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Week of Prayer

And Sacrifice

October 29 — November 5



Getting It to Them

by Shirley Burton, *Director*
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Four-year-old Michael played with his food that night—whipping up the mashed potatoes a little more with his fork, spearing the peas, even sloshing the milk as close to the brim of his glass as he could. Finally, in disgust he slid down off his chair and prepared to leave the table. Calling to him as he was about to leave the room, my brother said, "You come back here, young man. There are just lots of little boys and girls in this world who'd like to have what you left on your plate."

He came back and sat with his chin in his hands. Then cocking his head from side to side as is his custom when he's thinking, Mike asked, "Dad, how can we get it to them?"

A short time later I recalled that question when an Associated Press survey revealed that two of every three on the streets of my union conference are unaffiliated with a church of any kind. And the question is even more staggering when I realize that only three million of the world's four billion are Seventh-day Adventist Christians. Then, I ask myself, how will we get the gospel menu to them?

The answer comes too—in sacrifice as it began. And sacrifice is always motivated by love. God first taught the lesson. His plan of redemption was laid in sacrifice—a sacrifice so broad and deep and high that it is immeasurable to finite minds.

The Church expanded through the 1840's through sacrifice—men worked all day to earn money to print a tract, to earn passage to a distant city to share the good news. Theirs was a sacrifice of praise to God for all He was revealing to them.

My grandparents knew that kind of sacrifice too. As a little child visiting with them on the farm in southeastern Nebraska following the depression, I watched and listened as they planned what they could do for the Lord. Grasshoppers had moved through as a dark cloud, cutting a swath through the alfalfa field, but grandma and grandpa praised God that there was still grass along the roadside to feed the cows.

Because they loved Him, they dedicated an annual offering beyond their regular gifts—the sacrifice of a week's money income. In those days it was only the cash from the sale of a week's cream and eggs. We bought no groceries that Saturday night in town, but went home rejoicing that there was a gift for the growth of God's work. To them it was as Paul wrote to the Hebrews, "a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of

lips that give thanks to His name." (Heb. 13:15)

Such was the spirit of the entire Oakdale Church, and grandpa as treasurer was especially fearful of keeping the money safe after a Week of Sacrifice offering. The best place he knew to hide it till he could get to the bank was in the piano, down by the pedals, where he was sure no thief would think to look.

We've come a long way since then; almost everyone has more cash than came from the sale of cream and eggs; the week's church receipts are dropped in an outdoor depository until the treasurer can get back to count the money. But with our affluence we've lost what grandpa and grandma knew: that duty was a delight and sacrifice a pleasure.

Is the difference in our commitment, our love? God hasn't changed any. He's still here everyday pouring out His blessings of beauty in everything and everybody around us—when we take time to look, of provisions for our needs—though our want lists sometimes grow longer.

"When once the gaze is fixed upon Christ, the life finds its center. The enthusiasm, the generous devotion, the passionate ardor" *Ed.* p. 297 find their true object. The love of Christ will constrain us to give regularly, and at a special time like the Week of Sacrifice to back up our words with some action.

Time was when members really gave, sacrificed a week's salary for this mission outreach. Were we to follow this practice today, we would far surpass the \$2.5 million goal which has been set.

More importantly, we'd feel a new purpose, a new allegiance to One who sacrificed not money but His own life. We'd see again the spotless Son of God hanging upon the cross, "His flesh lacerated with stripes; those hands so often reached out in blessing, nailed to the wooden bars; those feet so tireless on ministries of love, spiked to the tree; that royal head pierced by the crown of thorns; those quivering lips shaped to the cry of woe." *Desire of Ages* p. 755 We'd see Him offering Himself upon the cross as a sacrifice, and this from love to thee and me.

"Do not neglect doing good and sharing," Paul admonished us through his letter to the Hebrews (New American Standard Bible): "for with such sacrifices God is pleased"—not that He needs our money but that our own naturally selfish hearts will once again have overcome. Then HE can get it to them.

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CHILDREN REACH OUT FOR JESUS

Through Vacation Bible School

Yesterday a marvel happened: close to 335,000 unspoiled babies were born in the world. Most of them were alert and intelligent. They were not pretty or handsome, for a newborn baby doesn't look like a "little angel" to anyone but parents and poets. No, that newborn of yesterday was red, wrinkled, and homely, but marvelous nonetheless. Why? Because of the possibilities! It would behoove us to stand in awe before every tiny child and ask: "What will this child become?" In the answer to that question the church, and especially the Sabbath School, has a significant concern.

R. A. Torrey, realized the value of boys and girls, for these are his words describing an exhibit that he saw at a world's fair in Chicago:

"I was there time and time and time again, but never could I get at the place; I always had to stand on tiptoe and look over the heads of the crowd. What were they looking at? Nothing but a cone of purple velvet revolving upon an axis, and toward the apex of the cone a large, beautiful diamond of almost priceless worth. It was well worth looking at. But I have never recalled that scene but the thought has come to me that the single soul of the most ignorant boy or girl on the street, is of infinitely more value in God's sight than ten thousand gems like that." — F. A. Soper, *Signs of the Times*, July 11, 1950.

Jesus realizes the value of the lambs and the importance of feeding them. His desire is that we, too, shall realize their value. The romance of winning children to Christ is a glorious opportunity and a challenge! What greater field of service could we ask for?

The proverb says, "As the twig is bent, the tree is inclined." Let us begin bending the little ones toward Jesus, when they are very young, and when they are old they will not depart from it.

Here are brief reports of Vacation Bible Schools held this summer across Canada.

Nanaimo: 75 children, guided by 14 counsellors, under the leadership of Heather Van Appelen enjoyed an inspirational week of VBS.

Rutland: 138 children under the direction of Mrs. Rita Dovich enjoyed a successful VBS.

Lethbridge: 73 children under the leadership of O. J. Dadswell. 53 were non-Adventists. The third series of a Neighborhood Bible Club as a follow-up will be conducted very soon.

Rimby: We tried a different approach to crafts this year. We decided to hold a miniature vegetarian cooking school. The recipes we used included granola, pizza, and brown bread. The parents were almost as proud of the results as the students. We hope this project may have laid some of the groundwork for a regular cooking school later in the fall. Our group was quite small, 25-30 students, and it worked well with that many.

Lloydminster: 56 children attended and the leaders ask—"Does VBS pay?" Yes, indeed it does they decide as they review the friends and contacts made as a result. It was worth it all!

Ryley: 34 children attended and opportunities for further contacts were established as a result.

Yorkton: 69 children attended this VBS under Carol Tataryn's directorship. "A great blessing was received by devoting our time and efforts to this type of missionary work" say the leaders.

Craven: No established church here but a successful VBS with 35 youngsters attending was well received by the community. Congratulations to the faithful few who are carrying on the Neighborhood Bible Club follow-up.

Tugaske: 37 children attended Tugaske's 19th annual VBS directed by Mrs. Carol Foulston, Mrs. Margaret Foulston, Mrs. Judy Foulston and Mrs. Florence Foulston. Now that's what you call a "family affair"!

North Battleford: 18 enthusiastic children enrolled in VBS this year which was an increase of ten from last year.

Mulligan: 36 children which was the total "child" population of this town attended VBS in a rented hall. Many are looking forward to the Neighborhood Bible Club that is to be held during the winter.

Nipawin: 20 children enjoyed the Bible lessons, stories, singing, crafts and games. This VBS was directed by Norma Salls, Clara Flint and Beryl Cherepuschak.

Quill Lake: 40 enthusiastic youngsters turned out for this VBS and say they are looking forward to next year.

Regina: A successful VBS directed by Mrs. M. Rusk had 40 children attending.

Saskatoon: 60 children under Elaine Capcara's direction participated in a wholesome and invigorating VBS. Hats off to the young men who lead out in the Junior division! We'd like to see more men involved in VBS.

Thompson: 104 children accommodated, but 30 children had to be turned away due to lack of space and staff. A successful VBS under the direction of Mona Karst.

Oshawa: 116 youngsters attended VBS directed by Mrs. Alva Blabey, Mrs. Violet Prouty, Mrs. Eunice Ferrell and Mrs. Velora McDaniel.

Haileybury: 43 enthusiastic children were enrolled in this VBS under Mrs. Ruth Blum's leadership. The workers here are planning a Story Hour as a follow-up and hope that this will be an opening door for future work and studies with parents.

Bowmanville: 105 children enjoyed a VBS directed by Mrs. Ruth Venes.

Toronto—Maranatha: 29 candidates for God's kingdom attended a VBS directed by Mrs. Peggy Burns. One impressed parent mentioned how much Jesus was promoted.

