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coming of the Day of God."*

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# "Looking and Hastening . . ."

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While attending a Board meeting last August, a Scripture was quoted that took on new meaning for me. Though I had used the text, now somehow it made a more effective impression on me. Its message might also influence you, in fact it could well serve as a gem thought for the new year, so I share the text with you: "Looking for and hastening unto the coming of the day of God." II Peter 3:12, R.S.V. I wish every member of the church would accept this text as a personal motto or key thought for 1979.

Two words are prominent in our text — LOOKING and HASTENING. The word LOOKING implies eager anticipation, while hastening means fervently desiring and working toward achieving. Have you ever spent a day in total darkness? Perhaps a week? It is a difficult, trying experience, for you cannot come and go as you please, you cannot read, you cannot see anything — all is darkness. How pitiful that there are blind people all around us. To be spiritually blind is even more pathetic. How many there are who either will not or cannot look, when it comes to eternal matters. Our text challenges us to look to that which is the most important future event. The thought is that we should eagerly look for Jesus to come, as well as to do something to hasten His return. Inspiration tells us: "It is the privilege of every Christian not only to look for but to hasten the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ." *Christ's Object Lessons*, p. 69.

All through the Bible we have God pictured as looking for man, endeavoring to win him back. Our text teaches that we, too, are to look. While there is much to attract our attention in these confused, uncertain times, one hope should keep us looking heavenward.

Here are a few startling examples of looking in the Bible:

1. Genesis 3:6 — Eve looked and saw the forbidden fruit which was pleasant to her eyes. Her look led to transgression, which plunged the world into sin, misery and death.

2. Genesis 19:26 — Lot's wife "looked back", and she turned into a pillar of salt.
3. Luke 10:32 — The Levite came, and looked at the wounded traveller, but walked by on the other side.
4. Hebrews 11:10 — Abraham "looked for a city. . . whose builder and maker is God."
5. Luke 22:61 — ". . . the Lord turned, and looked upon Peter."

There are some things we are admonished to look at, and not at others, for example:

1. Philippians 2:4 — "Look not every man on his own things."
2. Hebrews 12:2 — "Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith."
3. Titus 2:13 — "Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of. . . our Saviour Jesus Christ."
4. Luke 21:28 — ". . . look up. . . for your redemption draweth nigh."

It is now time for us to look for Jesus to return. However, notice this warning: "Many who profess to be looking for the speedy return of Christ are becoming conformed to this world."

Many of these professed Christians dress, talk and act like the world. . . Their conversation is not in heaven, but on worldly things. . . The way to heaven is rugged. Briers and thorns are in the way; but we can with cheerfulness tread the rough pathway, knowing that Jesus the King of glory, once trod it before us." *Sons and Daughters of God*, p. 352.

After confessing and forsaking our sins we can eagerly await our Saviour's return, then devote ourselves to sharing the gospel. The King's business requireth haste. I Samuel 21:8, and "The great day of the Lord. . . hasteth greatly." Zephaniah 1:14.

May the New Year find us "looking for and hastening unto the coming of the day of God."

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## Holiday Thoughts

This Christmas and holiday season. . . May we be more concerned about:

- Being clothed in the Robe of Righteousness than, what shall I wear?
- Eating of "The Bread of Life" more than, what shall I eat?
- Drinking from "Springs of Living Water" more than, what shall I drink?

Then we shall have a blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year that will extend into lasting happiness and God's great eternity.

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# Church Growth in Canada

by L. G. Lowe, *Ministerial Secretary*  
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Evangelism explosion means church growth! We in Canada have seen our church grow but not as rapidly as we would like it to grow. During our Union Committee meeting in October much time was spent on how our work in Canada could be strengthened and expanded.

Growth objectives for our churches were voted, as follows:

1. To emphasize Revival and Reformation in all Sabbath services and prayer meetings during the month of December 1978.
2. To launch the Evangelistic Outreach for the year by holding a special New Year's Day program or a special day of prayer on Sabbath, January 6, 1979. (Suggested program included)
3. To insure that by the end of 1978 every church family will have a personal mission territory and launch into an active training and soul-winning program in 1979.
4. To provide assistance through the conference to each church to develop long-range Growth Objectives, to set goals and to make plans for each year commencing with 1979.
5. To set a Growth Objective which will challenge each church to win and hold members, and result in a minimum of 8% growth throughout the church in Canada.
6. To establish evaluation procedures in each conference to review the progress of each department and church in meeting its Growth Objectives.
7. To reduce to a minimum all special gatherings, councils, transfers of workers and building programs during 1979, thus making the maximum of time and money available for the winning of souls.

The next step after voting the objectives for 1979 was to study how these "Growth Objectives" could be reached! It was recommended that some of the suggestions which were made be printed in the MESSENGER so that each member in the Adventist family could be involved in implementing some of these methods in his or her church or territory.

The following are two suggested ways of implementing the Church Growth concepts; from the Ontario Ministerial Secretary, Elder Bornstein and the other from the Canadian Union Lay Activities Director, Lewis Shipowick.

## From the Ontario Ministerial Secretary —

### I. President

- a. Have a church growth seminar for worker's meeting.
- b. Distribute the book "Your Church Can Grow" by Peter Wagner.
- c. Have 1—1½ hour plans conference with all pastors.
  1. Ask them to describe their church growth plans for the coming year with the Ministerial Secretary.
- d. Set a percentage growth goal for the conference.
- e. Continue to promote whenever possible.

### II. Ministerial Secretary

- a. Cooperate in all the above as listed for president.
- b. Follow through after pastor's plan conferences.
- c. Have diagnostic clinics for all conference churches.

### III. Pastors

- a. Evangelistic program for the church.
  1. Know where our converts come from.

2. Plan for results.
3. Train more people for evangelism.
4. Incorporate new converts into the church.
5. Utilize multiple channels of ministry.
6. Specialize what works best with my church.
- b. Set my own personal objective for the growth of my church and Sabbath School.
  1. Prepare preliminary plans.
- c. Discuss objectives and methods for growth with church board.
  1. Appoint sub committee to study.
  2. Appoint steering committee to direct and coordinate sub committee actions.
  3. Develop a program through this mechanism for the growth in the church.
- d. Have a church growth Diagnostic Clinic.
  1. Be sure that sub committee and steering committees are directed properly.
- e. Have church board meeting on church growth plans.
  1. Receive sub committee and steering committee recommendations to vote program.
  2. Vote to have a church business meeting to present board recommendations.
- f. Have church business meeting — present board recommendations.
- g. Implement the program.

## From the Lay Activities and Sabbath School Department—

1. Every family would have a mission territory.
2. Every member would have on-the-job training by Pastors, Elders, Literature Evangelists, etc.
3. Have goals for souls.
4. Each Sabbath School would be an evangelistic in-reach and out-reach unit with a band leader.
5. Give suggestive avenues of approach in mission territory for each month of the year.
6. Use V.B.S., Branch Sabbath Schools and Community Bible Hours for special outreaches for children.
7. Have weekly reports of successful soul-winning encounters in the Sabbath School class and the most outstanding experience be shared with the entire church during the ten minute missionary service.
8. Plan for two reaping meetings yearly (fall and spring) — one by the Pastor and the other by laymen.
9. The 11:00 a.m. service on the first Sabbath of the month be conducted by band leader (who may be an elder) and his evangelistic S.S. class.
10. Encourage prospective and newly baptized members to become active witnesses for God with on-the-job training.
11. Have an Interest Coordinator to gather all interests and in close co-operation with the Pastor and Lay Band leaders see that all interests are systematically followed up.
12. Make Ingathering one of the greatest outreach programs of the church by involving the total membership with the main Ingathering objectives kept in mind of contact with every home for Christ.



