

Friends of Light Bearers,

2016 is gone, and what a year it's been. We live in the most scientifically, technologically, economically advanced period of history (Daniel 12:4). And yet, hatred and violence between human beings just keeps escalating (Matthew 24:12). The reason why is that we are fundamentally broken beyond the capacity of any human solution (Romans 3:10-18). There is a root-level hostility inside the human heart that no science, wealth or political party can heal (Romans 8:7).

The revelation of God's love in Christ is the only hope of the world.

More than anything else, men and women need to encounter the goodness of God, which leads to repentance (Romans 2:4). The grace of God is the only power that is powerful enough to turn us from our enmity toward one another. Our world desperately needs the gospel.

In this yearend report, we are eager to share with you some of what Light Bearers has been up to in 2016 to disseminate the gospel. It is your support that makes all of this possible. So thank you for your partnership in ministry with us.

On behalf of the entire Light Bearers team,

A handwritten signature in white ink that reads "Ty Gibson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Ty Gibson

## TABLE TALK

In its fourth season, *Table Talk* continues to impact thousands of viewers. *Table Talk* is an unscripted discussion of Bible topics between James Rafferty, David Asscherick, Jeffrey Rosario, and Ty Gibson. This year we filmed thirteen episodes on the prophecies of Daniel and Revelation. The Holy Spirit came upon the discussion with clarity and power. In 2017, *Table Talk* will begin airing on Hope Channel via DIRECTV, making it available to nearly 20 million new homes.

## TRUTH LINK

Lives are being transformed around the world through the groundbreaking *Truth Link* Bible lesson series. It is a special point of rejoicing that teenagers and young adults are testifying that *Truth Link* has made God understandable to them with a beauty they have never known. The Inter-European Division has embarked upon a mission to translate and publish *Truth Link* in all the major languages of Europe. So far they have completed German, Spanish, Italian, Romanian, French, Bulgarian, and Portuguese.

## SALVATION IN SYMBOLS AND SIGNS

*Salvation in Symbols and Signs* is a brand new program airing *daily* on the 3ABN Dare to Dream Network and twice weekly on the 3ABN channel. It is a simple yet comprehensive verse-by-verse study on the book of Revelation. The format for the program is a *Table Talk*-style conversation with four participants, including Ivor Myers, Yvonne Lewis, Jason Bradley, and James Rafferty. The idea behind the program is to discover God's gracious plan of salvation among the symbols and signs of the prophetic book of Revelation. The response has been super and the plan is to move to the book of Daniel next.

## CONVOCATION

Imagine if you can a four-day intensive series of 21 meetings covering the prophetic books of Daniel and Revelation. That was the task before us this past summer at the 32nd annual Light Bearers Convocation. Daniel 11, Revelation 13, and even Revelation 17—some of the most challenging biblical prophecies—were covered in the context of the *Covenant Kingdom* and the everlasting gospel. God blessed each meeting and the messages are available on DVD for spiritual encouragement or as a group study tool.

## ADVENTIST PIONEER LIBRARY

Adventist Pioneer Library (APL) is a special ministry of Light Bearers devoted to arousing interest in the history of the Advent Movement and providing the writings of Adventist pioneers through various media. In 2016 we republished four more English titles, *Daniel and the Revelation* (1896, Uriah Smith), *Great Empires of Prophecy* (1898, A. T. Jones), *The Peril of the Republic of the United States of America* (1899, P. T. Magan), and *Ecclesiastical Empire* (1901, A. T. Jones). Please explore APL resources by visiting [aplib.org](http://aplib.org).

## ARISE

In a world driven by entropy, there are few things that get better with time: ARISE, Light Bearers discipleship training program, is one of them. Firing on all cylinders, our fifteenth ARISE class blazed through The Story, our Scriptural narrative-based curriculum, fully engaged in the learning process and sensitive to the softening influence of God's love.

In addition to door knocking and Bible studies, the students participated in three major evangelistic events: Hope Trending, a live series of presentations on how to live without fear; CRAVE, a three-day seminar that explores our God-shaped desires as human beings; and Impact Your Health Eugene, a two-day clinic providing free dental, eye, and medical care to the community. In total, the students each logged 150+ hours of outreach.

