



"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you; Before you were born I sanctified you; I ordained you a prophet to the nations."



Then said I:

"Ah, Lord Goo!
Behold, I cannot speak, for I am a youth."



Do not be afraid of their faces, For I am with you to deliver you," says the LORD.



Then the LORD put forth His hand and touched my mouth, and the LORD said to me:

"Behold, I have put My words in your mouth.





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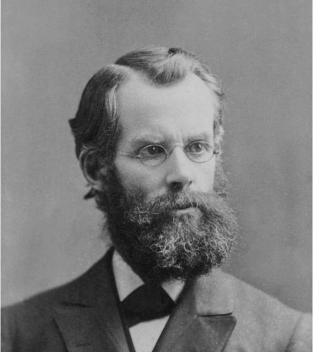
God is looking for people who are not like the rest.

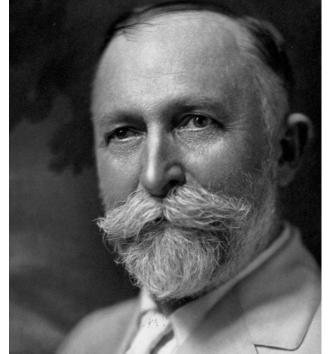


With such an army of workers as our youth, rightly trained, might furnish, how soon the message of a crucified risen, and sooncoming Saviour might be carried to the whole world!

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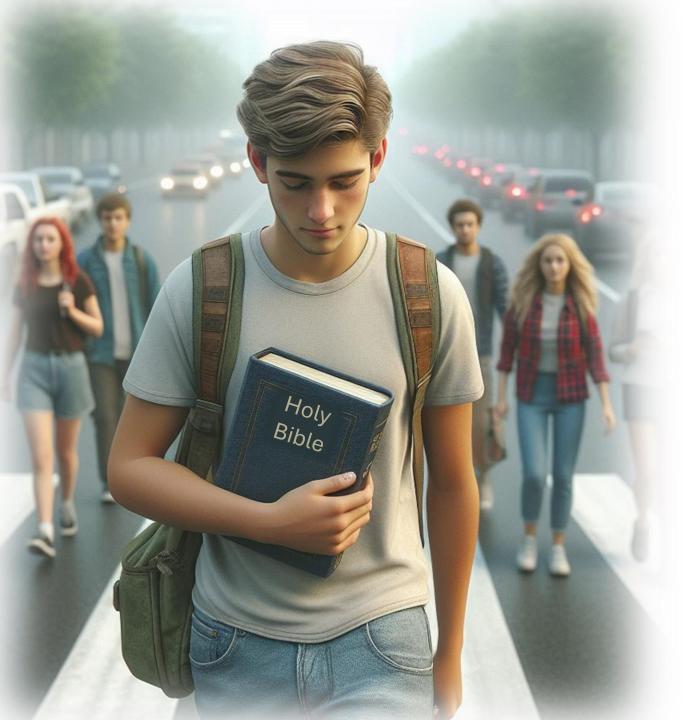