Kingsview Village: 62 boys and girls enjoyed a VBS co-directed by Mrs. Aira Castella and Mrs. Jagoda Alimpic.

South River: A successful VBS concluded with a pot luck supper where parents expressed their gratitude for the efforts put forth on their children's behalf.

Waterville: 52 children attended a bilingual VBS directed by Geraldine Powers; 49 of these children were non-Adventists.

Ayer's Cliff: 26 children attended a successful VBS directed by Geraldine Powers. A Neighborhood Bible Club is being planned as a follow-up.



Attentive group at Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.



Leaders and children at Nanaimo, B.C.



"Teacher said punch the dough" — Rimbey, Alberta.



Outdoor Fun — Kingsview Village Church, Toronto, Ontario.



Pony rides were popular at College Park, Oshawa, Ontario.

child evangelism ...

Yearly Calendar of Events

- October** **Vacation Bible School Craft Meeting**
The craft meeting is conducted about two months following VBS in order to begin sharing ideas for next year's VBS craft program. Those who have previously worked in crafts or are clever with their hands and have good ideas are urged to attend.
- October** **Christmas Party Planning**
The Christmas Party staff, which includes VBS and Neighborhood Bible Club leaders, meet to discuss plans for the Christmas Party to be held at the church in December.
- November** **Christmas Party Planning**
All members of the staff meet to finalize on the program, transportation, refreshments, crafts and games, and to assemble the items for each child to take home. Invitations to be ready for mailing December 1.
- December** **Christmas Party**
Children from Neighborhood Bible Clubs, Vacation Bible School and Sabbath School meet at the church for a Christmas party. This gives our neighborhood children an opportunity to meet together socially and at the same time learn more about Christ.
- January** **Neighborhood Bible Club**
Neighborhood Bible Club Series 2 starts during the first week in January and ends 13 weeks later.
- February** **Teachers' Training Class**
The teachers' training class is an overall look at the basic Sabbath School program for all divisions, leaders, teachers and officers.
- February** **Easter Party Planning**
Easter Party staff members meet to plan a program centered around Christ's resurrection, to discuss refreshments, transportation, crafts and games for each division, and to prepare invitations to be sent to NBC, VBS and SS children. The Easter Party is held at the church.
- March** **Vacation Bible School Staff Meeting**
This is a basic organizational meeting for key leadership to formulate plans and to select additional staff members.
- April** **Easter Party**
This program provides an opportunity for neighborhood children to learn about Christ's resurrection and what it can mean to them in their lives. Also, it gives the VBS, NBC and SS children an opportunity to associate socially.
- May** **Vacation Bible School Staff Meeting**
Members of the entire staff meet to lay plans for promotion, transportation, refreshments, crafts and division activities.
- June** **Vacation Bible School Staff Meeting**
The purpose of this meeting is to finalize and enlarge upon decisions made at the May meeting. Also, graduation plans are laid at this time.
- August** **Final VBS Staff Meeting**
All staff members meet to receive final instructions and to pick up the supplies for each division. Invitations are prepared to be sent to each child who has participated in previous VBS, NBC and SS programs.
- August** **Vacation Bible School Review**
The Vacation Bible School staff meets about one week following VBS to review the past year's program and to discuss improvements for the next year.
- September** **Neighborhood Bible Club Workshop**
A demonstration is given the first week of September on how to conduct a Neighborhood Bible Club for those who are interested in this means of follow up from VBS. NBC bands are organized and supplies given out.
- September** **Neighborhood Bible Club**
During the second week, Neighborhood Bible Clubs, Series 1, will begin in the homes of the church members who are carrying out this type of evangelism in their neighborhoods. The series lasts 13 weeks.

"We may win hundreds and thousands of children to Christ if we will work for them." Counsels to Teachers p. 172.



Workbook concentration.

Saving For Your Child's Education

by R. A. Matthews, *Director
Trust Services*



Many thoughtful, concerned parents are accumulating money for the future education of their children. As they view escalating costs of Christian education, they realize that something must be done in the early years of their child's life in order to meet the expenses of those academy and college years. This means a systematic savings program. It means that the family budget must be regulated to accommodate this. One caution: set a goal that can be reached without hardship every month or quarterly period.

There are many ways in which one can set up an educational savings program, for instance a person can:—

Open a Bonus Savings account with the local bank.
Enter into a term deposit agreement with his bank, or with a trust company, and receive higher rates of interest.
Invest in Government Bonds and when the coupons are clipped reinvest in an educational savings account.
Take out an Endowment Life Insurance Policy, the most expensive type on the market.

The above mentioned plans for saving have merits but they are with worldly institutions. Those who are setting up a savings plan to help their children through church school, are urged to consider the Canadian Union Conference Revolving Fund.

Here are some of the advantages:

1. Rate of interest — 7½ percent, compounded May 31 and November 30 each year.
 - a. A statement of your account is sent out semi-annually.
2. The deposit is set up on a demand basis, 60 days notice.
 - a. In case of an extreme emergency the deposit with interest can be returned immediately to the depositor without penalties in the interest rate.
3. Deposits can be added to the account at any time. Many prefer to make regular monthly deposits. These should arrive at the Union office not later than the second day of each month.
4. It is suggested wherever feasible to have joint accounts. An account could be set up in the name of the child who would be eventually the beneficiary. Of course, certain controls would have to be incorporated in such an arrangement.
5. It is good to have your savings whether for education, retirement, or other projects, working for the Lord as well as for to your advantage. It is certain that the Lord adds his blessings to such investment.

If further information is needed, please write to THE REVOLVING FUND, Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada, 1148 King Street East, Oshawa, Ontario. L1H 1H8.



Just to Inform You About Quebec

by George Hermans
*Communication Director
S.D.A. Church in Quebec*

If there is a province and a people in North America and particularly in Canada, which are the subject of discussion today it is Quebec and the Quebecers. Many people ask me if Quebec will become independent or not. Personally I cannot answer that, but I *am* concerned about one kind of independence, that which frees souls from Satan's slavery and makes them members of God's family.

Throughout the world we as Seventh-day Adventists are "fighting" to render this spiritual independence possible. This is our only reason for existence as a people and as individuals. However, it seems to me that within our Union some of our friends are ignorant about the S.D.A. Church in Quebec, what our hopes and problems are.

First of all, the work in Quebec is a huge task complicated by certain circumstances which our sister conferences, happily, do not share.

1. This province has a population of about 7,000,000 with only 1,200 of them Seventh-day Adventist church members. Therefore, the proportion of members to non-members is 1 to 5,600. If we compare the workers (not including administrators) to the population we arrive at one worker per 437,500 people.

2. Then there is the difficult problem of language. Five pastors work for approximately 1,000,000 English-speaking people (mainly in the western part of the province), a ratio of 1 to 200,000. The pastors working among the French-speaking population are in a proportion

of 1 to 545,000. But worse yet, all the material we want to use must be translated and then printed. Not only is this a very heavy burden, but also adds to expenses. Our thanks to Pastor R. Devins who, although retired, has worked hard to help us in this matter. Then, too, because we cannot translate or print everything, we have a more limited selection of materials than is available in English.

However, we are neither discouraged nor a "professional weepers band". In His infinite mercy the Lord has given us many reasons to rejoice.

First, one thousand two hundred members is more than twice our membership in 1971. And our task force of workers has increased from 5 to 18,

administration included, plus 4 teachers.

Second, the number of churches and companies has also increased. In Montreal we now have 8 churches (4 English and 4 French) instead of only 3 in 1974. In the Eastern Townships the French church in Sherbrooke has been added to the three companies in Lac Megantic, Thetford Mines, plus families or members in Drummondville, Grand'Mere, Trois-Rivieres, St. Jerome, St. Raymond de Portneuf, Causapsal, Riviere du Loup, St. Hyacinthe, Richmond and in the Lac St. Jean area. So we have 15 churches and companies in all plus our dear, faithful isolated members. All those are signs of good health.

How do we plan to complete our task in Quebec? We have some first-quality tools available.

a. Active church members are following the "Witnessing for Christ" program, and they are having wonderful experiences in their missionary endeavors.

b. A good team of workers is dedicated to going forward whatever the cost may be.

c. Literature evangelists are working faithfully.

d. A strong campaign against tobacco, using the Five-Day Plan, is having a real impact upon the people.

e. A primary school divided into English and French, is conducted by diligent teachers.

f. The television programs "It Is Written" and "Il Est Ecrit" are reaching into many homes and opening doors for the message. The French program is the only one available in the world within our church.

An Association for the Defense of Religious Liberty has been formed. Through it we are able to contact important people in the political, social, and religious world, people who are not otherwise easily accessible.

