





F.A.A. What Is It?

by C.E. Bradford, Vice-President of the General Conference for North America

Almost everywhere I go these days some person or group of persons raises the question, "What is this FAA? We are hearing about it more and more. There are so many acronyms, it gets confusing. Can you help us?"

First of all, FAA stands for Faith Action Advance. This name has been chosen to describe the church's attempt to unify and coordinate its evangelistic and church growth thrust. Now this is how it began.

At a meeting of North American Division union and local conference presidents just prior to the 1978 Annual Council, Neal C. Wilson, then vice president of the General Conference for the North American Division, challenged his brethren to take a good hard look at recent church growth patterns and trends in North America. The statistics starkly indicated a steady decline in the rate of growth in recent years. It was a sobering experience. The group was determined to do something about it.

A Summit Conference on Evangelism and Church Growth was planned for Glacier View, Colorado. Pastors, laymen, theologians, departmental leaders, administrators and other resource personnel spent almost a week at Glacier View, Colorado, in April, 1979 looking at the church, its purpose and mission. Dividing into small groups, they earnestly searched the Bible and the Spirit of Prophecy for guidance.

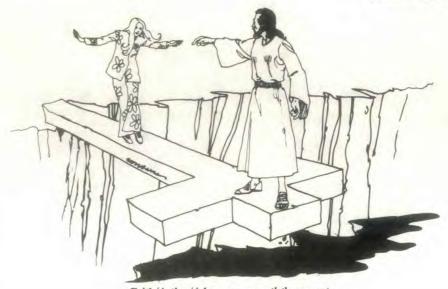
At the end of the Summit, these leaders produced a document on evangelism and church growth. They called it a systems approach in that it looked at the church holisticly—how the various departments,

administrations, ministries, etc., related to each other. In various ways they visualized and conceptualized the function of the many parts of the body—the church. Many came away feeling that they had gained a fresh, new vision of the nature of the church and the limitless potential for growth and development under the power of the Holy Spirit.

A great deal of emphasis was placed upon the fourth chapter of Ephesians, especially verses 11 and 12, "And these were his gifts: some to be apostles, some prophets, some pastors and teachers, to equip God's people for work in his service, to the building up of the body of Christ." (NEB) The Summit wrote and adopted a statement of mission and purpose. They set goals and objectives and developed a stepwise procedure for implementation. Later a Faith Action Advance manual was prepared detailing how to put all the various pieces together that make up the system. This manual is available for 75¢ from your conference office. I would especially be happy for you to read and critique it, because we want to constantly improve it.

There are two points that perhaps characterize FAA as well as the many other good principles that were emphasized at the Summit.

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Faith/Action/Advance - an artist's concept.



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God Wants Your Church to Grow

by W.R. Bornstein, Ministerial Secretary, Ontario Conference

"And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved." Acts 2:46. There is an exciting atmosphere in a growing church! Everywhere you can sense the presence of new Christians, thrilled with finding Christ and his Truth, growing in grace, projecting the joy of a new love! In the growing church you will also find mature Christians happily engaged in ministry that matches their gifts. Worshippers are submerged in a sense of God's presence and power, and there is a feeling of progress, of advancement in the spiritual life.

I am happy to say that I know there are many Seventh-day Adventists who attend churches just like this. But some of us do not. The purpose of this series of articles is to state unequivocally that the experience of belonging to a rapidly growing church is our natural right as last day believers in God's Remnant Church. God wants your church to grow, and your church will grow if you want it to.

What I am trying to say is that it is normal for the church to grow. For example, we know that the early Christian church literally exploded upon the Mediterranean world. Jesus started with twelve disciples and up to the day of Pentecost only 120 had identified publicly with the church. There in the upper room, however, the Holy Spirit filled those 120 and they began to experience a fantastic growth in their numbers. We need to remind ourselves over and over again that genuine church growth is only possible with this kind of spiritual preparation.

The day of Pentecost added 3,000 new believers to their numbers but growth did not stop there. In the Scriptural record believers are soon described as numbering "five thousand men" (Acts 4:4) and this did not include a great number of women and children also (Acts 5:14).

Disciples "multiplied" (Acts 6:1, 7) and churches multiplied (Acts 9:31). The work of God moved from Jerusalem to Judea, to Samaria and then to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:8) and it wasn't very long before there were tens of thousands of Christians (Acts 21:20).

Does this boggle your mind? Are you thinking, "This could never happen to us!"? But it could! It has happened many times in history since Pentecost and it happened in the early days of the Advent movement. The Millerite camp meetings attracted so many thousands that railroad fares to the site were reduced and whole trains were filled with those attending. By stage, by horse and buggy, but mostly by train, people poured in literally by the thousands from Boston and Lowell, Massachusetts to hear the proclamation of the gospel message. Estimates of the crowds ranged all the way from seven thousand to fifteen thousand. It is happening today in many parts of the world where Seventh-day Adventist evangelistic meetings are thronged by thousands attending and our churches are packed to the doors with hungryhearted listeners. Today from 200,000 to 275,000 people are finding their way to Christ and into the Seventh-day Adventist Church every year. This means 750 a day, and the number will soon rise to 1,000 a day. In many countries the Seventh-day Adventist church is the glamour-growth denomination among the churches. Our growth has become phenomenal and dramatic and the growth story is still in its infancy. Yet this is not true of our church everywhere.

But what about the growth of the Adventist Church in Canada? With this article I have included a brief statistical study of the growth of our conferences in the Canadian Union. Membership in Canada has shown a decadel (ten year) growth rate of 63.96% for the 1970's, and this compares very favourably with the rest of the North American Division. Some Canadian conferences have more than doubled their membership in the last ten years and others have also done well compared to conferences their size in the United States. In Canada the Seventh-day Adventist church is one of the fastest growing denominations-even out-distancing all of the larger, so-called "mainline" Protestant churches. It is also true, however, that while we can compare ourselves with some others and are encouraged, we can look at the challenge of challenges God has given us to carry this message to every man, woman and child in Canada and we can see the greatness of the unfinished task.

