EncyAmerica / 19 20 Reasons Why America Needs the Natural Remedies Encyclopedia

Immense crises, which seemed unimaginable only 25 years ago, are today smashing into our world. Quite different, but equally crucial, problems are quietly wrapping their coils around the Advent people, enmashing them so they apparently will never be able to finish giving the final message of the third angel to the world.

The faithful weep as they contemplate the fact that genuine, powerful evangelism by a growing legion of our people increasingly seems unlikely to ever again occur. Yet this is our God-given assignment.

This brief paper is going to tell you how it can happen and how you can have a part.

There is a way that it can be done. As we will discover below, every problem confronting us today is either sidestepped or solved in the solution which will be presented. Indeed, many of the most difficult hurdles we face can actually be changed into stepping stones to success. Please, my friend, please, read on.

After you read this, prayerfully consider where you fit into this solution. Share copies of this sheet with other believers, so they also can prepare themselves to enter part-time or full-time evangelism.

1 - The worldwide shift of manufacturing to China and third-world nations is rapidly eliminating the middle class in America and Europe. While the rich are becoming richer, the great majority of people in the Western world are becoming poorer. They need help for their physical needs which they cannot afford to pay for.

2 - The rapidly worsening economic situation is affecting our own people. To an increasing degree, with the passing of time, they are going to need employment. Every month, more manufacturing, clerical, electronics, and other employees are being laid off. And the work they were doing is being sent overseas to China or third-world nations. Selling the *Encyclopedia* can provide employment for many of God's faithful ones.

3 - This same economic crunch, combined with other factors, to be mentioned later, are making it increasingly difficult for the public to afford to go to medical doctors and hospitals. They need to be able to treat their sick at home. The *Encyclopedia* can help them, month after month, at minimum expense.

4 - First-world governments will not be able to continue to underwrite medical costs for their citizens. The "entitlements" (especially Social Security payments and medical and drug assistance) are threatening to bankrupt government treasuries! Those living in third-world nations are just as desperate. People urgently need to learn how to solve their health and medical problems by themselves.

5 - Because each pill and capsule consists of a complicated mixture of poisons which damages the liver, kidneys, and other organs, the skyrocketing cost of drug medications is something of a blessing;—because, increasingly, people cannot afford to purchase them. The *Encyclopedia* only contains low-cost, simple, natural remedies.

6 - The news media repeatedly issues reports to the public about how dangerous it has become to enter a hospital or an emergency room! Heavily reduced government payments, combined with legally required but unpaid emergency room care, has produced a cash crunchwhich continually increases as more and more underpaid and unemployed citizens, illegal immigrants, and crime victims flood into the emergency rooms of the nation. As a result, hospitals are cutting every possible cost, including staffing reductions. But the increased workload on each employee has resulted in hurried activity, increased errors in drug orders (wrong drugs and/or wrong dosages), less sanitary clean-ups, contaminated invasive instruments (the tubes and metal instruments inserted into your body), and surgery mistakes. The Encyclopedia is urgently needed!

7 - Junk food, fast-food restaurants, and liquid drinks which should never enter our bodies—plus tobacco, liquor, and hard drugs—are producing a nation of people that have serious, chronic medical problems by the age of 40. Thousands want and need information on how to take better care of their bodies! They are waiting for you to come to their doors and show them something better.

8 - Fifty years ago, our denomination had many conference evangelists, salaried Bible workers, and colporteurs carrying message-filled books to the homes. Today, all three are nearly gone. Even missionary literature in the ABCs is expensive. Colporteur books containing the final messages—and available to colporteurs at the lowest cost—are urgently needed to fill the gap.

9 - An army of door-to-door workers is needed, not only a few public speakers. A new form of worldwide evangelism is needed, which does not require conference salary checks to support the workers.

10 - Our several broadcast media no longer dare give the *complete* three angels' messages publicly. Instead, they only give them in "Net" telecasts on closed-circuit telecasts heard inside our own churches, which are attended by relatively few not of our faith. Fortunately, you can take the final messages directly into the homes of the people.

