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NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION

2018 YEAR-END MEETING

NOV 1-6, 2018

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Multilingual Ministries

Year End
Meeting
Report

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**Evangelism
project of
Multilingual
Ministries
for Small Groups
2018-2019**





“The formation of small companies as a basis of Christian effort is a plan that has been presented before me by One who can not err. If there is a large number in the church, let the members be formed into small companies, to work not only for the church members, but for unbelievers also.”

Ellen G. White, *Australasian Union Record*, August 15, 1902.



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Caravan of Training

Sept-Oct, 2018





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Our Challenge



15,000 Small Groups across the North American Division



10,000 actual Small Groups



8 Church Members, promoting/involved in SG



5 Friends invited to join and participate in SG



3 Friends making a decision to give their hearts to Jesus through baptism

Desired Results



80,000 Members involved in the SG Initiative



50,000 Friends actively involved in SG



30,000 Friends giving their hearts to Jesus through baptism

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April 12-20, 2019

Small Groups Evangelistic Series
“GPS para la VIDA”



Itinerary



37 Days

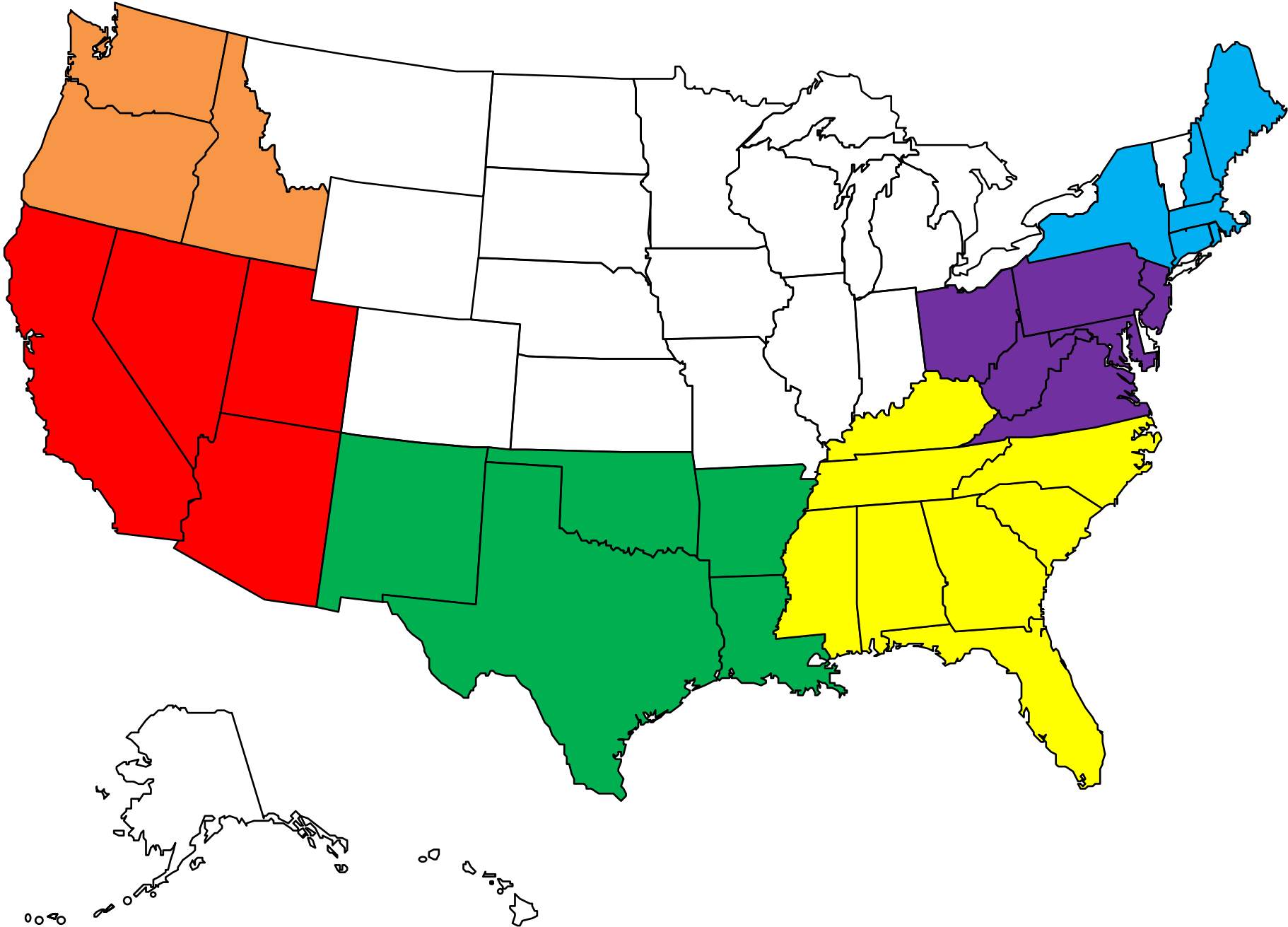
30 Cities

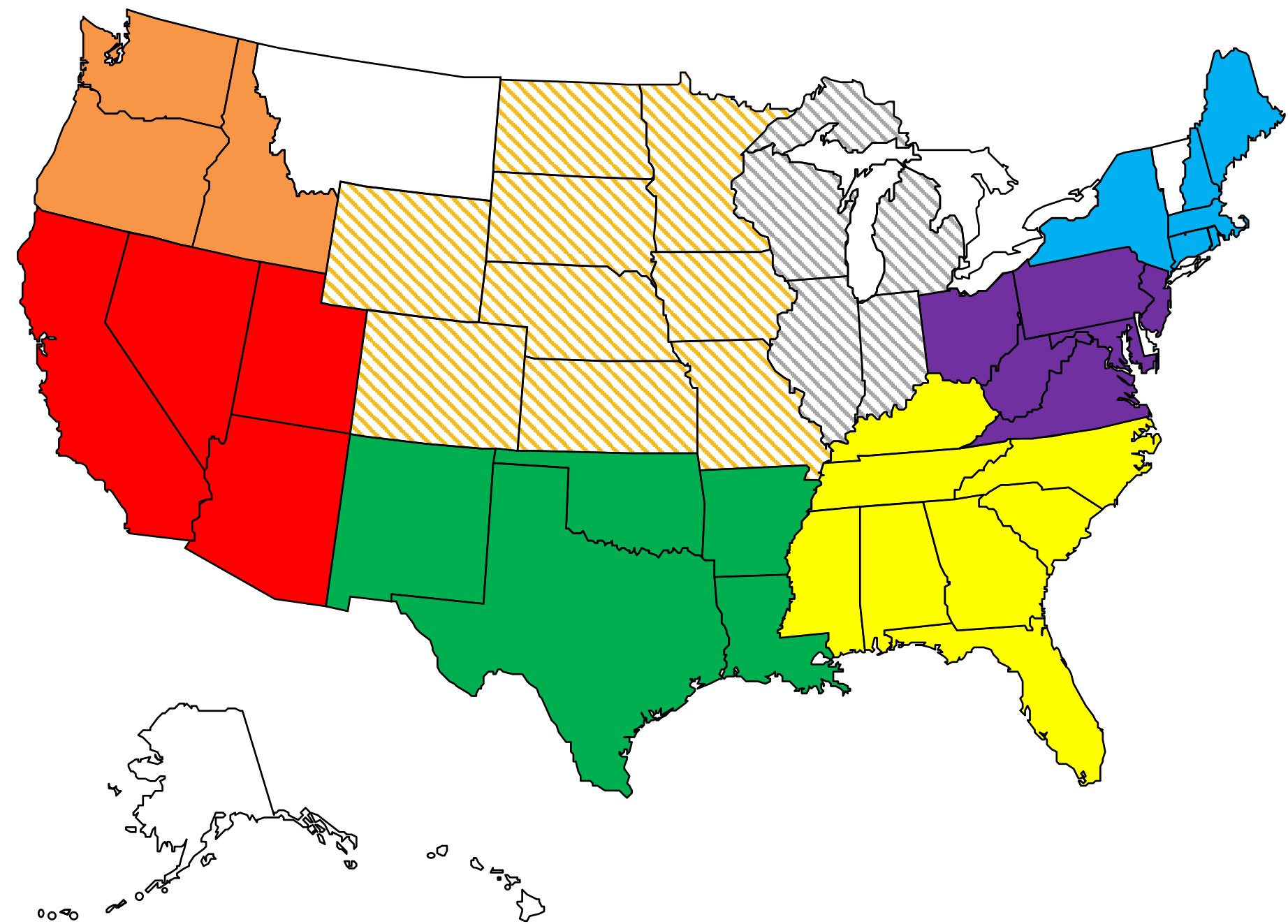
21 States

6 Unions

Interacted with over 500 of the 750
Hispanic Pastors in the NAD

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DIVISIÓN NORTEAMERICA INSTRUCCIONES PARA REGISTRO

PROCESO

- 1.- Ingresar a la página www.vidagps.org
- 2.- Dar click en el menú **MI COMUNIDAD VIDA GPS**





