

GREAT CONTROVERSY PROJECT NEWS

HOPE INTO EVERY HOME

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30-second Spot: Jairyong Lee

This book tells us that we are living in the last days, and that we have to prepare for the Second Coming of Jesus Christ. I'm sure this project will have a great impact in the lives of our church members, and also in the lives of many people in the world.

The Great Controversy Project is a tremendous project, because this book gives hope to people who are living in a world of hopelessness. It's important to distribute this precious book to millions of people in the world who are living in a spiritual darkness.

Jairyong Lee | NSD President

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College Students and Faculty Donate more than 63,000 Books



Northeast Brazil College, located in Cachoeira, Bahia, has decided to dive into the Great Controversy Project. Regional church leaders challenged the college to

deliver the book to more than 180,000 homes in its region. The college responded fearlessly and decided to use the force of its nearly 4,000 students to lead the project in the region.

We set a target of 130,000 copies of the book to be donated by students, staff, and members of the institution's community. In two days of campaigning, there have been commitments to donate almost 70,000 books. Of those, 25,000 books are being donated by the students of theological school, and more than 38,000 by workers.

We hope to reach our goal soon, as there is a strong commitment to mission on our campus.

Gilberto Damasceno | Northeast Brazil College Principal

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SUD - India to Print in 18 Languages



The Great Controversy is a powerful book. I am in the church today because someone gave a copy to my father. We are very excited about the

possibility of sharing *The Great Controversy* with our friends all over India. We realize that this is going to be a major witnessing activity that will provide opportunities to invite people to discover the truth for themselves.

We have 1.2 billion people in Southern Asia Division (SUD) and more than 1.5 million members. People need the book in their own language. Translation into 18 languages is being done by the unions. The division has accepted the goal of distributing at least 1.5 million copies of the 11-chapter adaptation, with provision for readers to request the full version. Our division publishing house has begun working on this significant project with a print order of 400,000 copies in English.

Because we need to print in 18 different languages, we have the challenge of finding financial resources for this mega project. We are confi-

dent that the Lord will provide as we move forward in faith.

M. C. John | SUD Vice President & GCP Committee Chair

Participation of the Publishing Ministries



The Great Controversy Project is perhaps the greatest evangelistic thrust the Seventhday Adventist Church has undertaken. This General

Conference (GC) initiative hopes to involve every one of the 17 million church members around the globe. The goal is to bring The Great Controversy into every home.

In harmony with our department's quinquennial theme, "Bringing Hope Into Every Home," the Publishing Ministries Department is committed to participate and contribute to this project in the following areas:

Publishing Houses – Our publishing houses are now in the process of printing the book in local languages and at the lowest price possible, resulting in millions of books at a very low cost to the church. In fact, many publishing houses have decided with their workers to donate their labor for one month to lower the cost of the book even more.

Literature Evangelists – Our Literature Evangelists (LEs) will participate as "mail-carriers," carrying this book into every home they visit in the course of their work. They will leave a copy of the book in every home as a gift.

What if our 25,000 full-time and part-time LEs distributed a minimum of one book each day (20 books each month)? That would be 500,000 copies a month, and about 6 million copies a year. Normally a regular LE visits no less than 10 houses per day. We also have about 18,000 student LEs who work for at least two months each year who will be sharing this book with every prospect and customer they meet.

Do you see the potential? Howard F. Faigao | GC Publishing Ministries Director

Finding the Church that Follows God's Commands

First the Holy Bible, then Steps to Christ, then The Great Controversy: these three books changed my life. Growing up I had always believed in God and the Creation story. When I was 17, I started to wonder more about God and who He really is. My mother's church friends gave me some literature (mostly based on Psalms and Proverbs), and from there I started a reading and prayer journey that led me closer and closer to God. "So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God" (Rom. 10:17)

At age 18 (the summer before I started college) I dedicated my life to Christ and was baptized into the Adventist Church. Reading *The Great Controversy* brought me to this decision. After reading it I realized that ours is the only church *fully* following God's commands and possessing and practicing doctrines that are biblically-based and only biblically-based.

Wayne Bear works in Shanghai, China

A Thought from The Great Controversy

God had provided for His people [the Waldenses] a sanctuary of awful grandeur, befitting the mighty truths committed to their trust. To those faithful exiles the mountains were an emblem of the immutable righteousness of Jehovah. They pointed their children to the heights towering above them in unchanging majesty, and spoke to them of Him with whom there is no variableness nor shadow of turning, whose word is as enduring as the everlasting hills. God had set fast the mountains and girded them with strength: no arm but that of Infinite Power could move them out of their place. In like manner He had established His law, the foundation of His government in heaven and upon earth. The arm of man might reach his fellow men and destroy their lives; but that arm could as readily uproot the mountains from their foundations. and hurl them into the sea, as it could change one precept of the law of Jehovah, or blot out one of His promises to those who do His will. In their fidelity to His law, God's servants should be as firm as the unchanging hills (p. 66).

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