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A Message from the Annual Council . . .

EVANGELISM AND FINISHING GOD'S WORK

A review of our history, our theology and God's providential leadership can only deepen our conviction that the singular objective of this global organization is to proclaim to the whole world the everlasting gospel of Jesus Christ in the context of the Three Angels' Messages of Revelation 14, which embodies the distinctive truths of the sanctuary and righteousness by faith. The church exists for the purpose of touching lives with redemptive action; teaching young and old how to live in today's complex world as Jesus Christ lived nineteen centuries ago and then developing this saving relationship by growing in grace and by witnessing to others and sharing the everlasting Gospel with them.

Seventh-day Adventists still contend that their vision is unblurred and undimmed. We would, however, be less than honest with ourselves if we failed to acknowledge that the Adventist Church today is in a struggle not unlike the struggles of other great movements throughout history. It is incumbent upon us as leaders to carefully examine the central objective of this church, the progress we are making in finishing God's work, and the degree to which we are keeping the church on course.

This presents problems of many dimensions, a few of which are listed below:

1. **MEETING HIGHEST PASTORAL OBJECTIVES.**—Administration in the Adventist Church must study this problem with all diligence and find out how to "free" the pastoral-evangelistic worker in such a way as to let him feel the glory and the joy of meeting the prime objectives of the church. To focus our attention on this emphasis and to seek by the grace of God to implement His counsel is the purpose of this document.

2. **FULLY IMPLEMENT GOD'S PLAN.**—Ellen White states that the Spirit of God which lightens the whole earth with His glory will never come while the largest portion of the church is not laboring together with God. We recognize that in the membership of our churches there is a vast potential which has not yet been fully realized. It should be our studied effort to involve all in harmony with God's plan.

3. **CONCERN FOR SOULS.**—The lack of concern over lost souls throughout our churches is a cause of great concern to all. The winning of souls by our members appears to some to be so awesome and difficult that it requires professional training. Pastoral sermons on evangelism have had a measure of success but we long for a far greater response from our people. The term "evangelism" has come to have shades of meaning which are not scriptural, and therefore clear statements must be made to restore it to its scriptural definition.

4. **PROPER BALANCE BETWEEN FIELD AND OFFICE PERSONNEL.**—The church must diligently and faithfully seek to restore the basic evangelistic work force. In the process it must also seek to make all Adventist workers in all categories evangelistic and to lead the members of our churches to join in setting new priorities, norms and objectives for accomplishing our task of a finished work.

5. **STANDARDS AND FAMILY WORSHIP AND PERSONAL BIBLE STUDY.**—The church has reason to be concerned about the slippage in standards of recreation, dress, and morality among us. Surveys would indicate that in North America, at least, there is a great need for special emphasis and continual endeavor to foster personal Bible study and family worship in our Adventist homes. We believe this has contributed to an inevitable decline in the spiritual strength of the church.

It is our conviction that if a sense of mission and commitment to evangelizing the world in an unprecedented manner is brought before the church through bold leadership, we will witness a true revival and reformation.

6. **WHY HAS OUR LORD'S COMING BEEN DELAYED?**—With deep heart-sorrow we acknowledge the delay of our Lord's return. Our insubordination, our spiritual apathy, our indifference to the urgency of soulwinning in our personal lives as leaders and members, our failure to make first things first delays our Lord's return.

THE REAL ISSUE

The real issue before the leadership of God's church is whether or not we are serious enough to take decisive action now to overcome the church's inertia and thus arise with holy courage and faith to finish God's work in all the world. At stake is the mission of the church and whether or not the powerful calls given by our General Conference president for revival and reformation, in which we have all shared, will be realized in a context of the greatest redemptive thrust in our history!

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FINISHING THE WORK

What do we mean by the term, "Finishing the Work"? It means both an inward and outward work—A people saved by grace, working to save others. It is the reaching of every person on earth with the claims and promises of God's message of love and salvation, so that this generation may have opportunity to be restored in His image, now and forever. Thus, the "finishing of the work" means one thing: COMMUNICATING GOD'S MESSAGE THROUGH THE POWER AND MINISTRY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT TO ALL OF EARTH'S POPULATION SO THAT GOD CAN PROCLAIM HIS WORK FINISHED. When this happens, Jesus will come. "And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come."(Matt. 24:14)

In the light of the foregoing, we accept the following plan of action:

1. THAT EVERY EFFORT BE MADE TO BRING ABOUT A CLEAR, UNEQUIVOCAL, CHURCH-WIDE UNDERSTANDING OF THE CRUCIAL NATURE AND PRIMACY OF EVANGELISM.

2. THAT THE ROLE OF THE PASTOR BE CLARIFIED. How often today labor is forced upon the church that should never be allowed to enter the work of the gospel ministry." (9T,p 217) Church policy shall clearly state that the pastor-evangelist's first work and that for which he be held accountable is the giving of the gospel of Jesus Christ in the setting of the three angels' messages.

3. THAT THE ROLE OF THE ORDAINED OR LICENSED "NON-PASTORAL" MINISTERS BE CLARIFIED. The large body of ministers in the General Conference and its divisions, the union and local fields, the institutions and other types of work shall be expected to give priority of their time, talent, energy, and planning to evangelistic work according to their gifts, in preaching, personal witness, and teaching.

4. THAT THE FUNDING OF EVANGELISTIC OUTREACH BE PROVIDED FOR. In view of the primacy of evangelism, local conference unions shall set up at least ten per cent of their share of retained tithe income to be added to evangelism funds received from the General Conference and shared with the conferences to be used for evangelism as the Union Committee may direct. The General Conference shall provide at least *ten per cent* of tithe received from North America as an Evangelism Fund for North America.

5. THAT LIMITATIONS ON BUILDING PROJECTS BE ESTABLISHED. A serious attempt shall be made to be conservative in our building expansion so that only absolutely essential buildings are constructed. Buildings and furnishing should be attractive, functional, of sturdy quality, and economical.

6. THAT THE CALL OF GOD'S PEOPLE BE RENEWED.

a. An unprecedented call to universal action is to be heralded by our leadership, coupled with a new emphasis upon the previous calls to revival and reformation, with the urgent summons to arise and finish God's work NOW!

b. Positive leadership through departmental expertise is to provide the necessary diversity of redemptive programs and materials that can be used to organize, inspire, train, equip, and lead our vast army of church members into programs that are pre-evangelistic and evangelistic in nature, and which will definitely reach souls for Christ and truth.

c. The Church Evangelism Council in each church is to fulfill its potential as the "command center" to organize every member and the whole church for one-to-one witnessing and all-out evangelism.

d. Methods shall be developed for training laypersons of talent in order that they may lead the local church in areas which will have the effect of freeing the pastor for his unique role.

7. THAT UNWORKED AREAS AND SPECIAL GROUPS BE REACHED. Each local field shall give study to the advisability of setting up a commission composed of ministers and laymen, with the urgent assignment to study the entering of dark areas (counties, cities, sections within cities) in each conference, reaching the wealthy and foreign language groups.

8. THAT MINISTERS OF OTHER FAITHS BE REACHED. It is time to seriously begin to follow God's instruction that "...teachers of the gospel whose minds have not been called to the special truths for this time...should be the first to hear the call." (COL, p 230)

9. THAT EVANGELISTIC RADIO-TV MINISTRY BE UTILIZED. The North American Division leadership should make use of the existing Radio, Television and Film Center in Thousand Oaks, CA. to produce TV evangelistic programs or "spots" that will most effectively and quickly warn the population of the world that Christ will soon return and urge the necessity of final preparation.

10. THAT A SECTION ON WITNESSING BE INCLUDED IN THE CHAPTER "STATEMENT OF FUNDAMENTAL BELIEFS" IN THE CHURCH MANUAL. Since witnessing is a doctrine of prime importance both for the personal spiritual growth of the witness and for the fulfilling of Christ's command to reach every person on a world-wide basis with the good news of salvation, a section dealing with this basic philosophy should be included and/or strengthened in our Statement of Fundamental Beliefs, Baptismal Instructions and Baptismal Vows in the Church Manual.

NOTE: This is part of the text of a document presented at the Annual Council in Washington and later studied and adopted at a meeting of the Conference Administrators and Departmental Directors with the members of the Canadian Union Executive Committee in Oshawa on October 28. - Editor

Items from the Canadian Union Office

IT IS WRITTEN PUBLIC AFFAIRS WORKSHOP

By L. R. KRENZLER, *Canadian Representative*

Various problems encountered by the church with trade union and government were studied at a Religious Liberty Seminar held in Oshawa October 23 - 25. Many freedoms enjoyed by most Canadians are often taken for granted and some Canadians' expectations prove greater than can be reasonably fulfilled.

