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Time To Square-Up With God

by P.A. Parks

It hardly seems possible that in only a few weeks another year will be history. As each of us pause for awhile and reflect concerning the events of 1983 until this time, I am certain that we would want to do some things over if we could roll time back and have another chance.

Even though we can't have another opportunity to go back and live the year over again, we can, under the influence of the Holy Spirit, do all we can to make things right and to square-up with God in our tithes and offerings before the year comes to a close.

Our heavenly Father is so good to us. He provides for us all the necessities of life. We can depend upon Him at all times. Can He depend upon us to be faithful stewards?

The servant of the Lord, Mrs. E.G. White, asks these questions and gives this counsel:

"What of your stewardship? Have you, during the past year, robbed God in tithes and offerings? Look at your well-filled barns, at your cellars stored with the good things the Lord has given to you, and ask yourselves whether you have returned to the Giver that which belongs to Him. If you have robbed the Lord, make restitution. As far as possible, make the past right and then ask the Saviour to pardon you. Will you not return to the Lord His own, before this year, with its burden of record, has passed into eternity?" *Counsels on Stewardship*, p. 97, 98.

Between now and the last day of 1983, let's determine that we are going to bring all the tithes into the storehouse. As we do this we can start the new year with a clean new record and the special promised blessing of our God.

World Stewardship Day is December 10, 1983

Birthday Celebrated and Bibles Needed at Voice of Prophecy



H.M.S. Richards is congratulated by Robert R. Frame, chairman of the Voice of Prophecy Board of Directors, at a celebration in honour of Elder Richards' 89th birthday. At left is H.M.S. Richards, Jr. On the table are an oversized birthday card signed by all the VOP staff, a basket with some of the greetings sent in by friends and donors, and a birthday cake in the shape of a pulpit. Elder Richards was 89 on August 28.



Some of the 73 Bibles and New Testaments sent to the Voice of Prophecy Bible School by the Indiana Conference Adventist Book Centre are examined by Leilani Proctor (left), supervisor of the Bible School, and Dorothy Womack, Bible counsellor. The Bibles were collected by the Book Centre when it ran a special offer earlier this year. Customers were given a discount on a new Bible if they gave an old Bible to be forwarded to the VOP. The Voice of Prophecy needs a continuing supply of Bibles for correspondence students who cannot afford to purchase a Bible. These include prisoners, children in non-Christian homes, and persons on limited incomes. *Donations of Bibles* may be sent to: Bible School, Voice of Prophecy, Box 55, Los Angeles, CA 90053.

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The Christian Home

by P.A. Parks

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What does home mean to you? Recently I was visiting in a warm, cheerful Christian home. The owners of the home are up in years now, but the children, who are all grown and have families of their own, still consider the house where Mom and Dad live as a loving place where they can come to visit, relax and bring their children.

The man of the house told me that one of his daughters said to him, "Dad, don't ever sell this house, because when I think of home I think of you and Mother and this house." The children had all been raised in this one house. The father built it, and they had lived in it for some forty years.

As I listened to this little story, I thought to myself, what is it that makes a house a home? Certainly its not just the boards, bricks and furniture. It's much more than this. The house where I was visiting was not only a home, it was a Christian home. For a house to be called a home, and for a home to be called a Christian home, calls for something extra.

Briefly I would like to mention five things that a true Christian home should be. If the place we call home reflects these in our thinking, then we are fortunate indeed.

A Place Of Love

Our homes should be places where love and affection are not only taught but demonstrated by Mom and Dad for each other and for every member of the family.

Love has a way of turning a house into a home. Love turns back the influence of evil and rebellion and brings out the best in each of us. "Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres." 1 Cor. 13:4-7, NIV. If this very practical Biblical counsel was practiced in our homes, they would become a little bit of heaven here on this earth. "Parents, give your children love: love in babyhood, love in childhood, love in youth. Help your children to gain victories... surround them with an atmosphere of love. It is by beholding love in their parents that children are led to obey the fifth commandment and to heed the injunction, 'Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right.' " *Adventist Home*, pp. 96-99.

A Place Of Joy

Home should be a happy, cheerful place, a place where we can laugh, a place where we can cry and still be loved, understood and sympathized with. What a joy it is to live in a home or to visit in a home where love and trust bubble over in Christian happiness. Every home sends a message to all who enter its doors. Too many homes today are sending a message of gloom, sadness and heartache. So many, instead of being a place of joy and cheerfulness, have turned into a battlefield.

What has been seen in your home — kind words, expressions of love, sympathy and happiness? A cheerful, happy well-ordered Christian home, we are told, will do more to testify for Christ and His truth than all the words that can ever be written or spoken.

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A Place Of Prayer

At the very centre of a warm Christian home and family is its spiritual atmosphere. As Christians, we have so much for which to be thankful. As we speak about our blessings and the wonderful kindness of our heavenly Father, our children will also love Him and appreciate His goodness.

Faith, love and prayer will not only be taught but will also be caught. It is in our homes that the very first lessons of prayer can be taught. A child's developing mind will turn toward God if the parents will teach him how to pray and bring his praise, thanksgiving and requests to Him. Time should be set aside each day for family worship. The sacred hours of the Sabbath should be surrounded by worship and prayer. The home can become, in a sense, a little church where prayer will

ascend to the heavenly courts, and Jesus will be honoured and glorified. "Angels delight in a home where God reigns supreme, and the children are taught to revere religion, the Bible, and their Creator. Such families can claim the promise: 'Them that honour me, I will honour.' " *Adventist Home*, p. 322.

A Place Of Security

For the husband and wife, and especially for the children, our homes should be a place where we feel secure. With all the lack of security that so many people experience in this world of ours, the Christian home should radiate a sense of security to all its members. Nothing leaves a child with a greater sense of insecurity than to be left without a home, or to go through the traumatic experience of his or her home breaking up through separation or divorce.

Where separation, divorce or death has already left its scars of insecurity, the Lord has promised to help us heal and again make our homes as secure a place as possible for our children and for us. Every Christian home should be to all its members a place of security.

A Place Of Preparation For Heaven

In the home, as in no other place, preparation for our heavenly home can be accomplished. Some feel that it is the work of the church or the school to instill Christian virtues in our children. Although they have a very important part to play in this area, it is in the home that the foundation for spiritual growth and development is laid. The work that should be done in the home must not be pushed off to the school or the church.

The first home was established by God. It was to be a little sample of what our heavenly home would be like. It was to be a place of love and kindness, a place where we could prepare for that home in heaven where no sin or sorrow or unhappiness could ever exist. May God grant that through the indwelling power of His Spirit, we will make Christ the centre of our homes, then they will become that special place where love, joy, prayer, security and heavenly preparation will not only be talked about but experienced.

From the Editor —

G. Rabuka from the British Columbia Conference suggested we print some excerpts from an article titled "How Adventism Can Stop Growing", which appeared in the February 1983 issue of *Ministry*.

The author, Dean M. Kelley, is a United Methodist pastor and presently works for the National Council of Churches. Here are some thoughts from the article which was adapted from a presentation made at Andrews University.

"If Adventists want to stop growing and begin declining like everyone else, all they have to do is to emphasize that abstinence from alcohol, tobacco, and caffeine isn't really essential to salvation. Decide that vegetarianism isn't actually all that important, and footwashing is a little tacky — too much like those hillbilly Pentecostals in the Ozarks.

"Recognize that membership in labour unions sometimes might not be altogether a bad thing, and that tithing, like the requirements already mentioned, can be a form of righteousness by works. And (I am almost unable to mention this) introduce the idea that one can worship as well on Sunday as on Saturday!"

Kelley goes on to say there are those who say "all the church needs is love or faith." He notes that "these oversimplifications are inadequate because they deprive faith of its unique and necessary texture and practice and cost."

He adds, "The things I have mentioned... are the things that make the Seventh-day Adventist movement unique, distinctive, and demanding. They give it its bite, its convincingness, its seriousness.

"Each church needs its own way of insisting that you've got to live up to its standards 'to be one of us.' If you strip the requirements away, you can render the movement feeble, pallid, and ordinary overnight. So there's the answer to the question: How can the Seventh-day Adventist Church stop growing? Be like the Methodists."

Notice to

Mental Health Professionals

(A New Organization)

In conference with Dr. Holbrook, of the Home and Family Services of the General Conference, and Neal Wilson, President of the General Conference, I am processing the organization of "Mental Health Professionals of the Seventh-day Adventist Church". During my forty-two years of ministry, twenty-five in the organized ministry and fifteen as the founder and Executive Director of the Center for Creative Living, I have sought professional fellowship with Seventh-day Adventists in related fields.

I understand there is no organization which unites Adventists in the professions of psychiatry, psychology, psychotherapy, social work and professional counselors. We have skills to offer the Church and the ministry. Why not organize and develop our resources so we can amalgamate with the seen and unseen forces of righteousness and hasten the coming of Jesus?

Let's begin!! Complete the form and mail it to me and I'll respond to you immediately with further plans and organizational procedures. We will develop a directory for SDA Mental Health Professionals, so we can be a united, useful working group. If you know of any professionals — send me their names and addresses and I'll contact them. Students are also encouraged to respond.



Name _____

Profession _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Send to: Harold J. Brendel, Ph.D., Executive Director
Center for Creative Living
2401 Oakland Blvd.
Fort Worth, Tx 76103

Church Leaders Answer Questions at Open Forum

During the last Sabbath of the World Council of Churches, an open forum meeting was held in the Vancouver Central Seventh-day Adventist Church with four church leaders as guests. William G. Johnsson, editor of the *Adventist Review*, Bert Beach, Public Affairs and Religious Liberty director from the General Conference, Russell Staples, director of Missions at Andrews University, and Kenneth Holland, editor of *These Times* answered questions on a variety of topics as requested by the audience.

Bert Beach gave a synopsis of the Adventist Church's involvement in the World Council of Churches explaining "that the World Council of Churches is a group of churches, most of them national organizations, to fulfill their common calling, recognizing the leadership of Jesus Christ as taught by the Scriptures and recognizing God the Father and God the Holy Spirit. As Seventh-day Adventists we consider ourselves to be conscientious cooperators, cooperating with various segments of Christianity as far as we can go."

To answer a question about whether it is appropriate for the church to speak out against social injustices, Beach suggested, "It is quite clear that individual Christians have to object according to conscience. When it comes to the church, you have to think, 'Will it do any good?' Just to speak out and as a result have some of your members put in prison — I don't know how much help that would be... I don't say that we should not speak out on certain issues — we speak out clearly on temperance. We have been more reluctant to speak out on issues that are of current importance in the world."

Johnsson responded to a question regarding methods for criticism of leaders by saying, "I think as members of the church we should express our concerns without feeling guilty but in a Christian way. The Christian way of expressing criticism is going to the person involved, stating to them directly why we have a concern. The wrong way is to circulate among ourselves, to stir up stories and spread around rumours. Openness, discussion and fairness are important and I would always want to give the person the benefit of the doubt until I know the facts."