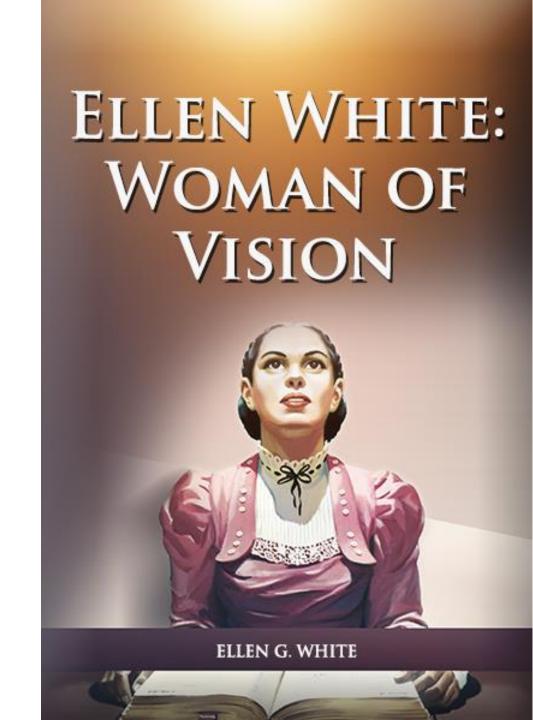
OUR CHURCH PIONEERS

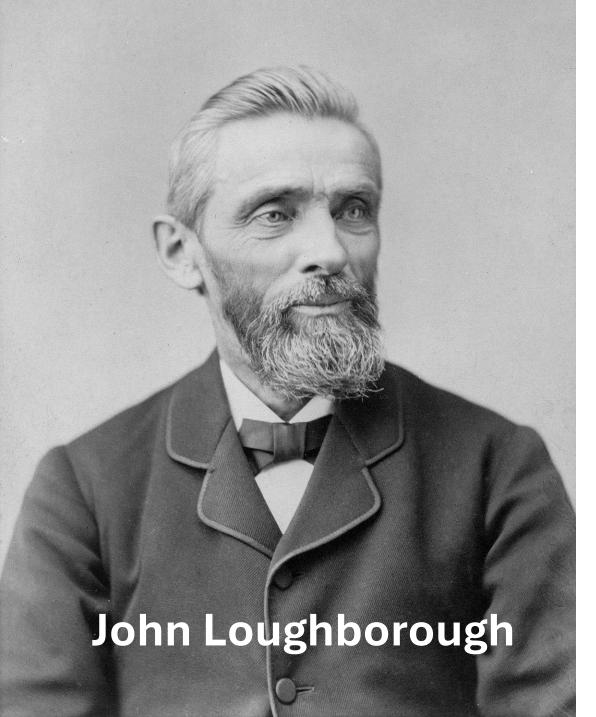




When the Church was newly formed, it was teenagers and young adults who held many leadership positions and helped to transform the church into the organization it is today.

- Ellen Harmon was just 17 years old when she received a vision from God.
- She was afraid that no one would listen to her.
- She even prayed all day that God wouldn't make her tell others.
- That was just the beginning of what God had in store for her.
- She was young, she was sick, and she was female, but God used her as His prophet.

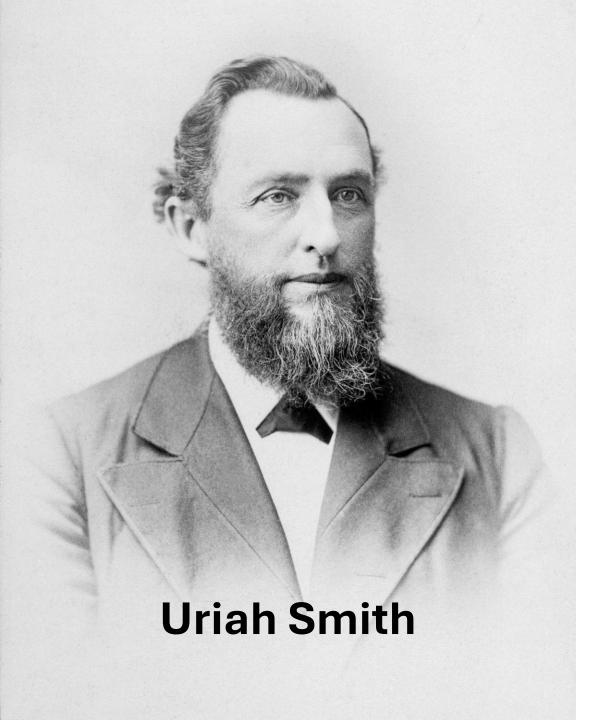




- Baptized as a first-day Adventist when he was 16 years old, then joined the Seventh-day Adventist movement three years later.
- When he turned 17 years old, he became an itinerant preacher. Of his own accord he gathered together tracts, walked many miles handing them out, and studied the Bible from house to house.
- That same year he began preaching, and before his eighteenth birthday he toured with an evangelist, helping to hold evangelistic seminars and winning many to Christ.