# Suggested Outline For January 6, 1979— Day of Prayer and Fellowship

We should approach January 6th as a day of thanksgiving for past blessings and to ask and to seek the blessings of heaven on all of our activities for 1979.

Pastors should have a definite program to present to the whole church on January 6th. However, it would be well to involve your whole church (or at least your church officers) in the drawing up of this program.

In drawing up the program, we would suggest that time be given to a review of past achievements. Then we should launch into the plans and objectives for 1979 (and the future) to enable our churches to grow under the blessings of the Lord. We would further suggest that study be given by each church as to how to reach the 8% growth objectives as voted by the Union Committee and other objectives set by the local conference.

Enclosed is a suggested outline for January 6th. We have also included a suggested outline that could be followed on New Year's Eve.

- 9:30 Sabbath School divisions as usual with lesson study at the beginning of the program.
- 10:00—10:45 Children to come up into sanctuary to present a program similar to the 13th Sabbath program — only geared to evangelism. All lower divisions to participate. Reports on 1978 activities and blessings.

- 11:00—12:00 Lower divisions will have the eleven o'clock hour and present plans and objectives for 1979, everything being centered around the 8% growth objective. (This would also be a good time to have church schools participate.)
- 12:00—1:30 Agape Feast — Fellowship Dinner.
- 1:30—2:30 Pastor & Elders to present their plans and objectives
- 2:30—3:00 Review of past blessings
- 3:00—3:15 Break — recess
- 3:15—4:00 Commitments for 1979 program
- 4:00—5:00 Lord's Supper with time for testimonies

## Suggested New Year's Eve Program

- 5:30—6:00 Review of blessings in '78, Personal testimonies
- 6:00—7:30 Agape Feast — Fellowship Dinner
- 7:30—8:30 Youth — Childrens' program (Sabbath School or Church School)
- 8:30—9:30 Heritage — Pioneer Stories
- 9:30—9:45 Break — Recess
- 9:45—10:00 Musical — Song Fest
- 10:00—10:20 Presentation of Objectives and plans for 1979
- 10:20—10:40 Challenge for 1979
- 10:40—12:00 Lord's Supper with testimonies



"The full message telecast"

## We Must Move Ahead !

L. R. Krenzler, *Director*

*Communication Department*

*Canadian Union Conference of S.D.A.*

I am leaving for Montreal today, November 30, to meet Pastors George Vandeman and George Hermans. These men will be taping another series of programs in English and French. With the Lord's blessing we hope to be able to do 20 in each language.

The responses from *It Is Written* viewers is excellent. The mail brings in very encouraging letters. People are asking questions about the Sabbath, state of the dead, etc.

By the time you get this copy of the MESSENGER, you will have received a

beautiful folder explaining the *It Is Written* Heritage Library plan and how you can receive a beautiful Bible with study helps, concordance, and many other excellent features.

Today we received our first donation for the *It Is Written* Heritage Bible. We really appreciate this early response to help make new programs and help with the other costs of operating and TV time. We have also received a few substantial gifts recently. We are very grateful for the support of our church members and other viewers.

I wish to remind you of the special Canadian Television Evangelism offering for February 10, 1979. This is the time to begin to plan for it so we can make it an especially large offering for 1979. Remember, forty percent goes back to the local conference and sixty percent is used for making new programs. We are going ahead in faith with new programs now. We are sure you will continue to support the program in a strong way.

We have some great plans for Canada. Keep listening and watching.

God bless you in your service and dedication.



# Fasting

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

January 6 has been sanctified as a day of fasting for Seventh-day Adventists in preparation for this year's evangelistic thrust. In order to make such a day effectual we need to approach this practice intelligently.

There are some unacceptable reasons for fasting.

**Fasting in Protest.** (Hunger Strikes) This is merely an adult tantrum which presumes upon the mercy of the person being opposed. It is a passive resistance designed to infuriate sympathizers. It is wholly unchristian as a means to an end even if the end were honorable. Isaiah 58:4

**To Lose Weight.** Total abstinence from food over several days as a means of losing weight is unwise even though one may enjoy a state of euphoria in the process. Often more vital tissue of muscle, organs and connective tissue is lost than fat. Fat loss, not just weight loss, should be the objective. Too many die a sudden death when in a total fast to make it a wise procedure unless under medical supervision. It also does not teach one how to eat when food habits are resumed.

**Self Mortification.** To grovel in the dust degrades the image of God. Isaiah 58:3,5. Humility is to be obtained by beholding the beauty of Christ which does at once give to man a sense of his unworthiness while elevating him to the dignity of a son of God.

And there are some acceptable reasons for fasting.

**Seeking For Light and Wisdom.** "Fasting and fervent prayer to God have moved the Lord to unlock His treasures of truth to their understanding." *Testimonies*, Vol. 2, p. 650.

"When the time shall come, in the providence of God, for the world to be tested upon the truth for that time, minds will be exercised by His Spirit to search the Scriptures, even with fasting and with prayer, until link after link is searched out, and united in a perfect chain." *Testimonies*, Vol. 2, p. 292.

Please notice that fasting is for the purpose of supporting prayer and study. Wisdom does not automatically follow going without food.

**Heart Cleansing and Confession.** "Fasting and prayer ...are a means of cleansing the heart and promoting a receptive frame of mind." *Counsels on Diet and Foods*, p p. 187,188.

**When Under Temptation.** "When Christ was the most fiercely beset by temptation He ate nothing." *Testimonies*, Vol. 2, p. 202.

**Overcoming Disease.** "Intemperate eating is often the cause of sickness, and what nature most needs is to be relieved of the undue burden that has been placed upon her. In many cases of sickness, the very best remedy is for the patient to fast for a meal or two, that the overworked organs of digestion may have an opportunity to rest." *Counsels on Diet and Foods*, p. 189.



**Developing Appetite for Plain Food.** "They need not expect to relish at first food so different from that which they have been indulging themselves to eat. If they cannot at first enjoy plain food, they should fast until they can." *Counsels on Health*, p. 148, *Counsels on Diet and Foods*, p. 190.

Our bodies are designed to be healthy, holy, happy. It is usually what we put into them that makes them become unhealthy, unholy, and unhappy; improper food habits, improper thinking habits, and improper experiences. What the body needs is temporary relief from food and artificial stimulation and it will by its own recuperative ability become well.

With this foundation how best can we fast to make fasting profitable? There are many ways to legitimately fast. You choose that which is best for you.

**Skip a Meal or Two or a Whole Day.** However, one should *not* skip breakfast and dinner and then eat supper. This may be more harmful than no fasting at all. Even though some follow this practice routinely, it is not in their best interests for optimum health. If only one or two meals are to be missed it should be supper first and dinner second. Breakfast should be the last to go.

