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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Thank you for your initial support of the Future for America ministry.

From July 23 through August 11, I had the privilege of sharing the prophecies of the Bible with the brethren in the Dominican Republic and Puerto Rico. The first weekend we were in Jarabacua, Dominican Republic for a 3-day camp meeting. Attendance was over 250 and the Lord blessed His Word. Unfortunately, the enthusiastic numbers of mosquitoes exceeded the numbers of enthusiastic brethren. The first night drove some of the campers out of the camp meeting site to a retreat in the mountains about 20 miles away.

After the camp meeting ended on Sunday afternoon we also moved to the mountains where we stayed in the home of a brother. That Wednesday we began a 5-day prophecy school. We had about 45 brethren attend the school, and the Lord blessed mightily. Pastor Norberto Restrepo spoke in the morning hour and we generally had 6 meetings on prophecy with an evening meeting held by either Pastor Restrepo, or his son Norberto Jr., who translated the prophecy presentations.

Of the five times during which Norberto Jr. and I have presented these prophecy schools, this particular school was the best. We covered all the material which we wanted to address, and we both had conviction that the Lord was directing our thoughts as we presented the information. During one evening meeting many of the brethren attending gave testimony that the Lord had brought truth to their hearts as never before. Some confessed to being reconverted through the material, while some confessed that they had become converted for the very first time—though professing Adventism for many years. Many false prophetic understandings were identified as such, and the conviction of the soon return of the Lord was powerfully confirmed through the prophetic Word.

On Sunday afternoon we came down out of the mountains to the capital city of Santa Domingo in order to leave for Puerto Rico the next morning. In Puerto Rico we followed the same 5-day schedule. Wednesday through Sunday, six prophecy meetings and two presentations by Pastor Restrepo. Though close in proximity, Puerto Rico and the Dominican Republic are two totally different islands and people.

The Dominican Republic is a poor country where agriculture is a normal part of almost everyone living there. Puerto Rico is also a Caribbean island, but, because it is essentially the 51st state of the United States, the poverty found in most Latin American countries does not exist. Unfortunately what is also not as easily found in Puerto Rico—as in the Dominican Republic and most other Latin American countries—is the hunger for present truth. The affluent lifestyle associated with the United States has established essentially the same Laodicean condition in Puerto Rico as is found in the rest of the United States proper. Which is the worst temptation—poverty or wealth?

Nevertheless, the Lord blessed the school in Puerto Rico as well, and about 35 brethren attended.

One brother who attended was so impressed by the material that he asked Norberto Jr. and myself to prepare a series on Daniel and Revelation for television. He has a half-hour time slot on television each Sabbath, and he wants us to prepare a series of 26-minute presentations, which he will run every Sabbath. We are arranging time and materials to begin this project before the end of the year. We solicit your prayers concerning this project, that He may grant us His wisdom in the production of this series, and that the production will be used by and glorify the Lord in the Latin American world. This television station is in the Dominican Republic, which is perhaps the most Catholic nation in the Caribbean.

On September 5th and 6th, Steve Dickie and I spoke at the Christian Fellowship of Seventh-day Adventists, in Fontana, California. Steve spoke once, plus he gave a slide presentation covering the work which Strawberry Meadows is pursuing in placing printing operations in various countries around the world. I spoke once Friday night and three times on Sabbath. The meetings were a blessing, and several brethren gave testimony of the serious implications which the material brought home to their conscience, as we emphasized the impending Sunday law in the United States.

"Christians should be preparing for what is soon to break upon the world as an overwhelming surprise, and this preparation they should make by diligently studying the Word of God and striving to conform their lives to its precepts. The tremendous issues of eternity demand of us something besides an imaginary religion, a religion of words and forms, where truth is kept in the outer court. God calls for a revival and a reformation. The words of the Bible, and the Bible alone, should be heard from the pulpit." *Lift Him Up*, 157.

Tomorrow I leave for meetings in the San Diego area with Ron Goss. Since our previous letter we have received calls for meetings in Argentina, Ecuador, Colombia, Mexico, Colorado, and a 3-week evangelistic series in the Philippines. These, added to the meetings we had already planned, are quickly filling up the itinerary for the coming months. The Argentina and Mexico trips are requesting that *Future for America* supply the funding, while the other trip invitations will provide the funding. We are praying for the Lord to supply the needs necessary to continue presenting the prophetic message wherever there is a desire to receive it.

We are still looking for property in a country setting to locate the ministry and begin a health work. At this point, we have no firm direction.

We are going into the video studio in November to put the prophetic material on tape. Norberto Restrepo Jr. is coming from Colombia to translate the material into Spanish. We are praying that we can get the entire presentation recorded in both languages during the month. If you would like to attend these presentations, give us a call and we can discuss accommodations. Video presentations, such as these, work better with a live audience. We plan on shooting from November 4–30.

We hope you have been blessed by the audio tapes. We will soon have the entire series ready for distribution, along with the complete notes, and the chart which is addressed on tapes number 4 and 5.

We have volume 5 of the *Testimonies* ready to print in Spanish, and we have \$1,000.00 of the necessary \$10,000.00 to print it. The setting up of the printing operation in Colombia, which we are helping Strawberry Meadows with, still needs \$8,000.00 to finish building the print shop. The land has been leveled and prepared for the foundation. The roofing material has been purchased, and about \$5,000.00 has been reduced from our original call for \$15,000.00. Please keep this project in your prayers.

In His Service,

Jeff Pippenger

Speaker, Future for America

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Mission Statement

The ministry of *Future for America* is proclaiming the final warning message of Revelation 14 as identified within the prophecies of the Bible and the Spirit of Prophecy. The end-time fulfillment of Bible prophecy is no longer future—for it is taking place before our eyes. The historic prophetic understanding of Seventh-day Adventism is now *present truth*. We are the final generation. Our emphasis on the **prophetic word** includes all the counsel of God's Word. To know what lies ahead is useless if we do not possess the experience to stand during these solemn times. The promises of God's Word provide that experience.

Coupled with the prophetic message, *Future for America* emphasizes all aspects of the **medical missionary** work. The "entering wedge" of medical missionary work must be practiced by those who are to finish God's work in these final hours.

In this time period, **country living** becomes more essential with each passing moment. *Future for America* upholds and promotes this end-time truth. God's people must prepare for the coming storm, and that preparation includes the experience of how to survive in a simple fashion, away from the great centers of population.

Future for America intends to distribute and print truth-filled literature, while helping to establish lay-printing operations in parts of the Lord's vineyard where faithful brethren do not have the means to raise up a printing operation with their own resources.

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