We could also mention our public evangelistic efforts, our youth, and our youth camp "Coureur de Bois". For sure it's not Keswick or Blackstrap, but it is a good beginning.

And what are our hopes?

1. We hope to complete our task in Quebec as soon as possible. To succeed, we need to gather all our energies together.

2. We desire to see other provinces use our French T.V. programs that the hearts of the French people in their territories might be reached.

3. We want to find the necessary means to be able to reach the millions of people gathered in the huge metropolis of

Montreal, and those scattered in the vastness of this large province.

4. We look forward to establishing an academy and a biblical or theological boarding school to train future workers.

5. We seek new workers for this favorable time of witnessing in Quebec.

Our aim is to at least double our membership in the next few years. To succeed we need the support and prayers of our brethren and sisters in Canada. We, as every S.D.A. in the world desire to be with Jesus as soon as possible. We don't want division among us. With the help of the Holy Spirit and power from on high, we look toward a bright and great future.

Just remember, brethren and sisters, as long as the work is not finished in Quebec, we will not be able to walk in the New Jerusalem. Pray for us.

Investment Quilt

Offers on the investment quilt have been extended to December 31, 1977. (See article entitled "Waterville Church Quilt" in Sept. 1 issue of the MESSENGER.) Offers may be forwarded to:

Pastor E. P. Delaporte
St. Denis De Brompton
Richmond County, Quebec
JOB 2P0



Rest Haven Baptism

Sabbath, July 16, 1977, was a high day at the Rest Haven S.D.A. Church when three people were united with their Lord in baptism. Elder Harold Dawes,



Left to right, Pastor Dawes, Stephen Brousson, Kathy Towle, Roy Richt and Sister H. Dawes.

pastor, performed the ceremony for Stephen Brousson, Roy Richt and Kathy Towle.

Sister Kathy Towle became interested in the message through the recent Bible Seminar conducted at Rest Haven Hospital.

The two boys attend church school in Sidney and received instruction at the school by the pastor. May each one be blessed as they follow their Master's steps.

T. George Heeney

Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary

A surprise 60th wedding anniversary celebration for Pastor and Mrs. L. H. Hartin was held at the home of Pastor and Mrs. H. E. Dawes of Sidney, B.C. Tuesday evening, August 30. Over 100 friends, neighbors and relatives were in attendance to wish the happy couple God's richest blessings.

Pastor and Mrs. Hartin (nee Elsie Forward of St. John's Newfoundland) were married in Oxford, Nova Scotia, September 7, 1917.

As a young man he entered the teaching profession in the Seventh-day Advent-



Pastor and Mrs. L. H. Hartin

ist Church where he taught in the Religion Department for 47 years. Starting at Williamsdale Academy in Nova Scotia he went on to Memramcook, New Brunswick for five years. He also served at Battleford Academy in Saskatchewan; Canadian Junior College at College Heights, Alberta; and Atlantic Union College, South Lancaster, Mass. U.S.A. The last 20 years he taught at Pacific Union College, Angwin, California.

On their retirement in June 1967 the Hartin's moved to Sidney, B.C. and reside at 2175 Weiler Street.

T. George Heeney



News Here and There

The second successful school term has begun for the Lethbridge Church School with two teachers and 25 students. Mr. Jim Weir, our present principal and teacher of Grades 6-9, started out in the back



Lethbridge church school students with Miss Sandy Beckwith on the left and Mr. Jim Weir on the right.

of our remodelled church last year with 8 students.

A welcome addition to our staff this year is Miss Sandy Beckwith who is presently teaching Grades 1-4.

With our increased enrollment the classroom has reached its legal capacity and thus we are already looking and planning for a new church school. The church school was very strong in its gymnastic, music and Christian curricula last year and we are looking forward to watching the talents of our young people grow as new programs unfold this year. The Lord has blessed the whole church as a direct result of our church school and we hope for another stimulating and rewarding year.

Members of the Rimbey Church, under the guidance of Pastor S. Kydd, are visiting interested persons in the community with Encounter Bible Lessons. These interests are due to responses from visits of literature evangelists, and from Voice of Prophecy, Faith for Today and It Is Written programs.

Each family in our church has volunteered to take Bible studies to those showing an interest.

Sabbath, June 18, 1977 Noralynn Leiske and Larry Lang were baptized by Pastor Lou Bugden in the Rosebud Creek. Angie Park also took her stand for the Lord and was baptized by Pastor Cecil Williams.

August 20, 1977 Colleen Gimbel was baptized by her uncle, Pastor Dan Skoretz.

The Beiseker - Level Land Church welcomes these young people into its midst.



Front row left to right: Noralynn Leiske, Larry Lang, Angie Park, Back row left to right: Pastor L. Bugden, Pastor C. Williams.



Colleen Gimbel with Pastor D. Skoretz.

On August 20, 1977 three babies were dedicated to the Lord by Elder Ron Johnson at the Lethbridge Church. One of the mothers, Mrs. Jolene Archer, was recently baptized; thus it was another day of rejoicing for her. This is only one of the many dedications we have witnessed in the Lethbridge Church. Within three years the childrens division has had to be divided into three separate classes: Cradle Roll, Kindergarten and Primary. The Lord has blessed our growing church in many ways.



Pictured above are members and friends who were present on August 27, 1977 when the Alberta Beach Company was officially organized into a church. Pastor Wilson, president of the Alberta

Conference, officiated on this happy occasion. After giving a helpful and encouraging talk, he read the list of charter members for acceptance into the new church body. Pastor and Mrs. G. Davies and son Trevor also became charter members.

Other visitors taking part in the service were N. W. Klam, secretary-treasurer of the Conference, and Pastor Krpalek, our previous pastor. Bill McQueary sang for the occasion accompanied by Carol Morton.

At the close of the service everyone enjoyed a fellowship dinner. The peaceful country setting and beautiful sunny weather contributed to the spirit of joy and thanksgiving for the way in which God had led.



A Dream Come True For Charlottetown, P.E.I.

September 6 saw *faith* become *reality* for God's people on Prince Edward Island. The Charlottetown Church has opened a church school at the Crossroads School just outside the city. Fifteen children are enrolled under the able direction of Miss Debbie Kawakami. May our young "Island strength" enter into a saving relationship with Christ.

R. K. Lehmann
Director of Education
Maritime Conference



Miss Debbie Kawakami and her students at the new Prince Edward Island S.D.A. church school.

New Church for Fox Point

Work was begun on the new church site during August. On two consecutive Sundays members prepared the way for the bulldozing.

On August 22 the dozer arrived, supplied by Humphrey Longard, a brother in the Halifax Church.

Enthusiasm is mounting as the first steps are being taken on this project. The members plan to do most of the work on a voluntary basis.

Speaking with deep conviction, Pastor David Crook said, "Beloved, I sincerely believe that in the next two years the Lord will perform a mighty work. Many souls who are seeking for truth will come and join with us. We must have accommodation for these people."

Conditions in the present church are so cramped and inadequate that Visitor's Day was dispensed with this year.

Yes, there is a sense of urgency as we prepare a house for the Lord and His people. What a privilege to have a part in the finishing of the work here on earth!

A special offering was taken in the Maritimes on Sabbath, September 24 for the new Fox Point Church.

Verna Shatford

Communication Secretary



Baptisms in Regina and Thompson

Members of the Regina Church rejoiced on Sabbath, July 31, as during the worship service they witnessed Karl MacDonald, an It Is Written interest and an Imperial Oil Co. executive follow his Lord in baptism by immersion. We pray that God will richly bless Karl, his wife, Pauline, and their two young sons, Paul and Charles, as they continue to study God's Word.

Eleven new members joined the church at the conclusion of a series of meetings in Thompson.

Thompson, situated approximately 500 miles north of Winnipeg, has a population of around 24,000. The majority work for the International Nickel Mining Company, or subsidiaries thereof.

It is a rather unique town in many ways, one of the reasons being that the mine operates on a shift system. One half

of the town sleeps while the other carries on the work. This makes it difficult to conduct a series of meetings, however, Pastor Bob Hossack, and Pastor Al Oetman, came to town to do just that, together with the resident Pastor Olav Falsnes.

The average attendance of non-Adventists was only fifteen, but out of the fifteen, ten were baptized and one accepted on profession of faith.



Back row left to right: Pastor Olav Falsnes, Peter Gajda, Rene Foote, Mr. Henri Gajda. Front row left to right: Mrs. Denise Trapp, Mrs. Inge Gajda, Patrick Lumsden, Mrs. Ruby Balmer, Mrs. Margaret Drew.



Elder Robert H. Pierson Visits Camp Keswick

Jesus brought you out of the world and the world out of you. Tell it with love. Tell it with hope in it."