**Fruit Diet For a Few Days.** This we are told is especially helpful to brain workers. It may prove too cathartic for some to be practical. If you cannot stray far from the washroom you'd better find another form of fasting.

**Abstemious Diet For 1-2 Months.** "The true fasting which should be recommended to all, is abstinence from every stimulating kind of food, and the proper use of wholesome simple food, which God has provided in abundance." *Counsels on Diet and Foods*, p. 188.

This is a Daniel's fast. Those who regularly live like this will experience the least benefit from other fasting techniques because they are already living at a high level of diet management.

**Abstinence From Food a Day or Two/Week** is better than medicine to many. These days need not necessarily be in sequence. The elderly and the children should be careful not to carry total abstinence to an extreme.

**Always With Water.** A liberal use of warm water inside and outside is highly recommended when abstaining from food completely. It will help relieve hunger. Exercising will also relieve the feeling of hunger.

These principles may help you select the type of fast you wish to follow in preparation for January 6. Ever remember that simply going without food does not make us wiser, or nicer, or healthier, or closer to God unless we really want to be.





# Adventist Radio Television Services Gets Green Light from Ontario Conference Committee

E. C. Beck, *President*  
*Ontario Conference of S.D.A.*

The Ontario Conference Committee made what could very well be one of the most significant historical decisions that has ever been made by that Committee at its meeting on November 19. The Committee gave the green light to the Adventist Radio-Television Service Board to proceed with the development of a fully equipped media centre for the Adventist Church in Ontario. This media centre would consist of a professional 2-camera color studio capable of producing video productions that would meet the highest specifications of television stations in Canada. It would also contain a top broadcast-quality audio studio capable of producing radio programs and master tapes for long playing records.

Many of our members, if not all, are aware of the present studio now operated in the Multi-lingual Centre (Portuguese Church) in downtown Toronto. In this studio many Portuguese and Italian programs have been produced to be aired on City Television. Hundreds of people have been baptized as a result of this telecast. One of the first converts was Isobel Santos. From the time of her conversion to Christ and union with the church she has been active in witnessing for Jesus. Her voice has been used in a wonderful way. Later, many of her family members were baptized and are now members of the Portuguese church.

Now, in Kitchener, approximately 50 Portuguese people are meeting together on Sabbath to study this wonderful truth. These people have been watching the Portuguese telecast by Pastor Henry Feyerabend every Sunday. Some of them have already begun to pay tithe, and have requested membership in the church. We are looking forward to the second Ontario Portuguese Church being organized in Kitchener early in 1979.

Elder Antonio Bueno has been the speaker on the Italian *Voice of Hope* broadcast on City TV for the last two years. This program too was produced in the facilities at the Portuguese Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Presently, this studio has equipment valued at approximately \$250,000, however, in today's competitive television world, more sophisticated equipment is needed to do the job properly, and to make it possible for English television programs to be produced as well. In fact, such a media centre would have many uses, such as the continued preparation of ethnic telecasts and the production of English telecasts, national or local, with facilities available to Adventist broadcasters at low cost. This would make it possible for Adventist ministers from ethnic as well as English churches, to tape professionally produced television programs to be used on cable television systems in Ontario and all over Canada. The studio would also make it possible to produce effective advertising for our evangelists across Canada. The audio portion of the studio would be improved so that high quality radio programs could be prepared by our pastors. Public service announcements could be produced for television and radio. Many of these could be aired free of charge on larger television stations. There are many uses that such a studio could be put to. For this project additional funds will be needed. \$300,000 is needed to upgrade the existing facilities to the required specifications. Pastor Frank McMiller has been asked to work together with Elder Feyerabend to contact many of our members in Ontario and other parts of Canada and the United States to help raise the additional funds and make it possible for this studio to be equipped with first rate equipment over a period of five years.

There will be no public fund-raising campaigns for this project. Elder Feyerabend and Frank McMiller will be contacting Adventists and non-Adventists alike to invite them to become supporting members of the Adventist Radio and Television Service. If 500 people in Ontario, and 500 more across Canada and the United States would give just \$10.00 a month for five years the project would be a reality!

The Ontario Conference Administration feels that the constituency should be informed of the action of the Conference Committee so that when Elder Feyerabend or Frank McMiller contact you, you will have an understanding of the purpose of their visit. Elder Feyerabend will continue his strong evangelistic work among the Portuguese, as well as English people, while he works on developing this studio. The primary objective and purpose is to give the gospel of Jesus Christ to the thousands who would not hear except via television and radio. Have you ever wondered how we can reach the thousands who live in the high rise apartments of the large cities of our land? We believe that through television and radio it can be done! By having the facilities to produce these top quality programs at a cost that we can afford we will hasten the spreading of God's message.

## ONTARIO LAY ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETS

Thirty-two lay advisory representatives met with administrative and departmental leaders on November 5 in the Kingsway College Chapel in Oshawa to discuss issues affecting church members in Ontario. Following a short devotional by Elder Beck, president of the Ontario Conference, the representatives were welcomed by Brother Basil van Dieman, chairman of the Lay Advisory Committee.

Departmental highlights were given and of special interest was the ministerial departments 10% growth objective for the conference and the 7 point strategic plan for its accomplishment. Church members in Ontario will be hearing more about this.

A number of actions were taken and these recommendations will be presented to the Conference Committee at their next regular meeting. The next Lay Advisory Council will be held on February 11, 1979.



## What an Ingathering Experience!

The Bible study was set for 6:30 p.m. Monday, but no one answered as I knocked on the door. Thinking that they might be home soon I returned to my car to wait.

In the car I noticed a few extra Ingathering pamphlets and decided to do a few houses across the street while I waited for the Bible study. I have found that anyone can make approximately \$20.00 per hour if they ask for Christmas dollars. From five houses I received four dollars at the sixth house the door was

answered by two retired ladies. I gave my usual speech and they both disappeared into another room. One returned with \$20.00 and the other with \$10.00. I thought to myself that I did not have enough change, but soon realized they were not thinking about change.

I was so excited that I left, forgetting to give them a receipt. A few days later I returned with the receipt. The ladies decided that \$30.00 was not enough. They went and got another \$25.00. They continued to go and get more and more

until I had a total of \$140.00. I had to change the receipts.

I signed them up for *Signs of the Times* and gave them some literature to read. Later I visited them again just for a spiritual visit but they insisted on giving me more money. This time I received \$120.00 making a total of \$260.00! What has God planned for you during your idle moments?

Bob Whalley, *Pastor  
Cornwall S.D.A. Church*

## SIMCOE STUDENTS VISIT SENIOR CITIZENS

Students of the Simcoe S.D.A. Church School were recently invited to Norview Home for the Aged where they presented a program of poems and singing to cheer the elderly. The children were well received and the staff of the home had a light lunch prepared for them after the program. These visits are just one of the ways these young people let their lights shine in their community.

