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Terry and Steve

DO YOU REMEMBER WHEN TERRY FOX took his last
excruciatingly, pain-filled, final step on the Trans Canada
Highway east of Thunder Bay? In remembrance, that
section is now named "The Terry Fox Memorial Highway."

Hardly had his last halting step died away before another, Steve
Fonyo, stepped into the breach. Imaged in our minds eye we see the
determination, resolution and committed mission which irresistibly
compelled these men rhythmically, fortitudinously ever onward.

Isaiah 35:8-12 captures our imagination, "And our highway shall be
there, and a way, and it shall be called, The Way of Holiness." This
highway is not for the unclean, but for the ransomed and redeemed
who shall walk there.

We too have a thrilling mission - the glorious Gospel to all the
world. Our pioneers, workers and laymen, who have passed away, they
were our Terry Fox. And each of us "enfeebled and defective as it may
appear," is, if you please, a Steve Fonyo, traveling the "Highway of
Holiness."

Here we are, a remnant, peculiar people, called to "build the waste
places, to be the repairer of the breach, the restorer of paths to dwell in."
A chosen people for God's last message to earth.

As with Steve, we shall persevere with resolution, determination
and fortitude in completing Matthew's Gospel Commission. The ful-
fillment of this mission for each of us, as British Columbia's President,
Gary DeBoer, commented recently is, "not an option, but a God-given
responsibility."

Our mission will soon be completed. As with Steve Fonyo, we are on
the last "leg" of our fantastic journey. Isn't it thrilling to be a part of
God's remnant world-wide church?

Very few churches are world-wide in scope and mission. Most are so
busy being independent that their bubble bursts in a vacuum of
confusion.

Let us join hands and hearts together to fulfill I Corinthians 2:9, "Eye
hath not seen, nor ear heard . . ."

May I invite you to read the entire article "Our World Church on
page 3.

OUR WORLD WIDE CHURCH

(A condensation of the 11:00 a.m. service at the 47th BC Session)

J.W. Wilson

DELEGATES TO BRITISH COLUMBIA's 47th Session, you are a marathon runner. You have been running now for about 100 years, and with every passing year you are looking bigger and better.

It was in 1877 that you were organizationally linked with Washington and Oregon to become the North Pacific Conference. In 1886, a comment was recorded in the B.C. legislature, "There are some people in this province who honestly believe that our Saturday was the real original Sunday."

By 1887, the first visible entity in B.C. was the North Pacific Tract and Missionary Society. Pitched tents in numerous centers magnetically drew thousands to the perceived "circus." They found bears, lions, leopards, goats and dragons — our first Revelation Seminar!

In December of 1889 the Victoria Daily Times recorded that the Adventists had purchased a lot, and the church built in Victoria was the first Adventist Church in Western Canada.

The following year, 1890, evangelists were busy opening up the work in Vancouver and by 1899 the "saints" in Nanaimo were busy protesting, of all things, Saturday elections.

The second B.C. Session was held in Penticton June 8-18, 1922. By this time there were 17 churches, such as Victoria, Nanaimo, Nelson, White Rock, Vernon, Kelowna plus three in Vancouver. A year later Armstrong, Bella Coola, Rest Haven and Silver Creek were marvelously added.

Parallel accounts could be recounted for every conference across Canada. Every union, every division has its cherished heritage. We are so grateful for the direction given in I Corinthians 12. That counsel has preserved the unity of our World Wide Church and led us into the 1,000 Days of Reaping.

Only heaven's approval could ever have given credence to receiving 1,000,000 new members in the body of Christ in 1,000 Days. Victory is here and the General Conference Session now tells us to what extent.

The great evangelistic victories of the 1,000 Days were not possible in past years. We believe that when God's children accept the belief that great conquests can be

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theirs, the Holy Spirit is sent to make that faith a fact.

In Inter America, 65% of the baptisms have come directly from laymen's work. Zechariah 4:6 says it all. "Not by might, not by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of hosts." Let's catch our second wind and Fonyo our way to the finish line.

The affluent 70's are behind us. The mid-80's are here with myriads of challenges. What we do here in this 47th Session will demand the best of our spiritual and moral energies, our finest skills and talents and our resources.

When the challenges come, we must not let ourselves be psyched into turning upon ourselves and accepting the status quo or even defeat.

The revival of our spirits here today have to be more than a muscle spasm. No matter if there are hard times, we must keep positive. With every trial and setback, there can come blessings.

No matter what, God still lives and is still upon His throne. Hope for the best, prepare for the worst and take what comes with a grin. A balanced attitude toward life requires a sense of humour.

Lincoln knew that people thought he was homely. In debate, Stephen Douglas called Lincoln two faced. His reply, "Now I leave it with my audience, if I had another face, do you think I would wear this one!"

Disappointments and frustrations come and go, but God still rules in the heavens. Totally dedicated, wholly committed, the Christian can bear anything in the name of Christ because we have His sure and eternal promise.

We are counselled to be "temperate in all things," and this includes attitudes as

well as eating and drinking. Let us refrain from going overboard. Keep an open mind to further information and facts. Before we criticize, let's be certain we are qualified to criticize. Most critical letters reveal quickly that the individual is not qualified to criticize because of a lack of the necessary facts to pronounce an opinion.

Did you hear of the man who claimed to love his family and then ran an ad in the paper publishing all the faults and failures of his wife and children? Love covers, love protects, love cherishes, love wants the object of its affection to look good.

If we love the church, the total spectrum of our thinking will not be caught up in doubting, blaming and bad-mouthing what the church may do. Some people would have us think that a recession hit heaven.

It is thrilling to see God take hold and do with ease that which seems to be impossible. The church is God's organization. The problem is that it is filled with human beings and is operated by imperfect mortals. We need to keep the church close to Jesus.

Ridding the church of sinners will not clean it up nearly as much as it will clean it out. The church is for strength, salvation, hope and love.

In Matthew 25 the one talent man was condemned because he didn't invest his money. As a rule, the church has been known for its prudent and wise investments. In the business world, the church enjoys a "blue chip" reputation.

Do you know why? Because the church does not default. We stand by our commitments. We pay our bills. We do learn from our mistakes. We do become stronger and wiser. Do we really feel good down deep when we turn away from appeals for time, talent, and treasure to help finish God's work?

The best investment is still in the Lord's work. One banker said, "No one is perfect. Some you win, some you lose. I just wish I owned a bank with the same SDA on it!"

"The truth is soon to triumph gloriously and all who now choose to be labourers together with God will triumph with it." 9T 135.

The Lord inquires, "Whom shall I send?" Those who sacrifice for the truth's sake reply, "Here am I send me!"

Each summer, over 200 Canadian young people attend our blind camps. Here is how one camper felt: "I've enjoyed going to the camp each year . . . you people have made me feel very happy and joyful."



Photo by Bill Kelly

What Would You Say?

R.D. Pifer

Manager, Canadian Operations, Christian Record Braille Foundation

ONCE EACH YEAR IN EARLY JULY, the corporate Church of the North American Division is invited to participate in the operation of Christian Record Braille Foundation. All gifts received from this source are placed in a special account to fund the preparation of:

- Doctrinal Bible Correspondence Courses
- Publication of Review and Herald in braille
- Publication of Sabbath School lessons in braille or records
- Other miscellaneous church related materials

This year, 1985, as we invite you to share your portion of the Lord's storehouse with CRBF, we would like, in turn, to share some of the scores of comments received with last year's offering.

From Ontario - "May our dear God bless all the great work you are doing."

From Manitoba - "My 84 year old sister gave me a gift of \$20.00. Since I'm getting a pension, I'm sending her gift on to you."

From Alberta - "Here's my gift to help you who are helping the blind so much. May God bless you."

From B.C. - "In tribute to those who gave of themselves that our disabled loved ones could live happier, healthier lives."

And this interesting letter "...so this tiyem (time) sending this gift (gift) with a prayer That God Blessem (will bless them and mutlyplyem (multiply them) To His Glory." How I would like to be able to express myself so eloquently in a language that is not my mother tongue!

An important feature of CRBF for nearly 20 years is National Camps for Blind Children. Each summer, over 200 Canadian young people (another 1500 attend in the U.S.) attend our blind camps. Here is how one camper felt: "I've enjoyed going to the

camp each year... You people have made me feel very happy and joyful." Much of that inspiration, we willingly share with the dedicated staff who operate each of the camps whose facilities we use.

Last summer, it was my pleasure to attend the northernmost chapter of NCBC - at Tukoskoye in Alaska. While not in our Union it is a neighbour, and we wish to close this article by sharing a poem written by Tom Wilkinson, R.N. who served as our Camp Nurse there. Here is his thought provoking verse:

WHO IS BLIND?

I have met someone who is blind
This has raised a question in my mind.
Why Dear Lord Can't they see?
This is the answer He gave to me:
They're not Blind -

But it's you.
For you can't see what is true.
They need not see things of This earth,
For there is little here of worth.
But they see with their hearts;
Not the outside of men,
But the inner parts.
Thus they can see what you cannot.
And they remember things
That you've forgot:
The songs of birds
And the wind.
The laughter and voice of a friend.
So don't you say
"They cannot see"
Their hearts see more than thee.

It is our joy and pleasure to be able to conduct the ever growing work of CRBF for the more than 5000 Canadians currently receiving our services. It is also our joy to see the ever growing response from the readers of *Messenger* in support of these services. We wish God's richest blessing on each one of you. ☪

Pastor Vandeman Attacked:

Pastor George Vandeman, speaker of the Seventh-day Adventist telecast, *IT IS WRITTEN*, was injured during an attack at his home, April 11. He was treated at a nearby hospital and released after 24 hours of observation. Physical injuries were not severe.

Pastor Vandeman's son, Ron, is in custody in connection with the incident. He has suffered from a condition for the past 22 years which has been controlled by medication. Following a bout with hepatitis in March, a physician removed his regular medication.

Ron was staying at his parents home in Thousand Oaks, California, at the time of the incident. Prompt intervention by a long-time family friend, Harold Reiner, who providentially drove by as the incident occurred, calmed the son.

Pastor and Mrs. Vandeman are deeply thankful for the outpouring of love and concern from friends around the world.

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

Notice is hereby given that a special general meeting of the Maritime Conference Corporation of the Seventh-day Adventist Church Incorporated will be held at the Seventh-day Adventist Campground at Pugwash, N.S. on the 28th day of July 1985 at the hour of 1:30 p.m. Atlantic Standard Time.

The purpose of the session is as follows:
(1) to elect the board of directors for the ensuing term
(2) to amend the constitution
(3) to transact such other business as may come before the Corporation.

Members of the Corporation are the members of the Maritime Conference Executive Committee, licensed and credentialed ministers and first elders of all duly organized S.D.A. Churches in the provinces of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island.

L.G. Lowe, *president*
Matt. Weststrate, *secretary-treasurer*

D. Douglas Devnich

SEVEN DAYS AFTER THE EQUALITY SECTION (15) of the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms* came into force on April 17, 1985, the Supreme Court of Canada performed its crowning act of justice by upholding the freedom of conscience and religion as prescribed in the Constitution Act.