Many Seventh-day Adventists in Canada are experiencing problems with respect to demands of trade and labor unions. This workshop attempted to set forth the theological and philosophical position of the church from the Bible and Spirit of Prophecy. The practical aspects of Church members' relationships to trade and labor unions were discussed at length. Some useful procedures to follow in solving these problems were suggested by some Adventist lawyers who were present. The Sabbath employment problem was another issue that was carefully considered with similar suggestions as to how to cope with these perplexing issues.

Government today in our complex society, with so much legislation, some in harmony with Adventist convictions and some that is not, often creates complicated conflicts and tensions. How to deal with such legislation that is unfavorable to us was examined. This study disclosed that some legislation that often appears quite harmless on the surface contains provisions that could bear the seeds of future conflicts and contain elements that might result in the restrictions of violation of conscience.

Dr. Matthew Dymond, a former government cabinet minister, gave valuable advise and instruction in dealing with

government. He explained the legislative process that prevails in a parliamentary system so that the approach to government can be better understood.

Counsel given concerning some of the problems facing literature evangelists was helpful and enlightening. Restrictions have been imposed on literature evangelists in some cities and communities. Recently proposed restrictions affecting the student literature evangelist program for students from outside of Canada was outlined in some detail with some indications as to how to deal with it.

His Excellency, Baron Frary Von Blomberg, gave excellent counsel to the workshop. He has represented Adventists before many government officials in many parts of the world. He related difficulties that Adventists are experiencing in many parts of the world. He pointed out that it is very important that every Seventh-day Adventist minister, administrator, professional and layman is an ambassador for Christ. This being the case, we need to make contacts and cultivate friendship with government officials on every level in every country.

Elder Don A. Roth, Associate Secretary of the General Conference, revealed to us some of the problems facing the church in other parts of the world. Drawing from his experience abroad he drew many practical lessons as to how the church in many instances could have prevented the difficulties that have engulfed our members and the church in many areas of the world.

In this area we want to help people understand our



Left to Right: Darren L. Michael, Canadian Union Public Affairs Departmental Director, joins two other lawyers, Robert D. Preston and Paul R. Jewell, Q.C., in a panel that discussed problems facing Adventists in various types of court proceedings.

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relationship to Jesus Christ so that they may be introduced to Him. In a complex world we need to have friends in all levels in government. This will help to finish God's work here on earth as well as helping the church and its members in difficult times. Of course, every Adventist must be prepared to stand alone during times of trouble and testing bearing in mind always that we should create and maintain relationships with government which will help us to complete the gospel commission.

The workshop was held at a time when the conference presidents, treasurers, secretaries, and departmental directors were in Oshawa for other meetings. Local church members were invited to the meetings.



Left to Right: His Excellency Frary von Blomberg discussing a particular point with Allan Fowler, Administrator of the Sherwood Park Nursing Home near Edmonton, Alberta.

C.U.C. STUDENTS GO INGATHERING

On October 14 students of Canadian Union College laid down their pens and closed their books to visit the community in an outreach for the annual Ingathering Campaign.

At 7:30 Thursday morning the students, armed with Ingathering materials, divided into small groups and were chauffeured by faculty drivers to their Ingathering territory.

Some \$2,060.00 was donated by the community; but the monetary gain was not the purpose of the endeavour. The real reward was the personal contact with the community, giving the students the opportunity to witness for their Church.

Students returned in the evening very thankful for the opportunity which was afforded them. During the evening worship students were able to come forward and share with others the tremendous time which they had experienced. The day was not without mishap, however. Some people managed to puncture holes in gas tanks, and one car lost its muffler. But these small mishaps were nothing when you consider the number of people who heard about Adventists and the work they are doing.

Alan Atkinson
Student Organizer
Ingathering
Campaign



C.U.C. News Notes

One hundred and twenty-two college students are enrolled at Canadian Union College for the first semester of the 1976-77 school year. These represent almost every province in Canada. Analysis by provinces shows the following enrollments:

Alberta	41
Ontario	23
B.C.	22
Saskatchewan	9
Nova Scotia	6
Overseas	9
Quebec	4
Manitoba	3
Newfoundland	2
New Brunswick	1
U.S.A.	2

This group is registered as follows: Religion and Theology 55; Junior Arts 16; Pre-Med 6; Business 4; Pre-professional 3; Unclassified 38.

Elder Jan Doward, Assistant Youth Director of the General Conference, was the Fall Week of Spiritual Emphasis speaker at Canadian Union College. His studies in Bible personalities portray vividly the ever-present struggle between Christ and Satan. The superiority of the Christ-centered life was the dominant theme.

See Ingathering picture from CUC on next page.





Mr. J. Fortuey and Mr. Ron Wombold study the map before going on the Annual Ingathering field day.



Blessed Occasion



Brother and sister Capcara on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

Sunday, October 3 was a special day for Brother and Sister Andrew Capcara, who reside in the Borden, Saskatchewan area, when their neighbors and friends met with them to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kruger. Because of the

limited space in their home, only 68 to 70 people were present. Having lived in the community for almost 35 years, it was wonderful to have their neighbors and friends of all faiths come together and honor them on this special day. Brother and Sister Capcara were present-

ed with a stainless steel luncheon tray.

It is wonderful to know how the Lord leads. While working in Winnipeg, Brother Capcara attended the evangelistic meetings that were held by the late G. W. Soloniuk. He accepted Christ as his personal Saviour and was baptized by evangelist Soloniuk.

In 1928, Brother Capcara came to this country and was employed on various farms and by various businessmen. In 1941 Brother and Sister Capcara purchased a farm in the Borden district with a down payment of \$500.00 that they had saved while employed in various areas. The neighbors immediately went all out and helped them with their machinery. Someone gave them a disc, another a plow, while someone else gave them a team of horses and a drill. These were the beginnings of their farming career.

While visiting with Brother and Sister Capcara, I have found that their courage is good. They have been grateful to the Lord the way He has provided them with their daily needs. They have been blessed with one son and four grandchildren. They tell me that they are very pleased with the way the Lord has led, that they love their Lord and serve Him Faithfully to the best of their ability and are also grateful that their son and his good wife and children are also faithful in the Lord, walking with Him as Enoch walked in the days of old.

S. H. Gallant



Church Progress in Brantford

The past year has been a very busy one for Brantford. Many thousands of pieces of literature have been distributed in all the major residential areas, in addition to several thousand invitations which were sent in the mail. Two evangelistic efforts were conducted in addition to a Family Life Seminar, dozens of Bible Studies, and a Bible Seminar.

The "Wonders of the Ancient World" series, conducted by Elder Orley Berg

from Washington, D.C., attracted hundreds of visitors to our first evangelistic thrust, held in the local Civic Center, a great many of whom took their stand for Christ.

Our second important evangelistic thrust was a "Reaping Series" conducted by our Conference President, Elder Beck, in the Herman E. Fawcett Secondary School, Brantford. At the end of this short series and attended by several hundred Adventist and non-Adventists, including a packed house when the Portuguese Choir from Toronto brought us some very inspiring music, several non-Adventists took the final step in their commitment to Christ.

As a result of these two efforts, the public of Brantford have become more aware of our Church and great strides have been made toward healthy public relations with civic authorities, other churches, business leaders and the public in general.

A further thrust toward good public relations was made earlier this year when the New England Youth Orchestra performed for the Brantford public, during Elder Beck's series of meetings. These young people had been guests of the Brant County Board of Education Music Department and had performed to several thousands of public school children in Brantford. Dr. Virginia-Gene Rittenhouse and her instrumentalists from South Lancaster, Mass., were on a Canadian goodwill tour prior to their departure for Poland and Russia, where these Adventist musicians achieved an outstanding success last summer.

In all these activities the church members were kept very busy. Church members from our neighbouring Adventist Church in Paris, Ontario, supported us very well, especially in their faithful attendance at our meetings and accommodating our visitors.

Pastor Victor Shipowick, the local director of the meetings, together with all the ushers, hostesses, etc., under the direction of Brother B. Van Dieman, put in long hours of faithful labour. A great deal of follow-up work was done during the year.

Further emphasis to evangelism was seen in an 8-week Bible Seminar, which Brother Van Dieman conducted in the lounge of his own home in a high-rise apartment block in Brantford. An average of eight people attended this very informal, personal type of Bible Seminar.

Out of all this activity, some fifteen souls were added to the Lord's church in



Pastor Shipowick baptizing some of the Paris Church school children at Whitman's Creek, Burford last summer.

Brantford and Paris, with many more prospects for baptism in the future. These prospects need a great deal of encouragement and Bible Study. Many of our young people in the Brantford and Paris Churches committed their lives to Christ. Several attending the Paris Church School were baptized during this time.



Some of the Candidates who were baptized during the past year at Whitman's Creek, Burford, Ontario.

We believe that all the hard work and many hours of faithful labor put into evangelism have not been in vain. We rest on the promises of God, so inspiringly penned by Isaiah, "my word.....shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it."