11 - The present writer has repeatedly been told, con-

2 fidentially by church workers and leaders, that our denominational colporteur work is "dying out." The canvasser must purchase denominational books at such high prices, that the public is not willing to buy them for the price that he must offer them for. A radically different wholesale/retail price structure must be put in place. With the help of our kind Father in heaven, this has been done.

12 - Increasingly high fuel costs are making it more difficult to travel about and give the final messages. This is a real problem! Our people need a way to financially support their families—*in the very process of placing those messages in the homes of the people*. The *Ency-clopedia* is the answer. (1) It is available at lowest cost to the canvasser, (2) contains the special message for this time, and (3) is a book which (when they see it) the public wants.

13 - The Spirit of Prophecy told us that, when preachers are few (and *real preachers* are becoming rather scarce), we must take, what she repeatedly called, the "silent preachers" (our truth-filled books) to the world. They must be given away or sold in ever-increasing numbers. The times demand it. God will help us. He will open doors so lowest-cost, give-away books and low-cost, very saleable, attractive colporteur sales books will be made available to our people. Those doors are being opened.

14 - People want the *Encyclopedia* when it is shown to them! They recognize that it is unique, valuable, and urgently needed *in their own home*. They sense that it will, to a significant extent, reduce their health problems and enable them to deal with sickness when it arises, and, at the same time, save them money. All for the cost of one visit to the doctor. It covers over twice as many diseases (over 730) than any other natural remedies book, and is the only one with a complete hydrotherapy section.

15 - Our teenagers need a way to work for God. Many other believers are underemployed or out of work. Those who have not graduated from high school or only know Spanish can take hold of this missionary work. Mothers can use this to introduce their children to missionary work of the highest order. When our youth see that we really believe the message enough to share it, they will be less inclined to leave the truth when they get older. (Colporteur work trains a young person to be economical, self-reliant, and able to talk well and convince people of what they need.)

16 - Something is needed which our older believers can do, which can bring them a nice income. Few firms want to hire older people, yet they frequently have special financial needs.

17 - Something is needed which our believers can begin doing in their spare time, without having to immediately quit their present jobs. It should be something which they can gain professional skill at doing, before going into it full time.

18 - Something is needed which will energize our own souls and help us resist personal temptation to sin,—as

each day we rededicate our lives anew to God to help finish His work on earth. It is as we try to help others and bring them the final messages—that we ourselves will ultimately be saved. Let us leave the doldrums of just listening to people preach to us! Real religion is more than being talked to. It is time to get to work!

19 - According to repeated Spirit of Prophecy counsel, the solution consists of full-message, high-quality books which can provide you and your family with financial support as you place them in the homes. This is not just doctrinal and religious books,—but also books containing health, nutrition, and natural remedies.

20 - Using the "right arm" as the "entering wedge" to bring the final message to them is repeatedly urged in the Spirit of Prophecy as the key to evangelism—which penetrates the heart and brings the final message to the people. That is what the *Encyclopedia* does.

We are nearing the Final Crisis of the National Sunday law. Every year brings it closer. World conditions are edging everyone toward a momentous crisis of gigantic proportions. The whole world is moving toward a cliff and unable to stop the forward momentum. If ever there was a need to give the final messages to the public, it is now.

Over and over we have been told that the health/medical message will be the "right arm" of our doctrinal message. How does this "right arm" accomplish its task? The explanation is given us: the health/medical message is to be the "entering wedge." Everyone who has ever split a log knows what that is. *Wedges are powerful*. As it is pushed into the log,—it splits it open! As our health/ medical message is given to the world, *it opens the hearts of the people to our doctrinal messages*.

But some of our entering wedges are in tatters and others no longer exist. Satan has cleverly destroyed our entering wedge.