RECOUNTING THE DEMISE OF CANADA'S SUNDAY LAW

In the unanimous decision of April 24, 1985, the Justices of the Supreme Court ruled that the *Lord's Day Act, 1907* is unconstitutional and no longer is of any force or effect. Since 1981 the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada has trained its eye on developments arising out of a resurgence of enforcement and, at the same time, opposition to Sunday legislation in

Canada. Retail businesses across the land began to defy the archaic law of 1907; counter actions were taken by trade unionism, religionists and "do-gooders" to stop the trend toward "secularizing" Sunday. A multitude of court actions were initiated to penalize violators of Sunday observance in an effort to stop the presumed erosion of family life; to stop the growing threat against labour interest and to prevent a further weakening of the citizens' commitment to Sunday quietude in church and at home.

Quietly, but forthrightly, the Adventist Church through its Public Affairs office asserted itself to elucidate in the courts and legislatures the real issues at stake — the preservation of freedom of religion and the disentanglement of the State from the affairs which belong to the Church. Now, the longstanding position of Adventism in the matter of religious freedom and the consequential offensiveness of Sunday laws to that principle, has been vindicated by Canada's highest court of justice.

Chief Justice Brian Dickson who wrote the decision, firmly addressed those who have insisted that a national Sunday law is appropriate in Canada. He said,

"To accept that Parliament retains the right to compel universal observance of the day of rest preferred by one religion is not consistent with the preservation and enhancement of the multi-cultural heritage of Canadians."

Then as if to nail down the court's decision securely, he emphasized that the *Act* creates a climate hostile to, and gives the appearance of discrimination against those Canadians who observe a day other than Sunday.

Perhaps the consummate statement on Church-State relations given by the Court is this:

"What may appear good and true to a majoritarian religious group, or to the state acting at their behest, may not, for religious reasons, be imposed upon citizens who take a contrary view. The *Charter* safeguards religious minorities from the threat of 'the tyranny of the majority.' "

On the point of defining the meaning of freedom of religion, a matter of great importance in applying the *Charter of Rights and*



Freedoms, the Court was profound in its clarity.

"A truly free society is one which can accommodate a wide variety of beliefs, diversity of tastes and pursuits, customs and codes of conduct. A free society is one which aims at equality with respect to the enjoyment of fundamental freedoms and I say this without any reliance upon s.15 of the *Charter*. Freedom must surely be founded in respect for the inherent dignity and the inviolable rights of the human person. The essence of the concept of freedom of religion is the right to entertain such religious beliefs as a person chooses, the right to declare religious beliefs openly and without fear of hindrance or reprisal, and the right to manifest religious belief by worship and practice or by teaching and dissemination. But the concept means more than that.

"Freedom can primarily be characterized by the absence of coercion or constraint. If a person is compelled by the state or the will of another to a course of action or inaction which he would not otherwise have chosen, he is not acting of his own volition and he cannot be said to be truly free. One of the major purposes of the *Charter* is to protect, within reason, from compulsion or restraint. Coercion includes not only such blatant forms of compulsion as direct commands to act or refrain from acting on pain of sanction, coercion includes indirect forms of control which determine or limit alternative courses of conduct available to others. Freedom in a broad sense embraces both the absence of coercion and constraint, and the right to manifest beliefs and practices. Freedom means that, subject to such limitations as are necessary to protect public safety, order, health, or morals or the fundamental rights and freedoms of others, no one is to be forced to act in a way contrary to his beliefs or his conscience."

This magnificent decision of the Supreme Court of Canada stands out, perhaps in all the world, as the most decisive in pronouncing that religious liberty is the cornerstone of our freedoms. It comes at the end of many agonizing moments, especially for Adventists who understood for the last four years how delicately tenuous the issue has been with respect to a

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possibly opposite outcome.

We now remember how the strongest case in Alberta (*The Queen v. W.H. Smith et. al.*) was strangely subverted by an unexpected case (*The Queen v. Big M. Drug Mart*) in which the Church had no opportunity for input at the lower court level. Then came the consolidation of many cases under the heading of *Big M*. The first attempt to intervene in the Appeal Court of Alberta turned back on the Church as a great disappointment. We feared that the important issues would be overlooked — so we prayed.

The Court was in session. The Seventh-day Adventist perspective was missing. Suddenly, the Chief Justice of the Appeal Court spoke to one of the lawyers in the court; welcomed him

and his representation of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. The lawyer, nearly dumbfounded, then stood in his place to report that he was not there to represent the Church and that he would need permission to do so since the Church had earlier been denied standing. In what seemed to be an unprecedented development, the Chief Justice then adjourned the court and suggested to the lawyer that he obtain the necessary permission to represent the Church for when the Court would resume in session the next morning.


Adventists well recall the outcome of the case in Alberta, particularly as Justice Laycraft wrote on behalf of the court that the *Lord's Day Act* is inconsistent with the Canadian *Charter of Rights and Freedoms*.

Despite the indications of the judicial assessment that the impugned Act was an infringement of religious freedom, contrary interests appealed the decision to the Supreme Court of Canada. For a full year the Court deliberated on the matter. During that time the former Justice Roland Ritchie retired from the Court and did not participate in the final decision as we now have it. He of course was the one who had written the 1963 judgment in the matter of the *Lord's Day Act*, that it merely imposed a business inconvenience on non-Sunday observers and thus he declared it to be valid law in Canada.

Providentially, and in God's own way and wisdom the affairs of state and law have been ordered so as to give many an opportunity to think about the meaning of this oft-contentious subject. Some have been led to consider which day is truly the Lord's Day. Some have repudiated clear evidence that the Holy Sabbath is indeed the Seventh-day of the week. Others remain even still, confused, uncertain, and unwary.

The end of the story has not been told. The future promises more debate and controversy. The provinces must yet decide how to relate to provincial laws which achieve the same objects as did the bygone and now infamous federal Act of 1907. Another court case in Ontario is on application to the Supreme Court of Canada. The question there is whether or not the Ontario law respecting Sunday closing based on a special purpose is valid at all.

We wait, we pray, we work and we praise God for liberty of conscience today in our land. Once again we may sing our national anthem one step higher "God keep our land, glorious and free!"



*The
Calgary
Fire Department
responded at
approximately
9:24 a.m. . . .*

“FIRE!”

The School Burned but God Saved His Children

J.D.V. Fitch

Director of Education, Canadian Union Conference

On the morning of March 21, 1985 school started at 8:55 as usual with morning worship in each classroom at the Calgary Seventh-day Adventist school. All students and staff were on the main floor of the building.

About 9:05 Roger Triebwasser, Grade 10 teacher, thought he smelled smoke. He left his classroom to check a stock room and a storage room. He also informed the Building Superintendent, Mike Paige, of the strange odor. He returned to his class to administer a quiz. Looking up, he noticed smoke seeping through the door at the rear of the classroom. He immediately sent a student to press the fire alarm and ordered his students to leave the classroom immediately.

Almost simultaneously, a student in the Grade 5/6 classroom noticed a certain "glow" in the gym as he looked out the rear door of the classroom which overlooked the upper portion of the east end of the gym. He then called to his teacher, "Mr. Bugden, the gym is on fire." Mr. Bugden gave immediate orders for his class to evacuate and went to the hall to call "FIRE."

Almost immediately all the classrooms filled with thick black smoke.

"The evacuation proceeded exactly the way we had rehearsed it in our fire drills," said principal Dallas Weis. "We are especially proud of our students who showed no panic and offered no complaints." The Board made special mention of two students, Dwayne Higgins and Stephan Krahmer, who carried out their assignments without hesitation. It was their job during all fire drills to assist a physically handicapped classmate out of the building.

Within minutes the building was engulfed in flames. The heat from the fire was intense.

The Calgary Fire Department responded at approximately 9:24 and requested assistance from the Rockyview Fire Department. They did what they could, but the heat was so intense and truck water supply was limited. The wind blew the intense heat over the cistern and attempts to control the fire were useless. A total of 9 fire trucks and

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17 firemen responded to the call. RCMP and City Police were also soon at the scene.

The manager of Westward Inn, located less than a half mile from the school on Hwy. 1, opened the doors of the Inn to the staff and students.

At the Board Meeting on March 21 a Search Committee was established to find an alternate location for the school. Annette Stanwick was appointed the official spokesperson for the media with Peter Miller, lawyer, and Dallas Weis, principal, as

resource persons.

"The public concern has been overwhelming," says Mrs. Stanwick. "All through the afternoon we received offers of accommodation, transportation and other assistance. It seems that a tragedy always brings out the best in people."

During the nine days following the fire the Board and staff of the Calgary Seventh-day Adventist School worked long and hard to make interim arrangements to continue the education of the children. Only 7 days of school were lost due to the fire. The Board was able to sign a lease agreement with the Calgary Separate School District #1 for use of the St. Annes School at 1010-21st Ave. S.E. until June 30, 1985.

The Board, staff, students and church members heart's have been touched by the compassionate response received from the education community and the community at large. They wish to express sincere appreciation to:

Mr. Graeme Proudfoot and Mr. Gerry Arshinoff of the Calgary School Board; Deputy Police Chief Jim Beatty; Mr. Graham Douglass, a private developer in Calgary; Mr. Michael Chan and Mr. Rob Groves of the Calgary Separate School District #1; and Petro Canada, Esso and Gulf Canada Resources for their generous contributions.

Although the building was insured, the cost of re-building could be staggering due to increased costs of material and labour. Some things, of course, can never be replaced such as the accumulation of personal teaching aids which teachers had gathered throughout the years.

Yes, the school building burned, but thanks be to God for the protection of the children and staff. There is another fire coming at the end of time. May all of our children receive an education which will prepare them to also escape that awful destruction. Let us all continue to pray for our brothers and sisters in Calgary and for all of our children. ✠

The information in this article was taken from news release articles written by Annette Stanwick.

Faith For Today
Celebrates
Its

35th Anniversary

of Gospel Television



Jeff Wilson
Public Relations Director

FAITH FOR TODAY, THE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH'S first television ministry, marked its 35th birthday on May 21. According to founders William and Virginia Fagal, when they first began, no one ever dreamed that one day Faith For Today would be the longest-running religious program in the history of television.

A lot was at stake when Faith For Today first went on the air back in 1950. Television was still in its infancy. Adventist television evangelism was only a dream in the minds of a few. Church leaders were asking for a lot when they invited Pastor Fagal to do the job.

Besides starting a new television ministry, Fagal was also pastor of the Washington Avenue Church in Brooklyn, New York, and speaker on a weekly radio program. But, lacking experience in television, he sought the counsel of the staff at ABC who would be helping produce the program. "Don't preach," they told him. "Tell stories instead." Thus the decision was made to use living parables — dramatic skits — to illustrate scriptural points. Pastor and Mrs. Fagal would close the program with a short sermonette completing the point made by the skit.

Sixty-six letters arrived that first week — each requesting the free Bible lessons

offered on the program. Faith For Today had no Bible Correspondence School, so the requests were routed to other Bible Schools operating in areas where the people lived. Because of this, it wasn't until a year later that the Fagals learned about the Farrar family. They had watched the very first program and written for the lessons. After studying, the whole family had been baptized. It wasn't long until the Faith For Today Bible Correspondence School was born to give each viewer personal attention.

