Oh well, Fundraising Letter (remove before sending)

Dear (Insert name),

I am reaching out to share an exciting project I will be helping with this coming September. But first, let me share a fact I learned recently. The Golden Gate Bridge is a tragic hotspot for suicides. Every year, dozens of precious souls, overtaken by despair, take the 245-foot plunge. Many don't survive. San Francisco is in desperate need of the hope that can only be found in Jesus.

On September 5-14, 2024, Streams of Light International is hosting a mission trip to San Francisco to share thousands of copies of *The Great Controversy* with the residents of San Francisco and at the same time invite them to a city-wide evangelistic series by General Conference President, Elder Ted Wilson! I am so excited to have an opportunity to be part of this outreach endeavor in which we will place a book, a magazine, and GLOW tracts to homes in this major US city! Along with going door-to-door sharing literature and praying with those we meet, volunteers will also attend the evening evangelistic series in order to sit with those we have invited.

As you might well imagine, getting to and from San Francisco will require funding for transportation, food, and general expenses. I trust that God will provide, as He has always been my greatest Companion and Provider. Often, when there is a need for finances for a mission endeavor, He provides by moving upon the hearts of people who love the Lord and want to help spread the three angels' messages far and wide. Though circumstances may not permit some to participate in the mission outreach, many can still be involved by supporting those who are able to be boots-on-the-ground. And that's where you come in. Would you be willing to help cover my expenses to travel to and from San Francisco? Any amount, large or small, would be a blessing, not only to me but to many people who will be impacted by the work that I will help to accomplish in San Francisco very soon.

If you feel called to help me be part of this outreach opportunity, I simply ask you to prayerfully consider making a donation toward my travel costs, as I am not in a position to cover all of them myself. (Streams of Light International registration fees cover food and local transportation for volunteers during our stay in San Francisco.) Below are several ways you can donate. Please let me know which method you prefer and I'll share specifics on how to make your contribution.

- Zelle

Venmo

CashApp

- PayPal

Check

- Cash

I hope to have an opportunity to impact someone's life in San Francisco. People like Samuel Wong, a devout Buddhist who received a copy of *The Great Controversy* from a literature evangelist and is now a baptized member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church! Thank you so much for your consideration, and even if you cannot donate, please know that I feel blessed to have your prayers and encouragement.

| Sincerely, |
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| (Your Name) |
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| Fundraising Appeal for Email and Social Media: |
| Dear, |
| I am involved with a ministry called Streams of Light International (www.streamsoflight.net), and we are getting ready to head to San Francisco very soon to distribute thousands of copies of <i>The Great Controversy</i> to the residents. Fellow volunteers and I are helping Streams of Light raise funds for this mission trip to cover the costs of supplies, vans to transport the missionaries as they distribute books, and food for about 100 participants. Would you be willing to help with this mission endeavor and bring light to thousands of people in darkness? Time is short, and we have a lot of work to do to get the message out. Whatever you can do to help will make a difference. To learn more about the project, please visit the following link: https://www.streamsoflight.net/san-francisco-mission/ |
| Even a small donation could help Streams of Light International reach its fundraising goal. If you can't donate, it would be really great if you could share the fundraiser to help spread the word. And, of course, your prayers are always greatly appreciated! |
| Blessings, |
| [Your name] |

From the bottom of my heart, I want to thank you for your kind generosity. It means so much to me that you want to help me to be a part of the San Francisco Mission Trip team. Your donation has helped to make that possible, and I just can't wait to experience the joy of bringing light to

Thank-you Note:

Dear [Name],

people in darkness. Most of all, I am especially thankful for your earnest prayers for this mission endeavor to reach the residents of San Francisco. Thank you again for your support, and may God richly bless you.

[Your name]