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Southern Union



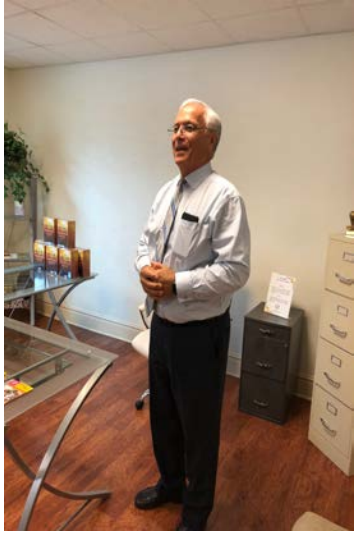
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Atlantic Union



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Columbia Union



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Southwestern Union



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Pacific Union



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North Pacific Union



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Leaders of Small Groups



The Team



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Evangelistic Caravans

WHAT IT IS

One message, one night preaching
Developed in three stages

1. SOWING by Training Caravan – 2 hour presentation
2. CULTIVATION by building relationships to introduce Christ – 4 months local church responsibility (weakest point)
3. HARVEST by Reaping Caravan – 2 hour celebration



TRAINING CARAVAN

- **GOAL:** Motivate, train, and equip entire church with their pastor on reaching their friends using Christ's method
- **HOW:** To those who accept to pray and work for 5 persons within their circle of influence, we provide resources to reach them for Jesus and His church.



REAPING CARAVAN



- **GOAL:** Celebrate the work done by members under pastor's leadership
- **HOW:** Baptismal ceremony, a call to those members' friends who did not respond yet



RESULTS



1. Tithe increased 9% from previous month
2. Pastors who previously baptized 15-30 a year doubled the success
3. Apostasy decreased since new believer was
 - (1) brought by members (family)
 - (2) incorporated to small group experience (containment)
 - (3) provided with resources (discipleship)
4. Church member is more supportive of pastor and the organization
5. Last 10 years: membership went from 24M to 43M, that is a sustainable growth close to 8% annually

LOW COST



Centered in

1. Equipping the members with resources so they can bring their friends to Christ
2. Providing a Bible instructor one month prior to reaping caravan to assist members with their friends decisions
3. Speaker costs are spread around the Conference/Union



CULTURE OF EVANGELISM



- It took us time to see greater results
 - At the beginning, combined churches (9) involved with caravans baptized between 300-400
 - More recently up to 1,200 (16)



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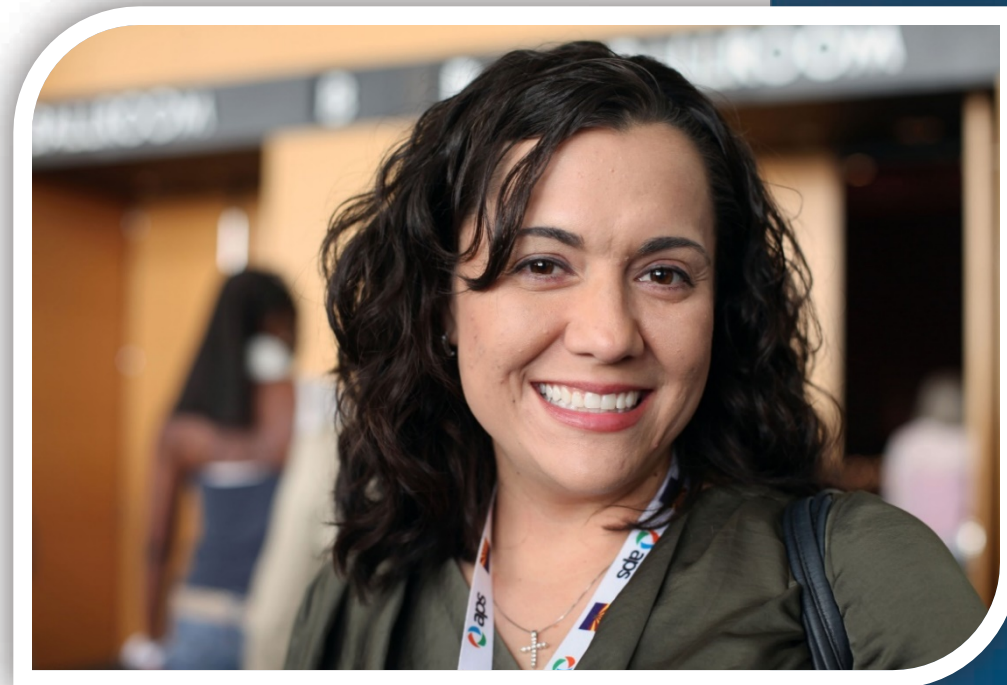
- In order to expand effectiveness we produced movies to assist church members to reach their friends
- If the world uses them to introduce a different mind set, often contrary to Judeo-Christian values, why not use them to expand God's kingdom



HISPANICS EASIER TO BE REACHED?