In December of 1950 the ABC network began airing the Faith For Today telecast coast-to-coast. Gradually other stations were added. Requests for Bible lessons and other booklets increased steadily.

By 1956 the pressure of producing a new show live every week was taking its toll on the Fagals and their dedicated staff, and the

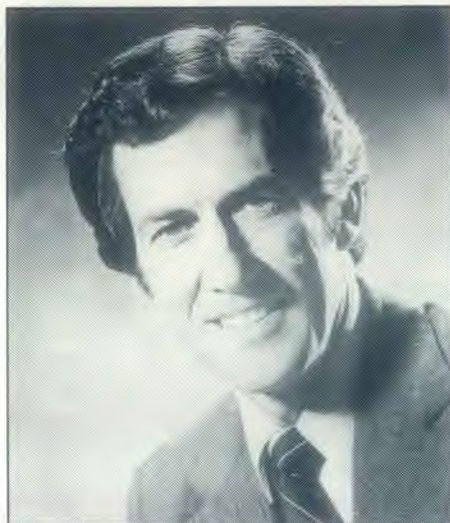
decision was made to begin on film. For a time this doubled the workload instead of easing it, as both a live and filmed program had to be done each week until several filmed ones were completed. Now mistakes could be edited out and programs repeated as needed.

Compared with radio, producing and airing a television program has always been a very expensive matter. As the number of homes with television sets increased, station managers felt growing pressure to up their profits. With some stations raising their rates as much as 200 percent in one jump, Faith For Today's expenses were rising faster than income. For a time the crisis grew. About the same time, unknown to the Fagals, three Adventist pastors in upstate New York approached the management of one station with a special request. Would they air the program free? To everyone's surprise, they did! Soon other stations around the country were approached with the same request, and a number of them put Faith For Today on the air free of charge. By 1962 even WABC, Faith For Today's original station, had agreed to air the program at no cost. Today, the air time on WABC alone is a gift — worth a quarter of a million dollars a year. Faith For Today receives more free air time each year across the country than any other Adventist telecast.

Faith For Today's growth continued with the move to Thousand Oaks, California, in 1972 to become part of the Adventist Media Center. It was on the huge new sound stage at the Media Center that the award-winning weekly series, "Westbrook Hospital," and other programs were filmed.

Pastor and Mrs. Fagal retired in 1980, handing over the guidance of Faith For Today to Elder Dan Matthews. They remain

Pastor and Mrs. William A. Fagal, founders of the Faith For Today telecast. Faith For Today is both the oldest Seventh-day Adventist telecast and the longest running religious program on television.



Pastor Dan Matthews, host of Faith For Today.

CANADIAN UNION CONFERENCE 1985 GENERAL CONFERENCE DELEGATES

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16. J. Howard — Ontario

The delegates will be looking at possible changes in the CHURCH MANUAL. This is only done at General Conference Sessions.

Next Month in SIGNS

"How well are you preparing for life's second half?" asks Lois Pecce in SIGN's cover article for July. In North America, the median age is growing older. What life will be like for you 20, 30, or even 40 years from now may well depend on the physical, emotional, financial, and spiritual preparation you make today. This article is full of down-to-earth advice. Look for the handy checklist for men and women on page 21 to determine how well you're doing.

Also in the July SIGNS, Richard Rice asks, "Why Join a Church?" Isn't salvation and Christian experience essentially an individual matter? Does a Christian really need a church? Read why the author believes the church is so important. And check the nine "Points to Ponder When Choosing a Church." They are on page 15.

"The Gift of Peace" shows you how to have this greatest of Jesus' legacies — "My peace I leave with you," He promised.

And you'll find much more in the award-winning SIGNS OF THE TIMES for July. Be looking for it. ☪

UP-DATE ON THE CHURCH OF CANADA VOTED AT THE EXECUTIVE COM- MITTEE OF THE CANADIAN UNION CONFERENCE, HELD IN LACOMBE, ALBERTA, APRIL 29, 1985

VOTED: To establish a Steering Committee of seven (to be appointed by ADCOM, M. Graham, and R. Janes) to find a solution to industrial organization and management and to consider various options including:

- a. Canadian Union-wide industrial board; suggest its composition.
- b. Incorporating various industries and/or a Holding Company.
- c. Any other options.

The Steering Committee is to prepare a proposal with necessary backup materials and documentation and with proper consultation with NAD — to report at the G.C. Session in New Orleans.

VOTED: a. To request that the Literature Ministry Coordinating Board conduct a thorough evaluation of the Western Canada Cash Sale Pilot Plan. It is recommended that the Pacific Press Vice-president for Marketing, Bob Kyte, Elder Ron Appenzeller, and Elder Marvin Suiter be invited to participate.

b. To report the evaluation results to the Union Publishing Committee with a recommendation about the continuing of the pilot programme, and to recommend marketing sales strategies.



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Brockville S.D.A. Elementary — The Church School joined with Debbie Hartwig, the Home and School leader to hold an Open House for parents and other interested visitors. Student work, projects, and school equipment were put on display. Teaching aids and curriculum guidelines were available for perusal by visitors. The senior students played two musical selections on the recorder. The student body sang "I want to Go to God's Heaven." All students presented an oral report. Subjects ranged from ancient computers to the life of Brush Rabbits.

Coralwood Junior Academy — The Grade 5 & 6 class comprised of 22 students have chosen the name "The Cheery XXII" for their Witnessing/Art class. To date they have made over 150 cards for the Cross Cancer Institute in-patients in Edmonton.

A one-time bake sale by the same class brought in \$140.00. The purpose: purchasing food items, etc. for needy families. What a joy to be a small part of God's work!

Corner Brook S.D.A. School — Province wide Education Week emphasis was on Care of a Small Planet. Display was set up in the local shopping mall and received radio and newspaper coverage. We had a poster display, a display of table top models and a full size metal wire sculpture of pollution man. This was a grade nine project.



College Heights Adventist Junior Academy — Sabbath afternoon, April 27, over 30 students (ages 9-15) from CHAJA and Woodlands Adventist Academy participated in a musical program under the direction of the College Heights Church Music Department celebrating the 300th anniversary of the birth of J.S. Bach and G.F. Handel. The academy also supported the Alberta Heart Foundation by conducting a Jump Rope For Heart fund-raising event. From grades 1-6, sixty-six students raised almost \$2,000.

New school for Indians — Two Indian Bands, namely the Shuswap and Kootney bands, are requesting Adventist Education for their children. Plans are being considered to begin the 1985-86 school year in a motel right on the reservation. Expected enrollment is 67 and 6 teachers and staff will be required.

An Indian Band at Port Hardy on Vancouver Island is considering a similar request.

DO YOU LOVE YOUR FAMILY?



It has been said, "If you love your family, you will have a will."

How many times death strikes a family unexpectedly and financial affairs are in disarray. In many cases, there is no will, and the loved ones left behind are frustrated not knowing how or where to begin in taking care of the estate.

It is our Christian duty to have a Christian Will. We have a responsibility to God and His work, and to our family and loved ones in this area of Christian stewardship.

Making financial provisions may be put off for any number of reasons. Some of these may be: "My estate is too small, everything will go to my wife or husband;" "Making a will is too costly," or, "If I make a will surely something terrible will happen." Perhaps the one that is used most frequently is: "I'll get to it sometime." In most cases, these are not valid reasons but excuses.

May the Lord help us as we consider this very important responsibility.

If we can be of further service in giving you information or assisting in a financial plan (Will, Trust, Annuity), please call or write to the Ontario Conference, Trust Services Department, 1110 King Street East, Box 520, Oshawa, Ontario L1H 7M1 (416) 571-1022.

George Clarke, *Director*
Trust Services Department

CUC



Dr. Percy Paul Retires

After thirty-six years of service in Seventh-day Adventist education, Dr. Percy Paul retired effective March 31, 1985. Dr. Paul (right) and his wife Ina were presented with a gold watch by Harvey Jacobson (left) during a farewell ceremony at Canadian Union College, April 14, 1985.

Dr. and Mrs. Paul have served at all levels of education work from church school through university. In addition to serving as academic dean at Canadian Union College, president of Kingsway College, he has served as president of colleges in Africa and the Far East and as founding president of the recently established Adventist University of East Africa.

Dr. and Mrs. Paul make their home in Red Deer, Alberta.

Other Canadian Union College staff who were presented with farewell gifts on April 14 include: Harvey and Sharon Jacobson. Harvey has served at CUC for 17½ years as general manager of Parkland Furniture and director of development and alumni affairs. Mr. Jacobson is now a partner in a business firm.

Elder and Mrs. Ben Schoun. Elder Schoun who has taught in the Theology Department will be an assistant professor in the Seminary at Andrews University.

Beverly (Matiko) Tetz who has taught for several years in the CUC English Department will study toward a doctorate at the University of Alberta.

Black History Month Celebrated at Canadian Union College (C.U.C.)

On Saturday, February 24, and for the first time ever, a steel orchestra (mainly West Indian instruments) played for almost two hours at C.U.C.

This is the second consecutive year in which Black History Month (February) was celebrated at the college. This year, the

program was jointly sponsored by the Lyceum committee of the college and the seven-year old Caribbean Association of Adventists in Alberta (C.A.A.A.). It was also partially subsidized by Alberta Culture.

The concept of Black History Month has its roots in the 20's when Dr. Woodson, an Afro-American, initiated what was then called Black History Week. During the 60's, it was "upped" to Black History Month. Today, during the month of February, the history, struggles, aspirations and accomplishments of Blacks are high-lighted in several places all across North America; and that includes some of our sister institutions in the U.S. like Atlantic Union College and Andrews University.

G.L.O.R. Yorke (Organizer)
Assistant Professor of Theology at C.U.C.
and Chaplain of C.A.A.A.

Hi-Tech Electronics Industry at CUC Provides Employment Opportunities

Canutel Industries Ltd., a privately owned electronic assembly plant located on the campus of Canadian Union College provides increasing employment opportunities for CUC students and their spouses. Hugo W. Wegmuller established Canutel in 1982 on the CUC campus in a building leased from the college.

A dedicated Seventh-day Adventist, Brother Wegmuller holds a degree in electrical engineering from an engineering college in Geneva, Switzerland. He has wide experience in electronics manufacturing, servicing, and all phases of managing electronics firms in both Europe and South Africa.

At present Canutel employs 22 people. Although it is most successful for the firm to have students comprise not more than 25% of their work force, the industry currently has about 40% student employees.

Production manager, Don Sinclair says, "Canutel likes to hire wives of students. They have proven very valuable because they are able to work full time, are pleased to have a good paying job on campus, are careful, and dependable.

Canutel invites any married student who may be considering attending CUC in the near future to apply to Canutel if work for their spouse would help to make coming to college more accessible.

To apply write or phone: Canutel

Industries Ltd., Box 610, College Heights, Alberta T0C 0Z0. Phone (403) 782-4838.

Warren Toombs, a 1985 graduate of CUC's two-year Electronics Technology Diploma program is now employed at Canutel. "We are very pleased to be able to find these qualified graduates right here at CUC and hope to be able to employ more CUC technology graduates as business expands," says Don Sinclair.