We have faith to believe that the work will soon be finished in Brantford and Paris. At present Brantford is in the midst of relocation in an alternative place of worship. The congregation has outgrown the present old building. We need your prayers as we sell our church building and draw plans for another building, which can serve us more adequately.

Pastor Shipowick, who served Brantford and Paris for the past six or seven years has accepted the call to serve in Guelph and Cambridge. Pastor O. Orpana has since taken his place.



At Brantford farewell luncheon for Pastor Shipowick and family in July this year. Presentation of gift clock by church members.

At a farewell luncheon held in Brantford in their honour, the Shipowick family were presented with a beautiful clock by the church members. Almost the whole church crowded the tiny basement to give the Shipowicks a rousing farewell. We thank them for their many years of service, and we welcome the Orpana family and pray God's richest blessings to them as they accept the call to serve God's church in Brantford and Paris.

B. Van Dieman, *First Elder*
Communication Secretary
Brantford Church



Five-day Plan to Stop Smoking Conducted in Oshawa General Hospital



Elder Gordon Pifher leading one of the Five-day Plan sessions at Oshawa General Hospital.

Dr. Keith Madgwick, Director of the Medical Education and Temperance Department of the College Park Church, organized and led another successful Five-day Plan to stop smoking at the Oshawa General Hospital October 17-21. One week later a follow-up session was held at which time participants expressed gratitude for having kicked the habit. They also expressed interest in encourag-

ing their friends to attend the soon-to-beheld sessions in Whitby.

Working with Dr. Madgwick were dentists Dr. Robert Connors and Dr. Ray Jones; Elders George Bryson, David White, and Gordon Pifher. Lay members assisting were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fenton, Joy Prouty, R.N., Mr. Frank Connors, Mr. Paul Hoar, Mr. John Malloy, Mrs. George Ryan, Mrs. Helen Solomon,

and Mr. Robert Russell.

Participants were also invited to attend health sessions to be conducted the first Wednesday evening of each month in the College Park Church. These sessions will also be presented live on CABL TV.

Marilyn Brown
Communications Director
College Park Church

New Grade 9 Class for Windsor Church School



Flags and Bible procession were looked forward to every morning.



Sylvia O'Brien leading 50 kindergarten youngsters in a song for graduation.

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June Lauzon led "the Lord's Army" with the Primaries for graduation.

In September, the Windsor Seventh-day Adventist Church School was proud to announce the beginning of a grade 9 class under the leadership of Brother Gerald Bacchus, a recent graduate of Andrews University.

With the beginning of a grade 9 class, it was decided that we need more classroom space. So a sketch was drawn up and in the very near future the addition of a science lab, a library, a home economics room, and a gym will be a reality.

God has also blessed our school with the growth of our total number of students from 30 members last year to 52 members this year. Ellen G. White stresses that Christian Education is very important and in the Windsor Church this importance is believed by its members.

Sharron Ladore

Communications Secretary

Joint Pathfinder Induction Service

A joint Pathfinder induction ceremony for the new members of the Bowmanville Club and the new members of the College Park Junior Club was held during the Sabbath evening vesper hour, October 23, in the College Park Church in Oshawa. Leading out in the ceremony were Siegrid Janot, Director of the College Park Junior Club; Lionel West, Director, and Alex MacEachern, Assistant Director, of the Bowmanville Club.

New Bowmanville Pathfinders taking part in this service were: Jackie Ramsay, Yvonne Ellis, Peter Mueller, Karen Cook, Laura Greenlaw, Billy Kelley, Leslie Morrison, and Cris McLane. Their counsellors are: Calvin Ellis, George Pinch, and Wanda Newman. The Bowmanville Club recently organized with a total of 21 members.

New Junior members from College Park are: Pauline de Leon, Debbie Mosier, Heather Thomas, Nadia Morgan, Lisa Mooring, Linda Williams, Jerry Meloy, Lydon de Leon, Scott Connors, Deno McDaniel, and Jimmy Bell. Junior Club counsellors are: Audrey Tait, Linda Chevalier, Myrna Brown, Nelson Hubley, and Scott Bastien.

Jean Robinson from College Park served as co-ordinator for the service, and Nancy Crandall as organist.



College Park and Bowmanville Pathfinders during the induction service.

This joint induction service introduced the new Pathfinders to the joys and responsibilities of service.

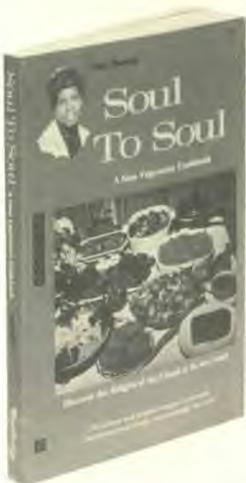
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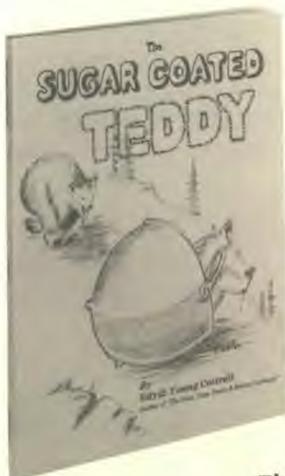
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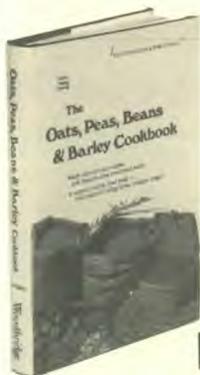
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De Nouvelles Lumieres

“Pendant que je suis dans le monde, je suis la lumière du monde.” (Jean 9:5)

Des millions de personnes au Canada, et en Amérique du Nord connaissent Montréal, sinon pour y être passé, tout au moins par des cartes postales. Les jeux Olympiques ont fait retentir le nom de la grande métropole dans tous les coins du monde. Des centaines de millions de gens ont vu sur leurs écrans de télévision, des quartiers de la plus grande ville francophone en dehors de France.

Mais les lumières éclatantes de la fête ont caché les ténèbres et la misère qui s’attachent à Montréal comme à toutes les grandes cités du monde contemporain. La violence, les gangs, la mafia, les grands professionnels du crim, comme leurs pâles imitateurs, les hold-up, les enlèvements, les séquestrations, la drogue et son commerce abominable, les grèves, l’indifférence craintive un égoïsme forcené, la recherche du plaisir et de l’argent, tout cela provoque et aggrave un sentiment d’insécurité chez les habitants des cités populeuses.

Epouvantés, angoissés, les gens cherchent autre chose. Ils désirent ardemment une “assurance bonheur.” Alors toutes les compagnies ou individus qui proposent un contrat de sécurité, de paix intérieure, de protection et de vie éternelle sont accueillies favorablement.

Nous, Adventistes du 7^{ième} Jour, savons bien que nous représentons la seule “Compagnie” capable de donner cette assurance-paix, sécurité, vie éternelle. Nous avons le Message pour cela.

C’est pour mieux servir la population de Montréal que nous avons ouvert trois nouvelles “succursales” dans la ville. Deux dans le Sud-Ouest — Pointe Saint Charles et Ville Lasalle — et une sur la rive sud à Longueuil. Ces trois églises se réunissent le sabbat dans des temples qu’elles ont loués à d’autres Dénominations.

Pointe St. Charles compte une trentaine de membres, et Ville Lasalle une quarantaine. En Novembre aura lieu dans ce secteur une grande campagne publique “IL EST ECRIT” avec le Pasteur LOWE. Ces deux églises pourront ainsi héberger les nouveaux membres.

A Longueuil une quarantaine de membres se préparent aussi à travailler le secteur de la Rive Sud. Il y a des centaines de milliers d’habitants dans ce quartier de la ville pour lesquels, rien ou presque, a encore été fait.

Désormais 4 églises anglaises et trois françaises conjuguent leurs efforts pour travailler au salut des habitants de “Montréal La Grande.”

Mais il y a d’autres sujets d’encouragement. Deux autres groupes sont en formation. Un dans Montréal-Nord, c’est à dire au Nord-Est de l’île. Là aussi un certain intérêt se manifeste. L’heure est venue d’étendre nos cordages.

A Saint Jérôme, à environ 30 miles au Nord de Montréal,

des membres commencent à se regrouper. Dieu aidant, bientôt une nouvelle lumière brillera dans cette région, éclairant les ténèbres jusqu’ici presque totales.

Maintenant, prenez une carte et suivez-moi loin, dans l’est de la Province. Vous trouverez Rivière du Loup à environ 150 miles de Québec, puis encore 150 miles plus loin, au milieu des terres, non loin de Campbellton (N.B.) vous trouverez Causapscal.

Dans ces deux localités nous avons maintenant au moins un membre baptisé et plusieurs personnes intéressées. Tout a commencé avec les colporteurs. Le Pasteur Saintus en 1975 décida de faire un effort dans cette petite bourgade de Causapscal pour essayer de regrouper les personnes intéressées par les colporteurs. Le travail se poursuivit après la campagne d’évangélisation. Le Pasteur Morosoli, moi-même et d’autres s’efforcèrent de faire mûrir les fruits. Les efforts ne furent pas vains.