One thing is certain, the Seventh-day Adventist church in Canada can work at its present pace for a long time before the goal God has given us is accomplished, because while our membership is growing rapidly so also is the general population, making the task every day a still greater one. In other words, we must find ways of speeding up our rate of growth in Canada or we are destined to be in this world waiting for Jesus to come for a longer time than any of us are willing to accept. The Bible says, "And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations and then shall the end come." (Matthew 24:14). This is our challenge and our goal, and Canada is our territory.

Now let us bring the challenge down to your own local church. Why is it that some churches grow and some do not? Remember—whatever we do must be done on the local church level because that is where the people are. This is where you and I hold membership and this is where we are obligated to work, even if we are on the denominational payroll. Well then, what can we do unitedly? There are four axioms of local church growth. They are as follows:

FIRST, THE PASTOR MUST WANT THE CHURCH TO GROW AND BE WILLING TO PAY THE PRICE. What is that price? It is hard work, a willingness to take training and learn more effective methods, and a willingness to share leadership with the laity. Much more could be said about this but we do not have the space for it now.

SECOND, THE PEOPLE MUST WANT THE CHURCH TO GROW AND BE WILLING TO PAY THE PRICE. And what is the price? It is the cost in money, in time, and a willingness to sacrifice an inclination toward an inward focus on fellowship to an outward directed effort on soul winning.

THIRD, THE CHURCH MUST AGREE ON THE GOAL OF EVAN-GELISM, WHICH IS "TO MAKE DISCIPLES." This means we must put soul winning as our first priority, and we must be united on this. It involves getting decisions for Christ and it also means a faithful work of follow-up to establish new converts. We must conserve what we win. It means time and continuous effort but it is worth the labour we spend upon it.

LAST, THE CHURCH MUST NOT

HAVE A TERMINAL ILLNESS. This is something I will go into at another time in this series of articles and the subject is worth some long and serious thoughts.

Remember, God's work in our world today will not be accomplished by timid, pessimistic people who rationalize away defeat. It can only be done by those who are really sold out for God! God wants you and the members of your church around you to be turned on for Him. He wants to use you to reach out in love to unbelievers in your community and bring them to their Saviour. He wants you filled with the Holy Spirit. He wants others to know and love Him. He wants to add daily to your church such as should be saved. God wants your church to grow.

Conference	No. of Churches	No. of Churches	Beginning Membership 1970	Ending Membership 1979	Bap/POF for Decade	Net Growth for Decade	% of Net Decadel Growth
Alberta	32	45	3500	5320	2266	1820	52.00
British Columbia	33	52	4973	7254	3151	2281	45.86
Man,-Sask.	36	41	2691	3188	1246	497	18.46
Maritime	21	21	1211	1483	735	272	22.46
Newfoundland	6	8	481	677	488	196	40.74
Ontario	53	71	5576	10662	6323	5086	91.21
Quebec Assoc.	2	15	605 ('71)	1638	1128	1033	170.74
UNION	183	254	18432	30222	15337	11790	63.96



Stewardship of Health

by Perry Parks, Director of Stewardship, Canadian Union Conference

Total stewardship embraces the concept that all we have all we are belongs to God. He has invited us to manage these things, which include our own bodies, in a way that will honour His name and glorify His kingdom.

Some are very quick to acknowledge God's ownership of material things but rather hesitant to admit God's ownership of their own bodies. I have heard some Christian people say, "Yes, I believe in returning my tithe and giving my offerings. I also believe in giving some time and talent to advance the light of the gospel truth. However, when it comes to me, my body, how I treat it, what I eat, the things I wear, how much exercise I get, that's my area of ownership. The Lord has left that up to me!" Some have even gone so far as to indicate that God is not interested in how we treat our bodies. They say our bodies are only a temporary place for the real me to inhabit for a limited period of time.

The Bible tells us that this type of thinking is wrong. We know from God's word and the councils of the Spirit of Prophecy that God wants us to be in good health. Sick people cannot really fulfill the commission and carry the gospel into all the world. Paul gave this



admonition to the Corinthian Christians: "What? Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's. I Cor. 6:19, 20

To be really faithful stewards, we must also be stewards of health. Certainly our Creator wants all His people to prosper and be in good health. Many of us eat, drink, work and treat our bodies as if we had no stewardship responsibilities in this area. Too often we make little jokes about or completely ignore the counsel that has been given to us. The subject of health and our responsibility to nurture, maintain and guard it should be a stewardship priority for every born-again Seventh-day Adventist Christian. We have advanced knowledge in this area, but unfor-

tunately we haven't always followed it or shared it with others. In 1881 we had this knowledge.

Let none who profess godliness regard with indifference the health of the body. and flatter themselves that intemperance is no sin, and will not affect their spirituality. A close sympathy exists between the physical and the moral nature. The standard of virtue is elevated or degraded by the physical habits ... Any habit which does not promote healthful action in the human system degrades the higher and nobler faculties. Wrong habits of eating and drinking lead to errors in thought and action. Indulgence of appetite strengthens the animal propensities, giving them the ascendancy over the mental and spiritual powers. Review and Herald, Jan. 25,

When we understand and follow the concepts of total stewardship, we will place a high estimate upon our bodies. We will care for them and keep them in the best of health, then we can claim to be faithful stewards of health.