When asked about prospects for the future, Don Sinclair said, "Our philosophy is that God is the Senior Partner in this company. We try not to do anything that will go against His will. That colours every decision we make. We are constantly reminded that God has His hand in this company and is providing for us."

Business has grown from a mere trickle (\$50,000) in 1983 to \$650,000 in 1984. "This year (1985) if only ten percent of our bids are accepted, our production will exceed one million dollars," Sinclair reports.

The quality of workmanship at Canutel is strictly controlled. "We like to think that everything that leaves here is perfect," stresses Annie Wegmuller, Canutel vice-president, who personally conducts the final quality check before shipment.



Student wives build hi-tech electronic equipment at one of Canutel's assembly lines, on the CUC campus.

Canutel is equipped with the latest state-of-the-art facilities and procedures and is constantly adding new equipment.

"None of these things would have any impact if it were not for God's blessing. Orders have been received without going out for them. They have come in answer to prayer. We had some lean times, starting up as we did in a slack period, but since the beginning of 1985 representatives of very successful businesses have been coming to us with substantial contracts," says Mr. Wegmuller.

"All our employees meet for worship each morning," Brother Sinclair continued, "We don't expect them to come early for worship. Worship is conducted on company time."

Canutel's expansion plans include plants on other college campuses both in North

America and abroad. Two of these extension factories are expected to open in 1985.

Hugo and Annie Wegmuller have dedicated their industry to the support of Christian education. Their aim is, not only to provide employment opportunities for students and their spouses, but also to be a positive Christian witness through their business contacts and to enhance the spiritual tone of our college campuses through practical spiritual principles.

CUC GIDEON CLUB ONE MILLION DOLLARS RECEIVED BY MAY 15, 1985

One third of the three million dollars needed to clear the loans on CUC buildings was received in cash by May 15, 1985. A special thank you to everyone who had a part in reaching this encouraging achievement.

The Gideon Campaign, to run until the end of 1985, encourages Canadian Ad-

ventists and CUC Alumni to give or raise a \$10,000 block. Three hundred such blocks, the number of courageous soldiers in Gideon's army, would provide the required three million dollars.

Each \$10,000 block is divided into 100 segments of \$100 each. You are encouraged to give as God impresses, whether the gift be large or small. Please remember that Gideon's army was so small that the only possibility of victory was by God's help. No gift was too small. It is by God's grace that this appeal will be successful.

— JUNE — EVERY MEMBER MONTH

June is every member month. Please send a gift in June to the Gideon Club, Canadian Union College, College Heights, Alberta T0C 0Z0 or mark your tithe envelope "CUC Gideon Club" and present it through your home church. If you can't send more, please give at least \$10 in June.

Your gift in June combined with those of hundreds of others from across Canada will significantly lower the balance owing at the bank. We are depending on you.

40,000 Books in CUC Library

President Malcolm Graham of Canadian Union College (left) cuts a cake recognizing CUC's Library having placed the 40,000 book on its shelves. The book bringing the total to 40,000 is *The Lord is my Shepherd, A History of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada*.

According to Keith Clouten (right), Director of CUC Library Services, on April 25, 1985 there were actually 40,000 books in the library.

Also participating in the event were

Wendell Buck (centre left), Assistant Librarian, and Joyce Wasylyshen (centre right), Librarian Technician.

In addition to the 40,000 books, the CUC Library has a growing collection of audio-visual materials with approximately 3,000 items.

The copy of the volume, *The Lord is my Shepherd*, stamped to commemorate the event, was placed in the Library's heritage room where items of particular significance or value are preserved.

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Faith For Today Celebrates Its 35th Anniversary

active in the counseling and prayer ministries of the telecast.

Stepping into the Fagals' shoes as leader of Faith For Today was no easy task. But with the Lord's guidance Dan Matthews has done an amazing job. It was under his tutelage that the television specials, "So Near, So Far" and "Lesson in Loving," were made. "So Near, So Far," a one-hour, prime-time television special, was a new adventure for Adventist television. Never before had Adventists made a serious attempt at producing and airing a program designed to attract the masses watching television in the evening. In a number of cities the program drew audiences that competed with popular network shows.

Throughout its rich history, Faith For



87 year-old Hulda Crooks being interviewed by Dan Matthews, host of Faith For Today's new weekly series, *Christian Lifestyle Magazine*. Famous for climbing mountains at her age, Hulda's story can be seen the weekend of June 22/23 on *Christian Lifestyle Magazine*.

Today has built a solid reputation of effectively communicating spiritual principles. Since 1950 more than 30,000 people have traced their membership in the Seventh-day Adventist Church to the ministry of Faith For Today.

In 1984, after extensive research, it was decided that work should proceed toward producing a new weekly series designed to attract modern television viewers. The result was "Christian Lifestyle Magazine," an energetic program unique in the world of religious television. Host Dan Matthews and co-host Suzanne Austin introduce viewers to people whose lives illustrate positive aspects of Christian lifestyle including fitness, nutrition, relationships and spiritual wellness. Some of the stories are extraordinary, and many are heart-warming. A number of camp meetings this summer will include in their programs a special film introducing "Christian Lifestyle Magazine."

Pastor and Mrs. Fagal, Dan Matthews, and the entire staff of Faith For Today invite you to join with them in celebrating the 35th Anniversary of Faith For Today, truly a landmark event in the history of Adventist television evangelism. ☩



Dear Friend,

Building and fire regulations require that considerable upgrading of West Hall be completed by September 1, 1985 in order to retain an occupancy permit. West Hall, the former men's residence, is now serving as the music/fine arts building. It will cost \$100,000 to meet minimum requirements of fire and building safety codes. An engineer's report verifies the structural soundness of the building and recommends that it be renovated and kept in service.

West Hall is needed as a home for our music and art classes, and offices. Its closure would be a disaster.

It would cost \$750,000 to replace West Hall. For \$100,000 we can meet minimum requirements and for \$200,000 we can do all the upgrading required to transform West Hall into a useful, safe, durable and attractive building. Its decor will harmonize with our master plan already in use in the two most recently completed buildings, Lakeview Hall and the John McKibbin Education Centre.

A plan of finance in the amount of \$200,000 has been approved by the Board of Trustees. The finance plan depends on your support. A total of \$60,000 in donations is required — \$30,000 during 1985 and a similar amount in 1986. Your gifts are solicited and appreciated.

Kindly return your pledge and/or donation along with the Donation Response form accompanying this letter.

Thank you for your continued support of Christian education and of Canadian Union College.

Sincerely,

M. Graham

M. Graham, President

P.S. You are encouraged to join our CUC staff and volunteers for as much time as you can arrange between June 23 and August 23. Room and board will be provided by CUC.

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_____ Count on me to support the Annual Fund which is now being used for the upgrading of West Hall.

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Barbara L. Manspeaker — Child Evangelism Coordinator of Potomac Conference. (Sabbath School)

Bill Olson — Secretary-Treasurer, Alberta Conference. (Treasurer's Computer)

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Dr. Charles Thomas — Physical Therapist, Banning, California. (Health Testing)

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*To Everyone
To Everywhere*

Town by town,
until the last town.

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until the last house.

Person by person,
until the last person.

*"Care Enough
to Share"*

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Keith Knoche — Pastor of Garden Grove Church in California, author of several books for youth.

7, 1985

OTHER SPEAKERS

Sergio Moctezuma — Director of Personal Ministries & Sabbath School, Inter-American Division.

Rex Edwards — General Conference Ministerial Department with the PREACH Tape Club.

Sang K. Lee, M.D. — Weimar College, Staff physician in NEWSTART Program.



Mary Hryckowski

Communication Secretary, Brule Company, Alberta

That \$2.00 Bill

How many times have we heard of the story of that certain widow casting all that she had, two tiny mites, into the treasury, giving all unto the Lord. How many times have her actions and Christian example touched our souls and brought joy to our hearts when we heard of her devotion and love for the Master.

The year was 1977. Jessie Erschbamer went into her boss's office, where she worked as a cook, to collect her pay. Included in the amount she had received were four \$2.00 bills. She told her boss after receiving her wages that she was going to dedicate the \$2.00 bills to the Lord for investment. In the conversation that followed, her manager said to her that had she (Jessie) come to the office earlier she would have

received in her wages fifty-six dollars in \$2.00 bills, for this is what the other cook who came in before had received.

Over the years Jessie never stopped telling others of the \$2.00 bills that she had dedicated to the Lord. She observed that some of them were impressed by what she was doing and they in turn are also doing the same, dedicating their \$2.00 bills to the Lord.

There are those where she works, the Farmers Market, and also in her own community that she has witnessed to of the personal blessings she has received from the dedication of "that \$2.00 bill" which has increased to \$666.00.

Just think of the many souls she has touched in service for the Master, and those who are in need that would be helped somewhere around the world, by an act of love.

Truly Jessie can say, "To God Be the Glory" — for over these past seven years He has made her an instrument of His peace. ✪

Alberta

Baptism in Beauvallon

Sabbath, March 2, 1985 was a high day for the Beauvallon Church family. Our former pastor, Elder Daniel Rebsomen, preached the eleven o'clock sermon and conducted a baptismal service. Dennis Serna, a University of Alberta Junior from Two Hills, publicly expressed his love for Jesus and the truth for our time and was baptized.

Dennis's conversion came as the result of his sister's testimony and christian witness. His sister, Lorna Serna, was among the C.U.C. student missionaries of 1983-84. During that year Lorna spent ten months as a teacher on the island of Palau in the western Pacific.

In spite of his heavy University program in Agriculture, Dennis found the time to study his Bible twice a week with Pastor D. Rebsomen. While in Edmonton Dennis attends the Southside Church. During the summer months he will attend the Pobida Church in Beauvallon.

Dennis and Lorna are the two youngest children of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Serna of Two Hills.

Mrs. J. Palinka



Archie Palinka and Pastor Rebsomen welcome Dennis Serna into church membership.

Baby Dedication

The Sedgewick Church was the scene of a lovely baby dedication on April 27. Alana Dawn Gordon and Brandon Jonah Ball were dedicated to the Lord in the service conducted by Pastor Larry Couture. A special arrangement of "Jesus Loves Me" sung by Judy Anderson and Anita Mayberry, as well as the charge to the parents, given by Pastor Couture made this dedication very special to the parents, Mrs. Diane Gordon and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Ball.

Carmen Klinger

Baby Dedication in Smoky Lake



A baby dedication was held on Sabbath, March 26, 1985 in the Smoky Lake Church when Benjamin Elliot Buchholtz, son of Elliot and Lorelei Buchholtz of Thorhild, Alberta was dedicated. Pastor Rebsomen officiated. Elliot Buchholtz became a baptized member of the Smoky Lake Company in the spring of 1984. It was a happy occasion for the young parents to present their new baby boy to the Lord.

Maritime

Investment Sabbath at Moncton

Esther Lowe, is Investment leader in the Moncton Church. Mrs. Lowe has been encouraging a variety of different Investment projects one of which is an INVESTMENT BABY. Those choosing the INVESTMENT BABY as a project give a certain amount for each pound the baby gains. Mrs. Lowe is also encouraging the saving of MGM food labels, the Bic Razor project and a number of other things. The Investment offerings are growing nicely.

Not only are some giving monies for the pounds that the INVESTMENT BABY gains, but some are giving dollars for pounds that others are losing. Our church is getting in shape!