On Sabbath afternoon the members of the church were given an opportunity to ask Elder Pierson questions regarding the organization of the church, various topics



Elder R. H. Pierson talking to one of the many individuals he contacted during his visit at Keswick.

that in some circles and at certain times have been controversial and some which have not been so controversial. Among the topics discussed were 1. Should there be mixed marriages in the Church? 2. What can we as a people do to hasten the Lord's coming? 3. What version or translation of the scripture should we use? 4. How will the gospel be given to areas that are closed? 5. What is our stand regarding membership in the World Council of Churches?

In response to a question regarding the relationship of having a true Christian experience and the giving of the gospel, Elder Pierson said, "Only one thing is more important than evangelism; that is repentance, revival and reformation inside the church."

Elder D. R. Watts, who is president of the South Indian Union, and is presently on furlough, had the evening meeting and

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Speaking to an overflow crowd at Camp Keswick, Sabbath, September 3, Elder Robert H. Pierson, President of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists stated that "I am so thankful this morning dear fellow believers that we serve a real Christ, a real Saviour, who is a real person". Elder Pierson went on to say that "Jesus is the type of individual that God wants you and me to become." In his emphasis regarding the realities of Christ and the Christian life, he went on to say that in addition to a real Christ, we have a real commission and this commission is stated very clearly in the Bible when it says, "Go ye into all the world." (Mark 16:15)

According to Elder Pierson, "Seventh-day Adventism is sharing with others what Jesus has done for us . . . Tell how

Kingsway H Retreat and



Teachers enjoyed sailing on beautiful Lake Rosseau.



Even dishwashing was fun for Miss Trudy Maier and Glenda-Mae Greene.



Jack Ferneyhough and Dave Davies determine the winning horseshoe.



Everyone seems eager to sample the good food.



Faculty group gathered

It was a lovely, informal atmosphere as faculty members gathered for three days of planning, relaxation and fellowship. They eyed each other with that mixture of curiosity and interest characteristic of professional groups. But by the time the morning introductions were initiated by all present, restraint dissolved and it was always on hand to insert his special brand of humor.

Mornings were devoted to spiritual and professional growth. Sessions grew spiritually throughout the year. He also discussed policies so pertinent to the evolution of a world school and a Christian school—one where practicality was stressed. Teaching at Kingsway is as evangelistic as any.

Every meal was a gastronomic delight. Mrs. [Name] was instrumental in providing healthful meals. Even washing pots and pans was a work of all chores.

The weather was marvellous and the afternoon activities—swimming, sailing, water-skiing, visiting and engaged in watching, awe-struck, as the feats of students at the retreat were demonstrated.

At the end of the retreat, the opinion was that Kingsway has ever had.

Registration at Kingsway College for 1977-78 was somewhat confused but with each teacher wearing a name tag, the process was needed. Approximately two hundred and eighty students, grade thirteen.

College s Registration

Members and their families arrived at New Camp registration. Initially, old and new faculty members met and incipient friendliness that is the hallmark of Kingsway College, Leroy Kuhn had introduced himself and met with Elder Malcolm Graham, the acting president, and other members.

development. Mr. Kuhn challenged his faculty to give them tips on organization and decision-making for the school year. The difference between a public school and a Christian school—lessons are constantly being learned—was emphasized during a tent meeting, said President Kuhn.

Her and her helpers certainly outdid themselves as they worked. It was fun as everyone chipped in and made fast

progress. Time spent in getting to know each other as teachers and students during shoe tournaments. One evening the entire group of Kingsway members at New School in Bala were displayed.

It was a successful year. This is going to be the best school year yet.

Everything went off very smoothly. Usually many students get nervous, but the students had no difficulty finding the person they needed. They have registered for classes from grade nine to



Leroy R. Kuhn, new president of Kingsway College.



Mrs. Beck assists students on registration day.



Chris Gay, popular president of the Student Association, signs paper for Gennie Brown.



Peter Cheeseman signs students' registration books.



Camp Frenda retreat.



Pastor Gordon Pifher in consultation with Darrel Juriansz.

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related many experiences of the work of soul-winning and the challenge of missions in that part of the world. Elder Watts, while on furlough, will be involved in evangelistic work in Ontario, and after his furlough will be returning to India with his family.

On Sunday morning, the last meeting of the weekend, Elder Bill Lehman, revivalist for the Canadian Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists spoke to the people and reminded them of the sacred relationship that exists between God and His people and the experience of righteousness found only in Jesus Christ that all God's people must possess in order to be ready for the coming of Jesus. Thus was ended a weekend of Christian fellowship and spiritual refreshing.

Woodstock Dedication

Sabbath, June 11 was a beautiful day for the dedication of the Woodstock, Ontario church, which is situated on Highway 59 one-half mile south of Highway 401.

The building was acquired in Galt in 1970 and moved to the present site where it was enlarged, and though not finished inside, is nearing completion.



The morning service was conducted by Elder L. L. Reile, president of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada after which a delicious dinner prepared by the church ladies was served.

At 2:45 p.m. a most enjoyable musical program was presented by the Gospelairens from Windsor, whose message of hope and salvation was expressed in song and story.

The dedication address was given by Elder E. C. Beck.

Pastor Dan Harris led the church members in the Act of Dedication. Also taking part in the service were Elder M. D. Suiter and former pastors B. D. Juriansz and E. L. Anderson. A history of the church was given by L. Forsey, head elder.

It was an inspiring day, one to be long remembered as the day that we dedicated our lives, and our church building, anew in service for Christ.

J. Nickol
Communication Secretary

Personnel Changes in Ontario

Pastor Adam Bujak, has been associated with Pastor Glen Corkum, in the Chatham — Windsor district, and has moved to Belleville to pastor the Belleville Church.

Gerhard Christiansen, has moved from the Sarnia — Dresden district to be associated with Pastor Milliken at Willowdale.

Pastor George Ivkov, has just moved to the Sarnia — Dresden district. He was recently pastor in the Cornwall — Glengarry district.

Pastor Brian Juriansz, who has been the pastor at Mississauga now has the Brampton Church as well.

Pastor Al Matchim, who has been pastoring at Haileybury has taken over the responsibilities of the Timmins Church, replacing Bob Sparenberg, who just recently left for Canadian Union College for two years of ministerial training.

Pastor Lyndon McDowell, who has been pastoring the Ottawa Church, is now head of the Bible Department at Kingsway College.

Frank McMiller, has moved to the Oakville — Burlington district where he will be pastoring; he just recently moved from Belleville.

Pastor W. Polishuk, who was the pastor of the Ukrainian Church in Toronto, has retired. We want to take this opportunity to express sincere appreciation to Pastor Polishuk for his many years of dedicated service to the Lord in Ontario.

Pastor Bob Whalley, who was associated with general evangelistic work in Toronto, has moved to the Cornwall — Glengarry district to be pastor.

Ruth Burghart has moved recently to Oshawa and is serving as secretary to Elder Neville George, who is director of



Ruth Burghart.

the Youth department of the Ontario Conference. It is a pleasure to welcome Ruth to the working force in the Ontario Conference.

We also welcome Pastor and Mrs. Dan Hogan to Ontario. The Hogan's come to us from Florida where they served in several districts, the most recent, St. Augustine, in Orange Cove.

Pastor Hogan was ordained in June of 1977 at the Florida Camp Meeting. He and his wife are both graduates of Southern Missionary College. His wife Bonnie, who is a daughter of Elder and Mrs. L. J. Pumford, of Ontario, has a degree in Secretarial Science and is a qualified instructor for nutrition schools. They are now at home in Parry Sound and looking forward to the work they'll be doing in the Parry Sound — Bracebridge and Gravenhurst area.



Pastor and Mrs. Dan Hogan and daughter, Christina, age 2.

Pastor Robin Willison, who has been associated with Pastor Milliken at Willowdale, is presently serving as associate pastor in the Windsor — Chatham district.

Pastor and Mrs. R. Correia, who have served for some time in the Kingston — Brockville district recently accepted a call to the Bermuda Mission where Pastor Correia will be in pastoral work and also be a departmental director. We bid farewell to the Correia's and wish them God's blessings in their new responsibilities on the island of Bermuda.

Witnessing for Christ in Ontario

"Yes, I would be interested in the free Bible study guides" were the words heard many times in Ontario the weekend of September 12,13. The office staff from the Ontario Conference and several from the Canadian Union Conference staff visited several churches and districts for local church elders' meetings and Witnessing for Christ instructions.

Great delight came to a visiting team in the Kitchener area when some of the It Is Written interests said that they wanted to become Seventh-day Adventists. Others were equally blessed by pleasant visits and Bible study guide enrollments. Nearly everyone found some good interests even though the time spent knocking on doors was very short.

