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PRESIDENT'S LETTER | Greg Morikone



Dear 3ABN Family,

It's a cold December morning as I sit spreading peanut butter on my toast at our breakfast table. But the toast is not complete until I grab the bottle of honey and squeeze out the delicious spread onto the peanut butter!

Enjoying the warmth of the house and savoring the rich flavor of local honey, I was reminded of Dad and I harvesting the honey from our hive. It was a hot late summer day as we put on our bee suits to keep from being stung, and when we opened the hive, we discovered the bees had been very busy. There was a great deal of honey!

As beekeepers, we don't take all the honey from the hive because bees need some to feed on during the winter. All summer, they work hard storing up honey so they can survive the long cold winter.

When the temperature gets cold, the bees gather together to stay warm, and this cluster moves to their food source. This is how bees survive the winter until the spring flowers start to bloom.

I'm reminded that just as it takes bees working together to keep a hive alive and thriving, so it is with us—we must work together in order to keep God's message going strong to the world! We each have our part to play.

Thank you for helping to keep 3ABN going and growing in 2024. Your special year-end gifts make it possible for us to start 2025 strong. Thank you for being part of the 3ABN family. Together, we are helping others learn about Jesus' soon return. May God bless you abundantly—now, and in the coming year!

Greg Morikone
3ABN President



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WHEREVER HE GOES

GYC 2024

by Bobby Davis

We are preparing for this year's coverage of the Generation. Youth. Christ. (GYC) Conference in Columbus, Ohio, where thousands of young people will gather for five days of worship, discipleship, and fellowship. Their theme this year is "Wherever He Goes"—a powerful call to follow the Lamb of God.

"Our conference is going to be focusing particularly on the closing scenes of the life of Jesus," says GYC President, Pastor Andrew Park. "We will be paralleling Christ's life with the history of the Adventist Movement, and with these two histories together, our prayer is that the Holy Spirit will drive home the message of Scripture into the lives of our participants as end-time disciples."

Worship and Fellowship

From morning to evening, participants immerse themselves in God's presence through prayer and worship, leaving worldly distractions behind. The intense earnestness of the Prayer Room strengthens their faith in God, as does the inspiring music and praise that are part of each program. Many say that GYC offers them a glimpse of Heaven, and the powerful

spiritual encounters they have spark a passion in their hearts for daily communion with God.

Fellowship is another important aspect of the conference as each participant has a chance to connect with like-minded Adventist young adults and build lasting friendships.

"One of the important aspects of GYC is the intentional 'afterglow' time that gives them time to connect with each other in a more meaningful way," says Pastor Park. "As they're surrounded by peers who understand their faith journey, they draw strength from their commitment to God."

Discipleship

But perhaps the most important aspect of this conference is that it offers each person a chance to discover new avenues to serve the Lord. They gain wisdom from experienced spiritual mentors on how to navigate life's challenges and enhance their biblical understanding, and the exhibit hall offers them many ways in which they can serve others.

"Apart from the things we are looking forward to in our Prayer Room, exhibit hall, and seminars, we will have multiple

Inspiring messages, earnest prayer, and amazing witnessing opportunities await those who attend the GYC Conference this year in Columbus, Ohio. You can watch it live on 3ABN from December 27–31.

service project options during Evangelism Day," Pastor Parks continues. "We'll have literature distribution, as well as surveys for future Bible studies. We'll have training on how to give those Bible studies, and ideas for digital evangelism. And then, of course, we'll also be packing boxes with items for those we come across who are in need when we go door-to-door."

3ABN Broadcasts

3ABN President, Greg Morikone and his wife Jill are looking forward to this event. "3ABN believes in the ministry of GYC, and what a blessing it is to see young people so enthusiastic about evangelism and Bible study," Greg says. "It is only because of the support of our viewers and listeners that we can travel with our 3ABN production trucks to GYC each year and bring you this inspiring, Bible-based programming!"

Jill agrees. "Yes, what a blessing to see the young people attend GYC, so on fire for God and eager to witness! 3ABN has been privileged to carry these conventions live since 2004, and each year we are uplifted and inspired, too. We believe in the mission and message of GYC and invite you to pray for a special outpouring of God's Holy Spirit in Columbus!"