Evangelistic Meetings Follow Revelation Seminar

Pastor Barry Hubley conducted an evangelistic series in the Moncton church during the month of April. The meetings came at the conclusion of two area Revelation Seminars, one of which was held at one of the smaller towns outside Moncton by Pastor Hubley and layman John Wesley.

Several have already made their decisions for Christ and a baptism is being planned.

Cooking School and Seniors' Social at Perth/Andover

A nutrition and vegetarian cooking school was held in the Perth SDA Church in February. The group met for five nights discussing many interesting topics. Besides the practical information discussed, such as food combinations to ensure maximum nutrition, there was a lot of talking and learning about supermarket psychology and how to be sure you are getting value for your dollar. The evening that new ideas for breakfast were presented we had a newspaper representative spend the evening with us. He seemed to enjoy himself and did a very complimentary write-up for the local paper.

Marilyn Dupuis, the pastor's wife, conducted the school and Marilyn Clark and Lynn Bowmaster did our food demonstrations each night. Both church members and non-members alike, had a fun time together making everything from casserole and entree recipes to delicious low sugar desserts.

In February the social committee planned a party honouring the over 50 age group of the church, with the under 50 group serving. The evening started off with a dinner served in an atmosphere of hearts and flowers and quiet music.

The guests provided their own entertainment by storytelling and reminiscing. The oldest guest, Mrs. Elizabeth Kinney, who will be 90 in June, recited a long poem from her school days. There was musical entertainment also, with Jim Smith playing his accordion, Maxine Giberson on the piano and Pastor Dupuis trying to keep up with them on his guitar. A repeat performance is scheduled for next year.

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OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE NEW HAMPTON MARANATHA CHURCH IN THE MARITIME CONFERENCE



March 24 was the official opening date for the Hampton, New Brunswick Maranatha Church. The morning services started with an excellent Sabbath School program in which many of the young people participated helping especially with the music. Pastor Victor Gill presented an inspiring sermon which was followed by a baptism. March 24 also marked the close of an evangelistic series by Grant Gunter who is Personal Ministries Director and Evangelist for the Maritime Conference. Nine precious souls were baptized followed by two more the following Sabbath with several others looking forward to baptism in the near future.



At the official opening in the afternoon those present were: President Jim Wilson and Secretary Glen Maxson, from the Canadian Union Conference; President Lawton Lowe and Treasurer Matt Weststrate, Ray Matthews, Trust Services Director and Grant Gunter, Personal Ministries Director and Evangelist, all representing the Maritime Conference; Brian DeLong who is Pastor of the Hampton United Church in which the congregation met until their church could be occupied; Emerson Kierstead, son of the late Walter Kierstead who left the property to the church; and Hampton Mayor, William Bell. Present also were many people from the United Church and the community.



1. Trio number 1
2. Albert Smith shares the background of the new church group while the congregation enjoys the beauty of the new sanctuary.
3. Two sisters, Shawna and Sharla Smith from Barnesville were also among the nine who were baptized the opening Sabbath.
4. Albert Smith, Elder of the Maranatha church presented the history of the church. Seated behind him left to right are: Lawton Lowe, President of the Maritime Conference, Victor Gill, Pastor of the Maranatha & Barnesville churches, Ray Matthews, Trust Director for the Maritime Conference, (not seen in the picture), James Wilson, President of the Canadian Union Conference, Brian DeLong, Pastor of the Hampton United Church; Emerson Kierstead, son of the late Walter Kierstead who gave the property for the church, and the Hampton Mayor, William Bell.



5. This new church is blessed with talent from all age groups.
6. Mayor William Bell welcomes the church to the community.
7. Trio number 2.
8. Evangelist Grant Gunter and others extending the right hand of fellowship to the nine who were baptized the day of the opening. Pastor and Mrs. Grant Gunter concluded their successful crusade meetings one week later.



9. An extra for the baptismal program was when Pastor Gill baptized his own daughter, Gloria Gill.
10. Trio number 3.

UPDATE ON AFRICAN FAMINE

John M. Howard

Executive Director, ADRA, CANADA

In Ethiopia last year a survey was taken for the first time ever. It showed the population of Ethiopia to be 32,000,000; however, AID workers who are there believe 40,000,000 to be closer to the truth. If we take the 32,000,000 it still makes Ethiopia, with a per capita gross national product of \$142.00 per year, the poorest country in Africa. The life expectancy at birth is 40 years — the same as Chad and Afghanistan. These three are the lowest in the world. Over 85% of the population of Ethiopia live in the countryside. Only about 15% of the adult population is literate.

The average daily calorie intake is 26 percentage points below the UN Food and Agriculture Organization's minimum requirement. Only 6% of the population has access to safe drinking water, and there is only one doctor for every 58,000 inhabitants. The cultivated areas of Ethiopia lose over a billion tons of topsoil each year by erosion. At the turn of the century 40% of the countryside was forested. Today the figure is 4%. Ethiopia has the biggest livestock population in Africa. Although 69% of the country is classified as agricultural land, only about 15% is being used — partly because of the traditional settlement patterns, and partly because Ethiopia has the lowest density of rural roads of any nation in the world, and the third lowest density of all roads. Little more than 7% of the agricultural production is by modern methods, and most of this goes for coffee, which accounts to 61% of the exports.

In each of the past 10 years some regions of Ethiopia have been affected by drought, and in none of these years has the nation produced enough food to feed itself. The drought from '72 to '74 was estimated at killing some 200,000 people. This led to the downfall of Hailie Selassie.

However, attention now shifts from Ethiopia to the Sudan. Hundreds of thousands of people, some say something like a million in all, are at this moment literally lying along the vast arid wilderness of the Sudan in various stages of sickness and death, so *The New Internationalist* reports. Many have marched a thousand miles or more from Ethiopia on the one side, or Chad, on the other, in the belief that the

land is greener on the other side. At the end of their trek they are worse off than ever. There is no food, and in some places the tiny handful of relief workers and doctors who struggle to help, do not know how to cope. In the next few weeks there will not even be enough water to keep the people alive. There is no way the Sudan's frail economy can cope with a million starving people. Rich countries would find it hard going if such numbers suddenly descended on them.

That is why, on Friday, May 17, in Montreal, the boat "Happiness II" set sail from Montreal for Port Sudan. Aboard this ship were food commodities, including peas, powdered milk, wheat, flour, oil, and high protein supplements. Several organizations had food aboard this ship, including ADRA,

CANADA. Over \$150,000 worth of this food will be allocated to ADRA, SUDAN. A telegram has just been received saying how great the need is in that area. The exact words were "Sudan has tremendous needs. Please apply for . . . (the aforementioned items)."

It seems that no matter where we look in the world, there are people who are suffering. Tremendous efforts could take place to aid these people, and I know we will be praying for our workers there in the Sudan as they distribute the food to those in need. We want to thank each of you for the offering that came in on May 11. We do not yet have a total, but we trust that there will be sufficient to continue the development projects that are so needed. ☸



Food shipment for the Sudan being loaded on the ship "Happiness II" — Over \$150,000 worth of food from ADRA Canada.



Left to right: John Howard, Executive Director, ADRA, CANADA; Bill Newell, Director, World Vision; David Kilgore, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of External Affairs; John Weiler, Director, Africa Emergency Aid; Michael Rosseau, Director, Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace. These men were given a reception aboard the ship "Happiness II" by the captain before the ship departed from Montreal arriving at Port Sudan June 1. The total cargo was food — oil, flour, peas, milk and high protein supplement.

Manitoba-Saskatchewan

Agape Feast and Baptism for Isolated Church Members Also a Special Baby Dedication Service

Friday evening, April 5, a beautiful service was conducted at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Clark of Shaunavon. They are members of the Conference Church being 80 miles from the nearest local S.D.A. Church. Following a request by their 2 sons for Bible Studies, Elder Lee Patterson brought down a set of studies and helped the boys to get started. Between visits from Elder Patterson and the faithful dedication of Christian parents, Rick and Rob Clark chose to commit their lives to Christ and be baptized. Approximately 25 guests and family members assembled at the Clark home Friday evening where they first participated in an Agape Feast followed by a service of music, counsel and prayers by Pastor Al Reimche and Pastor Lee Patterson. After their vows were taken, Rick and Rob were baptized there in their swimming pool. God's presence was very near and all present received a beautiful blessing. Rick and Rob will be joining the Conference Church.

To complete this special weekend, Elder Lee Patterson conducted a baby dedication service on Sabbath for Kurtis, infant son of Steve and Marilyn (Clark) Schiller. May God richly bless their little family.



Rick and Rob Clark after their baptism.



Steve and Marilyn (Clark) Schiller holding Matthew and baby Kurtis with Elder Lee Patterson.

Farewell Service at Nipawin



On March 16 the Nipawin, Saskatchewan Church said farewell to their much loved Pastor John Sabo, his wife Kathie, and their children Jonathan and Tanya. The Pastor's farewell sermon was followed by a lovely potluck dinner and a presentation of a silver tray engraved — "From the Nipawin Church Members". A purse of money was also given. John will pastor the Silver Heights and Charleswood, Manitoba Churches.

Meet the Joe Melashenko Family

The Joe Melashenko family "will sing again" at the Manitoba — Saskatchewan Campmeeting on July 12, 13, 1985. The father, Joe, and five sons, Lonnie, Joedy, Dallas, Eugene and Rudy sang together for several years when the children were home.

The sons have professional and family responsibilities in different locations but are planning a family reunion at the Man.-Sask. Campmeeting, near Saskatoon. The highlight of the reunion is "singing together again."

Joe and Anne will also be celebrating their 40th wedding anniversary near where they were married — this time with all five sons present.

The Melashenko family is well known across Canada through Joe's affiliation with the Voice of Prophecy and the King's Heralds Quartet, his evangelistic crusades in Canada, as a recording artist for Chapel Records, and as the "Voice of the Deep" on radio fund raising programs and as a public school teacher in Western Canada. He is doing evangelism in Central California.

Lonnie's work with George Vandeman on the It Is Written television program on 10 major stations in Canada and the Canadian It Is Written Seminars including a week-long seminar at the Ontario camp in 1981, has touched many lives in Canada.

The last time the family sang together was 10 years ago in the Vallejo Drive Church in Glendale, California.

The whole family is excited about this reunion to meet their many friends and to "sing together again." Come and meet and hear them at the Man.-Sask. campmeeting, July 12, 13.

Three Youth Baptized at Mount Royal Church

Sabbath afternoon, March 30, a special service was held in the Mt. Royal Seventh-day Adventist Church in Saskatoon. Three young people took their stand for Christ. Shelly Pocha, daughter of Sherryn and Brent Pocha, has been attending church school and Sabbath Services. The strong Christian influence of her home led her to desire Bible Studies from her pastor and a decision to be baptized. She joins her family as a member in the Mt. Royal Church. Danny Patterson, son of Elder and Mrs. Lee Patterson, has also been influenced by a Christian home and desired to publicly commit his life to Jesus. Ashley Cook became good friends with Elder Patterson while at summer camp helping with the waterfront activities and also on the Canoe Trip this past summer. This friendship led to Bible Studies and in turn to a desire for baptism. These youth love their Lord and we as a Church want to uphold them in our prayers.