Brother Kenneth Singh, Lay Activities Leader for the Ottawa Church, had Brother Malcolm Andrews, his mother, Mrs. Irene Andrews, and Mrs. A. Long, explain the chain reaction of soul winning. Sister Andrews prayed for her son for many years. When Sister Long became acquainted with the Andrews family, she began to talk to Brother Andrews at every opportunity about Christ. Sister Long said, "Sister Andrews prayed, I talked and the Holy Spirit convicted." With this triangle of effort on behalf of Brother Andrews, he yielded to Christ.



Sister A. Long is relating the experiences of working for and with Brother Andrews and his mother. Left to Right: Brother Ken Singh, Sister A. Long, Sister Irene Andrews, Brother Malcolm Andrews.

The chain of soul winning had just begun when Brother Malcolm Andrews accepted Christ. He began to work for other souls. He has assisted Pastor L. G. Lowe, Canadian Union Conference Ministerial Secretary, in several crusades during which he helped many people make their decision for Christ. Brother Andrews knows of several of his converts who are now out working for souls and witnessing for Christ.

The Lord is looking for many more laymen who will go out and work for Christ. Jesus said that there are many sheep not of this fold. We are to help bring them into the fold.

May God bless everyone who is out in the "Witnessing for Christ" program, and inspire the rest to go too. The Lord has been good to us, let us tell the world about it.

L. R. Krenzler, *Director
Communication Department
Canadian Union Conference*

Big News

Ontario Leads World in Literature Sales

The Lord has poured out His spirit in behalf of the Literature Evangelist team in Ontario in a very marked way during 1977. Starting the year in ninth place in division literature sales, Ontario has now moved ahead of all other Conferences in the North American Division. For three consecutive months, June, July and August, the Literature Evangelists of Ontario have delivered over \$100,000.00 worth of literature each month. The biggest month was August when, by God's grace, over \$152,000 was sold. The gain for the year, to date, is over \$200,000 over 1976.

The Lord has given Ontario a wonderful team of nearly 50 full time Literature Evangelists and a champion host of students for the summer. One student delivered over \$17,000 in three months. Another student, who had never canvassed

before, sold over \$14,000. One full time Literature Evangelist, for the past 22 weeks, has been blessed with over \$1,000 each week. The success experienced in Ontario is a result of dedicated Literature Evangelists, faithful students and a dynamic corps of district leaders.

Although we often gauge success by the amount of literature distributed in sales dollars, this is only an indicator by which we can tell how effective we have been covering that part of God's vineyard assigned to us. The winning of souls to the Master is our real goal. We must never lose sight of the ultimate reason for any success. "Not by might nor by power but by my spirit saith the Lord."

T. R. Knoll, *Director
Publishing Department
Ontario Conference*

A First for Thunder Bay

The first camp meeting for the Thunder Bay area took place on the weekend of August 12 to 14. Located on the shore of pleasant Cloud Lake, 30 miles south of Thunder Bay, Cloud Lake Camp provided an ideal location for such a gathering.

One person exclaimed, "This is one of the best things that has ever happened here at Thunder Bay." Another said, "We must do this every year." It was apparent that the people in attendance were pleased that they were having their own camp meeting, something especially prepared for the people of the north-western part of the province.

Elder M. D. Lewis, veteran Bible teacher, presented studies on the sanctuary and closing events. Elder Lewis, who is presently a revivalist in Texas, emphasized

the necessity of unreserved spiritual commitment by God's people before it is too late.

The officers of the Ontario Conference, Elders E. C. Beck, W. A. Geary, and M. D. Suiter, along with several departmental directors, attended the meetings at Thunder Bay. Elder L. J. Pumford, director of the work in northern Ontario, S. M. Isaac of Thunder Bay, and Dennis Heintz, pastor of Kenora, were the host pastors for the camp meeting.

God's work is progressing in northern Ontario. The members and pastors are laying plans for a more far-reaching evangelistic thrust in the future.

Bill Clemons
*Communication Director
Ontario Conference*



The fine group of members and friends who attended Thunder Bay Camp Meeting, August 12-14.

Health Ministry

"Open the Window"

You've no doubt heard these sounds before; "Whew! It's stuffy in here!" And the deacon responds, "I'll turn down the thermostat." So now, instead of having hot stuffy air we have cold stuffy air.

Would it not be better to let the furnace run to provide warmth but open the windows to provide freshness?

A lack of fresh oxygen in the air will cause the blood to move sluggishly. Cold stuffy air will chill the legs and arms more deeply than if a window were opened and a current of fresh vitalizing air were allowed to revive the worshippers. It might feel chilly at first on the surface but its internal effects on the blood will be to warm one from the inside.

Vitalizing air does not mean simply that it feels refreshing but refers to the effect on the blood and the resulting improved circulation is "calculated to electrify the whole system." *Testimonies*, Vol. 1, p. 701.

Who cares about the fuel costs! We spend thousands to build beautifully appointed sanctuaries in which for two or three hours a week the Word of God is to register a dramatic effect upon the worshippers. If for the sake, usually not of stewardship but of preserving filthy lucre,

we carefully exclude the life-giving air of heaven, we shall neutralize the value of all the investment made.

Everywhere we go we should seek to breathe a current of fresh air; in the sick room day and night *Ministry of Healing*, p. 220, *Counsels on Health*, p. 56, in the bedroom *Ministry of Healing*, p. 275, summer and winter *Selected Messages* Vol. 2 p. 456, in the baby's room *Ministry of Healing*, p. 381, when you've caught a cold *Counsels on Health*, p. 53, in the church *Evangelism*, p. 380, especially in the school room.

It takes the exhaled breath of only a few in a room deprived of ventilation to poison the occupants, weakening the lungs, depleting the blood, enfeebling the brain, breeding disease. Health and Christian courage is often retained by such a thin thread that a few hours in a polluted environment spells their loss.

By all means, open the windows! Let sickness out and healing in. It's cheaper than medicine. Give the minister a fair chance of having his sermon heard. Open the windows and cultivate a love for fresh air.

G. D. Strunk, *Director
Adventist Health Ministries*

Ottawa Church Baptisms

Sonia Saikley and her daughter Diane, originally contacted by a colporteur church school teacher, made their decision to be baptized after they had been with the Adventists in the Ottawa Church for a year and had attended Pastor McDowell's and Pastor Hayward's evangelistic meetings.

Mrs. Angela Harris was first contacted through the IT IS WRITTEN television program. After a deeper study of the scriptures, a sense of God's peace and love began to seep into her life, resulting finally in her baptism.

Dale Montgomery was welcomed into the family of the Ottawa Church on August 20, of this year. Dale was first introduced to the Advent message through an evangelistic effort held by Pastor McDowell last August. Our prayers and best wishes are with Dale, as she begins her new life in Christ.

Vivianne McClairn was contacted by Mr. R. Kessler, one of Ottawa's church school teachers, and began studying the Bible. Mrs. Hyacinth Brown continued the Bible studies and after many questions and much study, Mrs. McClairn was baptized by Pastor McDowell on August 20.

Dennis Wilson
*Communication Secretary
Ottawa S.D.A. Church*

Retreat at Camp Keswick

Physicians, Dentists, Teachers, Ministers and other conference workers met recently at Keswick Adventist Conference Camp for a few days of relaxation, fun, fellowship and spiritual refreshing. This was a time for men and women of varying occupations, professions, and disciplines to relate personal experiences, exchange viewpoints regarding the work of God, how the work is going to be finished and the role each individual can and must play in the great challenge of finishing God's work and being a prepared people in every possible way.

From time to time it is necessary and quite rewarding to come apart from the daily routine and pressures of life and enjoy more natural surroundings and informal meetings and discussion groups. In addition to the lectures that were given, everyone had an opportunity to share his testimony, his Christian witness, with others and to join in small prayer groups.



Dr. C. Mervin Maxwell.

The guest speakers, were Dr. C. Mervin Maxwell, of Andrews University School of Graduate Study and Dr. Frank Knittel, who is president of Southern Missionary College. Both of these men are well known scholars within the Seventh-day Adventist Church, their influence extending far beyond the confines of our denomination. Dr. Maxwell emphasized certain aspects of denominational history and Dr. Knittel presented some very challenging and thought-provoking information regarding the field of education, the relationship of education to home life and certain challenges we face as Christian parents, educators and leaders in the church.

The four days of retreat passed all too quickly. All too soon it was time to return to our homes, to our work-day responsibilities, realizing that this is where we really put into practice the attitudes and practical Christian concepts that we studied.