So, make plans to tune in. Let's choose to follow Jesus "Wherever He Goes." ☺



3ABN BROADCAST SCHEDULE

GYC 2024 – "Wherever He Goes"

Friday, December 27

6:00 p.m. Keynote Address - Andrew Park

Saturday, December 28

7:30 a.m. Morning Devotional - Charissa Torossian

9:00 a.m. Sabbath School

10:15 a.m. Divine Service - Chester Clark

6:00 p.m. Evening Plenary - Kameron Devasher

Sunday, December 29

7:30 a.m. Morning Devotional - Charissa Torossian

6:00 p.m. Evening Plenary - Kameron Devasher

Monday, December 30

7:30 a.m. Morning Devotional - Charissa Torossian

6:00 p.m. Evening Plenary - Kameron Devasher

Tuesday, December 31

8:30 a.m. Final Charge - Shane Anderson

ALL TIMES CENTRAL



Perfect Timing

by Kristina Clinton

For Andrés Iglesias and his wife Ana Salgas, the journey to 3ABN is a story of divine intervention, faith, and God's perfect timing. Both were raised in the Western Province of Pinar del Río, Cuba, and their lives have been shaped by their trust in God, from their roots in Cuba to their current roles at 3ABN Latino.

Ana was raised in the Seventh-day Adventist faith, along with her older brother Jaciel. Her father was a music professor, and her mother was a homemaker. Ana's early exposure led her to earn a degree in music, specializing in violin.

Andrés was raised by his mother and grandmother, and grew up without knowing his father until he was 15. During his second year of college, where he studied computer science, he was introduced to the Adventist church, sparking his spiritual journey.

A Love Story in Cuba

In 2008, Andrés and Ana's paths crossed in a significant way, when as he prepared to be baptized into the Adventist faith, Ana was invited to sing at his baptism. Although they had never spoken before that day, Andrés showed an interest in Ana. After hearing her sing, he began downloading and sharing background music for her to sing at church, which created opportunities for them to spend time together. This marked the beginning of their friendship, and their relationship blossomed, leading to their marriage five years later on Christmas Eve of 2013.

In search of better opportunities, the couple left Cuba for Ecuador when Andres was 28, and Ana was 21. Their journey then brought them to the United States, where they arrived in Florida in August 2015. How they got to the United States

was nothing short of miraculous—a story of faith in itself, and an indication that God had a special work for them in mind.

"God has been so good to us since He brought us here."



The Call to 3ABN

While living in Florida, Andrés found work at a software company, but felt an emptiness he couldn't shake. "I felt a void that I could not fill," he recalls. "In my heart, I felt called to something different—to work for God. I longed for a more peaceful life in the country, and my concerns about city life and my desire to work for God grew stronger after the birth of our first son Christopher in 2017.

During this time, 3ABN Latino was a constant presence in their home. Andrés would leave the TV playing 3ABN Latino programs—even when they were not there.

One particular day, after enduring the usual long hours in traffic for a 15-mile commute, he arrived home just in time to hear Idalia Dinzey announce that 3ABN Latino was looking for video editors.

"What I found interesting is that at the precise moment I walked in the door, the first thing I heard was, 'We need video editors,'" Andres explains. "If I had walked in a second earlier or later, I wouldn't have heard the announcement. That day, God orchestrated everything—including the traffic and traffic lights—so I would arrive and hear those words at that precise moment!"

The very next day, Andrés sent 3ABN Latino an email with his résumé, expressing his desire to work for God. That moment of faith marked the beginning of their journey at 3ABN.

Andrés currently serves as Head Video Editor for the Spanish network. His chosen

career and desire to work for God finally converged in a way that fulfills him, both spiritually and professionally. "It is, without a doubt, one of the best things that has ever happened in my life," he says. "God has been so good to us since He brought us here."

Ana also found her calling at 3ABN. The position of Production Coordinator for 3ABN Latino is a natural fit for her. Together, Andrés and Ana have embraced their work and are grateful for the opportunity to serve in a ministry that not only strengthens their faith, but also gives them a platform to share the gospel with others.

Family and Ministry

God blessed this wonderful couple with the birth of their second son Andrew in 2021, here in Illinois. As they look back on their journey, Andrés and Ana are filled with gratitude. "3ABN has been a source of spiritual learning, building our faith and motivating us to live according to God's will," Andrés says. "It's given us a space to grow in the knowledge and love of Christ."

We are truly blessed to have Andrés, Ana, and their children as part of our 3ABN family. Their work here has enabled them to impact countless others, and we look forward to the many ways God will continue to use them in His service. ☺

Andrés and Ana are raising their boys, Christopher (right) and Andrew (middle) to love Jesus. We are so glad they are part of our 3ABN Family!