Maintenant la graine commence à lever. La moisson vient, vite et belle. Tout cela donne l’assurance que l’heure est venue, les portes s’ouvrent les gens attendent.

Oui, le Québec est bien en vie. Gloire en soit au Dieu Tout-Puissant.

G. L. Hermans

New Lights in Quebec

“As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world”. (John 9:5)

Millions of people in Canada and North America know Montreal by having passed through it, or at least by having seen pictures, and more recently, by the 1976 Olympic Games which have taken the name of this great metropolis to every corner of the world. Hundreds of millions of people have seen on their television screens sections of the greatest French-Speaking City in the world outside of France.

But the dazzling lights of this great festival only serve as a cloak to hide the gloom and the misery which, like in every large city in the world, cover Montreal. Violence, gangs, the mafia, hold-ups, drugs and their horrible effects, strikes, indifference, selfishness, thirst for pleasures and the love of money, all these bring on a weightier feeling of insecurity to Montrealers as is the case of the population of other large cities.

However, the anguished and the fearful are looking for something else. They seek a “Happiness-Insurance Contract”. So, any “Insurance Company” or individual who will offer them such a contract for security, inner peace, protection and eternal life is received with enthusiasm.

We, as Seventh-day Adventists, well know that we represent

the only existing "Insurance Company" able to offer a true "Happiness-Peace-and-Eternal Life Insurance Contract". We have such a Message.

In order to bring this help to the Montreal population we have organized three new "Branches" in the City. Two are located in the south-western part — at Pointe St. Charles with about thirty church members, and at Ville La Salle with about forty members. The third "Branch" is on the South Shore in Longueuil with about forty church members. These all meet in rented churches.

Elder Lowe's IT IS WRITTEN Crusade will be held in Verdun in November. The two first-named new churches will be able to care for the newly-baptized expected from this Crusade.

On the South Shore we find hundreds of thousands of people for whom nothing has yet been done in regularly planned program. Such is the task of this new church.

So now, we have four English and three French Churches sharing the responsibility of witnessing for Christ among Greater Montreal's population.

In the Quebec Province, we find other encouraging happenings. Two other groups will soon be organized; one will be in

Montreal-North at the north-eastern end of the Island where interest exists. Time has come for us to "strengthen our stakes and lengthen our cords". In St. Jerome, about 30 miles north of Montreal, members are meeting together. With God's help soon a new light will shine in this area to enlighten the almost-complete darkness.

Now, get a map and follow me far to the East. Find Riviere-de-Loup about 150 miles east of Quebec City along the St. Laurent River. Another 150 miles beyond that you will find Causapsal in the Gaspé Peninsula, close to Campbellton, N.B. In both these cities we now have at least one baptized member and many interested people as well as contacts. This all started with the colporteurs. They, together with their leader Pastor G. Saintus, conducted an evangelistic Crusade in Causapsal during 1975 trying to consolidate the interests which the colporteurs had raised up. The follow-up work was done by Pastor E. Morosoli, the writer and others. All this was not in vain. The seeds are growing and reaping time is approaching rapidly.

Doors are open in Quebec; people are waiting. Our "V Day" has come.

Yes, Quebec is alive. Glory be to our Lord!

G. L. Hermans

L'Eglise de Waterville en Deuil

Beaucoup d'entre-nous savent que, pendant longtemps dans la province de Québec, en dehors de Montréal et Québec, le Message Adventiste du 7ième Jour n'était représenté que par trois petites églises des Cantons de l'Est, berceau de l'Oeuvre au Canada. Waterville est l'une d'entre-elles.

Cette petit communauté a lutté et combattu, avec persévéance pour survivre. L'âme de cette résistance fut sans doute Frère FRANK KNUTSON.

Pendant 32 années il assura l'éancienat de l'Eglise. Il sut maintenir en vie une flamme parfois vacillante. Aujourd'hui, Dieu a mis notre frère au repos. Le 13 JUIN 1976, notre frère s'est endormi à l'âge de 67 ans seulement.

Remercions le Seigneur pour la foi, la persévérance active et l'amour fraternel de ce frère, dont le souvenir restera vivant dans le cœur de Beulah, son épouse, et de tous ses frères et soeurs, et amis de Waterville.

Nul doute que à Frank, comme à Daniel, Dieu a dit: "Marches vers ta fin, tu te reposeras et tu seras debout pour recevoir ton héritage à la fin des jours."

G. L. HERMANS

In Memorium

Many of us know that for decades in the Province of Quebec, apart from Montreal and Quebec City, the Third Angel's Message was represented by only three small communities in the Eastern Townships, cradle of our Church in Canada. Waterville is one of these churches.

This church has fought the good fight with faith and perseverance, struggling for survival. At the heart of this struggle was Brother Frank Knutson. For thirty-two years he acted as church elder and kept alive, this, sometimes, weak and struggling light. Now the Lord has called our brother to his rest. On June 13, 1976, he passed away at the age of 67.

Let us thank the Lord for the faith, perseverance, and brotherly love of our brother whose remembrance will remain alive in the hearts of Beulah, his life companion, and all of his friends from Waterville.

I believe that to Frank, as to Daniel, the Lord has said: "You shall rest, and shall stand in your allotted place at the end of the days."

G. L. HERMANS

Canadian Union College Oct

By N. O. MAT

A three-day faculty and staff retreat devoted to an in-depth examination of the topic—"Christian Education—A Christ-Centered Concept"—preceded the opening of the college year 1976-77. Inspired by their findings each day, and by the spiritual messages given by Dr. Richard Hammill, Elder George Emm, Elder Lowell Cooper, Elder Heimo Heghesan and Elder Doug Devnich, teachers, administrators and support staff dedicated themselves to making Christ the center of their lives and classroom instruction. With deep earnestness they prayed for guidance and power to make the forth-coming school year a year of victory and spiritual maturation in the lives of the students who would be in attendance. They also prayed that their efforts during the spring and summer to build enrolment would be blessed with success. They were not disappointed.

ENROLMENT. 122 students with a full-time equivalent of 106 registered in the fall—a healthy improvement over the previous year's opening head-count of 96 with a full-time equivalent of 86; It is true that more could have come but did not, and chose rather to attend elsewhere. But we are grateful for the increase and perhaps more grateful for the quality of student body in attendance. A sense of awareness of and a willing if not eager response to spiritual values among the students is markedly apparent.

The academy enrolment in grades IX through XII stands at 260—an increase of just four over the previous year. The apparent leveling off in the academy registration could be attributed largely to the upgrading that has taken place in feeder schools in the local conferences.

COURSE OFFERINGS. Because of the comparatively limited enrolment, and since the first year university program and the first two years of the non-university programs consist largely of required courses, it is not felt necessary or feasible at this time to offer a wide smorgasbord of courses. Excluding courses in applied music, 162 hours of college work in 56 courses are being offered during the first semester, while 176 hours of college work in 58 courses are planned for the second semester.

FACULTY. The College is fortunate to have the services of well-qualified dedicated Christian men and women on staff consisting of 9 doctorates, 2 B.D.'s and 7 masters' degrees in the college division, and 8 masters and 10 baccalaureate degree holders in the academy division. Full-time equivalent staff offering instruction at the college level is 12 and at the academy level 14 giving an F.T.E. student-teacher ratio of nearly 1:9 at the college level and 1:17.6 at the academy level.

INDUSTRIES AND STUDENT LABOR. The College believes in a student work program as a divinely inspired essential component of "education for the whole man." All but five students were employed either off campus or on campus in

1975-76, with the industries and services on campus expending approximately \$410,000 on student labor for the year. The five students who remained unemployed were foreign students and efforts to secure work permits for them were unsuccessful.

At the present time about 20 students are without work—five of these either have no work permit or are having schedule difficulties. Efforts are being made to place the remaining fifteen.

Despite business setbacks and a crippling postal strike, the major industries had a successful year of operation. Parkland Furniture grossed \$2,158,232 in sales and showed a net profit of \$146,095. Parkland Colorpress grossed \$504,056 in sales and yielded a net profit of \$53,584. Parkland Bookbindery showed a marked improvement over the previous year in operations grossing \$181,071 in business but showing a loss of nearly \$13,000. This latter performance is deliberately termed "marked improvement" in keeping with a distinctly Prairie tradition of having much to rejoice over when the weather "warms" up from -50F to -10F. Changes recently made in the operation of the bindery provide sufficient room to anticipate a break-even operation or even an operation with a modest gain during the current year. The College Farms harvested a bumper crop this year averaging 60 bushels of grain per acre, some parcels of farmland yielding as much as 80+ bushels per acre. In all the farm took in 40,000 bushels of grain and 2,000 tons of silage for the dairy which milks 85 cows yielding on the average 3,500 lbs. of milk daily.