Left to right, back row - Ashley Cook, Elder Lee Patterson, Shelly Pocha, Danny Patterson.

President Dedicates Baby



Elder Don MacIvor, President of the Manitoba-Saskatchewan Conference, conducted the dedication service for the infant daughter of Assistant Treasurer, Warren Walikonis and his wife Dawn. This beautiful service was held in the Mt. Royal Seventh-day Adventist Church on March 30. Mr. Walikonis sang a special song, dedicated to his daughter, of the love of God and parents towards children.



Left to right: Hon. John Bucklaschuk, Minister of Housing for Manitoba presenting cheque to Donald M. MacIvor, Chairman of the Board of East Park Lodge.

The historical development of Personal Care Homes, across Canada, was initiated by Elder Anthony Kaytor. Saskatchewan's "Sunnyside," located in Saskatoon, opened its hospitable doors in 1963, followed by Park Manor, with a complement of one hundred beds, in '67, in Transcona, Winnipeg. Elder Kaytor's identification with Adventist philosophy, accentuated by his personal experience with our healthcare practice and clinical performance, justifiably endorsed him as the first administrator of our monumental medical, and educational centre, the North York Branson Hospital, Toronto.

Throughout subsequent years, and resulting from the vision and collective initiative of conference executive committees, enthusiastically sustained by the laity, six other denominationally-controlled Personal Care Homes extend from New Brunswick to Vancouver Island.

But we must desist in our penchant to ramble in our preamble!

Our dominant theme, and our predominant emphasis is, of course, implicit in the exciting events associated with Park Manor Personal Care Home. On Thursday, March 14, government dignitaries, church leaders, President James W. Wilson, and Executive Secretary Glen Maxson, representing the Church in Canada, together with professional representatives from health-care organizations, assembled for the ground breaking ceremony signalling the imminent commencement of the concrete externalization of the six-storey Senior Citizens Complex: East Park Lodge.

This modern and highly functional facility, exhibited to the assembly through the artist's colourful, conceptual impression, reflected the grand ultimate in contemporary concept, and unique design. Located on our own land, this commendable capital investment, will complement our adjacent Home which will be extended to facilitate connecting access to the Seniors Complex.

Of the 3.3 million dollars involved in this praiseworthy enterprise, \$265,000 is allocated to extension of the Home's kitchen and dining room. Investigation, planning and source of funding, have been prayerfully, critically and carefully negotiated by

PARK MANOR PERSONAL CARE HOME AND EAST PARK LODGE GROUND BREAKING MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR PROJECT



A. George Rodgers,
Consultant, Health Care Institutions

Park Manor's Board, and administration. The parent organization, too, has enthusiastically confirmed this plan. Funding, at periodic intervals, will involve Federal and Provincial treasuries. The Federal subsidy will eventuate annually in the dimension of \$291,000; whilst 2.9 million dollars, the fiscal backbone of the project, will be available through one of Canada's outstanding chartered banks.

It was exciting, and exhilarating, to witness presentation of the Manitoba government's cheque, accomplished in the substantial sum of \$166,987. This formality was undertaken by The Honourable John Bucklaschuk, Minister of Housing, and the smiling, appreciative recipient, President Don MacIvor, rendered himself appropriately articulate for the negotiable instrument at long last endorsing govern-



Left to right: Hon. Felix Holtmann, MP for Selkirk-Interlake representing the Hon. Bill McKnight, Minister responsible for C.M.H.C.; Donald M. MacIvor, Chairman of the Board of East Park Lodge; Hon. Wilson Parasiuk, Minister of Energy & Mines & Minister responsible for Man. Hydro & M.L.A. for Transcona.

mental participation, and approval, of this grandiose project.

The occasion was of such history-making significance, that it also attracted The Honourable Bill McKnight, Minister for C.M.H.C. (represented by a distinguished colleague); also The Honourable Wilson Parasiuk, Minister of Energy and Mines, and Minister for Manitoba Hydro and MLA for Transcona. Speeches from each of the visiting dignitaries, was in acclaim of Seventh-day Adventist secular philosophy so practically and devotedly demonstrated in its humanitarian pursuits and objectives.

Your consultant would stand self-indicted, and remiss, indeed, if due acknowledgement of the indefatigable endeavours of Administrator Don Laing, was omitted from this report. His performance throughout the entire ceremony, revealed his research in protocol, and his flawless conduct of this auspicious occasion was essentially an accomplishment evoking our pardonable pride!

It was proper, appropriate and well-deserving, that government speeches, augmented by President MacIvor, paid due and well-earned recognition of Park Manor's previous executive officer, William Olson. Administrator Olson explored possibilities, impressed his Board with the potentialities resident in a Senior Citizens Complex, and made the initial representations to government, culminating in feasibility studies, approval in principle, leading to blessed implementation!

Administrator Ed Gallant, West Park Manor, presented a fascinating, and well-researched History of Seventh-day Adventist Organizational Services. As Dean of Nursing Home Administrators in Canada, none was better equipped, or professionally qualified, to present with such clarity, the historicity of our humanitarian involvement with health-care, not only here in Canada, but within the broad spectrum of our health and caring endeavours throughout the world.

Pastor Ordained Before Leaving for Mission Field



Pastor Brian Bechthold of Winnipeg Central and Mountain Andrews churches in Winnipeg, was ordained and set aside for the gospel ministry at a special service held in the Weyburn Church on March 16. Elder Wilson of the Union Conference and Elder MacIvor of the Manitoba-Saskatchewan Conference performed the service. Several visiting minister friends also joined in the dedication prayer.

Elder and Mrs. Brian Bechthold will soon be leaving for Africa and we wish God's richest blessings on them and their family.

Henderson Highway Welcomes New Pastor

The Henderson Highway Church in Winnipeg, bid farewell to the Schlehuder family, on February 23, at a farewell evening in their honour. Pastor L. Schlehuder has accepted a call to serve as pastor at the College Heights Church. We welcome John Gilbert as the new pastor of the Henderson Highway Church, formerly pastor of the Silver Heights Church. Mrs. Gilbert is one of the teachers at our Red River Valley Junior Academy.

A Baby Dedication at Nipawin, Saskatchewan



On February 16 a baby dedication service was held at the Nipawin, Saskatchewan Seventh-day Adventist Church for Shawn Crombie, son of Calvin and Louise Crombie of Redgedale, Saskatchewan. The service was conducted by Pastor John Sabo.

Weyburn Church Dedication



Sabbath, March 16, was a high day for the Weyburn Church members. On that day they dedicated their sanctuary, debt free, to the Glory of God. The act of dedication was given by the Manitoba-Saskatchewan Conference President, Elder D.M. MacIvor. A large group of visitors came by to rejoice and a fellowship dinner was held following the service.

Community Services Open House

A new outreach program was held in Saskatoon on March 17 — a Community Services Open House. In the church school gym 5,000 articles of clothing plus 800 pieces of missionary literature were made available to needy people. About 2,500 articles were given away to the walk-in people throughout the day and the remaining clothing and literature plus \$200.00 was given to the Chilean relief group.

Baby Dedication at Mt. Royal



It was with great joy that Pastor Patterson conducted the dedication service for Kendra Eitel, infant daughter of John and Iola Eitel at the Mt. Royal Seventh-day Adventist Church. John and Iola are excited about their new found walk with Christ and are determined to bring up their daughter in the admonition of the Lord.

"Go, Wash in the Pool of Siloam"



The Saskatoon and area residents recently watched as the story of John 9 was acted out by ministers and laymen of the local Seventh-day Adventist Churches. The healing of the blind man by Jesus was a beautiful example of Christ's love for suffering humanity. It also was a lesson in true Sabbath observance. Many hours of practice went into this production and it was a very effective play. Here the blind man, Pastor Miller, stands before the Sanhedrin. Mrs. Sherryn Pocha led out and organized the entire play.

Weyburn Baby Dedication



Sabbath, March 16, Charles and Kelly Eddy presented their son, Reuben Elliot Eddy, for dedication to the Lord at the Weyburn Church. Pictured are Pastor Duffy with baby Reuben, and Mr. and Mrs. Eddy.

Newfoundland

Corner Brook Baptism



A baptism of five souls took place in the Corner Brook, Newfoundland church on April 13. The new members represented the influence of faithful lay people, and Pastor John Lyons performed the baptismal rite. Pictured are Garland Legge, Jean Legge, Lori Petley, Debbie Manuel and Tanya Manuel.

Baptism and Graduation for Peel Company



The Peel SDA Company held its second baptism on April 13, 1985, at the Central Park Baptist Church. Those who were baptized were prepared by Pastor Cudanin, a Filipino retired minister, and Pastor Pangan through systematic visitation, thorough Bible studies, and the Bible Prophecy Seminar conducted by Pastor Parchment at the Central Peel Secondary School at Brampton. Included among the newly baptized members are: Jacqueline Capicio, Carlos Junsay, Pablo Maranan, Purificacion Maranan, and Bernardo Tagabing. The new members have also been given their respective spiritual guardians to help them grow and mature in the Christian faith. Here the five newly baptized members are being introduced to the congregation by Pastor Pangan, the Peel SDA Company leader.



For several months Pastor Cudanin and Pastor Pangan have visited 13 young people and adults to give them Bible studies coupled with the Encounter lessons. Some of the young people were baptized on December 29, 1984, and to continue nurturing them in the knowledge of the truth, they studied the Encounter lessons. On April 8, 1985, Bible students Sheila, Arni and Allan Aspillia; Wayne Cabbab, Jacqueline Capicio, Carlos Junsay, Purificacion Maranan, Allan Nieva, Bernardo Tagabing, Maridel Vertido, Verna Zagala and her brother Oscar received their certificates. Not pictured is Mark Roller.

Baptism at Bowmanville

With praise to the Lord, the members of the Bowmanville Church witnessed a beautiful baptism, which was conducted by our Pastor Mark Johnson. At that time three new members went forward in baptism, namely, Mrs. Winnifred Allison, Donna Reid and Richard Barker, while his wife, Lorraine Barker was accepted into membership on profession of faith. All this was the result of the work of several members plus the follow-up studies by Pastor Johnson. The four new members were welcomed into church fellowship by Len Leatherdale, Head Elder, the Board of Elders of the Bowmanville Church, together with the families of the newly baptized members. That Sabbath morning, eighteen of their own family members, along with the members of the Bowmanville church family, rejoiced that these four candidates had been added to the kingdom of God.

Len Leatherdale, *Correspondent*
Bowmanville S.D.A. Church



The four new members of the Bowmanville Church, pictured above, are left to right - Winnifred Allison, Donna Reid, Lorraine Barker and Richard Barker.

Prophecy Crusade Reaps a Bountiful Harvest

The Lord blessed the combined efforts of the Kingsview Village and Malton churches in the recent Prophecy Crusade which they sponsored in their area. During the course of this four week crusade, the Lord blessed the efforts of the Crusade staff and church members with 41 precious souls.

The members of both churches were very faithful in supporting the meetings with both their personal attendance and the guests they brought with them from night to night. More than four hundred often crowded the West Humber Collegiate Institute for the nightly meetings.