First, in almost every instance, he has *separated* our health/medical message from our doctrinal message in our physician's offices, hospitals, journals, and books.

Second, he has substituted a *different* health/medical message in place of the one given us by the God of heaven. Instead of proper diet and natural remedies, our "health message" has become weight control programs, gluten burgers, drug medication, surgery, and radiation.

In these last days, only God's divinely given blueprint for our health and medical work can restore to us the genuine "entering wedge" which will penetrate hearts and open them for the final message.

The two must dovetail together. Our religious message is knowledge of and obedience to all the moral commandments of God. Our true health/medical message is knowledge of and obedience to God's laws of nature. The three angels' message contains both. It is only proper living and diet, combined with simple, natural remedies,—which can provide us with the entering wedge to give the final messages to our world today.

For the first time in the history of the Advent movement, a book has been produced which combines both W the entering wedge and the final message: *The Natural Remedies Encyclopedia*. But other full-message books 1 are also available. And more are on the way.

The *Encyclopedia* is a single, large, hardback book which exactly fills the need of the hour: *an extremely low-cost* wholesale book (in small boxfuls of 6) which you can sell to a public which urgently needs it at enough margin of profit to support your family as you place it in the homes. Many canvassers are successfully selling this book at a comfortable margin of profit. Some are selling it for the cover price of \$85.00.

In addition, we are in the process of preparing an increasingly complete collection of other urgently needed *lowest cost*, hardback colporteur books,—which you can select from and place, along with the *Encyclopedia*, in each home.

As if that is not enough, we have, in boxful quantities, the *lowest-cost* missionary paperbacks which you can hand out free of charge (or, as some canvassers do, place it on a \$10.00 donation basis) in homes which do not purchase. In this way, you experience success in sharing the message at every home, and you continue on and on. Your sales cover your expenses, your free missionary book fund, plus a generous margin to nicely support your family. The more experience dyou become, the more sales you will have. Experience comes by practice as you pray and keep going from home to home. As you build experience in this godly, spiritually rewarding work, your personal relationship with God deepens.

As if an increased likelihood of your own salvation is not enough, there are also other rewards: Not only do you become a better person yourself, but you help your children, grandchildren, and fellow church members to realize that your religion is real. It will awaken many from their own Laodicean sleep.

As you go from door to door, you will locate individuals who are ready for Bible studies. These you will be able to refer to other believers to follow up.

Did you know that colporteur books were used to carry the message throughout Europe during the great sixteenth century Reformation? Farel and his colporteurs did it centuries ago; we can do it today!

"By colporteurs these works were sold **extensively** in France. They were **furnished to the colporteurs at a LOW PRICE**, and thus the profits of the work **enabled them to continue it**."—*Great Controversy*, 231.

Did you know that it has been predicted that a renewal of the genuine full-message bookwork will be a principal agency in giving the first, second, third,—and fourth—angels' messages to the world in the last days?

"They are among the agencies represented by the **[first] angel** flying 'in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people, saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to Him; for the hour of His judgment is come.' Revelation 14:6, 7.

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tion [from the **second angel**]: 'Babylon is fallen, is **3** fallen, that great city, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication.' Verse 8.

"They are represented by the **third angel** that followed, 'saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand, the same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God.' Verses 9, 10.

"And **in a large degree** through our publishing houses is to be accomplished the work of that other **[the fourth] angel** who comes down from heaven with great power and who lightens the earth with his glory.

"Solemn is the responsibility that rests upon our houses of publication."—7 *Testimonies*, 140 (1902).

Read the whole chapter. Is this God-given work something you want to be part of?

Colporteur training is available. Every hurdle is being torn down, every possibility for success is being opened up. The future is bright. We are working with the angels.

Decades ago, we had many missionary workers and canvassers. But times have changed. The world has changed and the church has changed.