Students currently earn \$2.75 - \$4.50 per hour in the industries and \$2.00 - \$2.75 per hour in campus services.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENT. Following the decisive action taken by the Canadian Union Constituency in May 1976, further steps were taken to follow up the request contained in the brief presented earlier to the Minister of Advanced Education for Alberta, seeking authorization to operate a degree-granting institution. It will be recalled that the brief approached the matter of a degree-granting institution for Canada from a "systems" point of view indicating that Seventh-day Adventist colleges and universities in North America constituted a system of higher education in the Church co-ordinated and controlled by a Board of Higher Education, that the system was the means through which the Church carried out its teaching ministry based on a unique philosophy of education with unique goals and objectives, that the system was funded corporately by the Church and individually by its members for the express purpose of educating the "total person", and that the Church desires to make available in Canada, educational opportunities to the baccalaureate level for the youth of a growing Canadian membership comparable to those provided for the youth elsewhere in North America, on a scale consistent with the size and fiscal ability of the Canadian membership.

Against the background of this approach, the Minister of

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College President

Advanced Education was invited to personally visit one or more institutions in the system in order to observe the quality, scope and viability of the Church's system of higher education. The invitation was accepted and the Minister together with the Member of the Alberta Legislature representing the Lacombe constituency, his Assistant Deputy Minister of Education and the Vice-President for Academic Affairs of the University of Alberta spent three days in July 1976, visiting Loma Linda University and Pacific Union College in California. The visitors were given an opportunity to meet administration, to examine curriculum and programs with departmental heads and faculty members, to look over teaching facilities, libraries, laboratories and work programs, and to get the feel of the purpose for which Seventh-day Adventist schools exist. Addressing the 250-300 Canadians assembled at a reception given in his honor, the Minister remarked,

"You people give an added atmosphere to your system of education. You not only meet the requirements of education professionally, but you go beyond professionalism, indicating a sincere interest in service to others. One can feel the difference."

While choosing his words carefully, avoiding any statements that may be construed as a commitment prematurely delivered, the Minister expressed genuine feelings on the role of quality private institutions when he added,

"I certainly have found a great deal of value in my visit here to your university. I found an excellent example of a private institution providing an outstanding training. I feel that in a pluristic society, a plural educational system of public and private education has real merit."

Following his visit to the SDA institutions in California, the Minister has been in frequent conference with officials of his department discussing the matter of degree-granting status for Canadian Union College. The Decision obviously is a political rather than an academic one, and time and timing are important ingredients in the political process. Undue pressure excited at the wrong time can elicit nothing but a negative response, and an attempt to rush the political process is to court disaster. A recent letter from the Minister is most encouraging in that it indicates a continuing active consideration of the Church's proposal by the Minister and his

department. In part he said,

"Further to your meetings with Dr. Bosetti, my department is reviewing your request on behalf of Canadian Union College for degree-granting status. Upon completion of this review, I will be requesting a formal submission concerning your proposal for establishing Canadian Union College as a degree-granting institution.

In the meanwhile, at the suggestion of the Minister and Dr. Bosetti, steps have been taken to secure an extension of the affiliation with the University of Alberta to include the offering of a second year of university studies in the arts, sciences, elementary and secondary education, business administration, home economics, and physical education. All other colleges including two private colleges in Alberta are already offering two years' of university studies and Mr. W. D. Burns, Registrar of the University of Alberta as well as Secretary of the University's Committee on College Affairs has given the assurance that approval to expand into the second year of university studies can be obtained on request, provided that adequately qualified instructors are employed to offer instruction in the desired courses. Subject to the approval and funding by the Board, the added year of university level work should be available to the student in the 1977-78 college year.

Much work remains to be done in achieving our goals for higher education in Canada. It is going to take united, concerted effort on the part of every administrator, pastor, worker, and lay member in the Canadian Union to make the total educational system in the Union, from the elementary to the post secondary level, be what it should be and indeed must be to prepare an "army of youth rightly trained" to finish the work.

"God has provided divine assistance for all the emergencies to which our human resources are unequal. He gives the Holy Spirit to help in every strait, to strengthen our hope and assurance, to illuminate our minds and purify our hearts. He provides opportunities and opens channels of working. If His people are watching the indications of His providence, and are ready to co-operate with Him, they will see mighty results." PK 659, 660.

**See Letter on Next Page
From Alberta Minister of
Advanced Education and Manpower**



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September 21, 1976

Dr. N. O. Matthews
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Dear Dr. Matthews:

Please accept my personal thanks for arranging our visit to Loma Linda University and Pacific Union College. The visit provided me with an excellent opportunity to view the work which is being done in the area of adult education.

Further to your meetings with Dr. Bosetti, my department is reviewing your request on behalf of Canadian Union College for degree granting status.

Upon completion of this review, I will be requesting a formal submission concerning your proposal for establishing Canadian Union College as a degree granting institution.

Yours sincerely,

A. E. Hohol
A. E. Hohol
Minister

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cc Mr. J. Cookson M.L.A.



RIVERDALE
AND

ST. JOHN
CHURCH SCHOOL

Potato Thon

Potato picking is back-breaking work. At least that's what the students from Riverdale and Saint John Church Schools will tell you. These potato pickers joined Perth's Church School in their Potato

thon. The week end included hiking through the beautiful Aroostook Valley, riding ponies and worshipping together. Even though the picking was cut short by rain all are willing to pick again next year.



"Just a bunch of potato pickers"



Potato pickers Garland & Lorna Morton, Diane & Barbara Morton following the digger.



. . . Youth Camp, South West Pond . . .

By RALPH JANES, *Youth Director, Newfoundland*

Seventy-five campers enjoyed a busy and exciting week at South West Pond, July 11-18.

The food prepared by Darlene Reimche nourished our bodies, while

Pastor Dennis Wysong's daily Camp Council nourished our souls and revealed more of Jesus' love for us.

Waterskiing, canoeing, swimming, greased watermelons, crafts, sing song,

campfire, storytime--"Oh, the day just isn't long enough! Do we have to have rest period?"

--See you next summer at South West Pond.



"Thank you for this beautiful morning."



"Wake up boys it's breakfast time."



"Free shampoo."



"Maybe I'll paint this one red."



"Keep paddling, I think we'll make it."



"Don't go beyond the raft."

"Yes Jackie,



one on each foot."



Kamloops Welcomes Its New Minister!

Kamloops SDA Church members turned out in force to welcome their new minister, Pastor Charles Cooper and his wife Virginia, on Sabbath, October 2, 1976. Pastor Cooper has returned from a sojourn in the wilderness—he has been on sabbatical leave doing nature research — fired with enthusiasm for the task ahead. The Kamloops Church has been without experienced leadership although an excellent interim service has been given by Mr. Marlin Topham of the Task Force. Since Pastor Bob Burton and his wife left in June to prepare for missionary work in Bangladesh. Pastor Cooper introduced his wife to the congregation and made all feel welcome to visit with them at any time. He then called all the children to the front for a special story, the first of many in a regular feature. The sermon opened with an apt quotation from Paul concerning his intentions when he began his ministry at Corinth: "And I, brethren,

when I came to you, came not with excellency of speech, or of wisdom, declaring unto you the testimony of God. For I determined not to know anything among you, save Jesus Christ, and Him crucified."

While disclaiming any parallel between Paul's and his own intellectual abilities, Pastor Cooper made abundantly clear that the core of his ministry is to be "Jesus Christ, and him crucified." Pastor Cooper gave one illustration from his missionary experience which has been a great strength to him. While leaving China, he and his wife were set upon by bandits and had their few remaining possessions stolen. Included in the haul were two suitcases containing a life-time's sermon notes. At his next evangelical campaign, in India, he was forced to study each day to prepare that evening's lesson. That new closeness to God and His word brought in — through God's rich

grace — a rich harvest. "It was the turning point in my ministry", Pastor Cooper said.

Our prayer is that the Church and its new Pastor will work together to claim the promises of harmony and example of Jesus' great prayer in John 17:22, 23: "...that they may be one, as we are one; and I in them and thou in me, may they be perfectly one. Then the world will learn that thou didst send me, that thou didst love them as thou didst me." (NEB)

Mr. Peter Smith
Kamloops SDA Church PR



Kamloops Graduation

The school year of 75-76 was special for a group of Adventist and non-Adventist youngsters in Kamloops, B.C. Together with their teacher, Virginia Manchur, they made up the first SDA Church School in Kamloops. The enthusiasm of the school in all its ventures was a fine example to all. The church is grateful to Miss Manchur who moves on to a new position, for laying the foundations of the school. Meanwhile the church prayerfully seeks land on which to build a permanent home (school is presently held in the church youth room). Miss Manchur gives the story of the 1976 graduation in her own words:

"On June 12, 1976, Maria Metzger, left in the picture, and Renee Cooper, right in the picture, made history as they were the first grade 8 graduates of the Kamloops Church School. President Kaytor was the guest speaker. A section of the church was transformed into a classroom, where the following students attend: Tami Glanzer, Nathanael Smith, Lorne Dunford, Lyn Livesey, Christopher Parsons, John Maerzke, Kelly Glanzer, Ronald Manns, Sharon Rusk, Carol Maerzke, Susan Romeo, Burton Domke,



Pictured is Maria Metzger and Renee Cooper.