Wills — Are They Important?

by F. Lloyd Bell, Director, Trust Services, Canadian Union

Life is a gift from God. Every person is a trustee of this life and is accountable to God. We are privileged to accumulate and hold possessions in a free society. A good steward will seek God's will with respect to his own family and also for the great human family to which the church ministers through its various agencies. Remembering the church in one's Will is not a substitute for generous giving

while living but can be the climactic expression of a good steward's life.

About 70% of those who die and leave property do so without having made a will. The result is confusion, injustice, and often serious want and delay to loved ones. It is a paradox that the less one owns the more likely he is to need a will.

Many are not exercised upon the subject



of making their wills while they are in apparent health. But this precaution should be taken by our brethren. They should know their financial standing and should not allow their business to become entangled. They should arrange their property in such a manner that they may leave it at any time. Councils on Stewardship, p. 328; Testimonies, Vol. 4, p. 482

Two Ways to Dispose of Your Estate

1. You can let it be distributed under law. The statutes of descent and distribution were written to take care of those who neglect to prepare a Will. Those statutes state who is to receive your property and the courts appoint an administrator—who could be someone you do not even know.

2. You can have a legally prepared Will, leaving your property to those persons, agencies or institutions you cherish most—naming your own executors—usually a great savings in administrative expense; and designating a guardian and trustee for minor children, or other loved ones.

No person over the age of 18 should overlook the important act of making a Will—no matter how much or how little the person possesses. It is the most important document that most people will sign during their lifetime.

With a properly drawn Will, you can remember your family institutions and causes you have supported during your lifetime. You determine who shall benefit from whatever you leave, who handles the distribution, and who is to be guardian and trustee for those you love.

A Will is the only instrument the courts will recognize after your death as expressing your wishes about the distribution of your property. It tells the world what persons, causes, agencies and institutions you hold dear. Making a Will is putting one's house in order. It is an evidence of good management.

Is Your Will Up to Date?

Changing conditions make it imperative that your Will be reviewed periodically. Laws, personal conditions, family needs, and tax regulations change. The needs of institutions and agencies change. The Will that was satisfactory some years ago may be inappropriate today.

When did you last review your Will?

Stewardship Responsibility Never Ceases

What God has entrusted to you, He expects you to use for Him-both now and after death. Only by prayerfully seeking God's leadership can you know his desires.

Do you have a Will? If not, now is the time to prepare one.

Is your Will out of date? Don't delay, review, and if necessary, renew it today.

Remember

When you need a Will, it's too late to make one.

For further information or assistance needed to prepare your Christian Will contact your lawyer or your local conference Trust Services director.

About the author

Elder F.L. Bell is director of the Trust Services for the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada.

After serving in Africa, Brother and Sister Bell returned to Canada and he was the administrator of the Rest Haven Sanitarium and Hospital in Sidney, British Columbia. The North York Branson Hospital was his next post where he served as administrator for several years. Following his work there his new field of service was the Ontario Conference where he was director of the Trust Services. Now he has been invited to serve the entire church in Canada.

Elder Bell has served God and His church with dedication. He is much appreciated by those who know him, and comes to his new responsibility with courage and experience. He will be visiting the entire field, and is available to help those who desire and need his counsel. We invite your prayers in his behalf.

L.L. Reile, President S.D.A. Church in Canada

Branson Hospital Opens \$8.5 Million New Wing

by Rey R. Sinco

The New Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, Honourable John B. Aird (barely two months in his new post), declared Branson Hospital's New Wing open, on Thursday, October 30, 1980. In the hospital's lovely auditorium, packed beyond capacity with more than 300 dignitaries, visitors and friends, he unveiled a plaque commemorating the event, and in his speech said, "I've now been Lieutenant Governor for this great province for about seven weeks and I must confess to you, I get a thrill when I receive such a warm welcome."

Honourable Dennis Timbrell, Minister of Health for Ontario, commended the hospital, run by the Seventh-day Adventist Church, for its well-known preventive medicine approach and vigorous promotion on health preservation.

"We are de-emphasizing traditional roles and encouraging lower cost alternatives with the emphasis on community health programmes and disease prevention.

"Prevention of disease is one of the main aims of Seventh-day Adventist health programs," Timbrell added.

The New Wing incorporates three major areas of services:

 EMERGENCY Department Head Miss M. Sutinen)

Four times larger than the previous one, the new Emergency Department's greatly expanded area provides an improved level of medical and nursing care. Patients will have greater comfort and privacy.

Some new features are:

☐ The resuscitation room has three of the very innovative "950 Power Column," which allow the medical teams to retain unlimited contact with the patients, while having visual and physical access to all services. Branson is the first hospital in Canada to use this type of equipment in the Emergency Department.

☐ The Central Cardiac monitor—at the Nursing station, allows the nurses to monitor at one glance, up to 8 patients in different rooms.

☐ For patients who may not need admission to the hospital, there is the 5-bed observation room, where medical and nursing staff may observe them and evaluate their situation.

☐ 11 new examination and treatment rooms have been provided for the full range of Emergency trauma cases.

 MEDICAL IMAGING (Chief Technologist is Richard Kruger)

This Department includes Radiology (X-

ray), Ultra-sound and Nuclear Medicine. Some new features are:

☐ A very special X-ray equipment called UPI – a unit that can take X-rays in rapid sequence from almost any angle, which is important for procedures such as angiography (an X-ray study of blood vessels with the injection of a contrast medium).

☐ A modern, sophisticated unit, which can do virtually all diagnostic ultra-sound procedures.

☐ A Mammographic unit for breast examinations.

☐ A panoramic type Dental unit for special x-rays of the teeth and jaw.