The Holy Spirit also moved this year in ARISE Australia, with five contacts in the community committing to baptism and 18 out of the 30 students deciding to be baptized or re-baptized. The conference also hired 17 graduates as Bible workers to help local churches continue making disciples.

ARISE Australia showed me that purpose in life comes when you spend time in the Word and share your faith in Jesus and His love for humanity. *-Jo-Ann Lemon*

## 2016 INTERNSHIP

Running a paradigm-shifting program like ARISE only propels our passion for discipleship further, which is why we continued our internship program this year with four students from the 2015 ARISE class. These young adults poured themselves into the community and Storyline Adventist Church plant as they led out in follow-up Bible studies and creative endeavors, like the Solidarity Project, an awareness initiative launched in April on the University of Oregon campus in honor of Sexual Assault Awareness Month. This tight-knit crew rose above and beyond our expectations, making 2016 a year to remember.

## ARISE 2017

If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about becoming a disciple for Jesus, check out the dates and details of our 2017 programs at [lightbearers.org/arise](http://lightbearers.org/arise).

# GLOBAL IMPACT IN 2017



## ARISE USA

22 students and 4 interns served 600 people in a health clinic, facilitated six Watch Parties for Hope Trending and participated in an evangelistic event called CRAVE.

## NORTH CENTRAL NIGERIA CONFERENCE, ABUJA, NIGERIA

Discover guides, Daniel and Revelation studies, Ellen White books, including *Great Controversy*, Bibles.



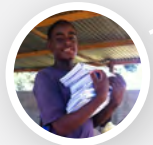
## MISSION AU BENIN, COTONOU, BENIN

French Daniel and Revelation studies, French *To All the World* and *Secrets of Peace* magazines, English Muslim studies.



## CENTRAL AFRICAN UNION MISSION, BRAZZAVILLE, REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO

French *Discover* guides, French Daniel and Revelation studies, English Muslim studies, French *To All the World* and *Secrets of Peace* magazines.



## RIVERSIDE FARM INSTITUTE, KAFUE, ZAMBIA

Tonga *Discover* guides, English *Discover* guides, Ellen White books, including *Great Controversy*, Bibles.



## NORTHERN CONFERENCE, GAUTENG, SOUTH AFRICA

Portuguese Daniel studies, Revelation and Daniel studies, *Great Controversy* books, Bibles, *Great Second Advent* books.



## 2017 LITERATURE REQUESTS (SO FAR):

- 📖 Rwanda (prep for Ted Wilson meetings)
- 📖 Uganda (prep for 2018 Ted Wilson meetings)
- 📖 Tanzania (prep for 2018 Ted Wilson meetings)
- 📖 Tanzania
- 📖 Trinidad & Tobago
- 📖 South Africa
- 📖 India
- 📖 Madagascar



## TRUTH LINK IN EUROPE

*Truth Link* has been translated into German, Spanish, Italian, Romanian, French, Bulgarian, Portuguese and is available across Europe.

## NEGROS OCCIDENTAL CONFERENCE, BACOLOD CITY, PHILIPPINES

Discover guides, Daniel and Revelation studies, Ellen White books, including *Great Controversy*, Bibles.



## WEST TANZANIA CONFERENCE, KIGOMA, TANZANIA

Swahili *Bible Speaks* studies, Swahili *Discover* guides, Swahili *Hidden Wisdom* studies.



## MAGOMENI SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH, DAR ES SALAAM, TANZANIA

Swahili *Bible Speaks* studies, Swahili *Discover* guide studies, Bibles.



## KIBIDULA FARM, IRINGA, TANZANIA

Swahili *Bible Speaks* studies, Swahili *Discover* guides, Swahili *Hidden Wisdom* studies.



## ASI ZIMBABWE, HARARE, ZIMBABWE

Discover guides, Daniel and Revelation studies, Ellen White books, including *Great Controversy*, Bibles.



## NORTHERN CONFERENCE (ABUNDANT LIFE), GAUTENG, SOUTH AFRICA

Discover guides, Daniel and Revelation studies, Ellen White books, including *Great Controversy*, Bibles.



## TRUTH LINK IN AUSTRALIA

*Truth Link* is available in ABCs across Australia.

## ARISE AUSTRALIA

17 of the 30 graduates were hired by the North New South Wales Conference as Bible workers.





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