The Crusade staff included Elder Steve Petr, pastor of the Kingsview Village church, Elder Haskell Edwards, pastor of the Malton church, Enid Davis and Miriam Francis, Bible workers. Elder James Fox, Ontario Conference Evangelist, conducted the crusade.

James Fox
Conf. Evangelist

Hamilton Mountain Seventh-Day Adventist Church Baptisms



On December 22, 1984 Russ Wilkinson, Nigel Leslie, and Sandra Silva, were baptized by Pastor Eric Juriansz in the Hamilton Mountain Seventh-day Adventist Church.

To All Church Correspondents or Communication Secretaries

Please send your copy for *Messenger* to your local conference office. It must be sent directly to them and they send it to the Canadian Union Office. If pictures are to be returned, they must be accompanied by a stamped, self-addressed envelope. Payment must accompany ads which also must be cleared through your local conference office.

Editor

British Columbia

Lifestyle Dimensions Tabloid

Almost two years ago Metro Vancouver pastors thought that if they were to ever reach people in that complex city, they needed to organize and execute programs together. That they did. The result: sequence evangelism and Adventist Awareness in the media.

While evaluating the promotional success of their 1984 programs, the pastoral counsel agreed that they wanted a tabloid. It would promote Revelation Seminars, give health information, advertise lifestyle events, offer free information on positive lifestyles and Biblical topics as well as aid in name recognition for the church.

So, for the meetings which began in February, 1985, LIFESTYLE DIMENSIONS was born. This eight-page newspaper-format promotional piece carried stories on Lifestyle Line, the effects of caffeine, protein in one's diet, cancer prevention, N.E.W. S.T.A.R.T., plus, a free book offer and an invitation to church.

"We realized many positive results which we weren't expecting," said Paul Richardson, editor of the one-time paper. Below are listed some of the comments and results of LIFESTYLE DIMENSIONS.

- More than 250 calls in the first four days after delivery. (i.e. requesting health information, Revelation Seminar directors, INFO TEL, health seminar registration etc.)
- Over 100 letters arrived at the Conference office requesting much the same as above (40 of which requested some religious information or Bible studies).
- More than 35 requested registration information for N.E.W. S.T.A.R.T. at Camp Hope.
- "I live in Deep Cove. Do you have a church here? You have such an interesting approach to health."
- "Your flyer is excellent. I'd give it top marks in all categories - layout, content, design." (a Vancouver editor)

Help us locate these missing members:

Mr. Patrick Fabrick
Miss Christine Fabrick
Miss Christine Reyez

If anyone reading this request knows anything about the whereabouts of any of these people, would kindly send word to:

Mrs. Margaret Emmerson
9256 Woodbine St., S.
Chilliwack, B.C. V2P 5S8

Vancouver Central Sponsors Vietnamese Refugees

Tuyen and Hong Nguyen came to Vancouver nearly six years ago from Vietnam having escaped in a small boat and eventually waiting in a camp in Singapore for sponsorship. The Vancouver Central Seventh-day Adventist Church agreed to be responsible for this couple and paid for their rent and food and other essentials until jobs could be secured.

On March 30, the church members celebrated with Tuyen and Hong the birth of their daughter, Jacqueline. Both Tuyen and Hong have been successful in finding employment and have recently moved to a new condominium from their original apartment house. The Nguyen's requested special prayer for Hong's parents safe arrival in Vancouver this month as their passports had almost expired and no word had been received.

Baby Jacqueline received a stroller, a highchair and other gifts and many best wishes. She will be dedicated to the Lord in April.



Donalda Rowse, left and Lisa Rowat centre, pose with Hong and Tuyen Nguyen and baby Jacqueline at a baby shower in the Vancouver Church.

Baptism in Vernon



A mother and daughter were baptized together by Pastor Harold Reimche in the Vernon Church January 19. Heidi Meyans (right) accepted the invitation of an Adventist friend, Edith Seymour, to attend meetings presented by Dr. Wadie Farag in November. Heidi invited her daughter, Doris Ryan to attend with her. Doris had a friendly tie with the Triebwassers, an Adventist family in Salmon Arm. Praise God for the decision made by Heidi and Doris, and for the influence of Seventh-day Adventist Christian friends.

Baby Dedication at Nanaimo



The Nanaimo Church was very pleased to witness a special baby dedication service for Candace Nadine, daughter of Randy and Ruby Elliott. Pastor Terrance Davin admonished the parents, grandmothers, Peggy Elliott and Réta Pirart, and the congregation to work together in helping to lead baby Candace to the Lord.

Osoyoos Baptism



Kenneth Machan, Jr., was baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Osoyoos, British Columbia by retired pastor, Harold Dawes.

50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration for Kenzles



Wilfred and Ida Kenzle celebrated 50 years of marriage in the company of about 60 friends in the fellowship room of the Vernon Church on February 10. A light meal was followed by a program presented by various members of the church in honour of the couple. The Kenzles were married in Sylvan Lake, Alberta, on February 7, 1935, and lived there before moving to Vernon 13 years ago. The couple has 7 children, 14 grandchildren, and 3 great-grandchildren. The family is planning a gathering in their honour in Sylvan Lake in July. They have been members of the Adventist church for over 30 years.

Ground is Broken for Victoria — Sidney School

Land search for a combined school, suitable distance to both church locations, has kept Victoria and Sidney church members busy for some years, and at the right time the Lord has miraculously provided a beautiful parcel of land to the delight of all.

Ground breaking for a new combined church school took place on March 2 on the property site of 4.65 acres, nine miles north of the Victoria Center.

Conference President Gary DeBoer officiated by giving a dedicatory address with local pastors Mal Atwood of the Sidney congregation and Les Anderson of the Victoria Church offering prayers. A large number of members came to support.

It is anticipated that the new school will be ready for use in the New Year, 1986. A three-teacher school, grades 1 through 10, which will include Science Computer and Business courses, Home Economics and French is planned.

The Victoria and Sidney churches have been operating a combined campus school for some years at Bowerbank Road, Sidney, under the name Vancouver Island Junior Academy. The current principal, Glen Sandness and Shari Ganson, lower grade teacher, will be joined by Cathy Pflieger in the fall.

Kathleen C. Piper

Ingatherer Awarded

Rosalie Llewellyn was awarded the most outstanding ingatherer for the Westminster SDA church in 1984. She began her work in Surrey BC on Nov. 11, and finished on December 2 with \$810.

Rosalie said, "I look forward to Ingathering each year. It's my favourite kind of church work."

Orchard City Cooking Class



Kevin O'Neill, 7 years old, was the youngest demonstrator who ably made French Toast, reading the recipe, blending the ingredients and cooking them to a young chef's perfection. 43 registered for the cooking classes where Ruth Smith was the guest speaker.

Acronix Team Tours West



The Acronix, a 21-member gymnastics team from Fraser Valley Adventist Academy, recently completed a tour of Alberta and British Columbia.

The team is the result of several years of dedicated leadership by their coach, Gwen Bader. Their performances were both disciplined and polished.

The theme of their performance was Man in Motion. They began and ended the show giving God the glory, recognizing him as their creator, their benefactor and their Saviour.

Students who are interested in attending FVAA can write to: Registrar, Fraser Valley Adventist Academy, P.O. Box 249, Aldergrove, B.C. V0X 1A0. Phone: 604-856-7852.

The academy is a vibrant school, evidenced by a 10% growth this past year. They have strong programs in all phases: spiritual, mental, and physical.

Baby Dedication



Presented to the Lord in a baby Dedication service at Terrace, B.C. were Joshua David - son of James and Mary Thomson, Vincent Pierre - son of Serge and Monique Drouin, Loren Roger - son of Rodger and Ann Clawson, Kelly Jean & Benjamin Gerald - daughter and son of Bonnie McNeil. This joyous occasion was officiated by Pastor Ed Sukow at the Terrace Church, March 16, 1985.

Dunham/Scobie Award

Phil Dunham, Executive Secretary of the BC Conference and Bill Scobie, a Dawson Creek Adventist, were nominated for the Living Proof Award by the RCMP Highway Patrol in March.

The two were driving in the Dawson Creek, BC area when they were struck by a pickup truck. An RCMP spokesperson said it would have been a fatal accident had approved seat belts not been worn.

Both men are recuperating well from fractures, whiplashes, bumps and bruises.

Kelowna Baptism and Dedication Service



Steve and Siegrid Renaud were baptized at Kelowna and this day was especially memorable because their son Dale was dedicated at the same service. Linda Daker was also baptized. The new daughter of Hector and Beth Odiyar, Mai-Rhea Laurice was dedicated also by Pastor David Ellis, centre.

Lifestyle Line Ratings

Lifestyle Line, an interview format program sponsored by BC Adventists, has recently received its first, and very positive, ratings.

According to the radio rating organization of Canada, Lifestyle Line listenership peaks at more than 7,400 during the 10 to midnight slot each Saturday night.

Hosted by Bob Tetz, Vancouver's Central Church pastor, the program addresses issues on mental and physical well-being and allows time for callers to ask questions of guests on each show.

Obituaries

COOPER — Heber Cooper was born February 29, 1928 in Bonavista, Nfld. and he and his family became the first Adventists in that area. Through his work in the literature ministry, thousands of people have learned of the Adventist message.

Heber Cooper is survived by his wife Bertha, five sons: Stewart, Melvin, Barry, Roy and Wayne; four daughters: Millicent Hart, Pauline Churchill, Christine Stead and Betty, a sister and a brother as well as ten grandchildren also survive.

DOMKE — Oscar Leopold Domke, born January 31, 1899 in Emilufke Russia, passed away on January 5, 1985, aged 85 years at Langley, British Columbia. Funeral services were at the Henderson Chapel with Robert Bradley officiating. He is survived by his wife, Helen, a daughter, Evelyn Regert, and sons Herb and Ben and six grandchildren.

HUNT — Athena Florence Hunt (nee Reed) was born on Dec. 2, 1906 at Little Catalina. She passed to her rest March 24, 1985. She accepted the Adventist message in the 1940's.

She was laid to rest March 26, 1985 in the Bonavista Seventh-day Adventist Cemetery to await the Master's call. Services were conducted by Pastor Curtis Johnson assisted by Carter and Roger Stanley.

LAFONT — Mrs. Myrtle May Lafont was born in Fenelon Falls, Ontario on December 18, 1913, and passed to her rest in Calgary on March 16, 1985. On February 24, 1930 Myrtle married Ernie Lafont.

The Lafonts lived in Sundridge and areas of Ontario and then moved to Calgary in 1971.

About 1936 Mrs. Lafont became a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Mrs. Lafont was known for her unselfishness. Both she and her husband opened their home to those in need. Besides her loving husband, Mrs. Lafont is survived by five sons: Frank, Clayton, Cyril, Ken and John; and two daughters: Marlene Heintz and Karen Yates. One foster daughter Joy Rout, also survives.

The funeral service was held from the Calgary Central Seventh-day Adventist Church under the direction of Chapel of the Bells. Sister Lafont now rests in Mountain View Memorial Gardens, Calgary awaiting Christ's glorious return.