Speaking about the *Review*, the question was asked, "Can we expect some thought-provoking articles such as are published in *Spectrum*?" The editor responded that it is the goal of the *Review* staff to make the paper inspirational, informative, and

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Winning Souls in Newfoundland through Public Evangelism

W.R. Bornstein, *Secretary Ministerial Association Canadian Union*

Canada is winning souls through public evangelism – and many of them! Take Newfoundland, for an example. For years our beloved Newfoundlanders have heard the Adventist Message, and their response has been more reserved than in some other parts of Canada; but things are looking up in Newfoundland today, and we have a full-time evangelist in the person of Elder Robert Sparenberg and his New Life Team. More wonderful still, God is giving thrilling results to their ministry. Here are three examples that were highlighted at camp meeting.

Example number one is Cyril Callahan. For thirty-five years Brother Callahan was a member of the Salvation Army. Today he is a baptized member of the Botwood Church. Cyril Callahan testified how God increased his business after he was very deeply worried about closing his take-out business on the Sabbath. He determined to show faith in the Lord to care for him, and he took his stand to keep God's day holy. Now his business has increased so much that he has had to hire extra help during the summer months when he is open, and he has proven that God really does bless those who step out in faith to keep all of His commandments!

Example number two is Geri Fifield. Geri came out to the meetings held by the New Life Crusade team in Grand Falls, Newfoundland, but she did it only to please her mother. She was drawn by the Holy Spirit to become a nightly visitor and sensed God was calling her back to the church of which she had been a member

as a young girl. However, Geri felt a struggle within herself. She sang in the choir of the Pentecostal Church and had been attending the United Church as well. She was not totally happy and realized that something was missing in her life. The New Life Crusade became the avenue which God used to reach Geri and change her life. Her card playing, smoking, and other worldly interests were given over to Christ when she made a total surrender. There were tears of joy as her immediate family witnessed her baptism during the Botwood crusade, and today we are all still praising God for Geri's decision.

A third example of the results of public evangelism is seen in Clare Dominey. Clare had attended some evangelistic meetings held in St. John's and came close to taking a stand for what he knew was the truth, but something still seemed to hold him back. The Conception Bay

South crusade came almost immediately after the St. John's crusade, and Brother Dominey attended and made his decision as he heard Elder Sparenberg preach from night to night. Evangelist Sparenberg drew very close to Clare, and now Clare testifies he knows God lives because he could not have made this change on his own. His family and many church members are now rejoicing because Clare's decision was a real answer to the prayers they had offered for him again and again through the years. Brother Dominey has already preached his first sermon to the new Conception Bay South congregation where he attends, and now Evangelist Bob Sparenberg calls him his "son of thunder"!

There is proof that public evangelism still pays in Canada – and it will pay throughout the ceaseless ages of eternity as we see these souls with us in God's kingdom, shining like the stars for ever and ever.



Geri found her way back through New Life Crusade. New member Clare Dominey already preached his first sermon. Cyril Callahan proves God and business increases.

New Staff at St. John's Adventist Academy



Pastor Larry Wilton, Bible teacher at St. John's Seventh-day Adventist Academy since September is the former pastor of the Marystown SDA Church. Pastor Wilton grew up in Deer Lake, Newfoundland and later graduated from CUC with a Theology Degree. He began his ministry in St. John's then was sponsored to Andrews University to complete a Masters of Divinity Degree with emphasis in teaching Bible. Larry plans to complete an MA in Curriculum and Instruction for Bible Instruction. Pictured with Pastor Wilton is Dwayne, Larry, his wife Linda, Charlotte, Kerrilynn and Penny.



Jackie attended Newbold College at Bracknell, England for two years transferring to Andrews University in Michigan from which she graduated last spring with a Bachelor of Arts in English. At Andrews she worked as a marker in the English Department, was a member of the Honours Society and involved in a wide variety of student activities. During the 1982-83 school year she taught at the Seventh-day Adventist School in Botwood, Newfoundland. Jackie is doing additional course work in Education at Memorial University of Newfoundland and plans to begin work on a Masters Degree in the near future.

Diamonds Celebrate Anniversary



On October 3, 1983, Mr. & Mrs. Eric Diamond of Botwood, Nfld. celebrated their 51st wedding anniversary. They were married on October 3, 1932 in Grand Falls and have spent all of their married life in Botwood. Eric and Marjorie have four sons: Reginald, Mac, Calvin, and Dolph, and one daughter, Violet Mews. They have 11 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Marjorie and Eric are active in their church and our prayer is that they will continue to enjoy a generous measure of health and strength, and that God will richly bless them.

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Unique Circumstances Lead Girl to Join Church

"What next?" was my first reaction to the picture in the paper of the vandalism done to a church in our small town. The same reaction a lot of other readers no doubt felt, who, like me did not go to any church. But as I read it, I noticed that it was a Seventh-day Adventist church. I did not know that there was an Adventist church in our small town. I thought to myself, "I'm going to that church". This was in early December 1981.

I put the paper on the table and started a fire in the wood stove. I threw the paper I had been reading, in to start it, and thought no more about it. I made a cup of coffee and sat by the table and this picture of the vandalized church was still lying there. I picked it up again and read it, this time looking for an address. It said that the church was on King Street South and that was all. By now, I could not get the feeling out of my mind that I wanted to go to this church. So, I went to the phone book for the number of the S.D.A. church and called that number but there was no answer.

I knew a girl who had come to this town from Toronto. Since she was an S.D.A., I looked for her name and it was not in the book. I phoned the operator and asked for her number and was told there was no phone listed in that name. Well, by 11 p.m. I decided that I would go to King Street at 11 o'clock in the morning and by that time there should be signs of activity around the church if in fact they had church. I knew that they went to church on Saturday.

I was up early Saturday and by 10 was

ready for church except to put on my dress. I started to think about this business of church, and decided that there was really no hurry about having to go this Saturday. I could drive up and find out just where it was, the time worship began, and answers to a lot of other questions. I just sat and rocked and sipped on the coffee, not anxious to go out and start the car, when it seemed like a voice said to me "O.K., O.K., let's get going". I answered and said, "O.K., O.K., I'm going!" I got dressed and left, just like that. But driving to town I thought I must be "nuts". I hear a voice and worse yet, I answer it, and here I am on my way to a place for which I have no address except the name of a street. I thought, "just go have a look, wherever it is."

I turned in at the shopping mall and went to the drug store and asked the time as I had no watch. She said 5 to 11. Oh, I thought, it is too late now. I may as well go back home, but when I came out of the mall I turned the opposite direction from my home. I was going towards King Street.

At King Street I turned north instead of south and was going away from the church. When I realized this I thought this is it, if there is any church service it will be over by the time I get to it. I turned around and decided to go home, but when I got to the main street I forgot to put my signal light on for a turn so I had to go through. Now I am on the right way to the church.

I drove down the street but I did not see any church. There was a building but

Several Youth Join N. Sydney Church



A successful evangelistic crusade concluded in North Sydney, N.S. on July 8 by Elders Grant Gunter and John Lyons. On July 9 a baptism of nine young people was conducted at beautiful Bras d'or Lakes. Several interests have been created as a direct result of the crusade, two of which are attending Sabbath School and church services. From left to right in the picture are: Wayne Sullivan, Barbara Finney, Deanna Finney, Donna Sullivan, Jonathan Soper, Marion Reid, Brenda Reid, Frank Soper Jr. and Edena Soper. Nadine Rowbottom, who was baptized in April of this year, is at the far right.

no sign to tell what it was. As I parked the car, I saw a man go in. I thought it might be a Union Hall.

I went in the first door and got up nerve enough to peek in the door to the room where I heard voices. There was no rough talk so I went in, a man escorted me to a seat and I sat down. It was as if I had done this every Saturday.

After prayer, the girl I had known in Toronto came and asked if I would like to sit with her. I felt good that I was there, but was still puzzled as to the circumstances that led me there. However, I was there again the next Saturday, which, by now I called Sabbath. I learned this the first Saturday (Sabbath).

As I knelt in prayer it seemed that God and I were alone in that room. I had never experienced such peace and tranquility.

I told the pastor and his wife, when they came to visit me, all that had taken place. They assured me that it was the Holy Spirit that was leading me.

Then Satan stepped in and I could not go to church, but thank God for strong followers. They never gave up on me and I went back to the Crusade for Christ. I was baptized June 19, 1982.

It is truly wonderful when we realize that the Good Shepherd is gathering in His sheep. We hear His voice and we follow Him. As we talk with Him, always in the shadow of the cross, we will be prepared to meet Him in the sky. Truly, I am blessed.

Floretta Moore

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There Are Many Looking Wistfully to Heaven

Another Urgent Appeal from It Is Written/Canada

by E.E. Littman

"There are many who are reading the Scriptures who cannot understand their true import. All over the world men and women are looking wistfully to heaven. Prayers and tears and inquiries go up from souls longing for light, for grace, for the Holy Spirit. Many are on the verge of the kingdom, waiting only to be gathered

in." A.A., p. 109.

Many people are familiar with this well-known statement. I have always believed it; but have never been more impressed with the actual truth of it as I have been during this past year that I have had the privilege to handle the mail that comes in to "It Is Written" from the

telecast's viewers.

We receive hundreds of letters from people inquiring for light on their studies of the Holy Scriptures. The following letter is one example. This letter came to us about the first of April, 1983. So as to not cause any possible embarrassment to anyone, I shall call the lady Lucy.

Read this desperate plea from an It Is Written viewer

"Dear Pastor Vandeman,

"Before I continue this letter, I wish to tell you that through your programmes in 1966, my mother and myself came to know of the truth of the Sabbath. Then started attending a S.D.A. church. I was 11 at the time and through my junior Bible guides I came to know and love Jesus. I can't forget the love I had for Jesus as I believe once you love someone you always will. I also can't forget the knowledge I acquired through my association with Seventh-day Adventists, and the material I've read. But I have not the strength of my own convictions and as a result I am a hypocrite. I believe one thing and do another.

"I will not seek out an Adventist to talk to because of my guilt and shame. I don't want any more Bible guides for fear of being too weak to live this life, backsliding with its consequences, i.e.: quit smoking – start again then smoke twice as much, drinking is the same.

"At 13 I put my Bible down because I felt betrayed when my parents divorced. I had prayed for them, sincerely. I started smoking, drinking, etc. There were attempted suicides, drugs, and detention home for running away.

"Since, I have married and divorced twice. After the birth of my daughter from my second marriage... I had a breakdown. I was 93 lbs. instead of my usual 123. The more sick I became the more I turned to the Bible. This resulted in a psychotic episode, which I misinterpreted Rev. 12 thinking I was the woman who they were referring to. I was heavily drugged and remained on heavy medication for over a year. I became dependent, but through a small act of faith I quit. Because of this misinterpretation I became afraid to read the Bible. When I tried, what I read frightened me and didn't comfort me as I had hoped. This experience still perplexes me. My self image was crushed, and I still have relapses with drugs. If you could help me understand, clarify this for me, I would be very pleased.

