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## Dear friend in ministry,

It doesn't take more than a cursory look around us to know that our planet is in big trouble. What I find fascinating is that many people are surprised at current developments. I wonder if we have become the proverbial frog in the pot of eventually boiling water. It's important to be aware of what is happening around us and see how it corresponds with what the Bible says.

Jesus said in Luke 21:25–26 that there will be on the earth "distress of nations, with perplexity, the sea and waves roaring; men's hearts failing them from fear and the expectation of those things which are coming on the earth…". This verse perfectly describes what we currently see

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As I write this letter, Wes Peppers, It Is Written evangelism director, and I are in Ethiopia conducting evangelistic meetings in three separate locations. The moving of the Holy Spirit here is palpable. **The venues are filled to capacity, and thousands are taking their stand for Jesus.** 

As is the case with most of our oversees evangelistic work, we have a phenomenal team of dedicated medical missionaries with us. Surgeons, dentists, physicians, nurses, and others—including Dr. Jacob Prabhakar

from our Eyes For India initiative—are providing a remarkable level of care and ministry. Dr. Jacob is doing around 350 cataract surgeries each day. Surgeons are performing operations. I can't begin to describe the impact this team is making for Christ. They have already ministered to thousands of people, including Muslims, Orthodox believers, and others, showing the loving care of Jesus through medical missionary work. They are literally saving lives.

A man who received dental treatment a couple of days ago came to the meeting that night, responded to the altar call, and gave his heart to Jesus. That's the power of the gospel! Two Orthodox women who were seen by our team requested Bible studies. A Muslim woman who

was contacted by one of our members attended the meetings and gave her heart to Jesus. She is now a Christian. And I haven't scratched the surface. In Addis Ababa alone, our medical team ministered to well over 5,000 people!

## This is mission at its core: It Is Written combining medical missions and evangelism to reach people for Jesus.

The response in Ethiopia is almost overwhelming, and this is just one place among untold thousands of locations where people need to hear the good news. How do we even attempt to reach the farthest corners of the earth, much less the farthest corners of our own

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neighborhoods? It is only by the grace of God, your prayers, and your financial support.

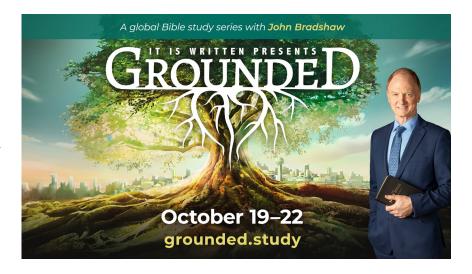
This fall will once again feature seven inspirational It Is Written Partnership weekends. Not only do these weekends give our team the opportunity to share what God is doing through

this ministry, Partnership weekends are also soul-winning events. Last year, a man accepted an invitation to attend with friends. At the conclusion of the Sabbath morning sermon, he turned to his friends and said, "What do I have to do to become a member of this church?!" A member of the Masonic Order up until that point, he immediately started attending church and preparing for baptism.

Whether you attend a Partnership weekend or not, I recognize that you support It Is Written out of a deep desire to see God's work on earth finished so that Jesus can come again soon.

Your prayers and financial support, plus our staff working tirelessly to provide media and evangelistic events creates a powerful team!

Coming in October is a fivenight, livestreamed revival and evangelistic series called Grounded. I will be conducting the meetings October 19–22 in Knoxville, Tennessee, which will be broadcast live on It Is Written TV, 3ABN, Facebook, and YouTube. We are encouraging not only individual viewership, but entire church congregations nationwide to participate in this effort. As



happened during Revelation Today, the Holy Spirit will move powerfully and a great harvest of souls will result. We can do this thanks to your support.

You will be pleased to know that for the Grounded series we are conducting a social media marketing campaign aimed at those aged 18–35. We are excited to engage the energy and creativity of this group. God will undoubtedly use Grounded to introduce the gospel to many people across multiple generations!

We are seeing increased viewership on our social media platforms, both for It Is Written and Escrito Está. It is amazing to see how the Lord is using traditional media combined with social media to reach a much wider audience. The Grounded series will be the latest example of It Is Written blending various media platforms to reach untold numbers of people across hundreds of cities in North America.

It Is Written TV, our full-time channel, has become a major player in spreading the gospel. Here is where we can use your help in addition to your financial support. I encourage you to visit **itiswritten.tv**, and tell your friends to do the same! There are hundreds of life-changing programs that can be viewed live and on-demand. It Is Written TV can also be found on Roku, Apple TV, Fire TV, and Google Play.

Growth of It Is Written TV has been substantial. In the last three months, over half a million programs have been viewed, a 10 percent increase in viewership from the prior three months!

New episodes are added on a regular basis for shows including It Is Written, Conversations, Line Upon Line, and Sabbath School. It Is Written TV is a perfect way to introduce friends and family to the gospel message, and your financial support and viewership make it happen!

I'll leave you with a story from Ethiopia. I met an 88-year-old Orthodox lady who was contacted by an It Is Written outreach team three months ago in advance of our meetings in Addis Ababa. At the time, she was unable to walk and couldn't move her right arm, meaning someone else had to feed her. She attended a health expo, came to church, and prayed that if God healed her, she would join the church. Miraculously, God completely healed her, and she was baptized this past Sabbath. A child of God coming to work in the vineyard at the final hour. Praise God!

There are many more such stories developing here as the meetings continue. God is at work in a mighty way all over the world! In fact, after we left Addis Ababa and traveled to a city



Meeting an 88-year-old lady with a powerful story of God's miraculous healing power.

further south, city officials—so thankful for what our team is doing here—shut down city streets and officially welcomed us to their city. For 45 minutes, as traffic backed up behind us, our mission team, Pathfinder groups, choirs, and others walked into this busy city of over 120,000 people, where we were officially welcomed by the mayor. Thousands of people witnessed the parade. Nothing like this had ever been done before in this area. Church leaders were beyond thrilled. The gospel is making a major impact. Thank you for making this possible; it would not happen without your support.



Baptism interests come to the front as Pastor Wes Peppers makes an appeal.

Your financial support this month will enable It Is Written to reach thousands in places like Ethiopia; to hold live broadcast series such as Grounded; and to provide exceptional, high-quality spiritual programming on It Is Written TV. Please pray about what God would have you do this month, as we work together in mission to reach the lost with the light of truth and the love of God.

May God bless and keep you.

Sincerely,

Click the button to

Pastor John Bradshaw President, It Is Written

P.S. It Is Written programs and initiatives impact lives in eternally tangible ways. From the conversion of a member of the Masonic Order to an 88-year-old woman coming to faith in Jesus, your dollars working through It Is Written are making an eternal difference. I'm asking you to pray earnestly regarding what God would have you give right now to ensure that thousands more will have the opportunity to hear the everlasting gospel and come to Jesus!



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