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# Why is Tithing so important?

A duty to maintain the church's ministry?

Doesn't God have a higher reason for tithing?





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## Jesus' suggestion

“For where your  
treasure is, there your  
heart will be also.” Mat.  
6:21





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# Tithing, TMI, Revival & Reformation

“The idea of stewardship... Practical benevolence **will give spiritual life** to thousands... It will transform them from selfish, covetous worshipers of mammon, to earnest, faithful **coworkers with Christ** in the salvation of sinners.”

CS, 112, 113  
(bold text supplied).





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## **Tithing Practices among Seventh-day Adventists:**



**A Study of Tithe Demographics and Motives  
in Australia, Brazil, England, Kenya  
and the United States**

**Robert K McIver**



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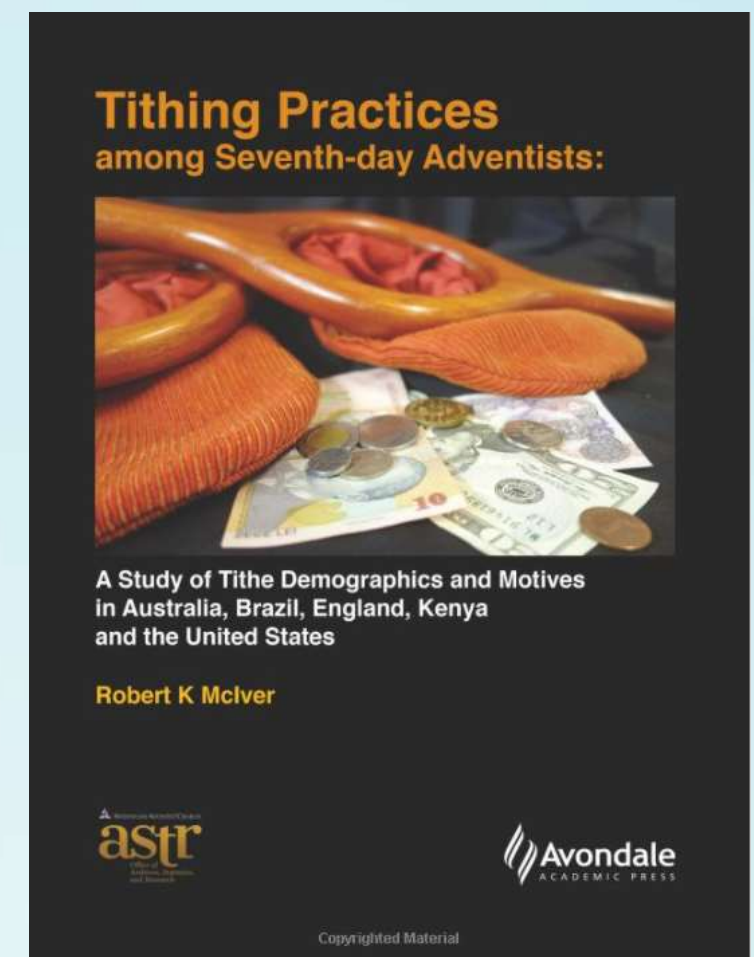
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# Tithing Does Not Come Alone...

“Amongst Seventh-day Adventists, tithing behavior is very closely related to a range of other practices relating to their religion, such as whether they attend Sabbath School, open and close Sabbath, study the Sabbath School Quarterly, read and reflect on the Bible each day, and pray often during the day...” McIver, 2016.







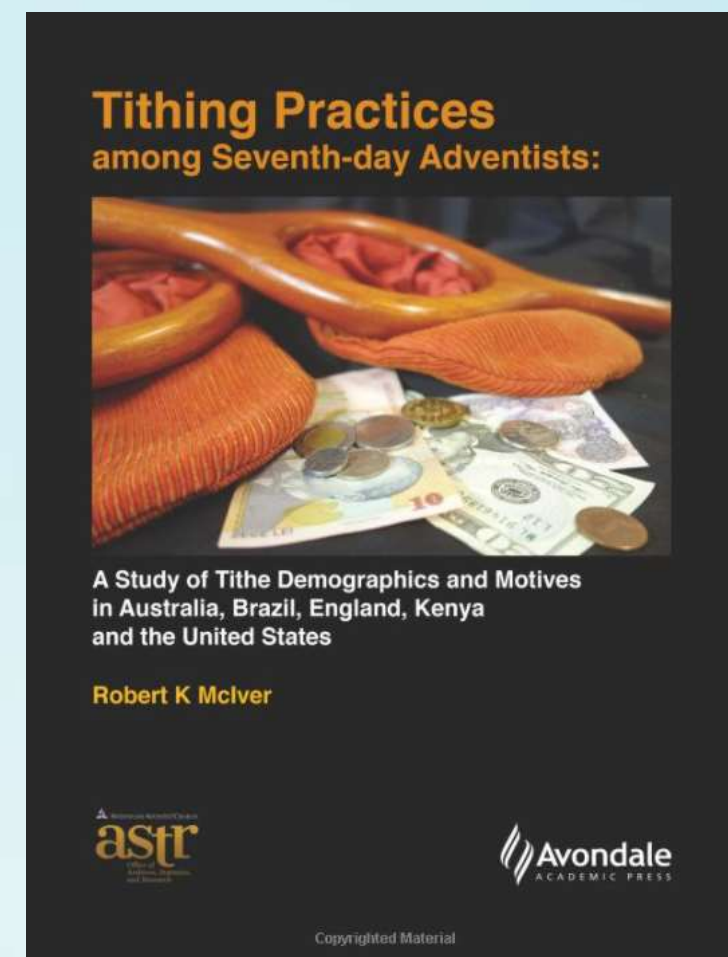
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# Revival and Reformation related to Tithing

“... It would seem that a natural strategy to increase tithing would be to encourage more Bible study, more prayer, more study of the Sabbath School Quarterly, and to include tithing as part of the practices that make up personal piety for Seventh-day Adventists.” McIver, 2016.







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# Strategy: Holy Convocation



**140**  
PASTORS





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# Strategy: Holy Convocation Events

- A one-week Revival and Reformation program
- Pastors, church members, visitation program
- Specific agenda
- Education on personal piety
- Education on tithe and percentage-based offerings

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# Holy Convocation in Bogotá

- One week
- 140 pastors
- 1700 visits
- 8,000 + members visited

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# Stewardship Ministries Resources











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