Church School Opened In Kitchener

The new Kitchener church school was opened September 6 with a ribbon-cutting ceremony attended by George Unger, the Educational Superintendent of the Ontario Conference.

To provide education with a Christian perspective has been the goal of the 140-member congregation for some time. When the new church was built three years ago the necessary facilities were incorporated in the design.

In May of this year the church voted to start a multi-grade school in the fall and purchased a new van and the necessary furnishings and supplies. Our sister church in Hamilton was most helpful in loaning the new school the necessary desks until our new desks arrive.

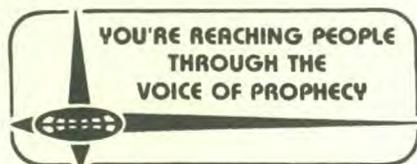
The church has been fortunate in securing an excellent and dedicated teacher in the person of Mrs. D. R. Watts who has eight years of elementary school teaching experience both in Canada and in India. Pastor and Mrs. Watts are currently on furlough from India, where they have served for the past 12 years.

Thanks to Mrs. Watts' effort 13 children of the Kitchener Church now enjoy the privilege of a Christian education which will have a long-lasting effect as they seek to grow "in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man," even as our Lord did.

Ron Johnson,
Communication Secretary
Kitchener S.D.A. Church



Three students look on as Mrs. Dorothy Watts, teacher, Martin Wixwat, first elder, George Unger, Educational Superintendent, and Pastor Hans Fischbacher cut the ribbon, opening the new Kitchener church school.



Report From Amsterdam

First International Congress For Religious Liberty

The First International Congress for Religious Liberty was held in Amsterdam from March 21-23, 1977, sponsored and organized jointly by the *International Association for Religious Liberty* in Washington, D.C., the magazine "Liberty", and the *Association Internationale pour la Defense de la Liberte Religieuse* in Berne, Switzerland.

Three hundred delegates representing thirty nations were on hand for the opening ceremonies. Among them were, Piet Vermeylen, Minister of State from the government of Belgium; Rev. Dr. Philip Potter, General Secretary of the World Council of Churches; Dr. Andrew L. Gunn, National director of *Americans United for the Separation of Church and State*; Monseigneur Pietro Pavan who was an expert advisor at Vatican Council II; Dr. Andre Chouraqui, writer and former vice-mayor of Jerusalem (he is also the only Jewish writer who has translated the New Testament); Dr. Trygve Leivestad, Justice of the Supreme Court of Norway; Dr. B. B. Beach, secretary of the Northern-Europe, Western-Africa Division of S.D.A.s; Dr. Ludescher and Zurcher, respectively president and secretary of this Division; and Mr. Leon Patenaude from Montreal, co-founder of the *Ligue pour les Driots de l'Homme* in Canada.

This first contact proved to be very enriching for the participants. Good contacts with high-ranking personalities were made possible. But even more important we were able to make it clear that religious liberty is not only a means to protect our Sabbath freedom for our young people in military service, but also to strive that every man may partake of this liberty that the Creator Himself gave.

In this line of religious liberty work, we are able to obtain help from many public, political, and religious personalities, as was demonstrated by the preceding list of Congress participants. We explained to these people the fundamentals of our faith (and with God's help we hope to see fruit mature for His kingdom). In so doing we follow the Spirit of Prophecy counsel. "The followers of Christ, as they approach the time of trouble, should make every exertion to place themselves in a proper light before the people, to discern prejudice, and to avert the danger which threatens the liberty of conscience."

Great Controversy, p. 616.

It is not enough to show concern by trying to solve existing problems. We must also prevent them through hard work in order that oppressive situations may be avoided. It's a long-range work requiring patience, confidence, and tactfulness, but the results are worth the efforts.

Let me share a few thoughts and personal observations with you. First it was a joy to see the progress being made in regards to our work in Eastern Europe. Although conditions are not as easy as those under which we labor for God, there is improvement.

Dr. Pierre Lanares stated among other things that "liberty cannot exist without responsibility. . . . Human beings cannot exist without liberty. . . ."

Pastor W. J. Hackett said: "Liberty is one of the basic elements in the thought of Biblical writers. It resides on four immovable foundation stones:

1. The character of God
2. The nature of God
3. The needs of an enlightened society
4. The responsibilities, duties, and motives of each individual

Religious freedom finds its purest expression in the Golden Rule (Matt. 7:12) which preserves liberty from becoming license."

Dr. Andre Chouraqui gave a magnificent definition of freedom while he was defining the corresponding Hebrew word. "The word for freedom in Hebrew is 'throt' which is the same word as for the bird, swallow. . . . Similarly, the Hebrew word 'ashe' employed by Jesus and translated by 'blessed' really means 'the unhindered walk of man towards God on a path without obstacles'." What possibilities open up to us when we understand these words in their entirety.

President W. R. Tolbert of Liberia sent a message via his ambassador to Holland. In part he stated that "it is high time for the defenders of freedom to establish a world forum in order to exchange and harmonize different points of view and thus lead to the universal freedom of conscience and thought."

So let us work to develop in and around us complete respect for the rights of others!

George Hermans,
Communication Director
S.D.A. Church in Quebec

Please Pray for Me

"Please pray for me," or for my son, daughter, husband, wife, father or mother, etc., comes in the IT IS WRITTEN mail regularly. Have you ever asked someone to pray for you and then found out that they forgot, or that they seemed to belittle the importance of your request? It is disappointing and discouraging.

We have many requests and every Thursday morning we have special prayer at our office for the IT IS WRITTEN requests and interest. I would like to ask you to do the same.

Here are some of the urgent appeals that come to us:

"I am praying for my 24 year-old son who is selling heroin. Please pray with me." GL, Quebec

"Would you be so kind as to pray for my daughter who has many needs, and my sister, who had a nervous breakdown. Also pray for me." Mrs. L, Quebec

"Please pray for my husband who is in poor health, and who is going blind." Mrs. S.

"Please remember me and my family in your prayers." MT, Alberta

"Please pray for me. Pray for my family—my husband and three little boys. We need your prayers." EJ, Quebec

These are only a few. Please pray with us that these dear people will be strengthened, their requests granted according to God's will and plan for their lives.

We appreciate your prayers and financial support for this very important mass media of evangelism through which millions of people hear the gospel. God bless you.

L. R. Krenzler, *Director*
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Oct. 15	Sabbath evening	Westmount, Que. (Eng.)	18	6-9 p.m.
16	10-2 p.m.	St. Leonard, Que. (Fr.)	19	11-1 p.m.
16	4-7 p.m.	Beer-Scheba, Que. (Fr.)	19	6-9 p.m.
18	5:30-8 p.m.	Toronto Perth Ave., Ont.	20	11-1 p.m.
22	Sabbath evening	South River, Ont.	20	6-9 p.m.
23	6-9 p.m.	Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.	27	6-9 p.m.
24	12-2 p.m.	Iron Bridge, Ont.	29	Sabbath evening
24	6:30-9 p.m.	Sudbury, Ont.	30	9-2 p.m.
25	11-1 p.m.	North Bay, Ont.	30	6-9 p.m.
25	6-9 p.m.	Pembroke, Ont.	31	6-9 p.m.
26	6-9 p.m.	Ottawa, Ont.	Nov. 1	11-1 p.m.
27	6-9 p.m.	Carleton Place, Ont.	1	7-9 p.m.
30	12-4 p.m.	Kingston, Ont.	2	6-9 p.m.
30	7-9 p.m.	Belleville, Ont.	3	6-9 p.m.
Nov. 2	5-7 p.m.	Toronto Kingsview, Ont.	5	Sabbath evening
5	Sabbath evening	Niagara Falls, Ont.	6	7-9 p.m.
6	10-1 p.m.	St. Catharines, Ont.	7	7-9 p.m.
6	5-8 p.m.	Hamilton, Ont.	8	7-9 p.m.
8	2-7 p.m.	Willowdale, Ont.	9	6-9 p.m.
9	6-8 p.m.	Peterborough, Ont.	10	7-9 p.m.
12	Sabbath evening	Kitchener, Ont.	12	Sabbath evening
13	10-1 p.m.	Guelph, Ont.	13	9-3 p.m.
13	4-7 p.m.	Mississauga, Ont.	14	6-9 p.m.
15	5:30-8 p.m.	Richmond Hill, Ont.	15	11-1 p.m.
16	6-8 p.m.	Barrie, Ont.	15	6-9 p.m.
20	12-4 p.m.	Toronto East, Ont.	16	6-9 p.m.
22	5:30-8 p.m.	Scarborough, Ont.	17	11-1 p.m.
24	6-8 p.m.	Sarnia, Ont.	17	6-9 p.m.
26	Sabbath evening	Windsor, Ont.	19	Sabbath evening
27	10-1 p.m.	Chatham, Ont.	20	9-4 p.m.
27	4-7 p.m.	London, Ont.	21	6-9 p.m.
28	11-1 p.m.	Simcoe, Ont.	22	6-9 p.m.
28	4-6 p.m.	Brantford, Ont.	23	11-2 p.m.
30	5:30-8 p.m.	Toronto Maranatha, Ont.	23	6-9 p.m.
			24	5-9 p.m.
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			28	11-1 p.m.
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			29	6-9 p.m.
			30	6-9 p.m.