3. ORTHOPAEDIC CLINIC

There are four treatment/examination rooms for this service. Here, Monday through Friday, specialists will accept semi-urgent referrals. The following should be operational before year-end, when the areas previously occupied by the above departments, now under renovation, will be ready:

Cardiac Stress Testing Electroencephalography Electromyography Gastro-Intestinal Unit Medical Ambulatory Care Ophthalmology Pulmonary Function Respiratory Technology Surgical Day Care

In his message, James Bruce, Executive Director, mentioned that the "Planning of the current expansion and renovation project . . . commenced in the early '70's. It was evident, even at that time, that the hospital's Emergency and Radiology Departments

were seriously undersized relative to community needs."

Aside from hospital money put into the project, "a considerable portion of the anticipated capital cost of \$8,500,000 has been funded by government.

Pastor E.C. Beck, Hospital Board Chairman, said, "I should like to acknowledge, on behalf of the Board of Directors, the administrators who contributed much to the development and progress of this expansion project. Planning commenced during the term of office of A. George Rodgers who negotiated Ministry approval and government funding and charted the course through the early stages of planning. F. Lloyd Bell, working with the architect and general contractor, co-ordinated the project through definitive planning and the early stages of construction, J.A. Bruce, our current Executive Director, is seeing the project through to completion.

Branson Hospital has been fortunate to have leaders (past and present) possessed of unquenchable optimism, a vigorous capacity of tackling challenge head-on, and a penchant for not only having a thing done right, but better yet, having the right thing done.

Even institutions develop character – the legacy of the leaders and the people who have coached, nurtured and molded it. The recent opening of Branson Hospital's New Wing proves that Emerson was right when he said, "The human will, that force unseen, the offspring of a deathless soul, can hew a way to any goal though walls of granite intervene. Be not impatient in delay, but wait as one who understands, when spirit rises and commands the gods are ready to obey."





E.C. Beck, Hospital Board Chairman, welcomes guests. Unveiling of plaque was done by John B. Aird, Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, fourth from left.



Dennis Timbrell, Minister of Health



V.I.P.'s tour new wing with Richard Kruger, left, and James Bruce, right.



Paula Mathews, Business Office Manager, second from right, and Dale Horniachek, former Director of Finance, tour new facilities.



The 950 Power Column - first of its kind in Canada.



Fiel Poblete demonstrates latest in Radiology techniques.



U.P.I. unit for special procedures such as angiography.



Ross Girvan explains the ultra sound equipment.

Annual Services Appeal



For Deeds of Love

by Lewis A. Shipowick, Director, Department of Personal Ministries.

Our Annual Ingathering Crusade is a many sided evangelistic program. The objectives of this ministry are:

- 1. To reach every home and business
- To bring the love and hope of Jesus Christ to every individual
- To have prayer with as many individuals as possible
- 4. To encourage Bible studies by enrolling people in a Bible course
- To leave Christian literature in every home and business
- To give every individual an opportunity to contribute an offering for the financial support of the world-wide humanitarian work of the Seventh-day-Adventist Church
- To locate individuals who might be interested in worshipping with or joining the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

We thank God for His volunteer workers who make personal contact and are willing to contribute of their time and their monetary gifts to bring to the world the Biblical message of an unfailing hope in God.

God bless you as you invite others to join hands with us in this humanitarian and spiritual outreach.

Thank You, Canada

Special recognition is given to the Canadian Union for the tremendous support the pastors, members and conference leaders have given the Ingathering program in Canada.

As you know, the union totals are greatly reduced because of the currency exchange between U.S. dollars and Canadian dollars, and in some instances Silver Vanguard status and gains were effected. In past years, the advantage has been on the side of Canada, because of favourable exchange. However, this is the third year that the exchange has been unfavourable to Canada.

The following figures point up their tremendous success:

Canadian Union	Raised 1980 Crusade Canadian Dollars	Raised 1980 Crusade U.S. Dollars
Alberta	95,345.14	82,908.82
British Columbia	119,416.51	103,840.45
Manitoba-Sask.	92,065.01	80,052.42
Maritime	34,305.49	29,829.42
Newfoundland	21,001.68	18,269.54
Ontario	204,651,93	177,921.21
Quebec	21,743.57	18,901.10
Total	588,529.33	511,722.96

Thanks again to our wonderful leaders and faithful members in Canada for a job well done.

Don Christman, Lay Activities Department, General Conference

Keep at Your Work!

"The Lord has given to every man his work. It is his business to do it, and the devil's business to hinder him if he can. So sure as God has given you a work to do, Satan will try to hinder you. He may throw you from it; he may present other things more promising. He may allure you by worldly prospects, he may assault you with slander, torment you by false accusations, set you at work defending your character, employ pious persons to lie about you, editors to assail you, officials to accuse you, and excellent men to slander you. You may have Pilate and Herod, Annas and Caiaphas, all combined against you, and Judas standing by you ready to sell you for thirty pieces of silver; and you may wonder why all these things have come upon you. Can you not see that the whole thing is brought about through the craft of the devil to draw you off from your work and hinder your obedience to God?

"Keep about your work. Do not flinch because the lion roars; do not stop to stone the devil's dogs; do not fool away your time chasing the devil's rabbits. Do your work. Let liars lie, let sectarians quarrel, let corporations resolve, led editors publish, let the devil do his worst; but see to it that nothing hinders you from fulfilling the work God has given you.

"He has not sent you to make money. He has not commanded you to get rich. He has never bidden you to defend your character. He has not set you at work to contradict falsehood which Satan and his servants may start to peddle. If you do these things, you will do nothing else; you will be at work for yourself and not for the Lord.