Valarie Dunford, Benita Domke, Raymond Hockey, Maria Metzger, and Renee Cooper. During the year the students raised over 400 dollars, 350 of which they presented to the church for the school building fund, investing for eternity!

*Kamloops SDA Church
PR Secretary*

Field School of Evangelism Comes to Kelowna, B.C.

More than 60 persons have been baptized through an evangelistic crusade by Oregon Conference evangelist Lynn Martell in Kelowna, B.C.

Elder Martell conducted the meetings as a field school of evangelism for Andrews University and was assisted by ten students from the Theological Seminary as well as the pastors, Ed Teranski and Nick Trynchuck from the Rutland and Kelowna Churches. Also joining in the crusade were two local students and the British Columbia director of child evangelism, Lyla Evans. Ole Ulrickson was student co-ordinator from the seminary for the crusade series.

For most of the students it was their first experience in bringing souls to Jesus Christ, Martell noted. Church members gave excellent support to the meetings by bringing many friends to each night's services.

Additional persons are preparing for

baptism to be held during the remaining months of the year.

Meetings opened in a community theater with more than a capacity audience and on the following night a second session was required. Later the meetings were transferred to the Okanagan Valley Academy. The month-long crusade was concluded September 25.

Those participating from the Canadian Union included Dave Toop from the Ontario Conference, and Ulrickson from British Columbia.

*C. Elwyn Platner, Director
Department of Communication*

Hazelton and Terrace News

By
MRS. YVONNE JOHNSON
PR Terrace SDA Church

The Lord's work is going forward and He is blessing it. We have witnessed it here in the great North West of British Columbia. Although the church membership in this area is small, the dedicated members are working for friends and acquaintances. As a result these precious souls are giving their lives to Christ in baptism. Interest in Spiritual matters is springing up everywhere in this area. On a recent visit to a remote Indian Village Pastor Frank Johnson found native people who believe in the Sabbath truth and asked that a series of meetings be held in their village. We know that the time of labor in the Lord's vineyard is short but with our united prayers many from His vineyard will be in the Kingdom.



Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Nelson who were recently baptized at Terrace with Pastor Frank Johnson.



Evangelist Ray Halvorson (left), newly-baptized group from Hazelton and Terrace, Pastor Frank Johnson.

Port Hardy Church and School Dedication

By JUNE MARTIN. *PR Secretary*

Sabbath, August 21st, was a high day for the members of the Port Hardy Church as their lovely sanctuary and new church school were dedicated to God. It was a week end of consecration not only for the new structures, but also for its members, visiting pastors, former members, and friends.

Under the dedicated leadership of building chairman, Dr. Darrel Martin, the church and school took less than three years to complete. Located on its four and a half acre site, the complex is valued at \$200,000. The seating capacity for the church is 130.

The mission emphasis was presented by Danny Petr, a student missionary to Japan from Andrews University. Dr. Wendell Danielson from Bella Coola who is in charge of the coast dental program conducted an inspirational S. S. lesson.

Elder A. W. Kaytor, conference president, was the speaker for the Sabbath morning service.

In his dedication address to a full-house audience, Canadian Union President, Lloyd L. Reile stated that the very fact that the building stands indicates that God is real. His words of inspiration were a fitting introduction to the Act of Dedication led by the pastor, Steve Petr. The dedicatory prayer was offered by Elder A. W. Kaytor.

Elder Harold Beavon, former pastor, who drew the blueprints for the church, gave the scripture reading and opening prayer.

A trombone duet by Murray McGill and Ken Knopp provided a musical blessing as they played "Bless This House".

The historical background of the church was shared by Lorna Waterman as she reminisced on the beginnings of the church on North Vancouver Island. She summed the feelings of the congregation as she stated, "Another light has been lit in a dark world to guide those who are seeking the way to Eternity".

Honored guest, acting Mayor Brian Welchman, congratulated the church on its accomplishment as he brought greetings from the Port Hardy Council.

SCHOOL DOUBLES ENROLLMENT

In a separate service the new two-room school was dedicated to God to be used as an instrument in training young people for service for God. Educational Super-



Interior of church.



Exterior of church.

intendent, H. C. White, gave a message on true Christian Education. Elder L. L. Reile offered the dedicatory prayer.

Instruction in the school will be provided by Principal Johan Haakmat and Esther Simanton. Grades 1 through 9 will be taught. The school enrollment has doubled since last school year.

Conference treasurer, E. F. White, congratulated the members on their accomplishment. He stated this was a very unique situation whereby a church and school are dedicated at the same time. In fact, it's a first in B. C. and possibly in the Canadian Union.

See P. 422 for more from B.C.

- Items of General Interest -

S.D.A. Broadcasters Meet With President Ford of U.S.

H.M.S. Richards, Jr. and George Vandeman were among thirty-four religious broadcasters who met with President Gerald R. Ford September 20 in Washington, D.C.



After the meetings at the White House, Elder Vandeman reported he found the President "a warm, friendly man, who is very sincere in his faith."

Elder Richards noted "the President revealed that whenever he makes a decision for the government, he asks for God's guidance. Also, he calls top officials together weekly for prayer.

Michael D. Fellows
Director of Public Relations

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Faith For Today Receives Overwhelming Public Response

Faith for Today is reaching the public. In response to a September letter from Pastor Fagal asking, "Please share with us how "Faith for Today" has helped you or someone you know," viewers flooded FFT with mailbags full of praises for Faith for Today and thanksgivings to God.

Typical of the many returns are the following letters:

"Faith for Today has brought me from a life of defeat and sin to hope for a better life. I have accepted Christ and hope to be baptized soon."

"I have learned a lot of things like be nice to your friends. Believe in God. Love your mom and dad. Share things with your friends."

"Even though we have been SDA's for

many years, your programs are a real encouragement to us. We cannot go even one day without God's help and Faith for Today helps us realize it even more."

Faith for Today is encouraged by such letters which give testimony to the power of Christ working on the hearts and lives of men.

EL CENTINELA FORMAT CHANGES

EL CENTINELA, the monthly Spanish journal, will begin 1977 with a completely new look and two new languages in an effort to widen its sphere of influence. To be published in Spanish, French, and English, circulation will increase to nearly 600,000 copies.

Production of the magazine will be handled by Pacific Press' new Harris M-100 web offset press. Costing just under half a million dollars, the press will print and fold 14,000 copies an hour. Changes in the number of pages and the use of color will allow the annual subscription rate to drop to \$1.50.



Benjamin Riffel (left), promotion director, and Dr. Tulio Peverini, editor, examine the first copies of the new EL CENTINELA.

The English edition will be available throughout Inter-America while the Spanish and French editions will also serve North America.

"These languages are as different as the nearly thirty countries where this journal will be circulated. But the purpose of publication will be the same: to present the eternal, exalted truths of the Holy Scriptures in a modern context," Dr. Peverini, editor, explains.

Jau Prall



"Insight" Writing Contest Offers \$1,700 in Prizes

The editors of *Insight* are pleased to announce the 1977 Writing Contest. Cash prizes will total \$1,700 and will include a \$500 grand award.

The contest is open in two categories: the short story, and poetry. Separate judges will be involved. Prizes in each category — poetry and short story — will be: \$250, first; \$200, second; \$150, third. There will be one grand prize of \$500.

STORIES

Insight is looking for stories that illuminate aspects of Christian writing such as those based on witnessing experiences, social relationships, parent-children encounters, school life, young married situations, man-God encounters, and frankly, any story that deals with the religious dimension. But this does not mean obvious, preachy, moralizing kind of materials.

We are currently overstocked with l'enfant terrible, or the struggles-of-a-youthful-rebel-type stories. We nonetheless recognize that occasionally such a story, while painful, can provide a mirror of ourselves that can have a positive result. A second caution has to do with the notion that a good religious story has to include overtly religious elements or be based upon a miracle or something tragic, and sensationally out of the ordinary. Actually, religious literature succeeds in the same way secular literature does, through description, credible dialogue, interesting characters, subtle themes, et cetera.

Short stories submitted for this contest should be short. No more than 1800 words.

All stories should be based on actual events. The writer may change names, reconstruct conversation, and juxtapose situations for purposes of dramatic interest. However, the thrust of the story must square with reality seen from some Christian viewpoint.