Mrs. Nancy Kotanko  
Communication Secretary  
Simcoe Church



The students are pictured practising one last time before the program. At the extreme left is Mrs. Edith Bridges who teaches singing at the school. Seated at the piano is the pianist for the group, Sajiev Sukumaran, son of the school teacher, Mrs. Janet Sukumaran, not pictured.

## ONTARIO EVANGELISM SCHEDULE

Church	Pastor	Speaker	Dates
Alexandria	R. Whalley	R. Whalley	January
Scarborough	H. Edwards	H. Edwards	Jan.—June (Sat. nights)
Tor. Portuguese	B. Raymundo	J. Sarli	Jan.—Feb.
Woodstock	O. Orpana	L. Pollett	Jan. 7—13
St. Thomas	L. Kurtz	C. Buursma	Jan. 20—Feb. 24
Burlington	B. Juriansz	L. Pollett	Jan. 27—Feb. 24 (with Oakville)
Bronte	E. Juriansz	L. Pollett	Jan. 27—Feb. 24 (with Oakville)
Oakville	E. Juriansz	L. Pollett	Jan. 27—Feb. 24
Cornwall	R. Whalley	R. Whalley	February (Seminar)
Hawkesbury	A. Bueno, Jr.	H. Frier (Layman)	February
Simcoe	R. Toms	L. Pumford	Feb.—March
Toronto Spanish	A. Bueno, Sr.	A. Bueno, Sr.	Feb.—April (Sunday nights)
Agincourt	L. Szerecz	L. Szerecz	March—April
Brockville	A. Webb	A. Webb	March—April
Kingsville	G. Corkum	Laymen	March—April (In Leamington)
North Bay	O. Parchment	L. Pumford	March—April
Toronto East	R. Young	R. Young/Laymen	March 10—April 15
Toronto Kingsview	K. Corkum	L. Pollett	March 10—May 5
Toronto Yugoslavian	S. Manestar	S. Manestar	March 18—April 29 (Sundays only)
Welland	K. Wiebe	K. Wiebe	March 31—May 5
Belleville	A. Bujak	W. Lehman	Spring (Revival)
Bowmanville	D. Toop	G. Strunk	Spring (with College Park Church)
	H. Sackett		
Kingston	A. Webb	A. Webb	Spring
Kitchener	H. Fischbacher	W. Hayward	Spring
London	F. Pearse	To be invited	Spring
Malton	E. Maclary	R. Bacchus	Spring
	J. Friesen		
Peterborough	R. Payton	Laymen	Spring
Timmons	A. Matchim	A. Matchim	Spring
Toronto Maranatha	A. Zaft	A. Zaft	Spring
Harriston	F. Irish	F. Irish	April (In Listowel)
Oshawa	H. Sackett	G. Strunk	April 14—May 12
	G. Pifher		
Whitby—Kendalwood	D. White	G. Strunk	April 14—May 12 (with College Park)
Toronto Korean	H. Pak	H. Pak	April 20—May 13
Parry Sound	D. Hogan	D. Hogan	April 21—May 26
Sudbury	S. Villeneuve	S. Villeneuve	April 27—May 30
Windsor	G. Corkum	G. Corkum	May—June
		Laymen	
Ottawa	W. Frazer	C. Buursma	May 5—May 17
Richmond Hill	E. Anderson	H. Feyerabend	May 19—June 16
Cannington	R. Payton	Laymen	May 25—June 25
Paris	O. Orpana	C. Buursma	May 26—June 30
Brantford	O. Orpana	C. Buursma	May 26—June 30 (with Paris Church)

**“We have nothing to fear for the future except as we shall forget  
how the Lord has led us — in the past”**





## COMMUNITY SERVICES VAN BRINGS AID TO FLOODED TERRACE

Hundreds of people were driven out of their homes by severe flooding in the Terrace area. The flooding was a result of 8–10 inches of rain which fell in four days. This was amplified by the fact that the nearby mountain ranges had a very high freezing level, which produced a massive run-off, elevating the streams and gulleys far over their normal limits, washing out both the highway and railroad in many places.

One of the smaller rivers — the Nass, reached very high water levels and practically destroyed all the contents in the dwellings of the whole village.

The government flew food supplies into these isolated communities by helicopter. The only communication in most of the flooded areas was via radio and aircraft as both the rail and highway links were severed for almost one week.

The government estimated that approximately \$25,000,000.00 in damage was done. Included in this was the experience of 58 families in the Terrace area who were flooded out. When water comes up about 6 feet high in a home, there is not too much by way of clothing and soft goods that are salvageable. Current reports are that the Provincial and Federal government will reimburse the people for all damage suffered.

However, by the time the government reimburses the people, weeks will have gone by. It is in this breach that Seventh-day Adventist Community Services enter.

The highway opened to traffic on Friday, and our Van went through the following day with materials for those flooded out.

In addition to the materials supplied by our Community Service Centres and Dorcas Societies, out of our emergency funds we purchased about \$1,000.00 worth of blankets and quilts. Insofar as several days elapsed between the flood damage and opening the highway, the local relief agencies in Terrace aided with what supplies they had.

We went with our Van to an Indian village which had received no help, apart from the food which the government had flown in. We were not able to go directly to the village as the Nass River was flooded and not safe to cross. The Indian representatives supplied a large power boat which we filled with the prepackaged goods. This they ferried across the river. The goods were taken to the village office where they were judiciously distributed to the families remaining and some kept in reserve for those returning to their homes.

The 4-wheel-drive unit and trailer then returned to Terrace where final checks were made on those who suffered flood damage. A small reserve was left for the Terrace Community Services and the Van returned to its place of origin.

We feel deeply grateful that this privilege of helping in a small way was extended to us. By reports coming in we understand that there was real appreciation in the communities served, and that the name Seventh-day Adventist Community Services and the word "Ingathering" has a definite connotation now.

We think many thanks should also be expressed for the fine work and effort put in by the ladies of our Welfare work. In fact, more goods were packaged than the Van was capable of loading.

Another positive side-light growing out of this experience is the formation of a Conference-wide storage area for similar needs in the future.

Elder W. Walter Rogers  
*Lay Activities Director*  
*B.C. Conference of S.D.A.*

## REST HAVEN NEWS

"Sidney and Victoria students of Vancouver Island Academy, currently attending school on the Sidney Seventh-day Adventist Campus collected over 700 cans of food from Sidney residents on Hallowe'en night" reports Glenn Sandness, principal.

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The Rest Haven Dorcas Society, under the faithful leadership of Mrs. Eva Purcell, packed and shipped 102 pieces of blankets, sheets, and towels to flood victims in the Terrace, Kitimat areas of British Columbia. The manager of the local Robinson's store gave a good discount on new items purchased for the shipment.

Mrs. Ruth Dawes  
*Communication Secretary*  
*Rest Haven S.D.A. Church*

## PENTICTON CHURCH NEWS

Five Five-Day Plans to Stop Smoking were held in Penticton in 1978, conducted by the church's Temperance leader, Wayne Shankel and Pastor Jackson. In all, forty-two registered. Out of these, thirty-five received certificates certifying that they had given up the use of nicotine. In the most recent program, held the last week in October, a business man who participates in a host of city activities, and his wife, both marvelled at the fantastic plan.

Plans are being formulated for holding a plan in the hospital at the first of the New Year.