"Keep about your work. Let your aim be as steady as a star. Let the world brawl and bubble. You may be assaulted, wronged, insulted, slandered, wounded, and neglected; you may be abused by foes, forsaken by friends, and despised and rejected of men, but see to it with steadfast determination, with unfaltering zeal, that you pursue the great purpose of your life and object of your being until at last you can say, 'I have finished the work which Thou gavest me to do.' "

Quoted in *Living Evangelism* by C.B. Haynes, pp. 344-346



Opportunity Africa

by Norman L. Doss Former Trans-Africa Division Sabbath School Director

Across the plains, valleys and mountains of Trans-Africa live millions of waiting people. Today doors are open as never before for sharing the Gospel. Burgeoning cities offer one of the century's great challenges to the church. And throughout the countryside – we call them village areas – where most of Africa's people still live, there are opportunities unlimited for preaching and sharing the good news.

In order to keep up with these opening doors, the Trans-Africa Division has asked that their next 13th Sabbath offering be used to build village chapels – 500 of them! It's a big task! But it is decidedly possible, through a co-operative, shared plan of providing funds and materials!

Here is the proposition: Congregations urgently needing permanent church buildings (and there are thousands of such congregations, not just hundreds) will provide the bricks, stones, sand and labour. Hiring experienced brick makers who will mold



Remember 13th Sabbath Offering on December 20 these by hand in simple frames, they will burn them in kilns, then gather foundation stones and carry them to building sites along with many baskets of river sand. Also they will hire the brick layers and carpenters and provide all other labour, most of it donated. Funds from world Sabbath Schools will be used to purchase corregated iron sheets, door and window frames and cement, which will be transported by any available means to building sites.

When the neat brick chapels, with whitewashed interior walls are completed, there will be dedication services throughout the lands. Just imagine, if you will, having 100 church dedications in a month! And what joy will fill the hearts of homeland members to know that members of Africa, with thousands of friends, gather in these tidy little chapels week by week to prepare for heaven! Could any project be more meaningful?

More to follow in subsequent issues of the Messenger.

maritimes

A special "HOME-COMING CAMP MEETING" will be held for all Maritimers and their friends at PUGWASH, NOVA SCOTIA, from July 31 to August 8, 1981. Plan to meet past presidents such as Elders Bothe, Moores, Bock and Wilson, and many other friends and relatives. For reservations contact the Maritime Conference as soon as possible.

If you would like to receive our new newsletter called "MARITIME INFO" which will contain happenings and plans for the Maritimes and other special interests, send your name to: Lawton G. Lowe, President, 121 Salisbury Rd., Moncton, New Brunswick E1E 1A6.

"BE IN THE KNOW WITH MARITIME INFO"

Way Opens for Several to Attend Academy



In front of new van are teacher G. Brown, Cynthia Harnish, Crystal Harnish, Karen Coolen, Keith Coolen and Mark Harnish. In front are Gina Harnish and Gordon Murray.

A poor fishing season in the Fox Point area for the second year in a row promised to eliminate the majority of the potential students from the area who were eligible to attend Sandy Lake Academy, Bedford, Nova Scotia for the school year 1980-81.

However, the Lord in His own wonderful way saw fit to perform a series of miracles. Programs and facilities were expanded at the school, funds became available for needy students and not of least importance, transportation was made available. A brand new 1980 Chev van with many luxurious options was obtained through the gracious and untiring work of Brother Mel Boutilier of the Halifax Church.

Seven students and a teacher now travel in comfort and safety for the 100 km. round trip, thanks to the generosity of Mr. Hector, President of Scotia Chev Olds, and his sales managers.

> Goldson O. Brown, Correspondent Fox Point

Conference News

Under the sponsorship of the local Lay Activities Department, the Barnesville, N.B., church this year provided a one-year subscription to the Signs of the Times magazine for 303 homes on a local mail route, as well as 131 other *Signs* subscriptions, making a total of 434 subscriptions placed through Harriet Ayer, the Lay Activities Secretary of the Barnesville Church.

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Members of the Charlottetown Church experienced a high day when nineteen non-Adventists and ten visiting church members gathered for Sabbath School, Divine worship and a delicious vegetarian lunch followed by a musical concert by the "New Dawn" group

british columbia

Larsens Leave for Alberta Presidency



Pastor Herb Larsen and his wife, Lorraine, open gifts at farewell supper.

Pastor Herb Larsen has been called to be president of the Alberta Conference. We are exceedingly sorry to see Herb and Lorraine leave. Herb's bright smile and enthusiasm were contagious and carried us through many a dreary day. He spent over five years in British Columbia as Conference Secretary and Ministerial Secretary and these years were productive. Our ministerial working force has grown considerably and a strong evangelistic current is running through the Conference. His expertise in conceptional planning is seen in many of the larger building projects in the Conference.

The office personnel and their families held a farewell for the Larsens which included a salad bar and enjoyable program. Extemporaneous speeches, and songs with special appropriate words were appreciated by all present.

The Larsens received a beautiful original oil painting and a laser beam engraved pen and pencil set.

In God's work one Conference's loss is another's gain. So, we wish them God's richest blessings in their new responsibilities in Alberta.

66 Years in Adventist Church



Congratulations to these two very faithful members of the S.D.A. Church in Chilliwack, British Columbia. Sister Olga Heinrichs (left) is 82 years old. She was baptized in 1914. Sister Mary Koch (right) is 80 years old and also has been 66 years as a baptized S.D.A. Christian. What a happy anniversary!

Three Baptized at Sidney



Three Christian young ladies, representing two dedicated Adventist families, were baptized in the Rest Haven Church, Sidney, British Columbia, on Sabbath, October 4, 1980. Left to right: Lisa Johnson, Mandy Betts and Barbara Johnson.

Hieberts Leave for Ontario

Pastor and Mrs. J. Hiebert were honoured at a dinner when friends and members of the Quesnel church bade them farewell. Their ministry has been blessed by God and kind thoughts and best wishes go with them as they prepare to serve the Lord in Kitchener, Ontario.