It is essential for writers to keep in mind that every short story contains conflict in some form. The judges will be looking for it in action that builds toward climax and denouement. Student writers not in a writing class are encouraged to seek critiques of their stories from competent journalists or writing teachers.

When selecting their story, writers must keep in mind that *Insight's* primary audience ranges from 16 to 25. Younger readers tend to appreciate simpler stories that highlight action and adventure. Older readers frequently enjoy subtle stories that emphasize relationships, decision-making, and cover the complexities of living successfully in the 70's.

Most winning short stories develop one incident through characters skillfully drawn, through dialogue, and by an effective portrayal of mood, time, and place. Most unsuccessful short stories lack a central incident or story line and often attempt to succeed by relying on a bizarre or catastrophic incident rather than on skillful writing.

POETRY

Poetry should encourage inspiring thought and may be written in a variety of rhymed or unrhymed patterns.

HOWEVER, good poetry is not to be associated with nebulous, open-ended, quickly written verse. Contrary to popular opinion, very few people are able to write poetry, and for this reason we encourage contestants to use traditional meters, rhymes, and forms.

Persons entering poetry are invited to note the impressive simplicity of a poem like W. B. Yeats' "The Lake Isle of Innisfree," or John Keats' "To Autumn," a seasonal poem that totally escapes the obvious and the cliché. Whether Donne or Frost or Hopkins, the point is that poetry can be spiritual without being blatantly religious; it can be profound, yet simple and short.

In evaluating manuscripts the judges will have in mind such criteria as spiritual value of insight gained, character development, use of language and believable dialogue, artistry (mood, place, sensory appeal, description, choice of appropriate detail), unity, and organization.

RULES

1. Contest open and judged in two categories: short stories and poetry. All writers welcome.
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WEDDINGS

PREDDIE-HINES

The Kingsway College Chapel was the setting for a very pretty wedding on June 27, 1976. Cislyn Hines, who has worked as a dietitian in our school was united in marriage to Louis Preddie. The bride was attended by her sister Halcyone, and four of her close friends. Her groom was supported by his cousin Clinton, and four close friends. Pastor D.J. Handysides conducted the marriage ceremony and gave words of counsel to the happy pair. The reception was held at the Holiday Inn, Oshawa. Dennis Williams was the master of ceremonies. Their many relatives and friends who gathered together for this occasion wished them God's richest blessings and our prayers go with them as they continue to serve Him together.

Mrs. D.J. Handysides

NILSEN-WATSON

On Sunday, October 10th, 1976, Viktor Nilssen and Phoebe Watson were joined together in Holy matrimony. The marriage ceremony was conducted in the Kingsway College Chapel, Oshawa. She was attended by Lisa Kivisto and Enid Groeger. Judith Wheeler made a charming flower girl, and Graham Wheeler a handsome young Bible boy. Saleem Watson acted as best man.

Dr. Wadie Farag, who is the uncle of the bride, spoke to the young couple in a very moving way, and Pastor D.J. Handysides conducted the marriage service.

As the friends left the chapel, they were presented with a tiny gift from Sister Watson, who has served so faithfully our College for twelve years. The wedding reception was held in the bride's home and a small group of close friends enjoyed the wedding feast together. We wish Phoebe and Viktor, God's choicest blessing and pray that He will ever lead them as they set up another home for Him.

Mrs. D.J. Handysides

BOWEN-FIELD

On the morning of Sunday, September 12, 1976 in the Vancouver Seventh-day Adventist Church Patricia Field became the bride of Dr. Tom Bowen. Patricia's parents are Dr. and Mrs. Fred Field of Vancouver, B.C. Tom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. David Bowen of Ukiah, California. May the benediction of Heaven be upon this new Christian home to be established in Loma Linda, California.

Pastor Allan W. Robertson
Vancouver SDA Church

BACHINSKI-BORGESS

Maria C. Borgess and John Bachinski were married August 15, 1976 in the Edmonton Central Church. Elder J. T. Krpalek officiated. John and Maria will establish their home in Grande Prairie, Alberta, where John is employed by the Alberta Government serving in the accounting division of the Agriculture Department.

J. T. Krpalek

CORRECTION

Due to an unfortunate jumble of lines in two weddings in the Nov. 7 "Messenger", we are reprinting them above in the next column.

HORRICKS-HILDERMAN

Colleen Hilderman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Hilderman of Winnipeg, and Pete Horricks, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Edward Horricks of Ottawa were married on September 5, 1976, in the Henderson Highway Church in Winnipeg, Manitoba. The bride's attendants were: Julie Grenda, Caroline Kellberg, Janice Sterling, Joanne Markiewich, and her cousins, Erin and D'arcy Hilderman. The best man was the groom's brother Harry. Groomsman were another brother Don, Doug Sayers, David and Robert Hilderman, brothers of the bride, and Doug Hilderman, cousin of the bride.

We wish God's abundant blessing on Colleen and Pete as they make their home in Oshawa, Ontario

Arthur M. Spent

RAGENOVICH-KIEHLBAUCH

The first wedding in the Mountain View Church, South Calgary, took place on the afternoon of Sunday, July 4th, 1976 when Eldene Colleen Kiehlbauch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Kiehlbauch and Alexander Oscar Ragenovich, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Ragenovich, of Lewistown, Montana, exchanged their own personal wedding vows. Elder George Emm officiated. The wedding was blessed with song, music and poetry.

Eldene and Oscar's first home will be in Alaska where Eldene is teaching church school and Oscar is an engineer.

May God bless the setting up of another Christian home where Jesus will reign supreme.

Dorothy Emm

OBITUARIES

MUNDALL—Merrill Yuan Mundall was born July 14, 1973 at Earls Court near Lytton, British Columbia. He was Merritt's and Becky's first child and a source of great joy in their home. Little Merrill was often found singing "With Jesus in my Heart", "Happy, Happy Home" and "His Banner over Me is Love". He had learned to pray his own prayers to his Saviour. An accident on the 18th of August, 1976 took his life. Longing for resurrection morning are his parents, baby sister, and a host of loved ones. Grandma Hansen donated \$300.00 for building a "Lamb Shelter" in the mission field in memory of Merrill. Other loved ones and friends are contributing to this worthwhile memorial fund to hasten the return of Jesus. The funeral service was held in the Anglican Church at Lytton, B.C. Interment followed in the Lytton cemetery. Angels await the coming of Jesus to bear this little one to his parents' arms.

Pastor Ray Halvorson
British Columbia

BELKE—Edward Belke, 76, born March 23, 1900 in Poland, died August 9, 1976 in the Charles Camsell Hospital, Edmonton, Alberta. He was a member of the Edmonton Central Church. Surviving are his wife Lydia; three sons, Eric of Edmonton, George of Richvalley, and William of Red Deer, Alberta; one sister Mrs. Emma Rogers of Edmonton. Services were held by the writer and interment was in St. Michael's cemetery, Edmonton.

Pastor Joseph Krpalek

PAUL—On Sunday, October 3, 1976, Mr. Charles Paul of Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan and former pioneer member of Findlater district, passed to his rest in the Union Hospital at the age of 90 years. Mr. Paul was born in Renfrew County, Ontario, in 1886. As a young man he came west (1906) to take up residence in the Findlater district, and farmed there until his retirement to Moose Jaw in 1971. Brother Paul accepted Christ in the Adventist Message at the age of 28 and had been a stalwart Christian until his death. He is survived by his loving wife Annie; five sons: Ivan of Regina, Percy of Lacombe, Alberta, Roy of Lanigan, Stanley and Donald of Bethune; three daughters: Esther Foulston of Bethune, Mrs. Alberta (Zella) Weis of Lincoln, Nebraska, Mrs. Colin (Morina) Atkinson of Lanigan; nineteen grandchildren, ten great-grandchildren; and one brother Joseph of Moose Jaw.

Funeral services were conducted in the Moose Jaw Seventh-day Adventist Church with the favorite hymn of the deceased, "When the Roll is called up Yonder" sung by special request. Pastor Allan Freed officiated.

Brother Paul rests in Christ at the Rosedale cemetery where he waits the resurrection to eternal life.

Pastor Allan Freed

TINKLER—Annie Evelyn Kilroy was born at Graddenston House, County Meeth, Ireland, September 25, 1881. She came to Canada in 1907 and married Arthur A. Tinkler the same year. She was a brave pioneer, a wonderful mother, a friend and midwife to the early settlers in Saskatchewan where they homesteaded near Saskatoon. Her first child, Desmond, was dedicated to God for the ministry, and her prayers were answered. Sister Tinkler embraced the third angel's message in 1930 and was an active and faithful member of the church. She passed to her rest on January 22, 1976 at the age of 95 years, in the Kelowna General Hospital and awaits the call of Jesus on that Great Day. In every community where Sister Tinkler lived she organized and conducted a Branch Sabbath School in her home which she called Sunbeam Classes. Many youth today look back to these classes as the beginning of their Christian Life. Sister Tinkler leaves to mourn, her husband, Arthur A. Tinkler of Kelowna, B.C., one son Elder Desmond Tinkler of Armstrong, B.C., two daughters Kathleen May Bayliss of Kelowna and Evelyn Vera Abbey of Creston, five grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren, and a host of those who loved her.