"My sister, whom I love dearly, signed an affidavit which resulted in my ex-

husband receiving custody of our daughter. He is an alcoholic... I fear for her spiritual safety. His live-in girlfriend who cared for my daughter for a year is a lesbian. His drinking caused four car accidents – two of which ended in hospitalization. The court cases were postponed for so long the judge felt she was settled in with her father. He is very bitter and only allows my visiting if there is a court order. I don't think he realizes how much this is hurting Destiny. I proposed in court that she be placed in a Seventh-day Adventist home, but this didn't happen.

**"God won't wait
forever and
I have so
far to come."**

"My father died recently. He confessed he believed in Seventh-day Adventism. I loved and miss him dearly. My mother is not practising Seventh-day Adventist doctrine. She has become an alcoholic. She uses her knowledge of the Bible to attack people. I love her, but I have lost all respect for her. She was the one who exposed me to Seventh-day Adventism. I can't even bring myself to write to her, for fear of what she may say. I am confused enough already.

"I have remarried a non S.D.A. He does believe Saturday is the Sabbath. He loves me and I do love him; but I fear for our marriage. I am drinking more than I want and it is affecting my marriage. I am becoming violent too! I feel useless, helpless and alone. My husband is in his last year of education (teacher) and this has been very trying. He's been so busy, I have so little to do, and finances have been difficult. I have been turning to drugs and alcohol more and more. I know it's wrong and it shows my lack of faith and hope. I've become an emotional, physical and mental wreck. My husband is a philosophy major, with many theories. I fear pursuing my beliefs will widen the gap that already exists in our individual beliefs. I have

become very selfish and proud which isn't helping our marriage either. I want to talk to him about Revelation, but he has no background. Revelation frightens me because I know God won't wait forever, and I have so far to come.

"A pastor really impressed my father once when he told Dad that if he was having trouble quitting smoking, going to church was the best thing he could do, where he could get help.

"This brings up several problems I have concerning the church. Finding acceptance for what I am right now, and my problem of becoming a legalist, more concerned with rules than with the reason (love) you live up to them. A severe problem – I'm having trouble understanding the fine line between what God expects of me and where He provides help. I know that religion is not a do-it-yourself concept.

"I wish you would write and hopefully shine some light on the questions I have. I would also appreciate your prayers.

"Thank you for your prayers and time. I await your suggestions and answers."

What a heart-wrenching plea for help! Of course this letter was immediately answered as well as being forwarded to Pastor George Vandeman, who also wrote to her. We waited all summer but heard no response from her. In August I wrote again and sent her Pastor Vandeman's latest book, "The Cry of a Lonely Planet". I tactfully requested a response to her feelings and impressions of having read this new book. On September 12, I received a letter from her husband that he had written on September 8.

"Dear Mr. Littman:

"I am replying to your thoughtful and kind letter to my wife, Lucy G... My wife had sought your counsel and also that of George E. Vandeman and both of your correspondences were of solace and promise to her.

"Lucy was involved in a vehicle accident a month ago. Her injuries were such that she died. As her husband I loved her very much and now feel a sense of profound grief with her loss.

"I would like to thank you for your care

and concern in helping Lucy experience the love and promise of God. The fact that someone 'out there' cared enough to communicate as you did mattered very much to her."

There are many souls in similar circumstances that would like to come back to their childhood church but know not which way to turn. What if "It Is Written" had not been there? Not every case may be as dramatic as this one; but this one does renew with emphasis the necessity of immediate follow-up for who knows how soon neglect can end up in death. How many more dear souls must die before we reach them with the message?

In recent issues of the *Messenger* we noted that we were having a difficult time to keep up with expenses. We are still short and we just hate to think of having to take the final step of discontinuing "It Is Written" on several stations because of financial difficulties. Especially when we have had hundreds of people say, "Please

don't ever go off the air!"

We are pleased to report that donations took a healthy upswing for August and September. In August we received \$46,000.00, and our expenses were \$62,000. In September we received \$47,000, and our expenses were \$59,000. We have re-

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ceived so far this year \$35,000 in church offerings which brings up our donated income to \$315,000. Our expenses to date have been \$432,000. At the end of September we had a bank operating overdraft of \$58,000. We have had a few \$1,000 donations, a couple of \$2,000 donations and one for \$3,000. We certainly are thankful

for these wonderful people who have sacrificed so generously in behalf of "It Is Written". However there still are thousands of church members who are not on our donors list. We appreciate the many \$10, \$25, \$50, and \$100 donations that also come in to swell the figure to \$47,000.

An income of forty to fifty thousand dollars is needed each month just to keep operating. At this time we need an extra big lift of nearly \$100,000 in order to take care of our serious backlog and to be operating in the black again.

We must not think in terms of having to drop stations. We should be adding new stations in hither-to-fore dark and unentered territories. We should have "It Is Written" reaching into the fair province of Newfoundland.

Dear Brothers and Sisters will you please pray for the souls that "It Is Written" is reaching and then help with a gift to keep the messages on the air waves?

ONTARIO

New Ukrainian Book Convinces Husband

Sofie Czyzewsky had been listening to the Ukrainian Voice of Hope for a number of years. She had hoped that she and her husband would be baptized together. But when her husband held back she decided to go ahead. Arrangements were made for Pastor Nicholas Ilchuk, Speaker of the Ukrainian Voice of Hope broadcast to baptize Sofie at the 1980 Ferndale camp meeting. Since her baptism Sofie and John had been faithfully attending the Toronto Ukrainian Church. Bible studies were continued by Pastor A. Zaft in their home.

Pastor William Polishuk had been working on a Ukrainian version of Bible Answers. After two years the 192-page book came to the press under the title *The Way to Life*. When the Czyzewskys received their copy, John began to read. In the first week he read it through four times. In a letter of thanks to Pastor Polishuk, John wrote, "My wife and I read the book, *The Way to Life*, with great interest. It gives us full understanding

and great joy in studying the Bible." John was baptized by Pastor Zaft on June 25 in the Toronto Ukrainian Church.

The book was printed with a limited edition of 1,000 copies and paid for by the Toronto Ukrainian Church. No doubt other Ukrainian readers would like to use the book. You may obtain your copy by writing to Pastor W. Polishuk, 23 Purbrook Court, Willowdale, Ontario, M2R 2B6.

Arthur Zaft
Pastor

**Singles
Remember —
London, Ontario
December 2 — 4
(see page 6)**

Education Day at St. Thomas



Inside their self-made "ark" the St. Thomas SDA church school children present their program entitled "The Ark of Salvation". They thrilled the church audience as each student performed individually. They are pictured singing "Grandpa Noah", at the Education Day Program. The St. Thomas Church extends a welcome to the new church school teacher Miss Pat Crump formerly of the Kingston church school.

Babies Dedicated at Filipino Church



"Babies for Christ" — the letters strung across the draped front told everyone on the Sabbath morning of August 20 that it was infant dedication day. B.G. Mary, Church Pastor of the Filipino Canadian Church, explained that child dedication is the parents' way of asking the Lord's guidance in training their children in the knowledge of God. M.R. Cudanan, P.G. Poblete and B.C. Sanidad, three retired Filipino pastors held the babies as Pastor Mary offered a special prayer. In his supplication he asked that each family represented may be bounded with heavenly chords of love that will unite them in Christ forever. Left to right: Pastor B.G. Mary, Margie and Eddie Dalisay with Dianne Frances, Lucy and Dak Nabong with Stephanie June, Norie and Henry Alconcel with Norman Henry.



John and Sofie Czyzewsky on the day of his baptism flanked by Pastors Polishuk (left) and Zaft.

Planning a Fair Booth?

The success reported here will provide some excellent ideas.

Over six thousand five hundred Pacific National Exhibition fair goers from Canada and the United States visited the booth sponsored by the British Columbia Conference and lower mainland churches in August. Equipped with a computerized health age appraisal program, church representatives were kept very busy with the high day totalling 671.

Using the Conference Community Services van, tables were set up under the awning for participants to fill in the questionnaire and have their blood pressure taken. After their height and weight had been determined, they were invited to go inside the van where their information was computerized. After the printout was complete, one of the volunteers advised each person regarding his/her projected life span and how it could be improved, if that was the case. If the person was a smoker, an invitation was given to attend a Five-Day Plan in the area and if there was an interest in vegetarianism, the cooking schools were described.

There were many appreciative responses for this service and several organizations expressed an interest in having this program at their office as a special feature for employees.



Pastor Gerald Haeger of Westminster registered a concerned look as he stands beside the 6,500+ questionnaires filled out at the Pacific National Exhibition. In the background on the bulletin board is a sample shopping bag with the printed "Make Health Your Bag" message along with the Adventist Health Centre address and phone number which was given to each person who stopped at the booth.

A very popular feature was the "Meeble" that children could make. A "Meeble" is a little fuzz ball with antenna and eyes and feet. A tag saying, "Be fit like Meeble, don't be feeble; call the Adventist Health Education Centre" was attached with double faced tape to the child's shoulder. Even the senior citizens wanted to participate in this!

Because the response was unexpected, additional funds had to be allocated for the project and more volunteers than had originally been scheduled had to be called. \$650 was spent just for passes for the helpers and another \$500 was spent for literature.

Not wanting to lose the friendship established with these people, a brochure entitled "Feelin' Good" was published and mailed to each person following the close of the fair. This brochure emphasizes latest findings in the area of health, lists the upcoming health services in British Columbia, and shares a vegetarian recipe. It is planned that this will be a quarterly publication to be mailed to the fair goers and also to those who register for cooking schools and Five-Day Plans in the province.

Using the computerized health appraisals as a witness outreach in British Columbia is being studied at the present time for use in the malls and other places where the public gathers. Your prayers are coveted as this project is considered.

The booth at the Bulkley Valley Fall fair featuring a "Fit and Free" theme was organized by the Adventist youth of Hazelton, B.C. The committee chose to decorate with new panelling, counter space and book racks that will be stored and reused. The new look was enhanced by lovely background music.

A large amount of literature emphasizing both spiritual and physical topics was distributed. Samples of vegetarian entrees and whole wheat bread were a great success and drew many people into the booth for visits.

Over 300 people entered the draw and were sent recipes for the entrees and bread. Requests for more information and specific topics are being followed up by mailing materials.

If your church hasn't tried a fair booth as an outreach project, you should consider it. Several people that manned our booth were surprised at how enjoyable the witnessing experience was. The AY committee liked it so well they are already getting ideas for next year.

Winfield Church Dedicated After One Year

Sabbath, September 1, 1983 was a memorable day for the members of the Winfield, B.C. Seventh-day Adventist Church as their church building and members were dedicated to God and to His service.

The building project started in July, 1982 and was completed and ready for dedication a year later. A miracle church!

Those participating in the church dedication service were: John O. Neufeld, elder of the Winfield Church; James Baker, Verna Moser, Ron VanSickle, Wilbur and Betty Wyman, Gordon and Lola Lamming, Alma Reimche, George and Paul Maier and from the Conference Office were: Glen Maxson, Gary DeBoer, and Phil Dunham as well as P.F. Lemon representing the Canadian Union Conference. Elder Harold King participated as the local pastor.

Many of our friends from other churches in Winfield worshipped with us, as well as members from across Canada and some from the United States.

Whenever you are travelling through the Okanagan, we invite you to worship with us.