- By the time Andrews was 26 years old, he discovered the role of the United States in Bible Prophecy.
- He also helped Adventists to understand the Sabbath as reaching from sunset Friday to sunset Saturday.
- Andrews helped organize the Adventist church as a legal organization so the church could obtain legal possession of property.
- Became a foreign missionary





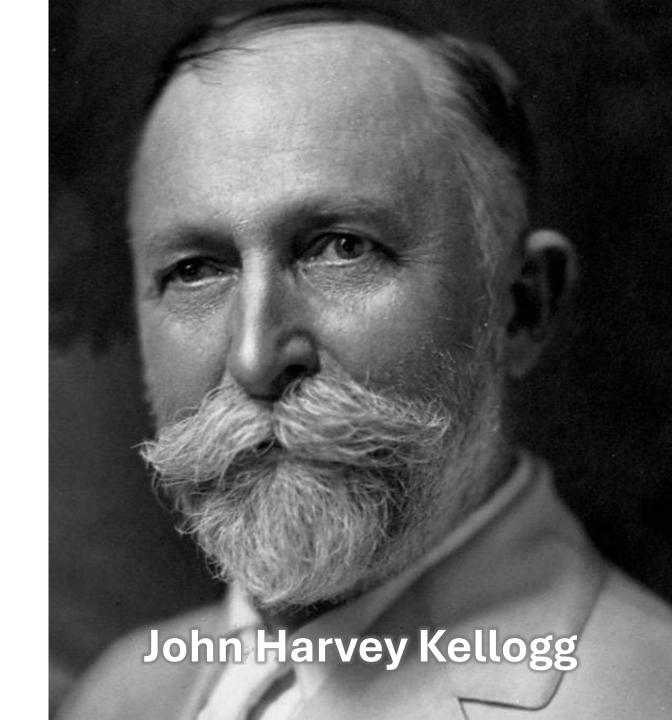
 At the age of 23 Uriah Smith became editor of the Review and Herald magazine.

 In this job Smith was not only editor, but proofreader, business manager, and bookkeeper, as well.

 Smith was editor for almost 35 years.

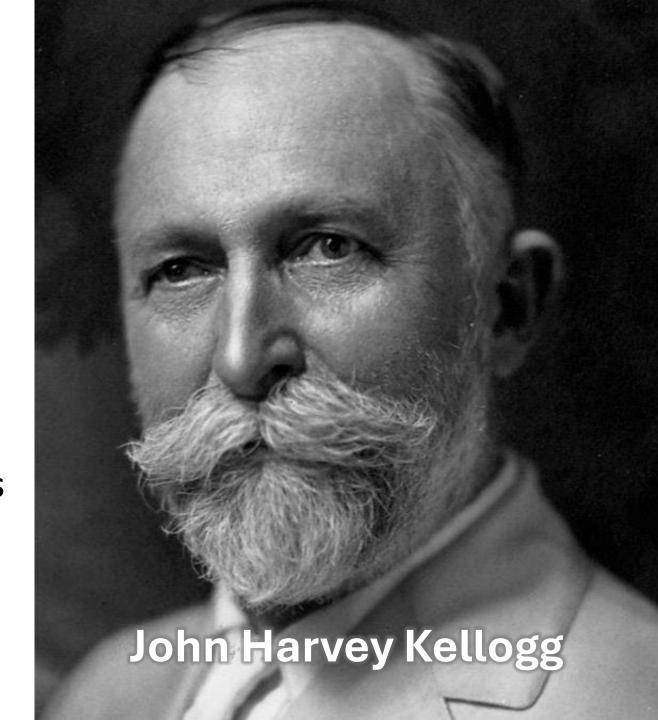
- James and Ellen White met him as a teenager, saw his potential, and encouraged him to go to medical school, even lending him \$1,000 for expenses.
- Kellogg was 23 years old when he graduated from medical school.