Western Canada

Oct. 15	Sabbath evening	Winnipeg, Man.		
16	9-4 p.m.	Winnipeg, Man.		
17	6-9 p.m.	Regina, Sask.		

Moose Jaw, Sask.				
Tugaske, Sask.				
Macroe, Sask.				
Swift Current, Sask.				
Maple Creek, Sask.				
Grande Prairie, Alta.				
Peoria, Alta.				
Fairview, Alta.				
Dawson Creek, B.C.				
Fort St. John, B.C.				
Chetwynd, B.C.				
Prince George, B.C.				
Hazleton, B.C.				
Terrace, B.C.				
Prince Rupert, B.C.				
Smithers, B.C.				
Vanderhoof, B.C.				
McBride, B.C.				
Quesnel, B.C.				
Williams Lake, B.C.				
Williams Lake, B.C.				
Kamloops, B.C.				
Silver Creek, B.C.				
Salmon Arm, B.C.				
Grandview, B.C.				
Silver Hills, B.C.				
Vernon, B.C.				
Kelowna, B.C.				
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Penticton, B.C.				
Chilliwack, B.C.				
Abbotsford, B.C.				
Mission City, B.C.				
Langley, B.C.				
Sidney, B.C.				
Victoria, B.C.				
Duncan, B.C.				
Nanaimo, B.C.				
Parksville, B.C.				
Comox, B.C.				

Big News at Western A.B.C.

The Rockies have taken their toll, and an early retirement was inevitable for the Western Canada ABC Bookmobile. After much prayer and consideration, it was decided to design and build an even bigger and better bookmobile.

A Calgary trailer manufacturer agreed to build the sturdy frame, and Al Reimche is spending long hours completing the interior.

The new host and hostess of the bookmobile are Mr. and Mrs. Don Laing who have recently arrived from Saskatoon and will be happy to welcome you to our mini-showroom.

A free picture, "All This For Me" (suitable for framing), will be given to each family visiting the new bookmobile. Please check in your MESSENGER, or at your church for our poster announcing the date and time that we will be in your area. See you then!

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For Your Information . . .

Kingsway Bulletin Correction

Kindly note the following correction to page eight of the Kingsway College Bulletin, 1977-78, which replaces the first paragraph under the title, *Accreditation - High School*.

The Secondary School Division of Kingsway College is accredited with the Board of Regents of the Seventh-day Adventist Association of Secondary Schools and Colleges. It is also inspected annually by the Ministry of Education of Ontario, and on the basis of a favorable inspection, authorization is given to grant the Secondary School Graduation Diploma and the Secondary School Honor Graduation Diploma which are recognized by the Province of Ontario.

Elder Blacker Retires



Elder W. J. Blacker, 63, has announced his retirement as general manager, Pacific Press Publishing Association, Mountain View, California, a post he has held since 1973.

Born and raised in Canada, Blacker began his printing career in 1936 at Canadian Watchman Press, Oshawa, Ontario, Canada. For eleven years he worked in various managerial capacities in church-owned printing plants in North America and the Philippines.

Elder Blacker also served as a church administrator in the United States and the Far Eastern Division, during which time he was a member of the General Conference Committee.

Jay E. Prall

Writers' Workshop and Camp Out

The third annual Writers' Workshop and Camp Out sponsored by the Christian Scribes, a writers' group based in Michigan, will be held October 21 to 23 at Crystal Springs, near Andrews University.

Instructors will include Kenneth Holland, Editor of *These Times*, Thomas Davis, Book Editor at the *Review and Herald*, and Karen Spruill, former Assistant Editor of *Insight*. As in the past two sessions, Mildred Reid, a teacher of writing for over twenty years, will be with us from the Writers' Colony in New Hampshire. Her emphasis this year will be on poetry.

The cost will be \$45.00 for room, board and tuition. Tuition alone will be \$20.00. Send reservations to Christian Scribes, Box 280, Gobles, Michigan 49055. Ten per cent discount for registration before October 1.

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ALBERTA	246	237
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ONTARIO	379	590
QUEBEC	98	78
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NFLD.	61	37
UNION TOTAL	1091	1307

Can You Help?

The Pacific Press Publishing Association has requested Elder Roger W. Coon, professor of religion at Pacific Union College, to write the life story of Elder Ernest Lloyd.

Elder Lloyd is best remembered for his quarter-century (1924-49) editorship of *Our Little Friend*, but his service as a pioneer worker—particularly in California—has been wide and varied.

Elder Coon is now at work, researching the materials for this biography. And he is especially appealing to any reader who may have known Elder Lloyd in the past, or who may have worked with him in denominational service in years gone by, or whose life was influenced for the better through his writings, to share any interesting incidents or experiences and thus in a very real way help Elder Coon to write his book!

Such materials should be sent without delay to:

Elder Roger W. Coon
Pacific Union College
Angwin, California 94508

"Summers Only" Program Proposed

A "summers only" program leading to the master of science degree in nursing is planned beginning the summer of 1978 if there is sufficient interest.

"The purpose of such a program is to provide an opportunity for graduate study for nurses who cannot leave their positions for longer periods," says Dr. L. Frances Pride, associate dean and director of the graduate program in nursing.

The proposed summer program will be the same as the regular four-quarter sequence and will not replace the present program, but will be an additional route for graduate study in nursing, according to Dr. Pride.

"A student will need to spend five summers to complete the program," Dr. Pride says, "and a new 'summers only' class will begin on alternate summers."

Prospective students must meet all pre-entrance requirements for graduate students as stated in the University bulletin and have all admission materials submitted to the University by March 15 of the year they expect to enter.

Further information may be obtained about the "summers only" program by writing to Dr. Pride at the School of Nursing, Loma Linda University, Loma Linda, California 92354.

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Newly updated, Global Assignment is now available through Audio Visual Ministry—a component of the Adventist Media Center in Thousand Oaks, California. Designed to add new dimensions to Sabbath School mission emphasis, Global Assignment brings front line coverage of world service in fast moving, news format to at-home sponsors.

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J. Orville Iversen
Director



FOULSTON—Mary Irene Foulston was born at Neepawa, Manitoba on February 7, 1885, and passed away August 22 at Kelowna, B.C. Her education and youthful years were spent on the family farm at Neepawa until her marriage to George Foulston on March 26, 1902. They moved to a farm in the Riding Mountain area of Manitoba where they lived until 1910 when the family located at Tugaske, Sask.

Mrs. Foulston was introduced to the Seventh-day Adventist faith in 1914 and was a charter member of the Tugaske S.D.A. Church.

The blessed hope makes her death a quiet sleep awaiting the call of the Lifegiver, Jesus Christ. Her husband predeceased her in 1953. She is survived by her children, Angus, Eyebrow; Roy, Tugaske; Wilbert, St. Helena, CA; Ivan, Tugaske; Violet Tarr, Loma Linda; Pearl Fetrow, New Westminster, B.C.; and Vera Clark, Kelowna, B.C. Two sisters, Josephine Lindsay, Winnipeg, Man.; and Caroline Bullin, New Orleans. Among those who mourn are 17 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren and many friends.

Elder W. G. Soloniuk

HOLMAN—Ernest John Holman was born in London, England, on October 17, 1884, and passed to his rest on July 3, 1977. Brother Holman became a member of God's remnant church in 1913 at Regina, Saskatchewan. He leaves to mourn many friends and numerous nieces and nephews. The service was conducted July 5, 1977 at the Henderson's Funeral Home by Pastor E. Danielson, assisted by Pastor A. Lennox. Interment was in the Odd Fellow's Cemetery at Chilliwack, British Columbia.

DESJARLAIS—Mrs. Bozema Dorothy Desjarlais of Rosedale Valley, Lacombe, Alberta passed away suddenly at the University of California Medical Center on August 1, 1977 at the age of 44 years. Born in Poland, she came to Canada in 1960. Mrs. Desjarlais is survived by her husband, Edward; a son, Errol; two daughters, Emelyn and Kora; and her mother Mrs. Mary Walinska, all of Rosedale Valley, Lacombe.

Funeral services were held in the Lacombe S.D.A. Church with Elder Nicholas Kozachenko officiating.