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Training Disciples

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“Our goal is for these followers of Christ to be ‘set on fire’ with the Holy Spirit,” says 3ABN School of Discipleship Coordinator, Ryan Day. “We want them to burn so brightly that when they return, they’ll start ‘house fires’ in their homes, ‘church fires’ in their churches, and ‘community fires’ where they live!”

“Our students learn how to study their Bibles and dig deeply into the subject of the great controversy between God and Satan,” he continues. “They study Church history and learn how to implement health ministry in their communities, too. This time, we’re putting more emphasis on apologetics, providing extended training in the area of defending the faith, since they’ll sometimes be confronted with difficult questions. We want them to be able to respond in a Christ-like manner, with the Bible as their only source of truth. There will also be more emphasis on evangelism, and we’ll give them practical lessons on being a great witness when conducting Bible studies and having spiritual conversations with people.

“Each morning, we provide special training during our ‘Early Will I Seek Him’ time. We take a practical approach to prayer, then go into 3ABN’s Worship Center to practice what we’ve learned. Each evening, our students can also get extra one-on-one time with their instructors to ask questions, pray with them, or seek spiritual advice.”

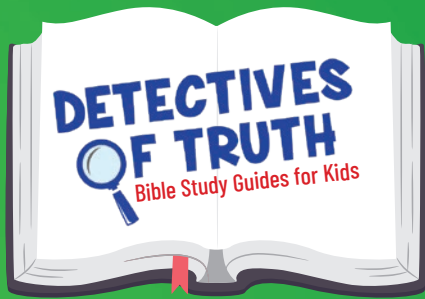
Pastor James Rafferty, 3ABN’s Director of Discipleship, says, “In 1985, I learned how to study the Bible, and that changed my life. In the same way, 3ABN SOD is an opportunity for those who attend to learn those same principles—and it’s exciting to watch how it changes their lives, too!”

Assistant Coordinator, Ian Vandervalk, agrees. “There’s something special about connecting and walking beside them on their journey,” he says. “Each student comes with specific expectations, but God always surpasses those and gives them so much more!”

Later, our greatest joy is to hear how God continues to work in their lives.”



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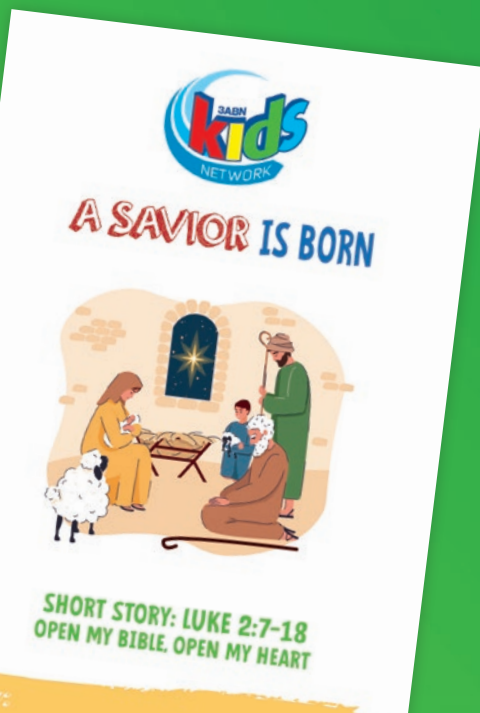
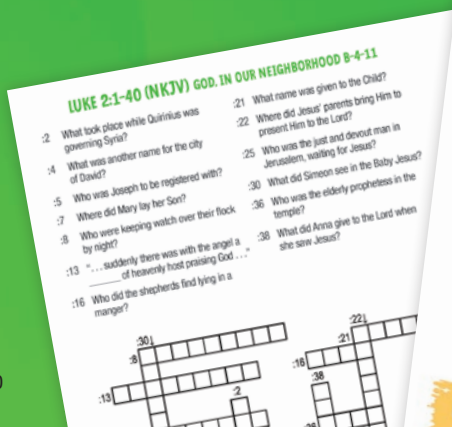
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The WORD of Their Testimony

God has given us the power to speak—and when we speak of what Jesus has done for us, we not only reveal His work in our lives, but inspire others to seek Him, too. In this way, our testimonies have the power to strengthen their faith.

Revelation 12:11 says, “And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony” That means our testimonies are crucial to overcome the enemy, break the chains of addiction and sin, and give us victory!

The Bible says that after Jesus cast out a man’s demons, he instructed him, “Go home to your friends, and tell them what great things the Lord has done for you, and how He has had compassion on you” (Mark 5:19).