At the recent dedication in Penticton, eleven children were dedicated to the Lord by Pastor Dan Jackson. They are: Christa and Kevin Cromby; Nathan Jones; Heath, Heather and Dustin Windcliff; Holly, Aris and Tina Tilstra; Darlene Hess and Melayne Shankel.

Mrs. Fran Switak  
*Communication Secretary*  
*Penticton S.D.A. Church*

## FULFILLED WOMANHOOD CLASS

Thirty-eight ladies met in Pleasant Valley Academy, Vernon, October 5, through 8, to learn methods of keeping Christian love alive in marriage, through "Fulfilled Womanhood". Instructor Nancy Van Pelt, gave informative and entertaining presentations on subjects of interest to all Christian women. Ladies of the community who attended, were very impressed with the value of the course. Experience has shown that Mrs. Van Pelt's "Fulfilled Womanhood" and "Complete Parent" courses are effective soul-winning methods. Mrs. Van Pelt is well-acquainted with many Canadians and will come to any area on request. Information can be obtained by writing to Better Living Programs, 366 North Lind, Fresno, California, 93727.

## MR. DONALD GAIN RECEIVES COMMUNITY SERVICES AWARD

Sabbath, October 14, was Visitor's Day and Community Relations Day, at the Victoria Seventh-day Adventist Church in British Columbia.

Mrs. Dolly Jewkes, planned an interesting Sabbath School Program, especially directed to the visitors but enjoyed by all.

Mrs. K. Piper, Communication Secretary, introduced our guest of honor, Mr.



Donald Gain, at the worship service. Pastor Lynn Baerg spoke briefly on our responsibility to the community and Mr. Gain was invited to come to the rostrum.

Mr. Gain served his community well during the years he was church Page Editor at the *Colonist* daily newspaper, since early 1960's. He was a very active member on several city organizations and committees, including the greater Victoria Citizen's Council.

We were pleased to present this fine citizen the Community Services Award plaque, prepared by the Communication Department of the General Conference, and be able to personally thank Mr. Gain for his interest and the consideration given to our Communication Secretaries through the years.

Mrs. Kathleen Piper  
*Communication Secretary*  
*Victoria S.D.A. Church*



Mr. Donald Gain receiving the Community Service Award presented by Pastor Lynn Baerg in Victoria Church October 14, 1978.

## BAPTISMS IN THE VERNON AREA

The North Okanagan churches were richly blessed during the "New Life Crusade" with Elder and Mrs. B. R. Spears. His ministry revived the unique Advent message in the hearts of church members, and sowed seeds of truth throughout the community.



Another ceremony brought friends to the Vernon Church to share the joy of baptism with Art and Muriel Brown and Terry Reader.



Seven people were baptized in the tent in July. Shown here is Pastor Peter Fritz with Chris Von Unruh. Others were Mr. and Mrs. Harry True-man, Wayne and Calvin Magee, Jean Weaver, Tim Blaney, and Mrs. Caroline Blaney.



In August at a second baptism at the Crusade tent, Pastor Fritz left and Elder Spears right, witnessed the dedication of these believers: left to right, Penny Stapes, Ken Hunter, Annie Hunter, Mrs. Bohannon, Charles Bohannon.

## DR. THRASH TO CONDUCT SEMINARS IN VANCOUVER

Dr. Agatha Thrash, Medical Director of the Yuchi Pines Institute, Seale, Alabama, will be presenting a series of health seminars for the members of the metropolitan Vancouver churches from January 5-11, 1979, in the Westminster S.D.A. Church. Dr. Thrash is an outstanding public speaker and is well-known for her presentations on natural remedies, healthful living and preventive measures. An informed and recognized authority on the scientific principles involved in health reform, Dr. Thrash has been invited to the Vancouver area by Pastor Brad Thorp, Director of Radiant Living Semi-

nars. This series will consist of seven 6-hour sessions on the topics of nutrition, hydrotherapy, and natural remedies, general health and life style. These lectures will prove invaluable to those who recognize the importance of a healthy, radiant life in their effective witness for Christ.

Dr. Thrash was not raised a Seventh-day Adventist, but through her association with an Adventist doctor, the Seventh-day Adventist message was presented to her. As the truth of the Bible was unfolded, Dr. Thrash gave her heart to Jesus. Later, the whole family accepted the message. Dr. Thrash and her

husband, Dr. Calvin Thrash, an Internist, were particularly attracted to the principles of health reform held by the Adventist Church. Dr. Thrash has been involved in extensive public health information programs such as the Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking and Vegetarian Cooking Classes.

The series promises to be informative and revealing and members from other B.C. areas are welcome to attend.

B. Haluschak  
*Communication Secretary*  
*Radiant Living Seminars*





## IT IS WRITTEN CRUSADE IN MONCTON

What was nailed to the cross? What really ended when Jesus died? Gerry Karst has answered these and many other Bible questions with the use of visual aids and illustrations during the current *It Is Written* Bible Crusade, which is being held in Moncton, N.B.

Each night a color-motion picture on the Life of Christ is being shown. The Crusade, which is in the fifth week has moved from the Community Services Auditorium to the Seventh-day Adventist church.

Several Bible students have joined the Bible study class which is being held after the meetings each night with Elder G. Andersen leading out in the classes.

We are praying that the Lord will richly bless us by a baptism of new believers at the close of the crusade to join those already awaiting our Lord's soon return.



By the use of visual aids, Pastor Gerry Karst answered many Bible questions at the Moncton Crusade.

## LATEST REPORT ON MONCTON CRUSADE —

December 2 saw the first fruits of the *It Is Written* Crusade as three precious souls joined God's remnant church in Moncton, N.B.

As others continue to study we pray for the Lord's blessing that they too will choose to follow Jesus all the way.



Back Row: Elder G. Karst, Maritime Conference Evangelist, Pastor B. Atkins, of the Moncton S.D.A. Church. Front Row: Gary Schofield, Jacki Kenney, and Adeline Furlotte.

Patricia Colpitts, *Director  
Communication Department  
Maritime Conference of S.D.A.*

## DARTMOUTH TRIPLES INVESTMENT GOAL



When the Dartmouth Sabbath School Council discussed the 1977-78 Investment goal it was felt that \$300.00 would constitute a sufficient challenge for the relatively small group. Imagine the surprise and pleasure when, with God's blessing and under the leadership of Sister Elinor Scott, \$1,013.00 was raised. Sister Scott, a gifted artist, didn't mind a bit when she had to add more "streams of light" to her oil painted "Gospel Lighthouse" goal device.



## SWIFT CURRENT NURSING HOME HOLDS COOKING SCHOOL

Sixteen people attended a cooking school held at the Swift Current Nursing home November 6, 7, 20 and 21. Mrs. Laina Helppi was the instructor, with Mona May and Yvonne Mohagen assisting. Health lectures were given at the beginning of the classes by Mrs. Mohagen and Pastor R. Helppi. Many questions were asked on the subject of health and nutrition. Six of the participants were non-Seventh-day Adventists and they quite enjoyed the experience. Mrs. Helppi is now a qualified Cooking School Instructor with a permanent certificate.