 After medical school he immediately began working at the health institute at Battle Creek, becoming medical superintendent in 1876.



 Kellogg coined the term sanitarium; advocated low-calorie diets; developed peanut butter, granola, and toasted flakes; warned that smoking caused lung cancer; and was an early advocate of exercise.

 And those were just a few of his accomplishments--all started as a teenager and young adult.









Do you not know that those who run in a race all run, but one receives the prize? Run in such a way that you may obtain it.



And everyone who competes for the prize is temperate (self-restraint) in all things. Now they do it to obtain a perishable crown, but we for an imperishable crown.



Therefore I run thus: not with uncertainty. Thus I fight: not as *one who* beats the air.



But I discipline my body and bring *it* into subjection, lest, when I have preached to others, I myself should become disqualified.





Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead,



I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.





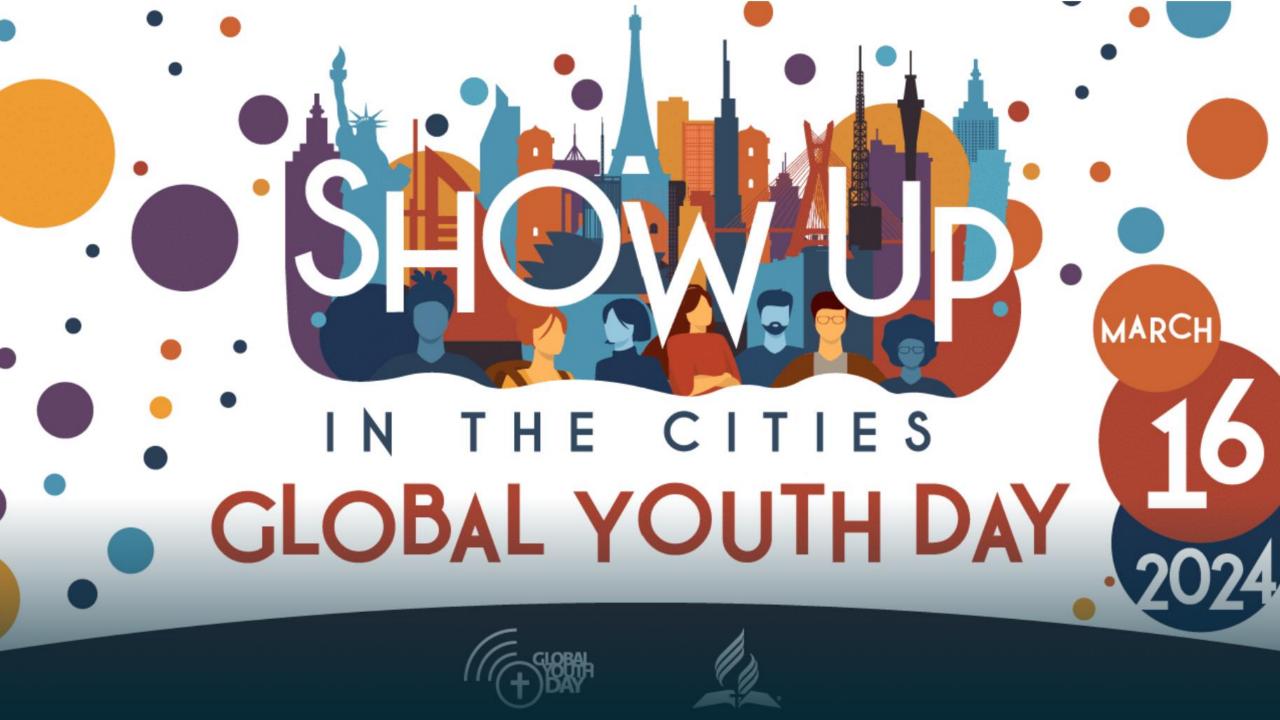




GOD'S ELITE FORCE

- Jeremiah
- Samuel
- Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah
- David
- Miriam
- Joseph
- Esther
- Mary
- Boy who shared his lunch





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ANARMY OF YOUTH