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ERICKSON—Julia Erickson was born February 11, 1886, and passed to her rest October 4, 1976 at the Sunnyside Nursing Home in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan at the age of 90 years. Born at Brandon, Minnesota, she came west with her husband the late Edward Erickson. They homesteaded in the Sanctuary district of Saskatchewan and farmed there until 1927 when they moved to Tugaska and resided there until his passing. Julia accepted Jesus as her Saviour in the mid 1950's and was comforted by His presence to the end of her life. She was predeceased by her husband in 1945, and survived by one daughter: Mrs. Doug (Josie) Dougherty of Keeler, Saskatchewan; three grandchildren, Donald, Darrell and Darlene.

She rests in peace in Jesus at the Tugaska cemetery, awaiting the resurrection morning.

Pastor Allan Freed

FORD—Mrs. Margaret Gertrude Ford (nee Smith) was born February 20, 1896, in Eganville, Ontario and passed to her rest September 24, 1976.

Mrs. Ford graduated in nursing from Hinsdale Sanitarium and Hospital in 1926, and worked there for two years. In 1928 she came to Winnipeg and married Christopher Ford, who predeceased her in 1963.

Mrs. Ford was an active member, and enjoyed sewing for the Dorcas and Park Manor Personal Care Home where she nursed for several years.

Survivors include her two sons, Donald of Vancouver, B.C. and Lawrence of College Heights, Alberta, two grandsons, one niece and four nephews.

Pastor Mel Djkowich

MOORE—William Moore, 63, was born April 7, 1913, Edmonton, and died September 21, 1976 in the Royal Alexandra Hospital, Edmonton. He was a member of the Edmonton Central Church. In 1936 he married Evelyn Webster Kerley, who survives, also surviving him are six children and three step-children. Memorial services were held in the Central Church by Pastors J.T. Krpalek and D.H. Watson on September 23, 1976.

Pastor Joseph Krpalek

BRISSON—Henrietta Brisson, 47, was born May 4, 1928 in Poland, died April 19, 1976 in the University Hospital, Edmonton, Alberta. She was a member of the Edmonton Central Church. Surviving are her husband, Alfred; mother Mrs. Cecil Walker; two brothers, Arthur Kruger and Albert Kruger of Leduc, Alberta. Interment was in the Leduc S.D.A. cemetery.

Pastor Joseph Krpalek

Investment, "What a Six-Year-Old Did!"



Pictured is Kent Hauvre with a bundle of firewood.

Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in work, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity.....(and investment) I Tim. 4:12.

Another investment year came to a close at the end of September 1976 in the 63-member Mission SDA Church in British Columbia. The goal for the year was \$2,500, and when the final penny was counted the total amounted to \$2,594.21. Of this amount the Primary-Kindergarten Division and their two teachers raised \$450.00 for their beloved Jesus. Each Primary child had a goal of \$10.00, and the Kindergarten children had a goal of \$6.00 each. Most of them doubled or tripled their goal.

One little fellow, 6-year-old Kent Hauvre, not only reached his goal, but reached it 20 times over for a total of \$120.00. Not bad for a 6-year-old child who certainly has put a lot of us older members to shame. Kent earned his investment money by selling bottles, firewood, garden produce, etc. He also learned to operate a riding lawnmower and earned some money cutting the lawns at home. Imagine if each one of us set a goal of \$100.00 for 1977 and reached it. What an enormous boost that would be to help finish the work and speed the return of Jesus our Lord.

W. W. Rogers

Sabbath School Director

Grace E. Easley

*I thank Thee, Lord, for autumn days
When there is stillness in the air,
And blazing color paints the hills
In splendored beauty everywhere.*

*I thank Thee, Lord, for winding lanes
That stretch out very far and wide;
There is a hint of early frost
Upon the rolling countryside.*

*I thank Thee, Lord for streams so clear,
That looking down I see the sand;
And forest creatures scurry forth
Almost upon the spot I stand.*

*I thank Thee, Lord, for skies of blue,
For purple grapes upon the vine,
For golden corn within the fields
On which I rest these eyes of mine.*

*I thank Thee, Lord, for stately pines
Whose branches tower over all,
Through which the breezes gently sway,
And rays of morning sunlight fall.*

*There is no beauty in this world,
In which You have not had a part;
I thank Thee, Lord, for everything...
And there is praise in my heart!*

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Considering Life's True Priorities

By ALF LOHNE
Vice President, General Conference

During her long lifetime of 94 years, Fanny J. Crosby, the famed blind composer of many religious hymns, often recounted the story of a minister who spoke as a guest in a church one morning. He was accompanied by his little son.

After the worship service the minister recalled that no offering had been taken, and, as he was in the habit of never going to the Lord's house without presenting an offering, he left a coin in the offering box that he noticed beside the door. As he and his son walked away from the church, one of the church officers came running after them, saying, "It is our custom here to give to the preacher whatever we find in the offering box after the service." And the man handed to the minister the coin he himself had left there.

Whereupon the little boy looked up into his father's face and observed, "Papa, if you had given more, you would have gotten more, wouldn't you?"

In his simple, but striking comment, the little boy underlined the Biblical principle given by inspiration and penned by the wise writer centuries ago: "A man may spend freely and yet grow richer: another is sparing beyond measure, yet ends in poverty."¹

Jesus made it clear that the last days would be dominated by men having a strong materialistic attitude. Eating, drinking, building, and hoarding money would be central in the thinking, talking and doings of men. We who live in the seventies when so many other of the last signs are being fulfilled, can hardly avoid noticing the realization also of those prophecies. And further: We find it difficult to avoid being influenced by the same attitudes ourselves.

The Lord's Sacred Claims

First of all: There is no question about the fact that God calls us to be stewards. "As every man has received the gift, even so minister the same to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God." "You are not your own; your Lord has sacred claims upon your supreme affections and the very highest services of your life, to the fullest extent of your capabilities, for His own honour and glory."²

Notice how wide the scope of our responsibility is: "Stewards of the manifold grace of God" and the "Lord has sacred claims upon your supreme affections and the very highest services..." The totality of life is included: "The very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ."³

This part of a Christian's relationship to God is closely knit to the atonement. He bought us with all that we are and have. He did this, not only to free us from our transgressions and their consequences, but also for a purpose while serving Him here: "What! Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price; therefore

glorify God in your body."⁴ To glorify God because we are bought with a price takes in much more than we usually consider. Note this: "I will enforce the truth on the conscience, and men shall be my witnesses, throughout the world, asserting my claims on man's time, his money and his intellect. All these I purchased on the cross of Calvary."⁵

May these words sink into our minds: On the cross Christ paid the price, first of all for our sins, but He also bought our time, money and intellect. Everything now belongs to Him, even though He left the administration to us. Therefore, when we see the fuller meaning of the cross, it leads to humility, thankfulness, acceptance and even dedication.

God's Only Way

"God permits us to show our appreciation of His mercy by self-sacrificing efforts to extend the same to others. This is the only way in which it is possible for us to manifest our gratitude and love to God. He has provided no other."⁶

Sometimes we may wonder why God chose "self-sacrificing efforts" in order to bring God's grace to others, as "the only way" in which we can show our love to God. Why did he provide "no other" way? Here is at least part of the answer: "God could have reached his object in saving sinners without our aid; but in order for us to develop a character like Christ's, we must share in His work. In order to enter into His joy — the joy of seeing souls redeemed by His sacrifice — we must participate in His labors for their redemption."⁷

In other words: The greatest blessings flow back to ourselves as we try to follow God's plan. The following words of Jesus that did not get into the Gospels but which Dr. Luke placed in the Book of Acts, express the experience of many of God's children: "It is more blessed to give than to receive."⁸

In the light of this instruction from Jesus, we see that life is not meant to be a grab-bag from which we take those things we desire. If that is our philosophy, we shall indeed be deeply disappointed. Life is rather an opportunity to share. It will then go out and multiply and return to us in forms we need, to our own joy and growth in Christian experience.

Stewardship, in its deep spiritual and practical meaning, is not only acts or good deeds. It is much more. It is an experience. We share ourselves in the transactions. When this philosophy dominates our lives, we open doors to blessings we could not obtain in any other way. "Stewardship Day," December 11, therefore, offers us an invitation to stop and consider life's true priorities.

1. Proverbs 11:24 NEB

2. 1 Peter 4:10
Counsels on Health, p 385

3. 1 Thessalonians 5:23

4. 1 Corinthians 6:19-20

5. TI p 159

6. Counsels on Stewardship,
pp 18-19

7. Desire of Ages, p 142

8. Acts 20:35