S. Gallant

## TUCKER HOLDS MEETINGS AT PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE

The *Quiet Hour* with Elder L. E. Tucker conducted a one-week crusade in Portage la Prairie from October 27 to November 4. With his opening meeting's topic, "God's Last Call to Portage la Prairie," we were reminded that the last call for this world will soon be made. And while time remains we need to use all our energy and influence to point to that life that alone comes from God.

The Portage church was packed for the last Sabbath of Elder Tucker's stay, and all enjoyed the timely presentations from the Word of God. It was a time to renew Christian faith and fellowship.

Several showed an interest in the messages, and continued to attend. As a result of the meetings, and the influence of Christian parents, four young people followed their Lord in baptism.

A. Hiebert, *Pastor  
Portage la Prairie S.D.A. Church*



Standing in front of Pastors L. E. Tucker and A. Hiebert are those baptized recently — Sandra and Judith Dyck, Linda and Rosalie Emmons.



## MAYOR ATTENDS COMMUNITY RELATIONS DAY

Mayor Herbert Taylor and Mrs. Taylor attended Community Relations Day at the Moose Jaw church on October 21 and brought greetings from the city. Chaplain Billy Graham, from the Air Force Base and President of the Ministerial Association took part in the 11:00 a.m. service.

The events of the day were covered by the Religious editor of the Moose Jaw *Times Herald*, Mr. Harring. A delicious vegetarian fellowship dinner was served to over 100 people including about forty guests from the community.

Linda Armson,  
*Communication Secretary*  
*Moose Jaw S.D.A. Church*

## A New Year's Prayer

O Glory be to God Divine  
Who takes this sinful heart of mine  
And clothes me with His robe so white,  
Whose spirit lightens me with light.

O Lord, in nineteen seventy-nine  
I pray for a loving heart like Thine.  
Make me humble as Thou Art  
Come and live within my heart.

Bless our Church, O God I pray,  
Bless each soul by night and day  
That we in unity might be  
A church of Love that's blessed by Thee.

That when the books are opened wide  
Brotherly love will glow inside  
In letters shining bright and true  
For God, we were beholding You.



## VEGREVILLE NEWS

Soon after Pastor Ron Dorchuck and his family moved into the district, the Vegreville church became a beehive. Preparations were made for a Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking. A rug was installed in the sanctuary and children's room. Then the members met to paint the main sanctuary, other rooms on the main floor and children's rooms, helped by a young lady, Deanna Budnick, who was not a member.

The aim of the Vegreville members was to have a church school, and they made preparations for Christian education after the camp meetings were over. The Junior-Primary room and Kindergarten room were converted into a classroom.

Eleven students registered for school in September with Jim Martens as their teacher. Now there are 13 students.

Sandra Elkow  
*Communication Secretary*  
*Vegreville S.D.A. Church*

## VEGREVILLE PATHFINDERS CAMPOUT

Highlights of the Pathfinder Campout were a 7½ mile hike to a quicksand spot, sleeping in the open air and cooking over an open fire.



Joseph Elkow didn't believe that the quicksand could be dangerous — but he soon found out he was wrong when he suddenly sank to his hips!



The long pole was put down at the spot that Joseph fell in and it disappeared. This was a lesson that will not be forgotten soon.

## — Items of General Interest —



## Wanted—

R. A. Matthews, *Director*  
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*Canadian Union Conference of S.D.A.*

More deposits in the Revolving Fund of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada.

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To make deposits in the Revolving Fund, send your cheques, money orders, bank drafts, postal money orders, directly to the Revolving Fund, Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada, 1148 King St., E., Oshawa, Ontario L1H 1H8.

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You may not get quite as much interest on your savings by placing them in the Revolving Fund, but remember that God has a thousand ways to bless and prosper you. It is good to have our investments in the Lord's work, and thus in a ready position for the coming of the Lord.



## YOUTH IN THE NEWS

by Bill Edsell,  
Youth Director  
Canadian Union Conference

Manitoba-Saskatchewan Conference "Festival Of The Word" met in Yorkton, Saskatchewan with fifty youth attending from Canada's midwestern provinces. Emphasis was on witnessing, dedication and fellowship.

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Youth Evangelism was conducted by twelve senior youth from Edmonton, Alberta during the four weekends of October, resulting in eight decisions for baptism plus fifteen requests for further study.

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Camp Hope was host to British Columbia's Pathfinder leaders as they planned for a new year of Junior youth activities.

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Alberta "Festival Of The Word" met at Foothills Camp recently reaching out to the towns of Olds and Innisfail for witnessing. Forty homes requested Bible studies.

## "ADVENTIST HERITAGE" AVAILABLE IN JANUARY

The Winter 1978 issue of *Adventist Heritage*, which will be available after the first of January, marks the end of the first five volumes. *Adventist Heritage* was begun in January of 1974 at Loma Linda University and was published semi-annually in cooperation with the Division of Religion. Its aim, as stated in the editorial of the first issue, was "to nourish an interest in Adventist history. While we want to adhere to the highest standards of historical scholarship, we also desire to appeal to the general reader." Throughout its five year history, this aim has remained unchanged. Beginning with volume two, *Adventist Heritage* became an official publication of Loma Linda University, and was published by the University Library's Department of Archives and Special Collections.

*Adventist Heritage* makes generous use of illustrations, some of which have never before been published. The articles contain many interesting topics surrounding the denomination's history, and the reader will discover many little known and delightful facts to enhance his knowledge of the subject.

Many church leaders and historians have praised the publication for making

Adventist history come alive so vividly. As Kenneth H. Wood, editor of the *Review and Herald* states, "*Adventist Heritage* is a window into the past that helps provide a good perspective on the present and the future . . . It is the only magazine devoted specifically to providing these insights, and I highly recommend it to every Seventh-day Adventist."

Included in the Winter 1978 issue is a cumulative index which is invaluable as a research tool. Every article has been referenced and cross-referenced in order to make the articles appearing in *Adventist Heritage* more easily accessible to the researcher.

Those interested in obtaining more information regarding subscriptions may send their inquiries to *Adventist Heritage*, Loma Linda University Library, Loma Linda, CA 92350. Individual issues are available in most of the Adventist Book Centres.

## ELMSHAVEN BROCHURE FREE

A colorful illustrated booklet has been prepared by Pacific Press depicting life in the early days of Elmhaven. In addition to the historical setting the booklet is designed to take the visitor to Elmhaven on a room-by-room tour of Ellen White's home. Although the booklet cannot capture the inspiration of a personal visit to Elmhaven it does add a new dimension for those who visit as well as for those who cannot. If you would like a free copy of the "Elmhaven" booklet, please write Frank A. LaRose, Pacific Press Publishing Association, 1350 Villa St., Mountain View, California 94042.



Left to right: W. P. Turpel; Pacific Press Book Department Manager, watches as Mrs. Evelyn Grace Jacques, from Elmhaven, receives the first Elmhaven brochure from F. A. LaRose, Pacific Press Book Department Associate Manager.