- New comers into a town/city (no matter the culture, background, or nationality) are looking for connections
- Hispanic churches are learning the importance of providing a place like “family” that provides love and friendship
- **Result:** New comers tend to come and stay



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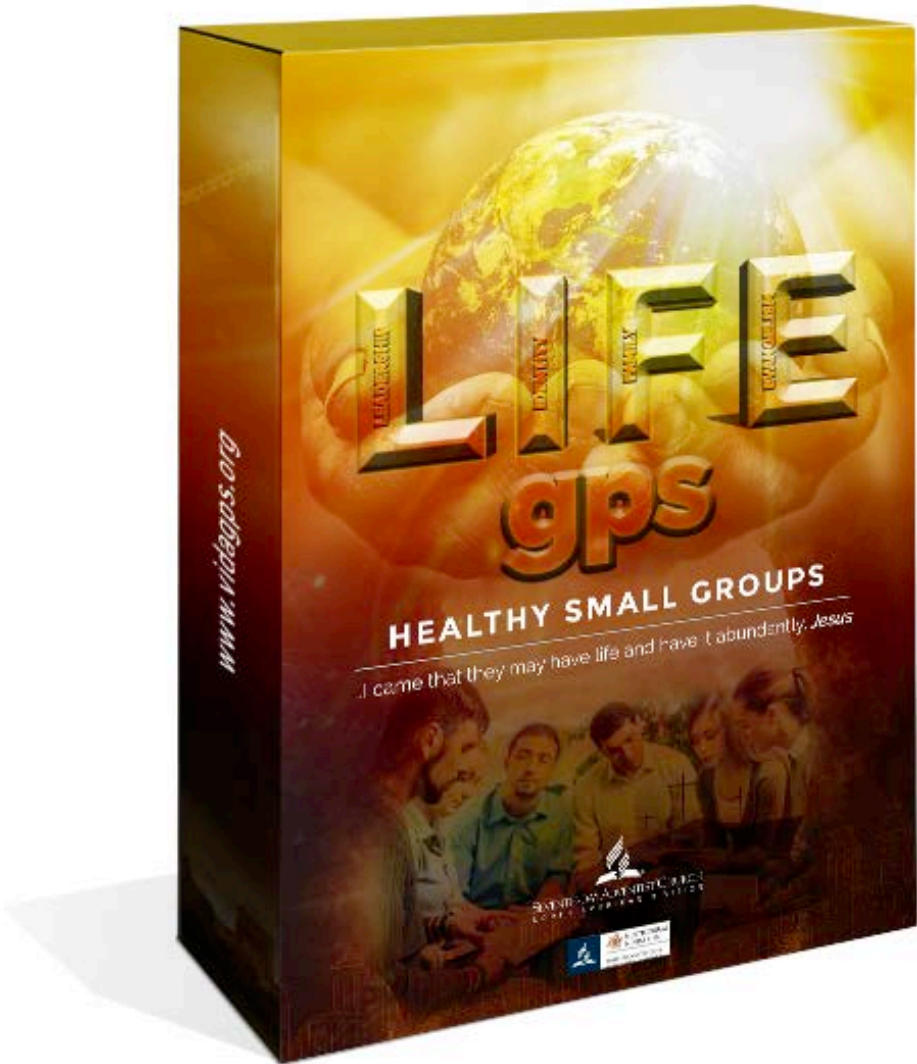


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Eight lessons for **pastors**
on the importance of
Small Groups



Eight lessons for all
church members on the
importance of **Small
Groups**



Eight lessons for **leaders of
Small Groups**



Eight lessons on the
importance of
going out **two by two**

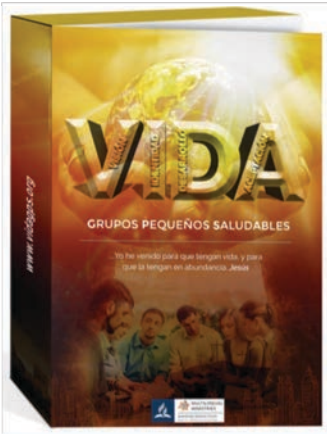
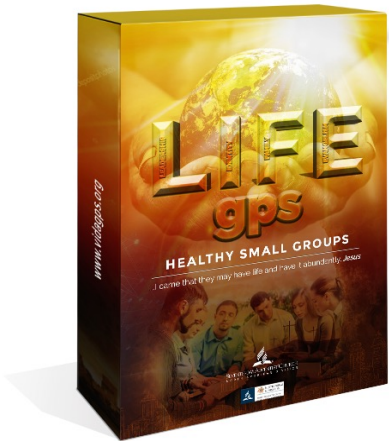


Eight lessons for the
members of Small Groups



Bible Study with eighteen
lessons for new friends
who join a Small Group

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Thank You!