Is there anything more beautiful than a testimony of how God has saved us from a life of sin and brought us into His marvelous light? With that in mind, 3ABN will soon begin airing a brand-new program featuring the powerful testimonies of viewers and listeners who have found the saving grace of God through 3ABN’s ministry, have surrendered to Him, and have had their lives transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit!

You’ll marvel at how God reached down to those who were so low, and those who were desperately searching, to bring them hope. You’ll hear the miracles He performed to bring them 3ABN’s life-saving programs—against all odds.

Our production crew has been traveling across the United States gathering these stories for a new program hosted by Greg and Jill Morikone. It will air on Friday nights next year, and feature stories of changed lives, and the excitement they feel about sharing this message with others!

We’ll be telling you more about this new series, soon, but in the meantime, if you have a story of how God used 3ABN to bring new truth, salvation, or healing into your life, please send it to mail@3abn.org. The word of *your* testimony has the power to save lives, too! ☺



Our new testimonies program will feature fresh stories of changed lives, including amazing testimonies from (top to bottom) Winn, Meg, and Aniah.

WE GET GOOD NEWS!

We look forward to the mail every day because we know we'll be reading about changed lives and miracles! Here are just a few of the ones we've received from our 3ABN Family recently.

FREE BEHIND THE WALLS

Letters like this one from **Eugene** make our prison work so rewarding! He writes, "I've been occupied reading your 3ABN Bible Study Guides, and they've changed my life. My biblical understanding has increased—and I'm not left with unanswered questions! I've been guided on the right path and I want to be a living testimony, now that I am a child of God and a true believer. Please send me more study guides and a Bible, and please make me a member of your family."

Beau in Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas, writes, "I'm very grateful for the literature I've received from your ministry while here in the United States Disciplinary Barracks. They've helped me grow closer to my Lord Jesus Christ and embrace the Sabbath truth. These materials lit the fire of the Holy Spirit in me, and I've invited other inmates to fellowship, attend regular worship and Bible studies, and observe the Sabbath with me. Keep spreading the gospel to the world!"

James is also incarcerated at Leavenworth, and writes, "I have great news! Our Christian family has increased by two

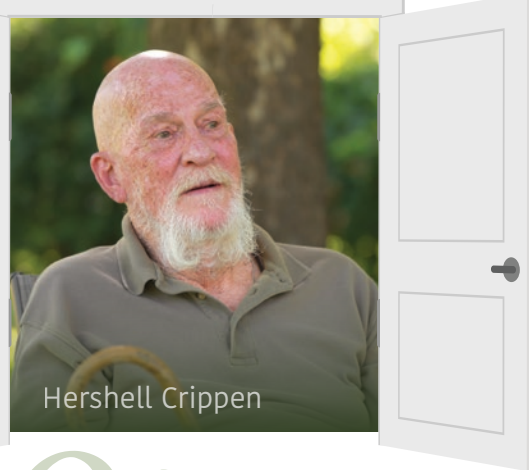
brothers! One young man told me he was an atheist, but when I shared the Bible and the three angels' messages of Revelation 14, I answered questions he's had for years. He said he'd completely given up on God because of contradictions he'd heard. But when I explained the Sabbath, the 2,300-year prophecy, the state of the dead, and the truth about hell, he accepted it all and said, 'I am now a new believer!' I see the change in him and this young man is *on fire for Jesus*! I praised the Lord for sending me to prison, and the Holy Spirit for using me as a vessel to deliver His Words. I'm humbled and honored."

FROM NEAR AND FAR

Betty from DeWitt, Iowa, says, "I'm soon to be 98 years old and wanted to tell you what a wonderful job you are doing. I can't get to church every week, so 3ABN is such a blessing. Please use this small donation where it's needed the most."

And finally, **Jill in Bolivia**, writes, "I want to express my deep gratitude for your channel. 3ABN has and continues to be a tremendous blessing to our home and you have positively impacted our lives in ways words cannot fully describe. Thank you for all you do."

Thanks to your prayers and support, these lives have been changed forever! ☺



Hershell Crippen

DOORS WIDE OPEN

Hershell Crippen's life is not easy, but he's grateful he found a wonderful relationship with Jesus.

"I didn't find the Lord until I was 'three-score-and-ten,'" he says. "That's when I found an old pastor called Arnold Murray who had a TV program called *The Shepherd's Chapel*. He was a Sabbath-keeper, but I didn't even know what the Sabbath was back then. After he passed away, I was surfing channels and found 3ABN. Lonnie Melashenko had dark hair back then, and Doug Batchelor looked like he was 20-something! But their sermons were Bible-based, and I was hooked. 3ABN backs up what they're saying with Scripture, and you can't get any truer than that!"