Tracey Neufeld,
Correspondent
Winfield SDA Church



The interior of the Winfield S.D.A. Church recently dedicated.

Westminster Seventh-day Adventist Church Missing Members

If you have any information that will help us locate any of these people, please contact: Pastor G. Haeger, 7022-202B Street, R.R. 4, Langley, B.C. V3A 4P7.

Behnke, Mrs. Patrim	Palacio, Mr. Marlo
Byrnes, Mrs. Kathryn	Palacio, Mrs. Emma
Fritz, Mr. & Mrs. Roland	Palacio, Ferdimer
Kingsfield, Gary	Palacio, Antonietta
Lalonde, Violet	Patterson, Mrs. Edna
Maloy, Veronica	Peterson, Leonard
Mattonovich, Gabor	Price, Karen
Newton, Frank	Roberts, Moran
Oostwouder, Isabella	Wollner, Mrs.

Spotlight on British Columbia Literature Evangelists

The adventurous literature evangelists probe into the Yukon, Queen Charlotte Islands and Prince George.

Sunshine and real fun follows this team of happy Christians to the far corners of this great and beautiful province. At Prince George we set up a booth which attracted hundreds to take a careful look at our wonderful and very special literature. Nearly four thousand pieces of literature were distributed and several hundred enrolled in Bible Study courses and even some studied the Bible truths right in our small space with Lawrence Wallace, Assistant Publishing Director.

Our second visit was to the Queen Charlotte Islands. Accommodation very expensive. We borrowed a previous customer's tent with permission from his neighbour.

We gave a Family Bible to Margaret who owns our favourite cafe for breakfasts, and who treated us each morning to oversize pancakes at Literature Evangelist prices. Happiness radiated from her face

as she proudly showed her Bible.

Spiritual contact on the Islands was more successful than the first time. People see we care and that we stand by our word. Over \$10,000 worth of literature was left in the two, one-week visits. On returning to thank the owner of the tent loaned to us by his neighbour, three more sales were made and an excellent spiritual contact with a searching soul.

Twelve Literature Evangelists converged on Whitehorse and the Yukon Territories. They delivered over \$13,000 of our terrific literature and enrolled 63 people in Bible and Health Courses; gave to Pastor Les Anderson about 7 possible person-to-person Bible study contacts.

The church family sensed the inspirational enthusiasm of their Literature Evangelist team. Five young girls and one boy, also two adults joined in working with this fine team.

Layman Carey Chase related a thrilling conversion experience to Literature Evangelists during a devotional period.

Pastor Les Anderson, his wife Mary Lane and daughter Lois, plus the whole church family made our stay a spiritual blessing.

After one week, we all headed back home, some of us after one month on the road. Four Literature Evangelists stayed and will be flown into some of the unentered areas in the Yukon.

"Canvassing Campaigns are to be organized for the sale of our Literature, that the world may be enlightened as to just what is before us." *Colporteur Evangelism*, page 30.

Apply now to be a special part of the most adventurous, happiest work in your church. Contact your Publishing Director today.



Dan Basaraba at Prince George booth.



Whitehorse preachers.

Children Dedicated at Special Services in Williams Lake and Rest Haven



On a Sabbath evening in Williams Lake church a special dedication ceremony was conducted for three little girls by Pastor Malcolm Pedlar. Left to right: David and Patricia Toews dedicating Jacquelyn; Pastor Pedlar; Beverly and George Wlasenko dedicating Clarissa; Jean Scott and William Dean dedicating Laura. Front Row: Eric Toews, Clint, Jammie and Curt Wlasenko and Bonnie Dean.



Several children were dedicated to the Lord's service at Rest Haven Seventh-day Adventist Church on May 14, 1983. The happy parents are members of the Rest Haven congregation and live in the Sidney and Victoria area. May the Lord's presence and blessing rest on each of these families as they prepare their children for service here and in the life above. Left to right, front row: Glenn and Bonita Stansal with daughters Mandy and Natalie and Donna and Dan Jack with son Spencer. Back Row: Ron and Lorena Quay with son Andrew Magsalin, Pastor Melvin Atwood and Anne and Keith Sutherland with daughter Erin.

Quiet Hour News Release

The Quiet Hour, 630 Brookside Avenue, Redlands, CA 92373, is pleased to announce that its telecast, SEARCH, is back on the air in British Columbia. It will be shown every Sunday at 11:30 a.m. on BCTV, Channel 6, in Vancouver; as well as on CHEK, Channel 8, in Victoria. The program reaches 98 percent of all British Columbia homes.

We're happy to be able to meet you every week, and we thank you for making it possible for us to stay on the air in British Columbia.

Remember: Tune in every Sunday and SEARCH for Truth with Pastor and Mrs. Tucker and their friends. They'll be waiting to meet with you!

Jewkes Celebrate Golden Wedding

Family members, sons, daughter, grandchildren and their wives and husbands came from near and some, great distances to be home with Mom and Dad on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary, August 7, 1983. Stanley and Dolly Jewkes, glowing with health and happiness, shared this special day with the Victoria Church family at a fellowship supper.

The three bridesmaids from that happy day 50 years ago were all able to attend and many pictures were taken of groups and children, to add to the memory collection of Stan and Dolly, a couple who have given unstintingly of themselves to others and to the church for many years. We all wish them many more happy years together, in the service of the Lord.

K.C. Piper,
Correspondent
Victoria SDA Church



Dolly & Stan Jewkes at their 50th wedding anniversary celebration.

New Pastor For Rutland And Wildwood Churches



Pastor Arthur Spenst and his wife, Dorothy (nee Cooper), moved to Rutland to assume the pastorate of the Rutland and Wildwood churches on September 1, 1983. The Spens were welcomed to the area just as Pastor and Mrs. Harley Schander retired. Spens have ministered previously in Ontario, several years in B.C. and in Manitoba. Most recently they spent six years overseas while Arthur was head of the Theology Department at Pakistan Adventist Seminary and College. The Spens have three children: Del, Donna (Mrs. Dan Wells), and Sheila - a lovely Pakistani girl who is currently attending academy at Bella Coola, B.C.

Hazelton Baptism

The Hazelton, B.C. church was happy to receive Rollie and Julie Fairhurst into membership by baptism on August 27. The lovely ceremony was conducted at the Upper Kispiox Ford by Pastor Henry Bartsch of Terrace. Pastor Herman Kneller had prayer and led the church in welcoming the Fairhursts. We have enjoyed fellowshiping with Rollie and Julie since they moved here in January. We are happy for their renewed dedication and the many talents they have to share in service for the Master.

Clarks Honoured on their 50th Anniversary

Bert and Vera Clark of Kelowna, B.C., returned to Tugaskie, Sask., to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage. On June 21, 1933, Vera, daughter of the late George and Irene Foulston of Tugaskie and Bert, son of Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Clark of Wimmer were married by Elder Albert E. Millner, at Tugaskie. The original wedding party members, Pearl Fetroe and Roy Foulston, were present.

On July 18 family and friends gathered in the Tugaskie Community Centre for a reception in their honour. Their only daughter Ruby and husband Dr. Arthur Lambert and granddaughter Renee of Paradise, California, provided a buffet meal for all. Pastor Wilbert Foulston of St. Helena, California, was emcee for a variety program put on by family members and friends. The couple was presented with a golden money tree.

Bert and Vera are former residents of Garrick, Sask. In 1965 they retired from farming and moved to Kelowna.

The Clarks are grateful to the Lord for the fifty happy years they have spent together.

Florence Foulston



Mr. and Mrs. Bert Clark.

Media Personnel Hosted at Camp Hope



Pictured here is a portion of the guests who came from the two newspaper offices and the radio station to a meal served at the Seventh-day Adventist Campground prior to camp meeting. Following the meal, a tour of the grounds was conducted. Surprise at the facilities and enthusiasm for the invitation were expressed by members of the media. One of the editors returned during camp meeting to inquire more about our health emphasis with a subsequent publishing of the interview and the entree recipe.

Literature Evangelists Attend Rally at Foothills Camp

Brother Bob Juriansz, Home Health Service Manager was a guest speaker for the literature evangelist rally at Foothills Camp.

It was an occasion some may never forget and others not so easily. It was an exciting, refreshing time and a time of

deep spiritual rejuvenation. Brother Juriansz gave an excellent sermon and during the week answered many questions about this work.

Elder John Howard, director of Personal Ministries represented the president of Alberta and presented the workers

with tokens of appreciation for their outstanding achievements during Big Week. All workers received certificates of merit and time pens and the top three were awarded prizes.

Lawrence Branch,
Publishing Director,
Alberta Conference



The enthusiastic literature evangelist group who met for training at the College Heights church. Instruction included lectures, video and slide presentations and classroom demonstrations.



The literature evangelist group who worked in Alberta this past summer.

Baptism & Dedication at Sylvan Lake

On Sabbath, June 25, my wife and I had the privilege of taking part in the dedication of our granddaughter Karissa Renee Hetland to the Lord at the Sylvan Lake S.D.A. church.

Karissa, the daughter of Dr. Ray and Joanne Hetland, is a fourth generation Seventh-day Adventist. How good God has been to us!

Following this dedication service we had a baptism with three people giving their hearts to the Lord.

Cliff Sanders came to church one Sabbath and enjoyed it so much that he returned faithfully every week. Dave Lifford, one of our church members became a close friend and informed me of Cliff's interest and so Bible studies were begun. We are happy for his commitment to the Lord.

Glen Johanson, a former student at Sylvan Lake Academy is continuing his education at CUC. His parents and grandmother rejoiced to see him give his heart to the Lord.

Our third candidate was Jason Hetland and he requested that I baptize him. As his grandfather I was really thrilled to do this for him.

When the baptism concluded a special appeal was made for others to commit their lives to the Lord and several indicated their desire to do so.

Pastor Stan Gallant
Sylvan Lake &
Rocky Mtn. House churches



Karissa Hetland with parents Ray and Joanne and grandfather Stan Gallant holding her (taken in the hospital after Pastor Gallant's accident.)



From left - Glen Johanson, Jason Hetland, Cliff Sanders, Pastor Gallant is in centre back.

Ordination Service in Smoky Lake



Conrad Hackenberg and Gary Wright were ordained as church elders and Adrian Trenchuk and Norman Pelletier were ordained as deacons at the Smoky Lake Church. Elder Emmerson Hillock, Superintendent of Education and Director of Religious Liberty for the Alberta Conference, was our speaker for the worship hour. The happy occasion was concluded with a fellowship dinner prepared by the ladies of our church. Left to right: Adrian Trenchuk, Elder Daniel Rebsomen, Norman Pelletier, Conrad Hackenberg, Elder Emmerson Hillock and Gary Wright.

Dedication at Ryley



Travis, youngest son of Reuben and Elaine Grinde of the Ryley church was dedicated in a special service in May. Travis is shown with Dad, Mom, brother Kend and sister Karen.

Dedication of the Sherwood Park Seventh-day Adventist Church

September 10 was a real high day for the congregation of the Sherwood Park S.D.A. Church. It was the day of our church dedication. Almost five years to the day after the sod was turned we were able to dedicate this house to God debt free. Oh, what a joy! Our Sabbath School was conducted in the usual way except that the large number of visitors made it necessary to have one adult class which was taught by Elder John Howard.

