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Despite the advent of social networking and digital communication in all its forms, aloneness and the absence of human touch is still a major problem in our love starved world. Jesus himself gave his verdict on human aloneness. "It is not good for us to be alone". This season of the year reminds us all of God's ultimate answer - 'The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us'. His name will be called Emmanuel, God with us.

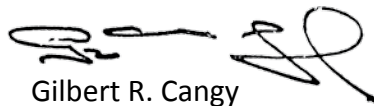
As 2010 ebbs away, I trust that whatever your circumstances, you will have a sense Emmanuel's presence. I wish to take the opportunity to thank you all, volunteers and professionals alike for your selfless service to our Adventurers, Pathfinders, Ambassadors, Teens, Senior Youths and Young Adults. Every moment invested in dreams and visions, planning and execution has counted for eternity. I salute you in Emmanuel's name.

I salute my former boss Dr Baraka Muganda and thank him for the strong legacy he left us and I know that he will continue to be a formidable ally. 2010 has been a year of change, transition and challenge for many of our youth leaders who have moved on to other ventures. To them also, on behalf of the youth of the world, I say 'Thank You' and we count on your experience and continued contribution.

To those who have just stepped up to higher responsibilities in youth ministry, I say "Welcome" as together, in the unity and power of the Spirit, we bring into a reality a global movement of youth that will step up to lead our sometimes fledgling church into Revival and Reformation and finish the work, so we can go home.

Pray for our leadership at the General Conference as we humbly wait upon the Lord for vision and direction and may His good and perfect plan for His people become a reality in our time.

Sincerely,



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Dear Youth Leaders throughout the world,

It seems that we are driving down the road of life at an accelerated pace. We hardly know where the time goes—I can't believe Christmas is already here! 2010 has been a year full of memories, a year of changes, and a year of many challenges that we confronted, knowing that the presence of our God directed us and will continue to guide us also in 2011.

Don't allow your passion for ministry to subside; don't let anything distract from our mission to serve our Lord and our youth. I pray that God gives you the strength and health to keep going.

From my small office here at the General Conference Headquarters, I want to send a hug to each one of you. I want to pass on my deepest love and appreciation for all of you. I pray that your heart will continue to beat intensely for the Lord, conveying to each one of our young people the imminent coming of Christ our Savior.

Blessings,



Jonatan Tejel
Pathfinder Director



The year 2010 will soon be behind us, and the New Year with all its new challenges is approaching at a rapid pace. At the beginning of a new year, the best thing we can do is to reflect on the past year: what have we achieved, and what are the things we have yet to achieve? What expectations and improvements should we make for a better 2011? So, make a list of things—things you would like to happen in your personal and spiritual lives, as well as in your ministries.

The year 2011 in the Youth Department has been assigned as the Year of Identity, during which every Seventh-day Adventist youth is reminded to remember his/her true identity as a Seventh-day Adventist. Every Adventist youth is reminded to live a clean and holy life, to love, to serve, to care for others as Christ has commissioned.

One of the best and worthy resolutions is to experience Revival and Reformation in our lives. Make your best effort to be a 777 Youth: Seventh-day Adventist Youth, praying 7 days a week, at 7 AM or 7 PM. Let's make it happen!


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