"Then, I heard the Holy Spirit urging me to get baptized. So I talked to my Seventh-day Adventist pastor. I explained that I have some mental difficulties that keep me from

attending regular church services because I can't handle being around that many people. He agreed to baptize me and told me I was welcome to worship with them anytime. I honestly would if I could, but unfortunately, I guess my head is the 'thorn in my flesh'

Paul wrote about. But the Lord says, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness' (2 Corinthians 12:9), so I live with what I have and do the best I can—and I watch 3ABN every day.

"I've been sharing with my son and his wife, and we've been having Bible studies at my home every Sabbath! I don't know how many days I have left, but I hope they carry on when I'm gone. I hope I can get them to go to church, too.

"The Bible says the gospel will be preached to everyone before the end comes, and 3ABN is making a pretty good effort to do that. I want to be one of those who gets raised up out of the ground when the Lord comes so I can meet Him in the air. And if

my children are around, I want them to be caught up in the air with us, too. I encourage everybody I know to watch 3ABN no matter what church they go to, because if you do,

you're going to get the truth—and the truth will make you free (John 8:32).

"I was a lost soul for 70 years, but I finally woke up and saw the light. Pastor Arnold Murray opened the door for me, but 3ABN swung those doors wide open!" ☺

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Heavenly Treasures

Addie Weesner

PHOTOS: SVETLANA CHRISTIAN

We're happy to welcome Addie Weesner to her new position as 3ABN's Donation Center Manager. Since 2019, Addie and her husband Eric have faithfully served the Lord and this ministry in several capacities. Eric began working in our production department, and now is our 3ABN Plant Services Manager, while Addie began working in our Programming Department, but in 2022, began working for Bruce Chance in our 3ABN Donation Center.

When you meet Addie, you can't help but notice her smile as well as her humble and peaceful spirit. She loves Jesus, and is always eager to help in whatever way she can. In fact, when she began working in our Donation Center, she said, "As I looked at each item, I prayed, *Lord, give us the right buyer for this item.* And praise God, He answered those prayers!"

"Most of us accumulate a lot of things over our lifetime, and yet, at some point, we realize we can't take our collections with us to Heaven. Colossians 3:2 says, 'Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth,' and Matthew 6:21 says, 'For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.' So I pray for the Holy Spirit to speak to the hearts of those He chooses, urging them to give some of what they have to benefit the Lord's work here on Earth.

"We are grateful for each donation and realize that sometimes, letting go of those treasured things is difficult because it reminds us of someone we love. But if you feel impressed to send them in to further His work, we are committed to getting the best price for each item that we possibly can. We'll cover each item—and each of you—in prayer, and the Lord will surely bless your gifts. It is a privilege to work for the Lord, and He deserves our best. He will bless our gifts to help reach the world with the gospel."

If you feel impressed to donate something of value, please call Addie at (618)

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Caramelized Plantains

by Michelle Mena

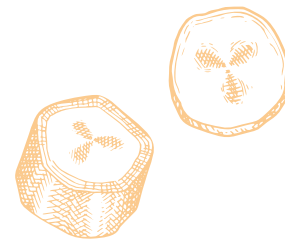
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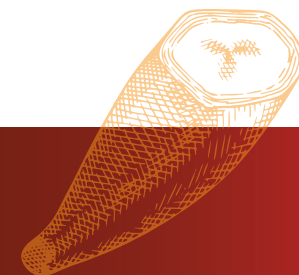
- 3 ripe plantains
- 4 Tbsp oil
- 1 cup water
- ½ cup brown sugar
- 1 tsp cinnamon
- 1 tsp vanilla
- pinch of salt

DIRECTIONS

1. Cut plantains into 3–4 pieces, and then in half, lengthwise. Sauté them in oil, turning constantly, until brown on all sides.
2. In another sauté pan, add water and all other ingredients and bring to a boil.
3. When mixture thickens, add fried plantains, making sure they are fully cooked and caramelized before serving.



Michelle Mena loves to cook for her family and friends and is the owner of Chelle's Vegan Delights in Iron City, Tennessee.



For more great recipes visit 3ABNRecipes.org



Find this cooking video on 3ABNPlus.tv! Just look for "Christmas with the Menas" (TDYC220010)

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