Ministry Mission Update

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Adventist Pioneer Library

The call

God gave to His people an extremely important mission in the great plan of Redemption. But, as time passes, people tend to forget their history and mission. And it is no different with us. Our history, as Seventh-day Adventists, is marked by God's providences, but many today have no idea of who we are as a people and how God has led in the early days of our work. If we forget our history, how can we fulfill our God-given mission?

Foreseeing this great problem, the Lord has instructed us to republish the writings of the pioneers in our Movement, who saw the dealings of God with His people and were immersed in our mission:

"The standard-bearers who have fallen in death, are to speak through the *reprinting* of their writings ... to bear their testimony as to what constitutes truth for this time"—Ellen G. White, *Counsels to Writers and Editors*, p. 32.

"We are to *repeat* the words of the pioneers in our work, who knew what it cost to search for the truth as for hidden treasure, and who labored to lay the foundation of our work"—Ellen G. White, *Review and Herald*, May 25, 1905.

"The record of the experience through which the people of God passed in the early history of our work must be *republished*"—Ellen G. White, *Letter* 105, 1903.

The response

In attempting to fulfill this calling, the Adventist Pioneer Library was formed. Our work involves scanning the old books published by our SDA pioneers and converting the scanned images into digital text. Once that is finished, we redesign the books for publishing and prepare for them brand-new covers, which are appealing to our generation. We then publish the books on Amazon, bringing the books "back to life". As a result, the Adventist pioneer books, after being out of print for over a century, are made easily accessible to people *today*.

And here comes a very important step connecting these writings to our digital generation: once the books are published on Amazon, we also release them in digital formats (PDF, ePub, Mobi, etc.) in order to reach as many as possible. These digital formats are made available for free on <u>aplib.org</u>. But that's not all! Through a partnership between the Adventist Pioneer Library and EllenWhiteAudio.org, in addition to republishing the text formats of these pioneer books, we are now narrating and distributing them in audio format (mp3). So, with all these different formats, millions of people have access to both the text and the audio versions of our Adventist pioneer writings.

Fred Bischoff (1949-2019) Former Director of the Adventist Pioneer Library



In Summary



Narration of Ellen White and other SDA pioneer books



Adventist Pioneer Library

Scanning, converting to digital text, republishing SDA pioneer books

- 2008 EllenWhiteAudio.org formed with two members in Loma Linda, California
 - By the end of 2008, there were audiobooks in already five languages on the website (English, Portuguese, Spanish, Romanian, Serbian)
- 2009 Chinese language added
 - Partnership with Adventist Pioneer Library in order to narrate and distribute the pioneer writings
- 2010 Several new books added in different languages
 - Russian language added
- 2011 French and Hebrew languages added
- 2012 Pioneer audiobooks added – Pioneer eBooks added
- 2013 The website gains a new look
- 2015 EGW devotionals added
 - Italian language added
- 2016 German language added
- 2017 Khmer, Malayalam, and Korean languages added
- 2018 Arabic language added
- 2019 Swahili and Kinyarwanda languages added
- 2020 The website gains a new look
- 2021 Farsi language added
 - Created the Madison International Training Center in Brazil in a partnership with APL in order to train young people on publishing and self-support

- 1988 Pioneer Compact Disc Committee formed with four members in Loma Linda, California
- 1991 Began to publish the periodical Lest We Forget
 - Changed name to Adventist Pioneer Library
- 1992 First reprinting of a pioneer book: *The Great Second Advent Movement*, by J. N. Loughborough
- 1993 First edition of the CD-ROM entitled "Words of the Pioneers", with 160 books, sermons and articles, and 12 volumes of the *Advent Review and Sabbath Herald*
- 1995 Second edition of the CD-ROM with two times as much content as the first edition
- 2005 Partnership with between the Adventist Pioneer Library and the Ellen G. White Estate, making a bundle of the two CDs, and signing of working agreement to produce and publish the third edition together
- 2009 White Estate published a CD entitled "Ellen G. White Comprehensive Research Edition 2008 CD-ROM", containing the pioneer writings
 - Partnership with EllenWhiteAudio.org in order to narrate and distribute the pioneer writings
- 2013 Started producing new books and publishing on Amazon
- 2019 Fred Bischoff, Director of the Adventist Pioneer Library, passed away
- 2020 Ministry received a donated property in Brazil on which to establish its headquarters
- 2021 Created the Madison International Training Center in a partnership with EllenWhiteAudio in order to train young people on publishing and self-support
- 2022 Slovenian language added

The Madison International Training Center

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Digital media and manual labor training school for young missionaries



Recording conferences



Our students recorded the OCI Brazil in Jan. 2023.