## LEGAL NOTICE MARITIME CONFERENCE CORPORATION OF THE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH INC.

Notice is hereby given that a general meeting of the Maritime Conference Corporation of the Seventh-day Adventist Church Inc. will be held at the Moncton Seventh-day Adventist Church, Moncton, New Brunswick the 11th day of February, 1979 at the hour of 3:30 p.m. Atlantic Standard Time.

The purpose of the Session is as follows: (1) To elect the Board of Directors for the ensuing term. (2) To transact such other business as may come before the Corporation.

Members of the Corporation are the members of the Maritime Conference Executive Committee, all Licensed and Credentialed Ministers, and first elders of all duly organized Seventh-day Adventist Churches in the Provinces of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island.

G. E. Andersen, *President*  
R. L. Coolen, *Secretary-Treasurer*

## LEGAL NOTICE THE MARITIME CONFERENCE OF THE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

Notice is hereby given that the 37th session of the Maritime Conference of the Seventh-day Adventist Church will convene at the Moncton Seventh-day Adventist Church, Moncton, New Brunswick, on the 11th day of February, 1979 at the hour of 10:00 a.m. Atlantic Standard Time.

The purpose of this Session is as follows: (1) To elect officers for the ensuing period. (2) To revise the Constitution and By-Laws. (3) To transact such other business as may properly come before the Conference.

The Constitution of the Maritime Conference provides that each Seventh-day Adventist Church in the Maritime Conference is entitled to one delegate without regard to numbers and one additional delegate for each ten members or major portion thereof.

G. E. Andersen, *President*  
R. L. Coolen, *Secretary-Treasurer*



**LEGAL NOTICE**  
**ALBERTA CONFERENCE**  
**CORPORATION OF THE**  
**SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST**  
**CHURCH**

Notice is hereby given that a general meeting of the Alberta Conference Corporation of the Seventh-day Adventist Church will be held at the Foothills S. D.A. Camp, Bowden, Alberta, the 27th day of February, 1979, at the hour of 1:30 p.m., Mountain Standard Time.

The purpose of the Session is as follows: (1) To elect the Board of Directors for the ensuing term. (2) To transact such other business as may come before the Corporation.

Members of the Corporation are the members of the Executive Committee, Alberta Conference department directors, president of Canadian Union College, and the president, secretary and treasurer of the Canadian Union Conference.

J. W. Wilson, *President*  
 N. W. Klam, *Secretary-Treasurer*

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
**ALBERTA CONFERENCE OF THE**  
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**CHURCH**

Notice is hereby given that the 40th Session of the Alberta Conference of the Seventh-day Adventist Church will be held at the Foothills S.D.A. Camp, Bowden, Alberta, February 24 and 25. The first meeting of the Session will be called at 4:30 p.m., Saturday, February 24.

The purpose of the meeting is to elect officers for the Conference for the ensuing triennial period, to consider any proposed changes in the constitution and bylaws, and for the transaction of any other business that may properly come before the Session.

The Constitution provides for representatives from each church in the Alberta Conference as follows: one delegate per church without regard to membership, and one additional delegate for every twenty members or major fraction thereof.

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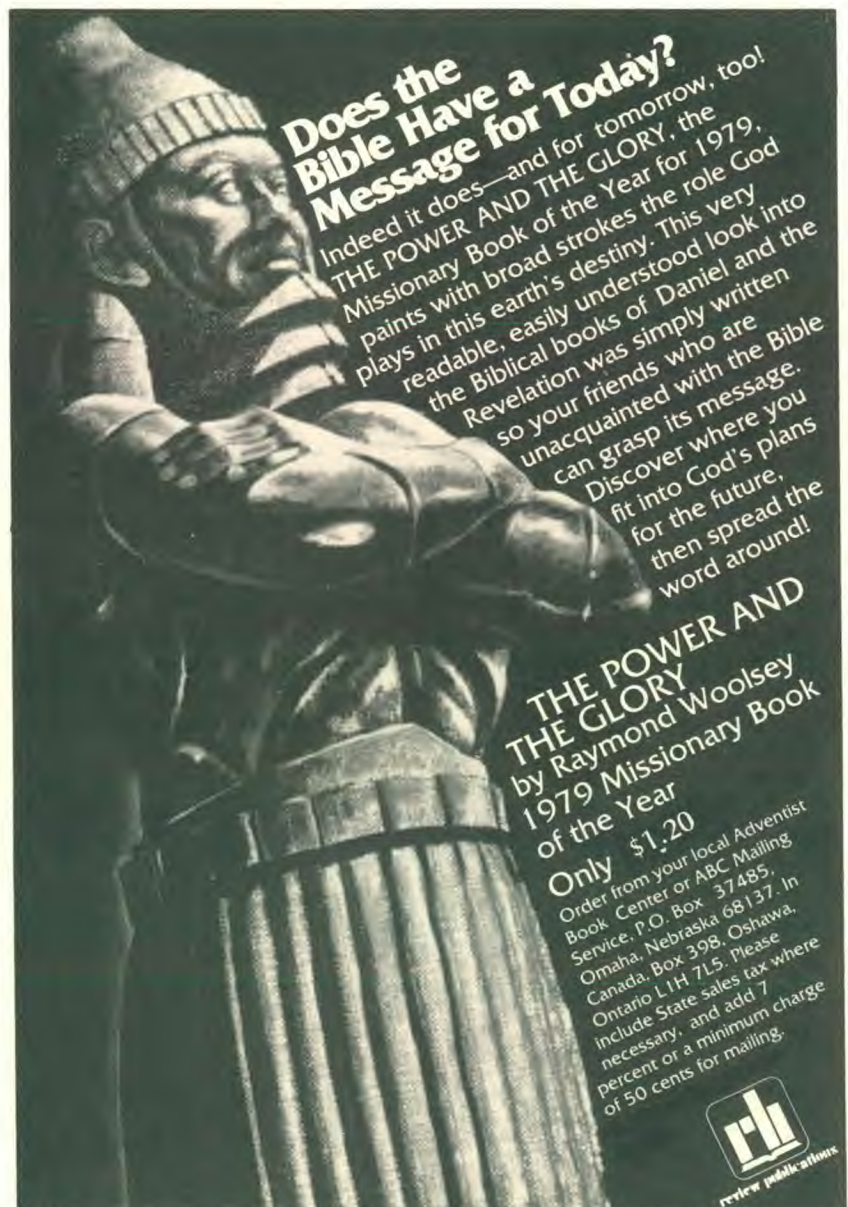
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*James Richards*

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## Update '79 For Health Professionals

LOMA LINDA—Health professionals take note. The Loma Linda University School of Health Alumni Association Annual Update Convention is scheduled to be held from Friday, February 2 through Wednesday, February 7. UPDATE '79, as it is called, has the double theme of "Cancer and Diet" and "How to Make the Medical Professions Soul Winning".


A fee of \$60 will be charged for the entire convention, including workshops. Continuing education credit is available to physicians, nurses, and dietitians. An additional \$10 is charged for CE credit. More information and registration forms are available by writing to Kathy Hargrave, Department of Health Education, Loma Linda University, Loma Linda, CA 92350.