At the 11:00 o'clock service Elder H.S. Larson pointed out that when Jesus seeks that which was lost and we accept Him then there is a change in our lives. He called for all present to rededicate their lives to the service of Christ.

Fellowship lunch followed the meeting and it gave many folks an opportunity to meet and talk with our visitors and friends.

The Dedication service began at 3:00 o'clock. Iris Camber led out in a musical

program and Allen Fowler reviewed our short history over the past seven years. The Church began with a charter membership of 27. Most of these came from the Edmonton South S.D.A. Church. He reviewed how the building plans were made and the sod turning ceremony which took place in September of 1978. He spoke of the many setbacks, the excavation that insisted on being a swimming pool and the cold winters which prevented any work from being carried on. He recalled the day the rafters were put in place to give shape to the little congregation's dream only to have a violent wind bring the whole superstructure down. Salvage operations began immediately but the roof trusses were a total loss and had to be reordered. That year, 1979, the building was closed in but there still was no heat and again the congregation had to wait until winter had retreated into

spring. The official opening of the Church took place in November of 1980. Many workbees over the next three years would slowly bring the total complex to its present state of completion.

From the original charter membership of 27 the Church has grown to a membership of 109 with approximately 40 children attending each Sabbath.

Elder J.W. Wilson, President, Canadian Union Conference, had the message of the hour. He pointed out that the Church which shows Christ will draw the sinner to its door so that they may receive the robe of righteousness from Him.

The Act of Dedication was read by our Pastor Ken Wiebe with the response coming from the congregation. The Prayer of Dedication was offered by Elder H.S. Larson.

Frits Wortman
Correspondent



Pastor Ken Wiebe reads the Act of Dedication.



The congregation responds.

Layman's Witness Begins Chain Reaction



Mrs. Aileen Albersworth, a member of the Fairview Church, has worked at the Brownvale School for the past three years. There, she had the opportunity to share her faith with Wendy Johnson, school superintendent. As a result last year Wendy was baptized into the church. Now Wendy has been sharing her faith for the past year or so with her neighbour Mrs. Lorraine Wearden. In April of 1983, Lorraine and her daughter Lorie were baptized, along with Wendy's two daughters, Heather and Jennifer. This could be your experience, too, during the Thousand Days of Reaping!

Rocky Mountain House Baptism



The Rocky Mountain House church members witnessed a lovely baptism when Don and Helen Hamilton sealed their lives with Christ by baptism.

About a year ago Helen Hamilton was viewing the "It Is Written" telecast and decided to write for the free book. A report of interest was sent to me. Two days later my wife and I called on the Hamiltons. We had an enjoyable visit together and made arrangements for weekly Bible studies. Several weeks later we asked Walter and Virginia Schram to join us and they continued the Bible studies. A few months later, Elder Ed Teranski held a Daniel Seminar in Rocky Mt. House followed by an evangelistic crusade. Don and Helen attended. We thank God for the decision they made.

Yellowknife Adds Three Through Baptism



Thank God for victories gained and trophies won for the Kingdom of God in Yellowknife, Northwest Territories. On Sabbath, June 11, three precious souls were baptized into God's remnant church. Much seed has been sown and others have decided to be baptized in the near future.

Those baptized were: V. Daniel Gill, son of Pastor and Mrs. Gill and Robert and Elizabeth Feagan of Yellowknife. Pastor Victor Gill accompanies them.

Robert is employed in an administrative position for the Housing Corporation of the territorial government and his wife Elizabeth is secretary for the Department of Justice. They are tremendous witnesses for our work as they have a wide circle of influence and are capable of strong leadership.

Please pray earnestly for our work in Yellowknife.

Johnsons Celebrate Golden Wedding

The weekend of August 13 and 14 was a high time for the Edson Seventh-day Adventist Church. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson of Duncan, B.C., the parents of Pastor Frank Johnson of the Edson Church, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Being in Edson for the wedding of their granddaughter, the happy event was celebrated two weeks early. It was a total surprise to them when Pastor Johnson asked his daughter to escort his parents to the platform. Pastor Johnson informed them that they will be receiving greetings from the Queen of England, Joe Clark and other government officials. A letter from the mayor of Edson was read and presented to them. Pastor Johnson then presented a tribute in song to his parents. In closing Mrs. Johnson said, "We have been on many ships but the greatest ship we have been on is our partnership."

Dolores Fletcher
Correspondent
Edson Church



Three generations of the Johnson family are shown.

Diamond Wedding for Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Swartz

If they were given the chance Leslie and Lillian Swartz, 84 and 80, would repeat their pioneering years in the Hillside area of Wetaskiwin, Alberta. This happy couple celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on April 29 by attending a Revelation Seminar at the Wetaskiwin S.D.A. church which is only a block from their home. There they were surprised by a presentation of a lovely cake and bouquet of flowers.

On Sunday, May 22, many relatives, friends and church members gathered at the Wetaskiwin Senior Citizens' Centre to celebrate with the happy bride and groom of 60 years.

Brother and Sister Swartz have been members of the Seventh-day Adventist church for over fifty years and have the distinction of having attended camp meeting for over 50 years in succession!

They thank the Lord for three children: Marion Thompson, Edwin and Harold and have nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild.



Mr. and Mrs. L. Swartz

QUEBEC

Three Baptized at Sherbrooke

Laymen can win souls for Christ. This was proven on August 27 when three people were baptized in Sherbrooke, Quebec, after a series of Bible studies were given in two homes.

Gaétan and Rachel Harton have been in contact with the Seventh-day Adventist church for almost three years. At first Pastor Pierre Zita contacted them and Monique and Gerald Lemay followed up on the studies. They had to travel two hours to meet their weekly appointments at the Hartons. The Hartons were first approached through the French It Is Written program. Already they are a great asset in the life of the young church.

In September 1982 Pastor Denis Fortin began to call on some It Is Written interests in the city of Sherbrooke. Mrs. Elmina Gosselin was one of them. The first visit was very friendly. Pastor Fortin then referred the name to two laymen, Albert Martin and Maurice Lemay who gave Bible studies to this elderly lady. It was a great joy for her to study the Bible and learn so many wonderful truths. As she said, "It's better late than never".

On Sabbath, August 27 the Sherbrooke church was filled with the members of the Eastern Townships district to welcome these three new members into the church. Pastor Pierre Zita conducted the baptisms.

It was on the same day that the members bade farewell to Pastor Denis Fortin who is on his way to Andrews University, and also welcomed Pastor Gilles Coutu who will now assume the responsibilities of the district.

Chris Knutson
Waterville Church Clerk



Denis Fortin, Elmina Gosselin, Rachel and Gaétan Harton.

A Tall Order

by Robert H. Pierson

A service provided by: Home and Family Service, General Conference

In modern every day English, how does inspiration describe the kind of wives and mothers Adventist homes need today? Here is what makes them so special. She allots a special time each day for Bible study, prayer, and communion with God.

She takes time to keep herself informed by reading.

She keeps closely in touch with the mental development of her children.

She takes her children out in nature that they might know their Creator better.

She is a companion to her husband.

She is cheerful and buoyant.

She makes evenings at home pleasant social seasons, not a work drudge.

She puts her shoulder under real, not imaginary, burdens.

She is understanding and thoughtful.

Thus Ellen White sums up "the characteristics of a companionable wife and mother."

A tall order? Yes. But the results are reassuring. She continues, "Many a man would thus be led to choose the society of his home before that of the clubhouse or the saloon. Many a boy would be kept from the street or the corner grocery. Many a girl would be saved from frivolous, misleading associations. The influence of the home would be to parents and children what God designed it should be, a lifelong blessing." *Adventist Home*, p. 110.

Notice

Evangelistic Meetings to be Held for Filipino Community

Pastor Brian Bechthold and Lay Preacher Abby Reyes will be holding a series of Evangelistic Meetings for the Winnipeg Filipino Community beginning November 11. If you have friends or relatives residing in Winnipeg and wish us to extend to them a personal invitation, please contact: Pastor Bechthold, (204) 224-2631 or Abby Reyes, (204) 668-7474.

Camp Saskatoba '83 Draws 170 Children

Approximately 170 children were enrolled in the summer camp programs offered by the youth department of the Conference.

Junior and teen camps were held at Camp Saskatoba in Clear Lake, Manitoba. A backpacking trip took place in Riding Mountain National Park in Manitoba.

Something new, a Fine Arts Camp, held at Blackstrap in Dundurn, Sask., offered five-day intensive courses in ceramics, oil painting, voice culture, band and instrument instruction, swimming lessons, and canoeing.



Egerton Ryerson Young, early protestant missionary to the Indian people of Manitoba was portrayed by Pastor Bob Schafer, Conference Education and Sabbath School director. Schafer presented the campfire devotional each evening. Pastor Bob Lehmann, Youth and Personal Ministries leader, is the camp director.

SINGLE?

18 or older? Would you like to date other SDA's with similar interests and attitudes? Write ADVENTIST CONTACT, P.O. Box 5419, Takoma Park, MD 20912-0419.

Quill Lake School is Refurbished



Quill Lake School, with its eight pupils, has been in operation for just one year. During that time considerable construction and repair has been done to the existing school building which once served as a Pathfinder - Fellowship Hall. With church members doing most of the work on the building, the cost to the church has been about \$15,000. The entire building has been reshingled, a new facade has been put on the old section, and nad molding has been put on the entire building.

Mrs. Myrna Gallant serves as teacher, with assistance from Mrs. Linda King. Mrs. Kathy Sabo gives instruction in music each week. Students receive Industrial Arts instruction from Matt Gallant. Garry Gallant instructs in agriculture.

Baptisms in Nipawin and Quill Lake



Five young people with S.D.A. backgrounds were baptized at Lake Edward, near Quill Lake, Sask. The baptism took place on September 3, 1983. Back row: (left to right) Pastor John Sabo, Kevin Fedak, Dwayne Humenny. Front row: (left to right) Daryl Fedak, Jeremy Weigel, Jody Weigel.



A recent baptism at Nipawin, Sask. Left to right: Deryl Crombie, Mrs. Virginia Crombie, Patricia Crombie, and Pastor John Sabo.

Dauphin-Winnipegosis District Youth Outing



Recently the youth of the Dauphin-Winnipegosis District in Manitoba, retreated to Clear Lake Camp for a youth outing. Forty-two individuals, including visitors from the Swan River District, were in attendance. The weekend included the spiritual, social and physical aspects of Christian fellowship.

Red River Valley Academy Ingathers in Winnipeg

Part of the excitement of Ingathering in Winnipeg was again shared by the teachers and students at the Red River Valley Junior Academy. It is part of the Christian education that our young people receive - helping them to meet and relate to the citizens of the community. Earl West, principal, set September 19 as the date for the special day.

Secrets of success are quite freely exchanged. What to say, how to say it, and how much to say, can and does make a difference according to the students' observations. An encouraging word from a parent often goes a long way toward having a successful day.