5-Day Plan in Summerland

In September, 1 5-Day Plan to Stop Smoking was conducted in Summerland by Dr. Rick Emery, assisted by Wayne Shankel, who had conducted several such programs in the past. Ten out of the eleven registered received "QUIT SMOKING" certificates. This program was advertised twice in the Summerland weekly newspaper.

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From Butcher Shop to Adventist Church

September 27 was a high day for the Dauphin, Manitoba Church family. It was the official opening of their new church.

The church was formally organized Nov. 22, 1977 in the Grace Bible Church building with Elder Clarence Baptiste as their pastor. Most of the members had formerly belonged to the Winnipegosis church but now had an organization nearer home but no church building.

In November, 1979, they purchased a building at 922 1st St. N.W., which was a store and meat market. The members gave of their time to renovate the butcher shop, turning it into a very representative church. The present membership is 37.

Present for the occasion were a number of prominent officials in government, who spoke very warmly of the work of Seventhday Adventists both locally and nationally.

Taking part were Andrew Newton, mayor of Dauphin, Mrs. Jim Galbraith, wife of the

local M.L.A.; Lavern Lewycky, M.P. from central Manitoba at Ottawa; Elder Don MacIvor, president and Gordon Gray, treasurer, of the Manitoba-Saskatchewan Conference; Elder P.F. Lemon, Secretary of the Canadian Union and of course the pastor, Clarence Baptiste.



The church that used to be a butcher shop - 922 1st St. N.W., Dauphin, Manitoba.

Three Ordained to Gospel Ministry

Ordination to the Gospel Ministry was experienced by three Manitoba-Saskatchewan ministers: Olav Falsnes, Ron Hyrchuk and Mark Atwood. Under the chairmanship of the Conference President, Don MacIvor, and church leaders from the Union and General Conference, these men, with their wives, accepted the challenge of service to the ministry of the Lord Jesus.

R. Schafer, Man.-Sask. Conference



Olav Falsnes, Ron Hyrchuk, Mark Atwood.

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September of 1980 marked the beginning of a pastoral presence in the fascinating expanse of Labrador. Pray for Pastor Robertson and the challenges of this vast northland.

Scholarship Awarded Academy Student

James Marks, who graduated this year from St. John's Seventh-day Adventist Academy, was recently awarded a Centenary of Responsible Government Scholarship of \$600 by the Government of Newfoundland on the basis of scholarship examinations written in June. The Scholarship Committee very kindly agreed to allow this scholarship to be applied outside the usual limits of Newfoundland to Canadian Union College, Alberta, where James is currently studying



James Marks

Dedication in Corner Brook



Charles and Diane Murphy brought their daughter, Christina Diane, for dedication to the Lord on Sabbath, September 13 in the Corner Brook Church. The service was conducted by Pastor James Sharpe.

Choir Presents Recording "Anthems at Kingsway"



Steven Atkins, Symphonic Choir president, and Ester Nikyuluw, lead soprano, present their newest recording "Anthems at Kingsway."

Kingsway College announces the release of the Symphonic Choir's 1980 recording "Anthems at Kingsway."

Kingsway has a long history of excellent choirs. For five seasons the choir has been the official choral body of the Oshawa Symphony Orchestra, and they have travelled throughout North America and to the Caribbean with their youthful appeal and performance excellence.

The choir has made several recordings through the years. This new release, recorded in College Park Church, Oshawa, features Keith Rasmussen at the newly installed Rogers Organ. James Bingham, Choral Director from 1970-1980, directed and produced the recording.

"Anthems at Kingsway" presents Ralph Vaughn Williams' 100th Psalm, Benjamin Britten's Festival Te Deum, and Jubilate Deo, John Ireland's Greater Love Hath No Man, Charles Stanford's Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis, Patrick Hadley's My Beloved Spake, Herbert Howell's Like as the Hart Desireth the Waterbrooks, and Sidney Campbell's Sing We Merrily Unto God Our Strength.

Proceeds from the recording, selling for \$8.98, will be used to pay for one of the organ stops of the newly installed organ in the College Park Church. Any remaining money is to be used for the 1981 spring tour.

Records may be purchased from any Symphonic Choir member, by ordering, by telephone (416)725-4616, or by written order addressed to the Music Department, Symphonic Choir, Kingsway College, Box 605, Oshawa, Ontario L1H 7M6.

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Welcome to Clarke Family



George Clarke

George Clarke is the new Trust Services Director for Ontario. He comes to us from California, where he has served for the past two years as Bible teacher at Pleasant Hill Junior Academy in the Northern California Conference.

George has a rich and varied background in the educational work of the church. He has been Dean of Boys at Union Springs Academy in New York, teacher and principal in Pontiac, Michigan; Bible teacher and vice-principal at Adelphian Academy in Michigan and Bible teacher in California.

Elder and Mrs. Clarke are both Canadians by birth. He was born in St. John's, Newfoundland and Bonnie in Sarnia, Ontario. Both attended Oshawa Missionary College.

The Clarkes have three children: Allan, 22, Julie, 19, and Jere, 12. Allan is attending Pacific Union College in Angwin, California; Julie is at home for the year and Jere is in the 7th grade at College Park Elementary School in Oshawa.

It is a pleasure to welcome the Clarke family to Ontario. We wish for them every blessing as they serve the Lord here.

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- 1. The various organizations and institutions of the church are simply a support system for the local congregation and the individual member.
- 2. The local church must be the focus of all our efforts, because here is where actual ministry is performed.

I recognize that this is just a partial answer to the question, What is FAA? But if you keep your eyes and ears open, your conference leaders will be saying much more about it in the days to come.



by Shirley Oakley, R.D.

Lentils are one of the first foods mentioned by name in the Bible (Genesis 25:30-34). Known since antiquity, lentils were first raised in the Mediterranean region.