Anne Ilchuk, *Church Secretary*

OPENSHAW—Alfred Openshaw passed away August 11, 1977 in the Fairview Hospital after a very brief illness.

Funeral service was held in the Fairview S.D.A. Church on August 15. Our sympathies and prayers go out to his wife Myrtle; daughters Evelyn Gimbel of Lacombe, Marilyn of Ponoka and Carolyn at home; and one son Tom of Fairview.

H. Bartsch, *Pastor*

ATKINS—John Atkins, of Concession 6, Huntley, Ontario died at his home on Thursday, August 18, 1977. John Atkins is the beloved husband of Cora Mildred Neil. He is the dear father of George of Ottawa, Letha (Mrs. Gilbert Thompson) of Three Rivers, Quebec, Norris of Carp, Ontario and Lola (Mrs. Elmer McBain) of Bronte, Ontario. Mr. Atkins is also survived by 11 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

A service was held on Sunday, August 21, and interment took place at Maple Grove Cemetery, Hazeldean. Pastor L. McDowell officiated at the ceremony.

Dennis Wilson
Communication Secretary
Ottawa S.D.A. Church

PILLSWORTH—Frederick D. Pillsworth was born October 30, 1882 in Sydenham Township, Grey County, Ontario and died at the Nipissing Manor Nursing Home at Corbiel, Ontario, September 4, 1977.

He leaves to mourn his passing three sons, Benar of Bolton; Hudson of Lindsay, Elbert (Bus) of Arkansas; and one daughter Vena Hayward of South River. His wife and two daughters predeceased him. Nineteen grandchildren, twenty-five great-grandchildren and a host of friends mourn his passing.

Interment was in the South River Cemetery. The funeral was conducted by Pastor Orville Parchment assisted by Pastor Wayne Hayward, a grandson.

SNARR—Roy Everette Snarr, of Mount Uniacke, Nova Scotia passed to his rest on September 3, 1977 at the age of 80 years. He leaves to cherish his memory, his wife Pearl and one daughter Thelma, Mrs. George Doucette, one granddaughter and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted from Lindsay's Funeral Home in Bedford, Nova Scotia, followed by interment in Belmont Cemetery. Pastor Ron Meyers of the Halifax Seventh-day Adventist Church officiated at the service.



Weddings

HOFFMAN — POTORIEKO

Carol Potorieko, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Potorieko, of Yorkton, Saskatchewan, and Darcy Hoffman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hoffman of Red Deer, Alberta were married on Sunday, September 4, 1977 in the Yorkton Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Many relatives and friends gathered together for the occasion. Our prayers go with them as they establish a new Christian home.

R. Lyle Bergey

GOODBURN — BERGEY

Cheryl Dalene Bergey and Kenneth Arthur Goodburn were married Sunday, August 14, 1977 in the sanctuary of the College Church at Lacombe, Alberta. Cheryl is the daughter of Elder and Mrs. R. Lyle Bergey of Lacombe, and Kenneth is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Goodburn of the staff at Canadian Union College.

Kenneth will be teaching church school at Fairview, Alberta, and Cheryl, who recently graduated as a nurse at P.U.C., will be working in the local hospital.

Lloyd R. Ellison

SELL — STEWART

Garry Sell of Beiseker and Colleen Stewart of Fairview were united in marriage in the Fairview S.D.A. Church on July 24, 1977.

They will be making their home on their farm at Beiseker, Alberta.

May God's blessings be on this home.

H. Bartsch, *Pastor*

MERCER — MAIER

The College Park S.D.A. Church at Oshawa was a happy scene when two young people pledged their love to each other on Monday, August 29. Adina, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Maier of Bright, Ontario and Colin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Colin Mercer of Oshawa, were united in marriage.

Mrs. Sharon Ellis was matron of honor and Lynn Murrin was bridesmaid. Calvin Ellis was best man and Philip Mercer, brother of the groom, was groomsman. Sherr-Lyn Ellis was flower girl, and Chris Maier, brother of the bride, Bible boy.

Colin and Adina will set up their home at Canadian Union College where they will continue their education.

Pastor A. Hiebert
Winnipeg, Man.

ROTCHFORD — MORRISON

Bill Rotchford and Susan Morrison were married on August 14, 1977 in the little Seventh-day Adventist Church at Trail, B.C.

The couple will establish their home for a few years at Canadian Union College, Alberta, where Bill will pursue his preparation for the ministry.

May God's richest blessing rest upon this newly-established home.

H. H. Heghesan, *Pastor*

ROBERTSON — MABLEY

A beautiful wedding was held in the Victoria S.D.A. Church on April 11, 1977, when Donna Lynn Mabley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Mabley, was united with David Wayne Robertson. The bride's attendants were Leila Ahtola and Carol Knecht. The groomsmen were Glenn Robertson, brother of the groom, and Allan Mabley, brother of the bride. The young couple are establishing their Christian home in Nanaimo, B.C.

Pastor Don Melashenko

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NICKEL - NIELSEN

After an unusual and beautiful reception at the C.U.C. cafeteria, Dennis Nickel and Jenny Nielsen were united in marriage on August 15, 1977. The ceremony was conducted on the quiet country property of Mr. & Mrs. Ray Miller of Lacombe, Alberta, with a picture of Christ as the backdrop. Relatives and friends had come all the way from California to bless the occasion with their presence.

Mr. & Mrs. D. Nickel will reside at C.U.C. where Dennis will continue his preparation for the ministry and Jenny will teach Home Economics at the college.

We wish the couple happiness with God's richest blessings.

H. H. Heghesan, *Pastor*

GUDWER - HAYNE

A lovely summer wedding was held on July 3, 1977, in the Victoria Seventh-day Adventist Church, when Shannon Hayne and Bob Gudwer pledged their lives to each other. Attending as matron of honor was the bride's sister, Mrs. Sharron Meyn of Edmonton. The groom's brother, Ron Gudwer served as the best man. The happy couple plan to take up residence at Hope, B.C. where they will serve in evangelistic work with the conference evangelist.

Pastor Don Melashenko

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Oct. 6

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South Stukely Church.

Recollections of South Stukely as they celebrate their

One Hundredth Anniversary

A long time ago when I was a little girl I went to live with my Grandma and Grandpa Booth so that I could go to church school. There were not as many church schools then and they were not as grand as they are today.

This church school was a big room up over the church. The teacher was a man and he taught all the children in the big room.

In the winter it was heated by a big round stove. If your seat was near the stove you were too hot and if you sat away from it you were too cold. There was no bathroom so we had to go outside. The boys had to see that wood was brought up for the stove and they also had to bring pails of water from the pump in the yard. The girls kept the black boards clean and swept the floor. Everyone had to keep their desk clean and neat and hang up their coats and caps on hooks at the head of the stairs and keep their boots in a row on the floor beneath.

On nice days at recess we would play fox and geese, follow the leader and tag in the snow. On bad days we played games inside.

Sometimes walking to school was fun

because when there was a crust on top of the snow you could skip along real fast.

One morning Grandma handed me my lunch bucket that was round with a lid and handle. It was not like the pretty lunch boxes today. Bundled up with boots, heavy coat and red knit cap and mittens I started to school. During the night there had been a very heavy snowfall and it was very cold. The snow plow had not cleaned the roads and the snow was deep and came up high on my body as I pushed along. About half way to school I was so tired I sat down in the snow to rest a few minutes before going on. The next thing I remember was that I was up in the school room and the older girls were rubbing my arms and legs with snow after they had removed the frozen clothes from me. The first thing that I thought was they were getting the snow out of the stove as it felt so hot.

How did I get to school—well a man was hauling logs on a big sled with horses and he saw a little red cap sticking up out of the snow. He pulled me out and put me and my lunch bucket on his load of logs and raced his horses to the school as he knew that must be where I was going.

Wasn't Jesus good to send that man with the load of logs to rescue me?

Note: The South Stukely Church which Mrs. Thelma Royer attended was the first Seventh-day Adventist church school in Canada. The church was organized in 1877 and is currently celebrating its centenary. The church school commenced classes in 1884.

In addition to the story about being rescued from the snow, Mrs. Royer writes, "Dear Messengers of Faith: God works in many wonderful ways to protect and save His loved ones.

Our church schools are often the basis for our faith and trust in God as we get older."

Mrs. Royer, after spending about 45 years of her life working as a registered nurse, is retired in Florida. She states that since retiring, she finds herself busier than ever. She is still a homemaker and cares for her husband. She finds time to help her neighbors, teach a Sabbath School class, and give three or four Bible studies in homes each week.

M. Graham

Associate Director of Education



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Mr. and Mrs. John Royer.