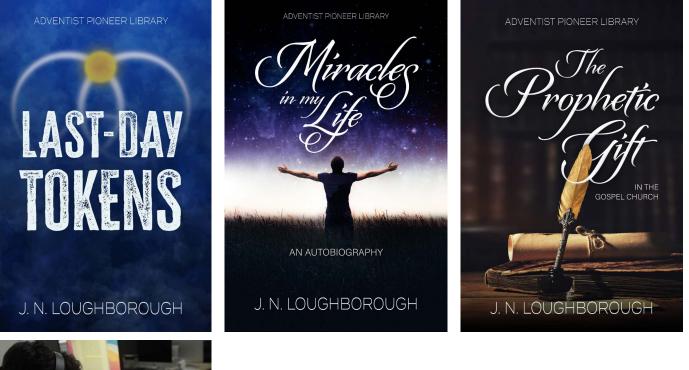
Ministry report at OCI Brazil.



Students manning the our booths.



Fruits and tomatoes from our garden. We're finally self-sufficient regarding bananas.





Some of the new books we have recently republished

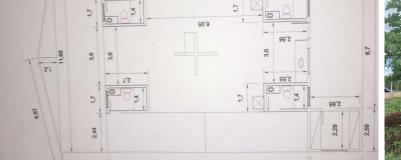


All these book covers were produced by our students.

Preparation to build the guys dormitory



Here we're planning to build a dormitory for up to 26 young men.





Guys dormitory blueprint.

Fruit trees on the sides and ready to plant corn in the middle.



Fruits brought from Cassava roots. our garden.

Banana trees.

A 7-pound pineapple from our garden!

Aerial views



Aerial view of the ministry. The cafeteria is being built on the top-left.



Dragon-fruit from our garden — God is really blessing us!



Our cafeteria being prepared to serve students, workers and regional conferences.



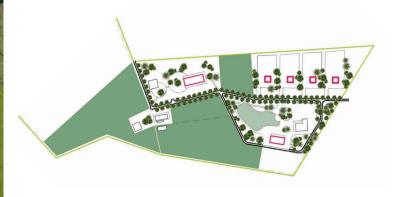
Eating lunch on our way to OCI Brazil.



Students doing outreach in a town nearby.



Aerial view of cafeteria.



Landscape plan for the ministry.

We prepared a video for you

Click on the link to view a video prepared by our students about our Training Center:



https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=FRsKilwRWgk

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By God's grace, the work of promoting the pioneer writings and the EGW audiobooks is advancing well and many people are being blessed by it. As we try to advance and reach more people, we are in need of expanding the facilities to have room for more students and workers.

We are now quite advanced in the construction of our cafeteria, and are now beginning to build our guys dormitory. The cafeteria is being built with the purpose of sitting more people, making it possible to host some regional conferences here at the ministry.

We have recorded several conferences this past and current year, and are planning to host a regional GYC here in the second half of 2023. We've been busy working on publishing several new pioneer titles, including the whole of the Religious Liberty Library (24 titles) in two volumes, which we have recently released on Amazon:

Volume 1: <u>https://www.amazon.com/Religious-Library-Alonzo-Tr%C3%A9vier-Jones/dp/1614551324/</u> Volume 2: <u>https://www.amazon.com/Religious-Liberty-Library-Alonzo-Tr%C3%A9vier/dp/1614551332/</u>

We've begun our wood-working section and are producing our own furniture. We're producing all the bananas and papayas we need, and hope to have a lot more and be self-sufficient in several other food needs. In the new cafeteria, which we hope to finish in about 3 months, we plan to start our production of healthful foods, which will help support the ministry.

But our funds are running out, and there is so much still to be done. If you have been blessed as a result of this work, please, consider supporting this project.

May God abundantly bless you and we thank you in advance.

Uriel Vidal

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