But, in spite of seeming difficulties, we must confront our task squarely in the face—and set to work. We must not loiter. God has assigned us our work: We must give the message. Either buy the low-cost books and hand them out, or purchase the hardbacks and sell them. We must not go back to sleep as so many around us. We must go out and share the special message for this time, regardless of what others may say.

There is now a way we can financially share that message. Will you take hold of the work, or will you accept the whispered suggestion that you should wait till later. I agree that delay is a pleasant thought, but is it the right thought? Who is telling you to hesitate?

In what way will that "later time" be more favorable? Will the impression of the Holy Spirit upon your heart be as strong then?

Write or phone and we will send you full details on books already available, along with their features.

Sharing the special books for our time with others will deepen your Christian experience. Doing this will also help you become a nicer, friendlier person as you meet people, encourage them, and frequently conclude your visit with prayer. You are working with the angels, and you will sense their presence by your side.

Thousands of these paperback and hardback missionary books are sold or given away by colporteurs and other believers each month, and a significant amount overseas. The work is growing. The profits go to the colporteur. That is as it should be. But the spiritual rewards are far greater and reach into eternity.

Is this something you want to have a part in? Come, join our happy band of colporteurs and distributors of the silent preachers. -vf

The Reason for Our Publishing Work

"Our publishing work was established by the direction of God and under His special supervision. It was designed to accomplish a specific pur**pose**. Seventh-day Adventists have been chosen by God as a peculiar people, separate from the world. By the great cleaver of truth He has cut them out from the quarry of the world and brought them into connection with Himself. He has made them His representatives and has called them to be ambassadors for Him in the last work of salvation. The greatest wealth of truth ever entrusted to mortals, the most solemn and fearful warnings ever sent by God to man, have been committed to them to be given to the world; and in the accomplishment of this work our publishing houses are among the most effective agencies. "These institutions are to stand as witnesses for God, teachers of righteousness to the people. From them truth is to go forth as a lamp that burneth. Like a great light in a lighthouse on a dangerous coast, they are constantly to send forth beams of light into the darkness of the world, to warn men of the dangers that threaten them with destruction.

"The publications sent forth from our printing houses are to prepare a people to meet God. Throughout the world they are to do the same work that was done by John the Baptist for the Jewish nation. By startling messages of warning, God's prophet awakened men from worldly dreaming. Through him God called backsliding Israel to repentance. By his presentation of truth he exposed popular delusions. In contrast with the false theories of his time, truth in his teaching stood forth as an eternal certainty. 'Repent ye: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand,' was John's message. Matthew 3:2. This same message, through the publications from our printing houses, is to be given to the world today..

"Our publishing institutions are to exalt the claims of God's downtrodden law. Standing before the world as reformers, they are to show that the law of God is the foundation of all enduring reform. In clear, distinct lines they are to present the necessity of obedience to all His commandments. Constrained by the love of Christ, they are to co-operate with Him in building up the old waste places, raising up the foundations of many generations. They are to stand as repairers of the breach, restorers of paths to dwell in. Through their testimony the Sabbath of the fourth commandment is to stand as a witness, a constant reminder of God, to attract notice and arouse investigation that shall direct the minds of men to their Creator. "Let it never be forgotten that these institutions are to co-operate with the ministry of the delegates of heaven. They are among the agencies represented by the angel flying 'in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people, saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to Him; for the hour of His judgment is come.' Revelation 14:6, 7.

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"Solemn is the responsibility that rests upon our houses of publication. Those who conduct these institutions, those who edit the periodicals and prepare the books, standing as they do in the light of God's purpose, and called to give warning to the world, are held by God accountable for the souls of their fellow men. To them, as well as to the ministers of the Word, applies the message given by God to His prophet of old: 'Son of man, I have set thee a watchman unto the house of **Israel**: therefore thou shalt hear the word at My mouth, and warn them from Me. When I say unto the wicked, O wicked man, thou shalt surely die; if thou dost not speak to warn the wicked from his way, that wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand.' Ezekiel 33:7, 8."

-7 Testimonies, 138-140