Lentils grow on a small bush with small oval leaflets. The flowers are succeeded by short flattened pods each containing one or two seeds. The seeds are green, greenish brown or reddish. The large brown lentils which we enjoy in a variety of dishes are known as green lentils. Red split lentils have been hulled and are commonly used in soup.

Lentils are a rich source of protein, B vitamins and trace minerals. Thus they can make an important contribution to a meatless diet.

In this casserole lentils teamed with wheat make a complete protein. It is quick and easy and is good when made on Friday and simply heated in the oven before serving on Sabbath for lunch. This casserole is also good if all the ingredients are put together in a baking dish, covered, and allowed to bake at 350* for 1½ hours.

Lentil Casserole

3 cups water

1 tsp. salt

Bring water to a boil and add:

3/4 cup lentils, 1/2 cup whole wheat kernels

1/4 cup brown rice

Cook for about 20 minutes (don't boil too hard and add water if needed)

Then add:

3 cups canned tomatoes or fresh if in season

1 large onion, chopped

1 clove garlic or 1 tsp. garlic salt

2 Tbsp. Brewer's yeast

1/2 tsp. poultry seasoning (optional)

Simmer together for about one hour. Serves 4-6 If divided into 6 servings, the calories will be: 180 Calories/serving, protein: 10 gms/serving, iron: 2.85 gms/serving.



Philosda Members Fellowship at Hope



Philosda Club officers, - Canadian representative is third from top, vice-president, Anna Samograd.

On October 10-12, 150 single adults attended a fellowship retreat at Camp Hope, British Columbia. They came from Alberta, Washington, Oregon, Montana, Idaho, California and British Columbia. A variety of topics were presented by the speakers including a comprehensive series of studies on the sanctuary which illustrated God's love towards fellowmen. The retreat was sponsored by the International Philosda Club, an organization established to provide Christian fellowship, spiritual growth and an opportunity to witness.

For more information concerning the Philosda Club write to: International Philosda Club, 2890 Babich Street, Abbotsford, British Columiba V2S 3K5.



F.F.T. to Present Documentary on Paraplegic



EVERYBODY WANTS TO REACH THE TOP. Paraplegic Rick Leavenworth says that includes him, too. Though both of his legs are paralyzed, Rick likes to climb mountains, and he doesn't let his handicap stop him.

Faith for Today, in association with Morning Star Films, is producing a half-hour television documentary special about a paraplegic mountain climber.

The film focuses on Rick Leavenworth and his three-day climb to reach the 13,163foot summit of Red Slate Mountain in the High Sierras of California. Twenty-threeyear-old Rick, whose legs are paralyzed, climbs with ropes, mountaineering hardware, and his wheelchair.

The film is scheduled for release around March 1.

Investigative Judgment— **Truth or Fiction?**

Current doctrinal issues are being discussed today regarding the validity of the Seventh-day Adventist interpretation of Daniel's 2300 year-day prophecy. The publishers believe that Dr. C. Mervyn Maxwell has blended scholarship and pastoral concern in this timely verse-byverse (Daniel 8 and 9) clarification of the sanctuary question.

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Davis authors Of Course You Can Walk on Water



Newfoundland-born author Thomas A. Davis is one of the church's most eloquent and persuasive writers on practical Christian living. His latest book, Of Course You Can Walk on Water probes with skill the elusive subject of faith. The thoughtful reader cannot miss the author's thesis: The faith of the true Christian enables him to do and be, spiritually, what it is utterly impossible to do or be without that faith. And if that caliber faith is not developing, the Christian experience is in dire jeopardy.

After graduation from Kingsway and Canadian Union Colleges, Elder Davis pastored for seven years in the Ontario Conference. With his wife, Margaret, a native of Manitoba, and their three children. he served for ten years in India and the Philippines. On his return to North America he connected with the Review and Herald Publishing Association where he is currently an associate book editor.

Of Course You Can Walk on Water is Davis' eleventh book. It forms a trilogy, of sorts, with How to be a Victorious Christian and Was Jesus Really Like Us? These latter two thought-provoking volumes have been instrumental in bringing to thousands an understanding of the privileges and responsibilities inherent in true Christianity.

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BIRTHS

FRASER—Regan John. Born to John and Sheila of Abbotsford, British Columbia on July 31, 1980.

SAMOGRAD—Timothy Pharon. Born to Tim and Sharon on August 22, 1980 in Abbotsford, British Columbia.

OBITUARIES

BEACH—Miss Margaret (Peggy) Beach was born in Vancouver in 1906 and passed to her rest on August 17, 1980. She was baptized in 1921 and throughout her life was an active and faithful member. She spent 24 years of her life working as a secretary in Rest Haven Hospital and in other church offices.

Miss Beach leaves to mourn: her sisters, Vera, Evelyn and Celia Beach and rests now to await the call of the Lifegiver.

MORGAN—Evelyn Mae Morgan (Longman) was born August 19, 1897 in Chatham Township, Ontario and died September 30, 1980 in Paris, Ontario. Mrs. Morgan was the widow of the late Archie Morgan, manager of Kingsway College farm from 1921-1930. She leaves to mourn sons Claude of Oshawa, Ont.; Gordon of London, Ont.; daughters Willa Mae Smith of Thamesville, Ont.; Carna Proctor of Paris, Ont.; 24 grandchildren; 33 greatgrandchildren and many other relatives and friends. She was predeceased by son Charles and daughter Velma.

The Funeral service was conducted by Elder Eric Juriansz and Elder O. Orpana in Thamesville, Ont., October 3, 1980. Interment was in Dresden Cemetery.