A.W. Robertson

NASH — Nancy Gladys (Fehdrau) Nash was born in Mayfair, Saskatchewan on Nov. 2, 1942. She was baptized at 10 years of age and studied at Okanagan Academy, and at Kingsway College where she began her nursing career. She married Alan Nash in 1968. On April 15 Nancy died from head injuries in an unexplained single vehicle accident near Canora. Left to mourn are her husband, Pastor Alan Nash and four children, Raydene, 13, Nathan, 11, Marco 6 and Kendall 3. Her mother, one sister and one brother also survive her.

Funeral services were conducted at Canora with several pastors officiating — Alan Nash, C. Baptiste, R. Jamieson and D. MacIvor. Interment was at the Canora Cemetery.

PEARSON — Robert Pearson was born at Burnt Lake, Alberta on September 28, 1898 and passed away in Red Deer, Alberta April 17, 1985.

Robert married Amy Johnson and they worked in evangelism in Winnipeg and Calgary.

He leaves his beloved wife Amy in the Sylvan Lake Lodge; one son, Harold; two daughters, Esther Semograd, and Frances Robertson; 8 grandchildren; and 10 great grandchildren.

Interment was in the Sylvan Lake Cemetery and services were conducted by Pastors Lavern Krenzler and Stan Gallant.

SCOTT — Edna Mae Scott (nee Clyburne) was born on July 30, 1906, at Isaac's Harbor, Nova Scotia, and fell asleep in Jesus on April 3, 1985, at Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island.

On July 16, 1934 she was united in marriage to Harold Henry Scott of Clyde River, P.E.I. Along with her husband she became a member of the Charlottetown Seventh-day Adventist Church in 1936.

She is survived by five sons: John, Dalvay, Percy, Alden, and Cecil; two sisters, also thirteen grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Following the service conducted by Pastor Grant Gunter our dear sister was laid to rest in the Clyde River Baptist Cemetery to await the call of the Lifegiver on that glorious resurrection morning.

SIKORA — Mrs. Mary Sikora was born December 16, 1904 in Pheasant Forks in the Fenwood area of Saskatchewan and died on Sabbath, March 9, 1985.

She leaves to mourn her passing, two sons, John and Norman; four daughters, Audrey Koetsch, Gladys Schmidt, Grace Kurtz and Doris Thunstrom; six grandchildren, one great-grandchild and a host of relatives and friends with the hope of the blessed resurrection.

Pastor Clarence Baptiste officiated at the Melville Seventh-day Adventist Church.

WALDRON — Benjamin Horace Waldron was born on May 1, 1922 in East Clifton, Quebec. Brother Waldron passed to his rest on April 10, 1985.

He accepted the Adventist faith and was baptized into the Westmount Seventh-day Adventist Church in 1974.

He is survived by his wife Muriel; two sons, Tom and Danny; a daughter, Mary-Ann; two grandchildren and his father, two sisters and a brother.

Funeral services were conducted by Elder C.S. Greene, Pastors J.H. Whalley and W. Martin in the LaSalle Seventh-day Adventist Church on April 15, 1985 where Brother Waldron awaits the glad resurrection morning.

WIENS — Jacob John Wiens was born in Eulen, Minnesota, December 6, 1904, and passed to his rest in Chilliwack, B.C., February 22, 1985. He farmed in Saskatchewan for 40 years then moved to Kelowna with his second wife, Aileen Dunlop, with whom he joined the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Brother and Sister Wiens had scores of foster children in their home besides his three sons and her five children, all of whom were present with many other family members for his funeral service, conducted by Lynn Baerg, pastor of the Chilliwack church, and former pastor Harry White. We pray for the sustaining hand of Jesus to be with his dear widow and all those who miss him so much.

Weddings

GILL - RATCLIFF

On March 17, 1985, Nelda Nadine Ratcliff, daughter of Judy and Glen Ratcliff of Bella Coola, British Columbia and Glenn Herbert Gill, son of Donna and Dr. Kinglsey Gill of Halifax, Nova Scotia exchanged vows in the Bella Coola SDA Church. Reverend Harold Beaumont, uncle of the groom, performed the ceremony. Nelda and Glenn are making their new home in St. John's Newfoundland, where Glenn will be doing a two-year family practice residency.

JURIANSZ - WOODWARD

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"Friends of Canada" Honours First President

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The gathering was held on the La Sierra Campus with Irene McEachern of Thousand Oaks, California, president of the organization, chairing the program.

The first president of "Friends of Canada," Dr. Ewald A. Bower, M.D. of Grass Valley, California, was the speaker. He was introduced by Dr. Elmer Kelln, D.D.S. of Loma Linda, who gave the following facts in his introduction:



Ewald A. Bower, M.D.

Dr. Bower was born in Inglis, Manitoba in 1907. He was a teacher and principal of our Vancouver, British Columbia school for four years, then served as head of the Science Department at Oshawa Missionary College for three years.

In 1940 he graduated from the Loma Linda University School of Medicine, retiring from his medical practice in 1979. However, it was not the usual retirement - instead he served as anesthesiologist at the Bangkok Hospital in Thailand for three years. He is currently working with the American Cancer Society as a lecturer in Public Education, and serves

as director of the Outpatient Department at Weimar Institute.

"Friends of Canada" was organized in 1941, with Dr. Bower as its first president, a responsibility that he carried for the first four years. Dr. Kelln presented Dr. Bower with a plaque of appreciation for his dedication and services to the club.

Representing Canada, and specifically Canadian Union College, was Harvey Jacobson who gave an updated report of developments and progress at the college.

Officers for the ensuing year were voted as follows: president, Mrs. Joy Stickle Erickson of La Sierra; vice-president, Marvin Nickel of Loma Linda; and secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Pearl (Marvin) Nickel.

The next "Friends of Canada" evening is scheduled for March 8, 1986 at La Sierra.

Births

ATKINS — Gordon and Karen (nee Veness) are happy to announce the birth of Sandra Leanne, November 25, 1984 in Ottawa, Ontario.

BECKER — Andreas and Sally (nee Mason) are happy to announce the birth of their third child, DANIEL JARED was born on April 11, 1985 in Whitecourt, Alberta.

BRESLAWSKI — Joseph and Marjorie (Brown) thank the Lord for the safe arrival of Andrew Peter August 10, 1984 in Edmonton, Alberta.

DOBROSKAY — Arnold and Karen announce the birth of Krysta Noel on November 25, 1984 in Saskatoon, Sask.

HORNIACHEK — Lonn and Elizabeth (nee Robinson) are happy to announce the birth of their second boy, Nathan Michael, on April 16, 1985 in Ajax, Ontario.

INKLEY — David and Mary (nee Szabo) are pleased to announce the birth of their first child, William David on February 19, 1985 at N.Y. Branson Hospital.

LALONDA — Mike and Janet (nee Froehlich) are the happy and thankful parents of Daniel Joseph, born on March 3, 1985 in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan.

McCREERY — A son, Joe Arthur, was born to Danny and Bonnie Jane on November 22, 1984.

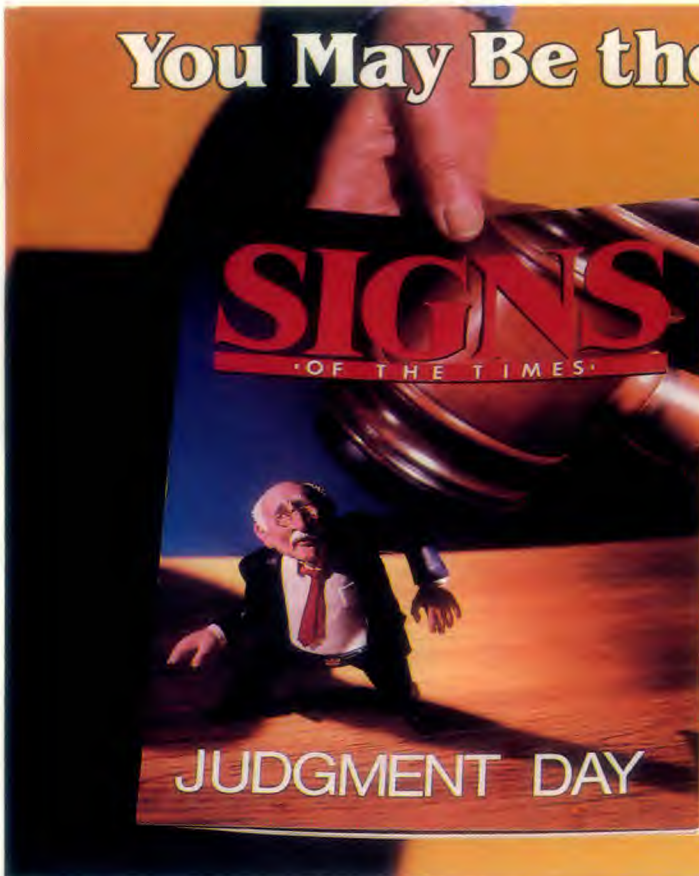
ROBB — Ken and Honey praise the Lord for the birth of their first child, Andrew William, born January 28, 1985 in Ottawa, Ontario.

SAYLER — Bevin and Sharon (nee Stevens) Sayler are happy to announce the arrival of a baby boy, Travis Michael, born April 4, 1985 in Red Deer, Alberta.

SCOTT — Brad and Barb (nee Pyke) are happy to announce the birth of their first child, Sarah Anne, on January 18, 1985, in Ferooqabad, Pakistan.

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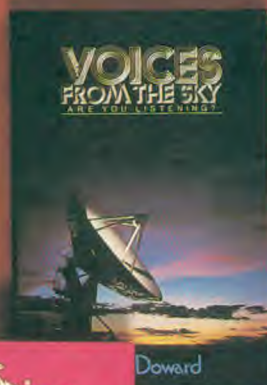
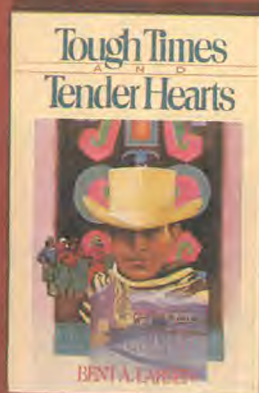
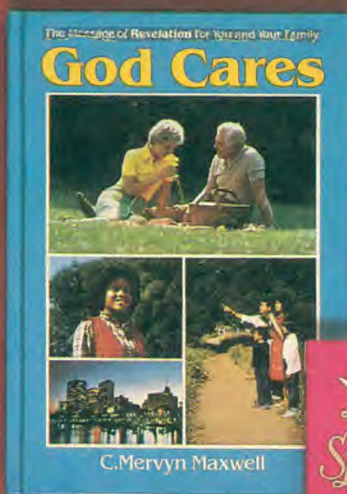
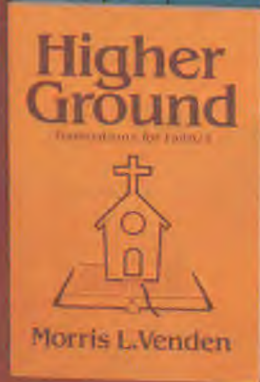
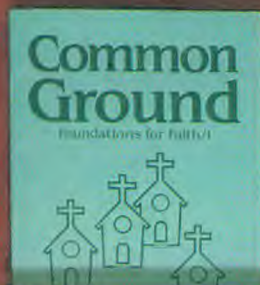
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