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## BOOK REVIEW

### THE CHRISTIAN AND TEMPTATION by Ruth Jaeger Buntain



Every Christian knows what temptation is, but not every Christian knows how to deal with it. Do you let God handle it? Or do you deal with it yourself? If you have been tempted, have you therefore sinned? How about temptation and situation ethics? What do you do with temptations that seem too strong to overcome? These are only a few of the questions the author, who has written many books of a practical nature, answers.

Author Ruth Jaeger Buntain is a freelance writer who has authored numerous books. She is a careful researcher who does not begrudge time spent in documentation. A skillful writer, she has a love for people that inspires her to write with their needs in mind, and with the goal of helping to solve the problems faced by Christians who live in a turbulent world. Her home is in California.

Order from your A.B.C., \$.90 plus .50 for postage and handling.

## Births



GERTZ — Kendra Dawn was born to Tim and Linda Gertz of Edmonton, Alberta on October 13, 1978.

ELLISON — John Allen Ellison was born on January 6, 1926 at Chaplin, Saskatchewan and fell asleep in the blessed hope of Christ's soon return on October 27, 1978 at Edmonton, Alberta after a brief illness. He is survived by his loving wife, Delores, two sons, Allen and Ralph of Calgary, one daughter, Mary of College Heights, four brothers and one sister. Services were conducted by Pastors Gordon Miller and Bob Lehmann. John rests in the blessed hope at Erskine Cemetery.

Bob Lehmann, Pastor

LANGILLE — Mrs. Annie Louise Langille passed away in Amherst, Nova Scotia at the age of 86. She was a member of the Seventh-day Adventist church in Moncton, New Brunswick.

She is survived by two daughters: Muriel, Mrs. Milford Montgomery, Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Olla Johnson, Harrow, Ontario, two sons: Marshall, North Bay, Ontario; Vern, Kingsville, Ontario; two sisters, a brother, 16 grandchildren, several great-grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted from Furlong's Funeral Home in Amherst, Nova Scotia with burial in Christ Church Cemetery, Amherst.

Gilbert E. Andersen, President  
Maritime Conference of S.D.A.

TOOMBS — Wilfred Perry Toombs was born in Revelstoke, B.C., December 22, 1895. He passed to his rest in Vernon on August 24, 1978. Wilfred always loved the Lord and while still a youth he was baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist Church near Salmon Arm, B.C.

He is survived by his wife, Geraldine (Waite) and their three sons; Douglas of Kamloops, B.C.; Ralph, of Squamish; and Earl, of West Vancouver. Also left to treasure his memory are 13 grandchildren, 9 great-grandchildren, 2 sisters and 1 brother.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Peter Fritz in the Vernon Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Lois Rogers  
Communication Secretary  
Vernon S.D.A. Church

MICKELSEN — Catherine Mickelsen was born October 19, 1905 in Belfast, Ireland and passed to her rest November 17, 1978.

Three years ago Catherine ended a life-long search of the truth revealed in the Word of God, she became a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. The power of the Word revealed in her life was a daily testimony.

She leaves to mourn her loss: one daughter Thelma, Mrs. Jerry Courneyea of Calgary, Alberta. Two sons, William of Vancouver, B.C. and Sam of Calgary.

Pastor Elmer Koronko spoke words of comfort to the bereaved.

Gertrude Reimche Machan  
Calgary Central S.D.A. Church

HACK — Donovan Delmer Hack, born July 1, 1949, at Lacombe Alberta, died October 29, 1978, at Creston, B.C. Mr. Hack was married to Barbara Bates December 4, 1971, to which union were born Kari-Ann and Crystal Dawn. Besides his wife and two daughters he leaves to mourn: his parents, Arnold and Vera Hack, two brothers, six sisters and many relatives and friends. He was laid to rest in the Creston Valley Cemetery where he awaits the call of his precious Saviour on the grand resurrection morning.

Al Reimche, Pastor  
Creston S.D.A. Church

### RAMSEY — AAB

On Sunday, May 21, 1978, Lucille Gloria Aab, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herb Aab of Edmonton, Alberta and John Gilbert Ramsey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elbridge Ramsey of Bradwardine, Manitoba were united in marriage at the Edmonton Central S.D.A. Church.

John and Lucille are making their home in Winnipeg, Manitoba where John is working for the Park Manor Personal Care Home in the Administration Department.

Joseph T. Krpalek, Pastor  
Edmonton Central S.D.A. Church

### TOPHAM — BERGEY

Leanne Bergey, daughter of Pastor and Mrs. Walter Bergey of Armstrong, B.C. became the bride of Marlin Topham, son of Mrs. A. Martin of Burlington, Washington in a meaningful ceremony in the Grandview S.D.A. Church on May 21, 1978. The bride was attended by her sister, Lois Rogers, a cousin, Marilee Eastman and a friend Jackie Sundin. The groom's attendants were his two brothers, Ronald and Miles, and a friend Pastor Ole Unruh. Two of the bride's cousins served as candlelighters. The bride's father and Pastor Don MacIvor shared in the marriage ceremony.

Many friends and relatives from Alberta, British Columbia, Washington and California joined in wishing the happy couple God's richest blessings.

Walter Bergey, Pastor  
Grandview Flats S.D.A. Church

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## Religious Liberty Offering — January 20, 1979

Early in each New Year, Seventh-day Adventists set aside a week to remind themselves of the incalculable blessings of freedom of conscience. This annual observance enables us to renew our commitment not only to the defense of Religious Liberty, but wherever possible to its extension and enlargement throughout Canada.

The culmination of this observance is marked by a special Religious Liberty offering taken in all our churches on the last Sabbath of Religious Liberty Week. All the money received from this offering goes to the local conference. There, the funds are used first to sponsor LIBERTY Magazine subscriptions to all provincial M.L.A.'s or M.P.'s, including the members of the provincial Cabinet as well as provincial Supreme Court,

County or District Court judges and other leading provincial government officials. The balance, if any, of the funds received from this offering, goes into a Religious Liberty Defense Fund, maintained by each local conference.

In addition, individual church members and congregations are asked to assume the responsibility of under-writing complimentary LIBERTY subscriptions to key civic or municipal leaders, provincial or magistrate court and family court judges and other community leaders. The Canadian Union Conference, which does not receive one penny from the Religious Liberty Offering, uses its own resources to send LIBERTY subscriptions to all Federal M.P.'s and Senators, Judges of the Supreme Court of Canada and the Federal Court of Canada, and other leading Federal Government officials. In addition, the Union Conference Executive Committee has also agreed to send the French Religious Liberty Journal, CONSCIENCE ET LIBERTE, to all Francophone Federal legislators and judges.

While great strides have been made in the defense and extension of Religious Liberty in Canada with the enactment of provincial and federal human rights commissions and legislation, we are still confronted with serious threats to people's individual religious freedoms. Loss of employment for not working on Sabbath, compulsory union membership as a condition of employment, and various forms of Sunday legislation together with sectarian religious education in the public school system of some provinces are problems that face us today.

We invite you to invest more heavily than you have ever done before by a generous Religious Liberty Offering to help your conference fight the cause of liberty of conscience and to furnish funds for your congregation to carry the fight for religious freedom in your community. The day may come more quickly than we expect when the defense of freedom of conscience cannot be bought at any price. Now is the time to act decisively and sacrificially.