The results of the day's ingathering for the Transcona Church - a cheque for \$43.97 that Cameron Kruk accepts for his church, from Earl West, principal of the Red River Valley Junior Academy. Left to right: Earl West, David Olson, Cameron Kruk, Kerri Wycisk, Greg Olson, Dana Kruk, and Dana Payne.

Latest Data on the Three Nursing Homes in the Conference

by A. George Rodgers

Swift Current Nursing Home

Since our '82 survey, no physical additions have been made to the plant. Actual size of the Home, with its daily census of 70, permits little variation in the daily statistics. Another wing would, of course, greatly assist Administrator How to relate to the ever-increasing waiting list of sixty. But the demand for domiciliary accommodation will continue in escalation. The population of the elderly, and its peculiar needs, is a major issue both for provincial and federal treasuries. Adequate funding to care for the millions who, through the years, have made their contribution to a healthy and prosperous Canada is becoming increasingly difficult.

It is noticed that, as we continue our survey across Canada, our Homes have people in their 90's and some well over 100 years. This can be attributed to 20th century breakthroughs in technology and pharmacology. Hence clinically and physiologically, we are aiding and abetting in the elderly population problem. But mothers and fathers are precious to us, and we shall do all in our power to extend life's little day and perpetuate their longevity.

Pertinent to Swift Current, and Administrator How, we made brief mention recently, of his academic success under the auspices of the University of Saskatchewan. His diploma, conferred by this prestigious citadel of learning, testifies to his completion of the course in organization and management, and is a tribute both to Administrator How and also to the Swift Current Nursing Home.

Such an attainment will earn the respect of government officials, and will elevate his status with the accrediting bodies.

Following their leader, in terms of professional preparation, are a number of personnel attached to Nursing Service.

Under the auspices of the Kelsey Institute, young women have graduated from the Nursing Aide Geriatric Course.

Although wishing for a greater percentage of those of our own church affiliation, How is pleased with the tone and tenor of his institution. Many there are not of our philosophy who are deeply dedicated to His service, and their daily deeds of compassion and Christian love speak louder than words.

One of the institutional highlights, involving fun whilst fund-raising, is the



David How, Administrator, Swift Current Nursing Home.

monthly Birthday Party which honours all residents whose birthdays coincide with that month. In preparation for this event, the department of Daily Activities encourages residents to make attractive items in ceramics and other feats of digital dexterity. The work of nimble fingers is accomplished with ribbons and bows and other attractive items. Swift Current's staff contribute baked items, as do also the relatives of residents. Something like \$300 is raised on each birthday anniversary.

Devotional activities are an integral part of every day's programme. In addition to the chaplain's officiating, administrator, director of nursing, and departmental heads also lead out in this vital exercise.

As mentioned in the foregoing, this institution is functioning very well with a minimum of our church-related staff. Administrator How is sensitive to this imbalance, and would appreciate applications from our own people experienced in Nursing Home procedures and modalities.

Swift Current Nursing Home has its Advisory Board representing the funding municipalities and towns participating.

Regular meetings of the Adventist Board of Trustees, assist the administrator in problem areas, and help chart the future course of this institution.

In the meantime, the Lord is blessing, and the administrator is of good courage as the Home continues to serve a grateful and growing community. Let us remember the administration and other supportive staff in our prayers, as day by day they go forward in faith in this God-ordained task.

Sunnyside Nursing Home

How good it was, once again, to visit Sunnyside, whose administration and staff reflect the name of their institution so admirably. One feels at once that he is



Ken Reimche, M.P.H. Administrator, Sunnyside Nursing Home.

indeed on the "sunny side" of the street!

Administrator Ken Reimche's warm smile, and the depth of his dedication, are characteristics we have come to appreciate and admire through the years. His cordial welcome and the extending of many courtesies are not on display for our survey. He is a fine Christian gentleman, and continues to give excellent leadership to this 106-bed facility.

Their major, clinical preoccupation is with levels 3 and 4 which covers ambulatory and bedcare with 85 full-time staff.

In compliance with government prescription, the Board of Trustees are residents of Saskatoon and members of our own church communion. To extol the virtues of supervisory staff would be repetitious, and a replay of prior reports. But since our last visit, the management has secured the services of a full-time physiotherapist, and this modality offers hot fomentations, wax immersion, exercises, massage, and to assist those still ambulatory, the use of parallel bars.

But in common with the delivery of health services across the nation, Sunnyside has not been immune to fiscal constraints. Notwithstanding, Reimche knows how to stretch the dollar, and his budget of \$2,034,000 has been expended with conscientious care.

In discussing the success of the Adult Care programme in Manitoba, Reimche confirmed that Saskatchewan is now in the process of introducing similar programmes throughout the province. This has proved to be a most excellent outreach into the community.

Reimche's academic attainments in the field of health are more than adequate to his present portfolio. His leadership qualities have been amply demonstrated as chief executive officer of several institutions. His invaluable years of experience in organization and management, and recognition by accrediting bodies, may well render him a conspicuous candidate for greater things in the days ahead.

May God richly bless all who have aligned with Sunnyside's aims and objectives. May His rich blessing rest upon all who seek sanctuary in this place, and upon those who transform their everyday, mundane task into a labour of love for God and humanity.



A courtyard landscaping project in the south-east corner of Sunnyside Nursing Home's property in Saskatoon, Sask., was completed recently. The 3/4 acre area, landscaped by Underwood McLellan Ltd. Consulting Engineers of Saskatoon, includes sidewalks, a gazebo, a trellis, four seating areas, and a garden plot. Approximately 240 trees and shrubs have been planted. A cutter, wagon, and buggy, all antiques, are included in the landscaping scene. The area, which is enclosed by a fence, is completely accessible to residents in wheelchairs. Funding for the landscaping job, which cost approximately \$45,000, came primarily from capital donations and interest on securities.

West Park Manor Personal Care Home

This writer has been nurtured and conditioned in the hiring practises governing candidates connected with the institutional work of the church. Honoured with administrative portfolios in both hemispheres, one can attest to the spiritual emphasis hyphenated with our high standards of conduct and clinical excellence which, at all times, must characterize our Christ-centred ministry. Such undeviating adherence to our secular and theological philosophy has been attained and maintained throughout the Adventist world, particularly at supervisory level.

Souls have been won, and hearts have been receptive to the day to day exemplary conduct of those who have been with Jesus and learned of Him. This is the inevitable sequel implicit in the life that counts.

Perhaps nowhere in North America has this soul-winning influence been more pronounced, with attendant victories for the cross, than in West Park Manor. This institution has an outstanding record, and conversions have evenuated with the Holy Spirit working through human instrumentality.

Rose Kwon, R.N., Director of Nursing of this 150-bed facility, will recede from any



Administrator Gallant is accompanied by Rose Kwon, right, Director of Nursing, and newly baptized Elsa Ranjo.

sense of personal pride, resulting in the baptism of seven members of her staff. For her, praise must supersede pride, and in her humility her smile seems to convey to Him be the praise and glory.

Although time-consuming, we were privileged to interview each departmental head. It was a gracious administrative gesture, and a rare opportunity to become conversant with the job descriptions, and a deeper appreciation of the implementation of the seemingly myriad tasks and services.

Recently we reported the first decade of service of West Park Manor. As Administrator Gallant and his executive associates prayerfully enter upon their second decade, it would appear that another facet peculiar to this institution is longevity of its residents. It was an honour and an unusual privilege to chat with Mrs. Armstrong, aged 103! It was profoundly impressive to note the mental acuity and memory recall of decades gone by.

To the management, I express appreciation for the invaluable help I received, imparted so willingly by directors and supervisors of so many departments: Housekeeping; Plant superintendent; Food Service; Social Service; Assistant Administrator; Director, Laundry Service; Director of Daily Activities whose proceeds from their sales were \$2,500. I was privileged to interview the Director of Nursing who is a proficient, professional and such a dedicated Christian whose actions speak louder than words! It shall be our continuing prayer: "Bless this House, O Lord we pray!"

Newly-Constructed St. Walburg Church Celebrates First Baptism



Over one hundred people gathered in the new St. Walburg S.D.A. Church on Sabbath, August 27, to witness the church's first baptismal service. As a result of the summer work of Larry Duffy, ministerial extern from Canadian Union College who worked under the direction of Pastor J. Alan Nash, four persons were baptized. Pastor Bob Lehmann, youth and lay activities director for the Man.-Sask. Conference, baptized Norman and Dorothy Baldwin, Norman's mother, Mrs. Peggy Baldwin, all of St. Walburg, and Glen Gordon, from Spruce Lake, Sask. The members of the St. Walburg Church are grateful for the witness of Larry Duffy and his family who spent four months in the area studying with interested persons. The Duffys have returned to CUC where Larry will complete his degree in theology. Left to right: Pastor Lehman, Norman and Dorothy Baldwin, Mrs. Peggy Baldwin, Glen Gordon and Larry Duffy.

Swan River Baptism



Steve and Alma Sembaluk were baptized in Swan River church. They had been studying the Bible with Pastor Vaudre Jacques who accompanies them.

U.S.A. Seeks Liaison With The Pope

by Douglas Devnich, Ed.D., *Director of Public Affairs,
Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada*

The message which Adventism has for the world includes a warning concerning the entanglement of church and state affairs. On September 22, 1983 that message received renewed impetus when the U.S. Senate unanimously approved an amendment which, if finally enacted by Congress, would permit the President to establish official diplomatic ties with the Vatican.

In a statement to *The Washington Times*, Dr. B.B. Beach, Public Affairs Director for the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists said, "Diplomatic ties with the Vatican represent a violation of the American principle of equality of all religions, churches and headquarters of churches before the law. . . . They represent special favour to one church simply because historically that church has claimed to possess also civil authority, which it lost in 1871."

The position of the Church is not motivated by any narrow views or bigoted hostility toward the Roman Catholic Church, but is based on the American tradition and is in harmony with the constitutional provision of separation of church and state, with special reference to the establishment clause. We would oppose diplomatic relations and preferential treatment of any church including our own. Two earlier Supreme Court decisions supported this position when it was made clear that the government cannot pass laws which aid one religion,

aid all religions or prefer one religion over another.

Apart from the fact that the Vatican is a tiny city state consisting of one-sixth of a square mile, today's advocates of U.S. diplomatic relations with the Holy See want these relations specifically with the Pope, precisely because he is the head of the worldwide Roman Catholic Church. One secular news release claimed that President Reagan "wanted to thank the pope for his work on behalf of world peace by establishing formal relations."

Although Canadian involvement with this matter is only by way of interest, it is well for us to consider the overall direction of church/state affairs in Canada and the world in the light of Bible prophecy. Canada has had, for some time, an appointed ambassador to the Vatican; in turn the Vatican has its Pro-Nuncio resident in Ottawa. This may be one further reminder concerning the two great errors, the immortality of the soul and Sunday sacredness, which are misleading the peoples of the world. In this connection, E.G. White prophesied, "The Protestants of the United States will be foremost in stretching their hands across the gulf to grasp the hand of spiritualism; they will reach over the abyss to clasp hands with the Roman power; and under the influence of this threefold union, this country will follow in the steps of Rome in trampling on the rights of conscience." *The Great Controversy*, p. 588.