O. Orpana, Pastor Brantford & Paris District PIFHER—Arthur John Pifher was born November 3, 1889 in Simcoe County, Ontario. He passed away October 7, 1980 in Paris, Ontario. He leaves to mourn his wife Ruby; four sons: Harold, Albert, Everett, and Kenneth; one sister; grandchildren, great-grandchildren, relatives and many friends.

The funeral service and interment took place October 9, 1980 with Pastor O. Orpana officiating. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord... and their works do follow them." Rev. 14:13. The younger generation will carry on working for the Lord, one being a grandson, Elder Gordon Pifher, Youth Director of the Ontario Conference.

PONTING—Erma Ponting passed to her rest September 27, 1980 after a lengthy illness. Sister Ponting has been a member of the Abbotsford S.D.A. Church since her baptism six years ago.

Pastor Les Sayler officiated at the funeral services.

WEILER—Olive Weiler was born at Hamilton, Ontario on January 14, 1912 and passed away at the Elliot Lake Hospital on October 12, 1980. She is survived by her husband, Ed, and one daughter, Mrs. Eileen Norman.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Dennis Heintz at the Elliot Lake Funeral Chapel on October 20, 1980. Interment was at the Woodland Cemetery, Elliot Lake, Ontario.

Dennis Heintz, Pastor

WEDDINGS

ATTLE-BLAKNEY

A beautiful candlelight ceremony was held in the Barnesville Church on October 12, when Noreen Treva Blakney and William James Attle were united in marriage by Pastor Werner Seidel

Noreen is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elsworth Blakney of Barnesville, New Brunswick. Jim's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Keith Attle, Sr. of Orlando, Florida.

Carmel Vivier, sister of the bride, was the Maid of Honour. A close friend, Mark Child, was the Best Man. Others attending the couple were Brenda Morton, Holly Marihugh, Corey McKinney, Kevin Kruth, Kristi O'Dell, Brian MacArthur, Dwayne Blakney and Marshall Morton.

Mr. and Mrs. James Attle will set up their Christian home in Apison, Tennessee.

Wanda Thibodeau, Correspondent

CAMPANELLO - DUNHILL

On June 22, 1980, Crystal Dawn Dunhill and Mikal Kim Campanello were united in marriage at the Kingsway College Chapel. Elder Gordon Pifher officiated.

Dawn, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Dunhill of Oshawa, was attended by her sisters, Gayle Baskin, Sandra and Joy. Candlelighters were Heather Douglas and Lori Dalke. Tanya Greer was flowergirl.

Mikal was attended by Patrick Andrews, Jon Butler, and Tim Hart. Ushers were Fred Salyers and Richard Baskin. Chris Stuyvesant was the Bible boy.

Mikal's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Campanello, Jr., live in Priest River, Idaho.

Mr. and Mrs. Mikal Campanello are now living in Longview, Washington.

GOERTZEN - SCHOCHENMAIER

Edna Schochenmaier and Lewis Goertzen were united in marriage on October 11, 1980. Pastor Clarence Goertzen (brother of the groom) officiated at the ceremony, which took place in the home of the bride's son in Surrey, British Columbia.

Edna and Lewis will be residing in Oliver, British Columbia.

We wish them God's blessing as they continue in service for Him together.

MARTENS - NEISNER

Debra Neisner, daughter of Morton and Irene Neisner of McBride, British Columbia, became the bride of James Martens, son of Mary Martens, also of McBride, in a beautiful candlelight ceremony in the Seventh-day Adventist church, Sunday, August 31, 1980.

The ceremony was performed by Pastor Norman Manweiler of Courtenay, British Columbia, former pastor of McBride church. A reception followed.

The couple are residing in McBride.

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IMPERIO – UY IMPERIO – CAAGBAY

Glenn and Jhun, sons of Elias and Emmeline Imperio of the Filipino Church, Willowdale, Ontario, were united in holy matrimony to their newly arrived Philippine brides, Chona Uy and Myrna Caagbay, in a well attended double wedding ceremony at the Yugo-

slavian Church on October 26, 1980.

The wedding retinue was attended by Maids of Honour, Rita Rhomer and Cely Imperio; Best Men, Dick Lalas and Fernando Basit; Bridesmaids, Elizabeth Mendoz, Emily Imperio, Annielyn Regoso, and Mitzi Rohmer; Groomsmen, Erbe Palafox, Neph Mendoza, Harold Guarin and Perfecto Luib; Junior Bridesmaids, Nina Khanna and Elma Imperio; Junior Ushers, Elton Jornada and Kelvin Palafox; Flower Girls, Trish Corpus and Verna Zagala; Bible Bearer, Oscar Zalala, 11; and Covenant Bearer, Robert Rhomer, 11.

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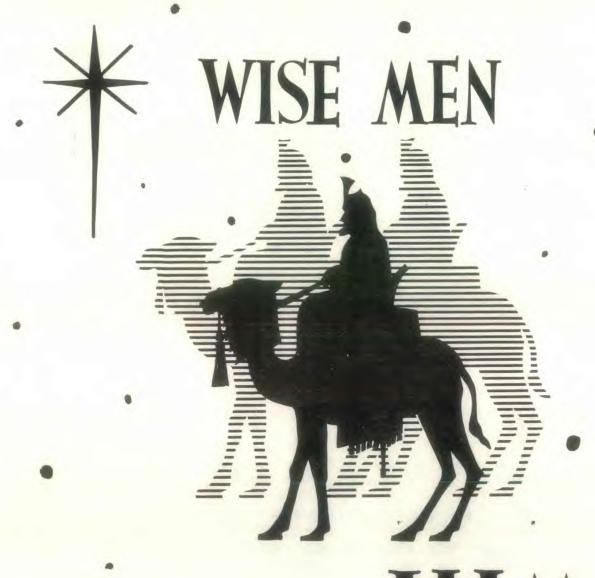
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