help. Any way more blessing, we really enjoyed the meeting.

S.B.

**From N.O., Kenya****October 6, 2014**

Hello, Man/Sister of God,

Am N.O. of M\_\_\_\_, Kenya. Looking for true Remnant people and followers. Due to recent visit on your website and the kind of picture, shows to me that you might be among the remnant. Am I right? If so, how can I get in touch with your ministry? I just think you are here in Kenya? And hoping that if God allows, I would be more happy to meet you, share ideas and fellow together. Another special request is, please, help me to get hard copies of the booklet I saw on your web. They are: CAUGHT UNPREPARED AND TIME OF TROUBLE. To me they are inspired. I love them so much. Patiently, waiting for good reply.

Your in Christ,

N.O.

**October 8, 2014**

Thank so dear brother, Brother I. of N\_\_\_\_ has contacted me. Very much happy to get real brethren am just praying that may we meet as soon as possible with I. The only problem he was out for was lack finance but he gave me some assurance that, he will try to meet me here in M\_\_\_\_. Just put all to our God hope to meet again.

Blessings your in Christ,

N.O.

## Mission Reports

**From Kenya****October 6, 2014**

Dear brother Rick,

Thank you so much for your concern in this ministry. The grand total print out was 330. I really appreciate





the idea to print more booklet. There are many brethren who are in need of this books. more so those who can't access internet. Let's just pray God give funds to this project. I will schedule programs to meet the others who I've not met first as soon as possible, because the demand of the call is high and will be happy if I meet them as they requested in time.

God bless you and the entire family.

B.I.

### **October 9, 2014**

Thank you so much brother, I got the money, may God continue to bless you so much. Just help me praying for this mission work. the demand continue to be high and I need to travel far to meet brethren and sisters, like you can see there is a brother just from M\_\_\_\_\_ and other parts of Kenya. But we have to meet them for the sake of our Master. Thank you again for thinking to add some booklet print. I will first meet B.W. then S.B. and her brethren, after that I will schedule other meetings with brethren.

God bless you so much,

B.I.

### **From Uganda**

#### **November 7, 2014**

Dear brother Rick,

Heb. 6:10-11.

“Happy Sabbath”

It will be a great blessing to get them printed out here. Even now I am in K\_\_\_\_\_ for the same and get some few colour fliers on the same subject to be given out when doing some street preaching. I have a project that I will be using to film some of these lesson in the late even where possible. It is also going to be a grand opportunity if I have the booklets with me ready to give out for mass to comprehend at a latter time as we leave them.

I believe God is making His truth reach people at the right time! And even before your resigned from SDRPA; this is where we had planned to handle.

Therefore, we shall be grateful to get them printed out here. I hope we shall be able to do it here.

God bless you in this great work of mass ‘Caught Unprepared’.

B.J.

## **Needs and Projects**

We are a Bible based ministry, dedicated to giving the Loud Cry of the 4th Angel of Revelation 18. Upholding the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus. If you would like to donate to support this ministry or to any of the projects listed, please contact us and let us know which project you are donating to. If you do not designate the project, we will use the donation were most needed. Thank you for considering the needs of this work.

Thank you to all those who have donated to these projects. Be assured that you have a part in each and every soul reached through these means.

### **Projects**

#### **Green House Project, Kenya**

The brethren in Kenya have been working on this project for several years. The idea is to build a steel frame



greenhouse to grow tomatoes. The tomatoes will be cared for by the local church and sold in the local markets. All profits from this enterprise will go toward establishing a publishing house in Kenya and translating truth filled literature into the local languages.

The greenhouse first built was a wood frame building and the first tomatoes planted three years ago. Unfortunately, the building blew down in a gale after only a few hundred dollars worth of tomatoes had been harvested. We need about \$3750 to build the sturdier steel structure. Donations of \$1250 have been received so far.

### **Booklet printing, Uganda**

The Time of Trouble and Caught Unprepared booklets are being readied for printing in Uganda. The goal is to print 5000 copies at a total cost of about \$4750.00. Donations of \$950 have been received.

### **Booklet Printing, Kenya**

The demand for booklets in Kenya has been high. We are currently printing 330 booklets a month at a cost of \$250 each time. We would like to continue providing \$250 per month on an ongoing basis for general printing needs.

### **Worker Support**

We are currently supporting one worker in the field in Africa. We are attempting to supply him with his living needs so that he can work full time sharing the message with others. As we have means, we would like to add more workers to this list in other places.

### **Publishing paperback book “Caught Unprepared”**

We are currently writing a book called “Caught Unprepared, A Thief in the Night.” We are still researching what the total cost will be to publish this as a regular paperback book. Any donations for this project will be placed in a fund held in reserve for this purpose. (You will also receive a free copy of the book once it is published.)

### **General needs**

There are always operating and living costs to be considered. We would love to spend our full time researching, writing, answering questions, making videos and slides on prophecy, and giving live seminars, but we must eat and pay our bills. If we receive enough donations to cover our expenses, we will work full time in the ministry, but if we don't, we will be forced to spend at least part of our time working for a living. Anything we receive over and above our actual expenses will be funneled into the work in other countries.