13th Sabbath Offering To Go To Africa

Wollega Adventist Academy, one of the three boarding schools in Ethiopia, was founded 14 years ago by Dr. Leroy Kuhn, former principal of Kingsway College. Growth in enrolment and other aspects has been noted year by year. The expected enrolment for the school year 1983-84 is 850 students from grades 1-12.

The latest developments include a new clinic, a student centre and the duplex for two expatriate single teachers. Other new buildings in progress are four teachers' homes, a library and laboratory building. Plans are being laid for a dining room and kitchen.

In spite of problems, boarding students come to early morning prayer bands. AY programs are held every Sabbath afternoon. This department also sponsors the Voice of Prophecy class and Branch Sabbath Schools which are held on Sabbath afternoons. A Vacation Bible School was

held recently with 74 children in attendance. Through the joint efforts of the pastor, laymen, teachers and students, 30 souls were baptized during the past school year.

Remember Eastern Africa Division in your 13th Sabbath Offering. God's work is going forward throughout the Division.

Remember WAA too. The principal says, "WAA has two urgent needs: first, a qualified nurse to run the clinic. Most ideal is a husband-wife combination where one could teach in the high school or help with the building program. If anyone is interested, he may contact the General Conference. Second, prayer support is needed from our brothers and sisters in Canada. We are facing some very trying times and need the firm hand of God to guide us."

Beat Odermatt, *Principal
Wollega Adventist Academy*

KCs' Corner

The sounds of loud machinery and the sight of high dirt piles cluttered the campus for the greater part of September. Yes, Kingsway College is under construction. A new heating system is being built for the cold days and even colder nights.

Registration brought many new faces to the K.C. campus. Each student made sure he looked his best as he waited for his/her picture. Later that day, the students were treated to a corn boil in the valley. The handshake was an evening spent in the gymnasium getting better acquainted with new students from as far away as Hong Kong. We have students from Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and British Columbia. Ontario is well represented. A week of Spiritual Emphasis has helped many of the students on campus this year. Pastor Wendell Phipps from Michigan shared his message in song and Scripture with the students.

The Fall Picnic was held at Camp Samac. The students enjoyed this day which ended with an hour of swimming at the Civic. Fifty of the students attended a Leadership Retreat at Camp Frenda, Port Carling, training to be potential leaders in the School.

The K.C. band and choir are shaping up for their concerts. The choir will be soon preparing for the Messiah concert and the band is tuning up for their Christmas concert.

The faculty and students are just one big happy family and thus this year should be one of the best at K.C.

Karen Dickson





Review editor, William G. Johnsson, responds to questions by Hope Jacobson (right) and Irene McKinnon (centre).



Bert Beach of the General Conference Public Affairs and Religious Liberty Departments answers a question at an Open Forum meeting in the Vancouver Central Seventh-day Adventist Church. Left to right, Kenneth Holland, William G. Johnsson, and behind Beach, Russell Staples.

challenging but the readers will have to judge. Johnsson continued, "I would be very disappointed if the people felt the *Review* was bland. We are not going to primarily make it an intellectual magazine but there will be material there that will challenge the intellectual."

Reaching the secular mind was another topic of discussion. Staples stated, "This is a complex problem. Even to define the world as 'secular' is difficult. Just now we are beginning to offer some concrete suggestions. At the moment it seems like the health approach is the most promising. Elder Hegstad is in the process of preparing a cartoon book in which the great controversy is being treated in star wars fashion. Those who have seen what is taking place are quite excited about it."

Holland added that *These Times* is printed to reach the secular mind and he believes that some progress has been made.

Responding to questions about the possibility of denominational reorganization, the group was informed that the most rapid growth in the church right now is in the third world. Staples continued to describe some of the problems that may surface as the membership of the third world increases. "For instance," Staples asked, "how long are the 800,000 in the North American Division going to govern the church? The tests of our Christianity will be how we relate to the world church. This is something we all need to be thinking about. We need to define new patterns of ministry. There is tremendous pressure for change overseas. I would think that we are going to see in the years that lie ahead just as major a reorganization of the church as we saw at the turn of the century."

Beach added, "Every church has to constantly look at its structures. I think the point that Russell Staples made is a very serious one. There is quite a bit of

pressure for an independent North American Division."

Response to the open forum, which lasted nearly two hours, was enthusiastic. Church members expressed appreciation

for the openness and frankness with which the questions were answered. That confidence in our church leaders was enhanced was another comment heard frequently following the presentations.

Confused about Last Month's Cover?

The colour picture on the October issue of *Messenger* is actually the front cover of this year's Ingathering Appeal booklet. We used it along with the inside article to promote Ingathering in Canada. The bottom line "Keeping Your Marriage Together (Page 8)" refers to the article in the Ingathering brochure — not in the *Messenger*. Be sure to read it when you pick up your supply for your Ingathering activities. We apologize for failing to clarify this in our last issue. —Ed.

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Obituaries

CAIN - Elsie was born in Hull, England in 1906 and moved to Canada at the age of two years. She passed to her rest in Kingston, Ontario on June 29, 1983.

She leaves to cherish her memory two sons; John and Tom, six daughters; Alice Wallace, Esther Scott, Elsie Holey, Hazel Seeley, Joan Pole and Florence Moses, several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She was baptized by Pastor Emm in 1972. Elsie Cain awaits the call of the Lifegiver at Prospect Cemetery in Toronto.

Victor Shipowick
Pastor

CARUK - John Caruk was born on April 18, 1896 in western Ukraine and passed to his rest on Tuesday, September 27, 1983 in Myrnam, Alberta. John came to Canada with his parents in 1899. In 1916, John Caruk married Jessie Woy and they settled on a farm south of Myrnam, Alberta. John and Jessie had three boys and two girls. They accepted the Advent message in 1924. After Jessie's death he married Sophie Popowich who predeceased John in 1979. Left to mourn his passing are his two daughters and two sons: Olga Steblyk, Rose Wroon, Fred, and Joseph. Eight grandchildren also survive.

The funeral services were held in the Myrnam Seventh-day Adventist Church, pastors Daniel Rebsomen and Georges Lanto officiating. Interment was in the Myrnam S.D.A. Cemetery where our brother John is now resting.

D. Rebsomen

KOLOMIETZ - Prokop Percy Kolomietz passed quietly to his rest on September 25, 1983, at the age of 80, in Saskatoon, Sask. He was born in Russia. In 1928 he and his wife emigrated to the Arelee, Sask., area where they farmed for 37 years. In 1933, the Kolomietz family accepted Adventism through the ministry of Elder C. Demchuk.

During their sixty years of marriage, Prokop, and his wife Margaret, raised three daughters: Nuddy Dnistransky, Elsie Spencer, and Gladys Lauber. Also left to mourn are ten grandchildren, two brothers and two sisters.

Funeral services, which were held in Saskatoon Central Church, were conducted by W.G. Soloniuk, assisted by K.L. Schander. Brother Kolomietz rests in Hillcrest Cemetery where he sleeps until Jesus comes.

KOSTYK - John Kostyk was born on March 9, 1896 in Ukraine and passed to his rest on Thursday, August 11, 1983.

As a young man, John Kostyk served in the first World War as an Austrian Cavalier. He married Katie Purzyn on February 9, 1925. He immigrated to Halifax, Nova Scotia in

March 1926 and with a group of immigrants made his way to Vegreville, Alberta. A year later his wife and daughter Mary joined him in Beauvallon, Alberta. John was baptized in the Pobida S.D.A. Church in 1929.

Left to mourn his passing are his wife Katie and son Mike Kostyk and daughters Mary Lutyk, Anne Walker, Josi Brown, Ruth Keller and Elizabeth Moore. Fourteen grandchildren, two sisters and one brother also survive him.

Funeral services were conducted in Beauvallon by Elders D. Rebsomen and P. Uniat. Our brother John Kostyk was laid to rest in the Beauvallon Cemetery awaiting the call of the Lifegiver.

SEARLE - Clarence Calvin Searle passed away August 17, 1983 at Powell River, B.C. Clarence was born at Duck Lake, Saskatchewan on September 3, 1914. During his early life, Clarence was a member of the Rutland Seventh-day Adventist Church. Following his marriage in 1941, Clarence and his wife moved to Powell River in 1942 where he remained until his death.

He leaves to mourn his passing his wife Rita, a son Jim, a daughter Lynn, 3 grandchildren, one sister and one brother, and a host of friends and relatives.

A memorial service was held August 23, 1983 at the First United Church, Westview, B.C. Cremation followed at Vancouver, B.C.

SMITH - Arthur Roy Smith was born in Havelock, Ontario January 27, 1889. With his father he moved to Saskatchewan in 1906.

He married Estelle McGowan on Oct. 2, 1912 and this year they celebrated their 71st anniversary.

In 1942, Art moved to Oshawa, Ontario. He was baptized in 1957 in the Albert Street SDA Church.

He resided at the Kingsway Pioneer Apartments until his recent move to Hillsdale Manor in Oshawa.

Mr. Smith leaves to mourn his loving wife Estelle, two sons; Roy and Wes, and four daughters; Eva Brookbank, Ethel Brooks, Lois Glover, and Dorothy Brady. Twelve grandchildren and twenty great-grandchildren also survive.

Interment was at Mount Lawn Cemetery in Whitby, Ontario.

SOLOWAY - Audrey Bernice Soloway was born on July 31, 1927 at Haltien, Saskatchewan and passed to her rest on July 28, 1983 in New Westminster, B.C. Audrey was baptized in 1980 and as a fellow member of God's family, she will always be remembered as one who truly loved her Lord.

Surviving Audrey are her loving children, Shirley Gotebos, Debbie and David Soloway, two grandchildren, her mother and six sisters.

Funeral service was conducted by Pastor Harold King with interment at the Coquitlam Cemetery.

TARANGUL - Maria Lypka Tarangul was born on December 31, 1893 in the Ukraine and passed to her rest on September 7, 1983 in Edmonton, Alberta. Maria moved to Canada with her parents in 1905. In 1910 she married Georges Tarangul. Together they shared fifty-three years and raised five sons and five daughters. After her husband's passing Maria lived with her daughters Sophie and Vickie.

Maria was baptized in 1934 at the Beauvallon Camp Meeting. She is survived by five sons, four daughters, nineteen grandchildren and twenty great-grandchildren, one brother and a sister. Her children are John, Nick, Dr. Steven, Martin, Tim, Sophie Hymonyk, Anna Samograd, Dolly Revega, and Vicky Misik.

Funeral services were held in Edmonton and Beauvallon by Elders P. Uniat, D. Rebsomen and M. Djokovich. Interment was in the Beauvallon Cemetery where our sister rests in the Blessed Hope.

THACKERY - Gwendlyn Adella (Been) Thackery was born on November 5, 1915 in Magrath, Alberta. Her childhood and youth were spent in Montana and Idaho. On July 28, 1938 she became the wife of Donald Thackery of Lethbridge, Alberta. They were baptized into the SDA Church in 1939. She passed away suddenly on June 27, 1983 in Langley, B.C. She will be greatly missed by her loving husband, John, two daughters, Betty Ruth and Alice Bogardi, one son, Donald, her father, nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Funeral services were held at Henderson's Funeral home and she was laid to rest in Valley View Cemetery in Surrey, B.C. Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Peter Fritz.

TYM - Mrs. Pearl Tym passed away on August 26, 1983 at the age of 92 years. She was faithful to her Lord until the time of her passing. The Bible was a very important book in her life and also influenced many to come to the Lord.

She leaves to mourn her loss - 3 sons: Peter, Alex, and William; 6 daughters: Mary Letniak, Sophie Norhton, Lila Letniak, Esther Polishuk, Ruth Phillips, and Josephine Marion, as well as 28 grandchildren, 32 great-grandchildren, and a host of relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held Monday, August 29 at the Beauvallon Seventh-day Adventist church, conducted by Elder Peter Uniat assisted by Pastors Warren Kay and Elmer Koronko.

Ida Unruh
Correspondent

Weddings

BRITTON - MASON

The main auditorium at the Pugwash Camp Meeting was filled to capacity as friends and loved ones gathered to witness Barbara Nan Mason unite her heart with Bret Allen Britton. Nan is the daughter of James and Barbara Mason of Pugwash, Nova Scotia and Bret is the son of John and Kay Britton of Tennessee.

This beautiful wedding marked the beginning of a new home in the family of God on Friday, August 5, 1983. Attending the bride and groom were Elsie Mason, Sally Becker, Gus Poulsen and Jamie Mason.

Nan and Bret have made their home in New Glasgow, Nova Scotia.

GRAY - LEVESQUE

The Vancouver Central Church was the setting of the bilingual wedding held on August 28, 1983 as Annette Levesque, daughter of M. & Mme. Edmond Levesque of Gaspésie, Québec, exchanged vows with Julian Gray, son of Mr. & Mrs. Frederic Gray of Langley, British Columbia.

Attending the bride were Betty Lang, Mrs. Sigrid Buhlmann and Marthe Levesque and the groom's attendants were Pastor Dave Gustafson, Doug Lang and Oliver Buhlmann.

The ceremony was conducted by Pastor Daniel Rebsomen of Beauvallon, Alberta. The vows were spoken in both English and French.

Mr. and Mrs. Julian Gray are making their home on Burnaby, B.C. where Julian is a psychologist specializing in family counseling. Annette, a professional cartographer works for the mining industry of British Columbia.

IWANOCHKO - CASTELLA

On August 7, 1983, Mark Iwanochko and Irene Castella exchanged their marriage vows and brought into being another Christian home. The maid of honour was Isabelle Castella, and bridesmaids were Linda Tralla, Victoria Sweet, and Veda Bacchus. Mark was supported by his brother Myron and groomsmen Paul Castella, Donovan Wallace and Brent Chin.

The ceremony and address was given by an old friend of both families, Pastor D.J. Handysides, to a crowded church of family and friends. Irene plans to continue her musical programme, while Mark studies in the field of medicine.

We wish these two dear young people God's richest blessings, as they establish their home and continue their consecrated efforts in the support of God's work.

D.J. Handysides

LEMKY - ZELKER

On September 18, 1983 in the Kelowna SDA Church, Pastor H. Schander united in marriage Eldon Lemky, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lemky of Winfield B.C., and Margaret Zelker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Reiner Teschinsky of Kelowna. Margaret's attendants were Maria Gibson, Susan Obenaus and Rosemary Scuka. Dan Unruh, James Zelker and Steven Little acted as groomsmen.

We wish them God's richest blessing as they set up a Christian home in Kelowna.

MAYER - SIMANTON

Esther Simanton and Kenneth Mayer exchanged marriage vows July 3, 1983, in the Olds Seventh-day Adventist Church. Esther is the daughter of Robert and May Simanton of Bowden, Alberta, and Ken is the son of Earl and Doris Mayer of Greenville, South Carolina.

The bride was attended by Audrey Letniak, Beverly Clarke and Ruth Zonice. The groom's attendants were Jeffery Mayer, Gert Hartman and Keith Simanton. Laura Hixson and Bradley Skilton were flower girl and Bible boy. Elder Clarence Goertzen performed the wedding ceremony.

Ken and Esther will make their home in Freeport, Illinois.

Pastor Randy Sauder
Olds S.D.A. Church

NETTLAND - ZAPOTICHNY

Sandra Zapotichny and Paul Nettland III exchanged marriage vows in the Westminster Seventh-day Adventist Church on August 21, 1983 with Pastor Bob Tetz officiating. The maid of honour was Janene Josiah and the best man was Bryan Rice. Sandra and Paul have established their home in College Place, Washington. The bride's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Alex Zapotichny from Port Coquitlam.

PERRY - SIMPSON

James D. Perry of Penticton and Jacqueline Simpson of Kelowna exchanged marriage vows on August 18, 1983 in the Westbank SDA Church with Pastor David Ellis officiating.

Relatives and friends from far and near were delightfully surprised by the delicious vegetarian buffet laid out for them, a testimony to their new-found faith. Both Jacky and Jim are recently baptized Seventh-day Adventists. May God's richest blessing attend them as they establish another Christian home in Kelowna.

JONES - SHIPOWICK

On June 26, 1983, Vanessa Ann Jones and David Glen Shipowick were married in the Bowmanville Seventh-day Adventist Church in the presence of many friends and relatives. David's father, Pastor Victor Shipowick was the officiating minister. Carolyn Jones was maid of honour and bridesmaids were Grace Wur and Andrea Jackson.

Best man was Mark Shipowick, and his ushers were Greg Trupp and David Toop. The candlelighters were Lynn MacDonald and Pamela Isaac. The Bible bearer was James Smith, Vanessa's younger brother and the flower girl was Amanda Johnston.

A reception and program followed the wedding in the College Park Church Assembly Room with David Toop as Master of Ceremonies. Vanessa and David are now living in Bourbon, Missouri where David is teaching at the Bourbon Junior Academy.

Victor Shipowick

WHITE - ROBISON

Camp Hope provided a beautiful setting for the wedding of Kenneth White and Ronda Robison on Sunday, July 10, 1983.

The bride was attended by Sandra Robison and Laura-Lea Meservia. Attending the groom was Dr. Jim Matiko and Doyle White. The candlelighters were Stevie Robison and Michelle White. Doyle White, Jr. served as Bible boy and Michelle Robison as flower girl.

Pastor E.F. White, uncle of the groom, performed the marriage ceremony. Ken and Ronda are making their home at Pemberton, B.C. where Ken is engaged in the logging industry.

Births

FISCHER - Curt and Maxine (nee Mercer) rejoice over the birth of their first child, Lori Elizabeth, on June 20, 1983 at Portland Adventist Medical Centre, Portland, Oregon.

JACK - Dan and Donna (nee Rodenbush) are pleased to announce the birth of Spencer Donald on March 15, 1983 at Victoria, B.C. A baby brother for Nadine.

JURIANSZ - Bob and Tammy (Richardson) are happy to announce the birth of their first child, a daughter, Amanda Marie, born Sept. 7, 1983 at Oshawa, Ontario.

LADI - Stevan and Kathy (nee Savatovich) announce the birth of a son, Ryan Stevan at the Branson Hospital on September 18, 1983.

LEYZAC - Richard and Susan (nee Ross) announce the birth of their first child, Erik Steven, at Oshawa, Ontario on August 3, 1983.

LISKE - Tom and Mary (nee Stansal) Liske of Sidney, B.C. are pleased to announce the birth of their son, Jason Roland, on October 2, 1983 at Victoria, B.C.

SEIGH - Manford and Lynette (nee Hartwig) welcome Brandon Nicholas, born May 1 at Cranbrook, B.C.

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Swift Current Nursing Home requires a housekeeping supervisor, due to retirement of the incumbent in December. The position involves general housekeeping, specific sanitary techniques, and scheduling of staff of five. Qualifications include knowledge of acceptable principles of housekeeping, ability to maintain records, ability to develop and maintain good working relationship with staff and other departments, to demonstrate empathy, concern and interest in providing a setting for quality care of the residents.

This is a working, managerial position open to male or female, wages and benefits are paid in line with provincial rates.

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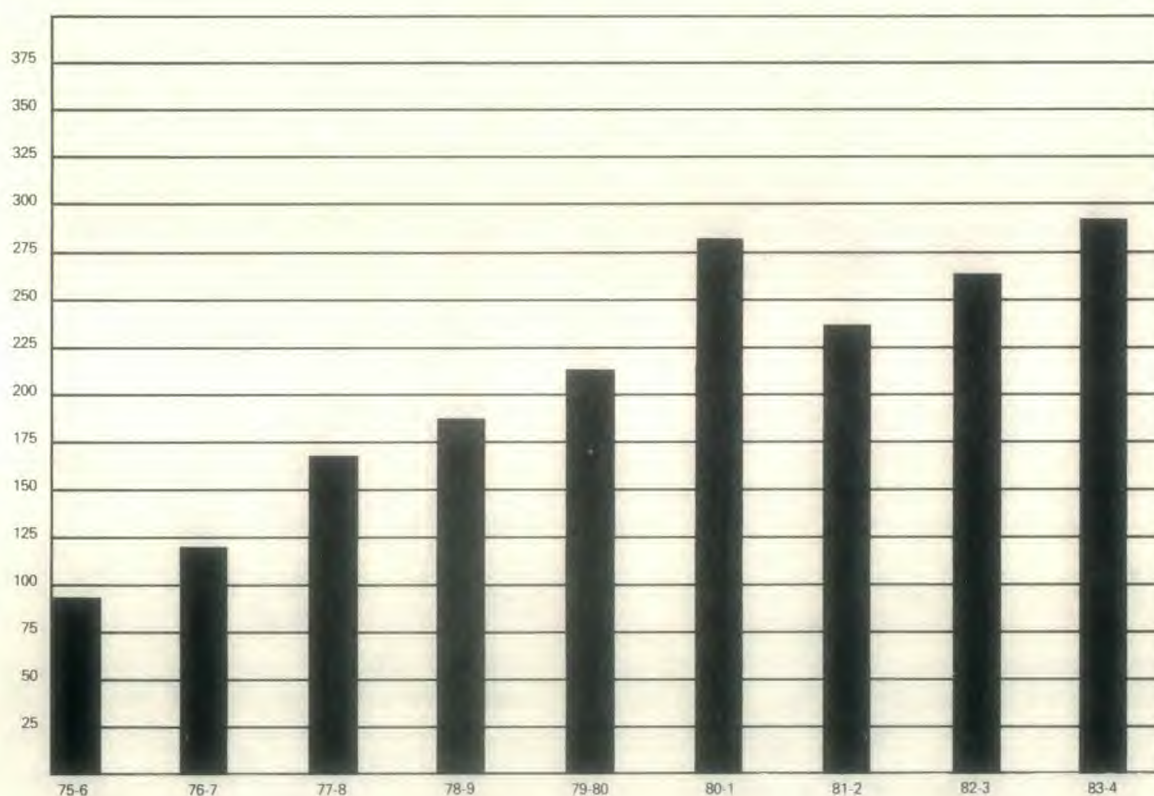
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