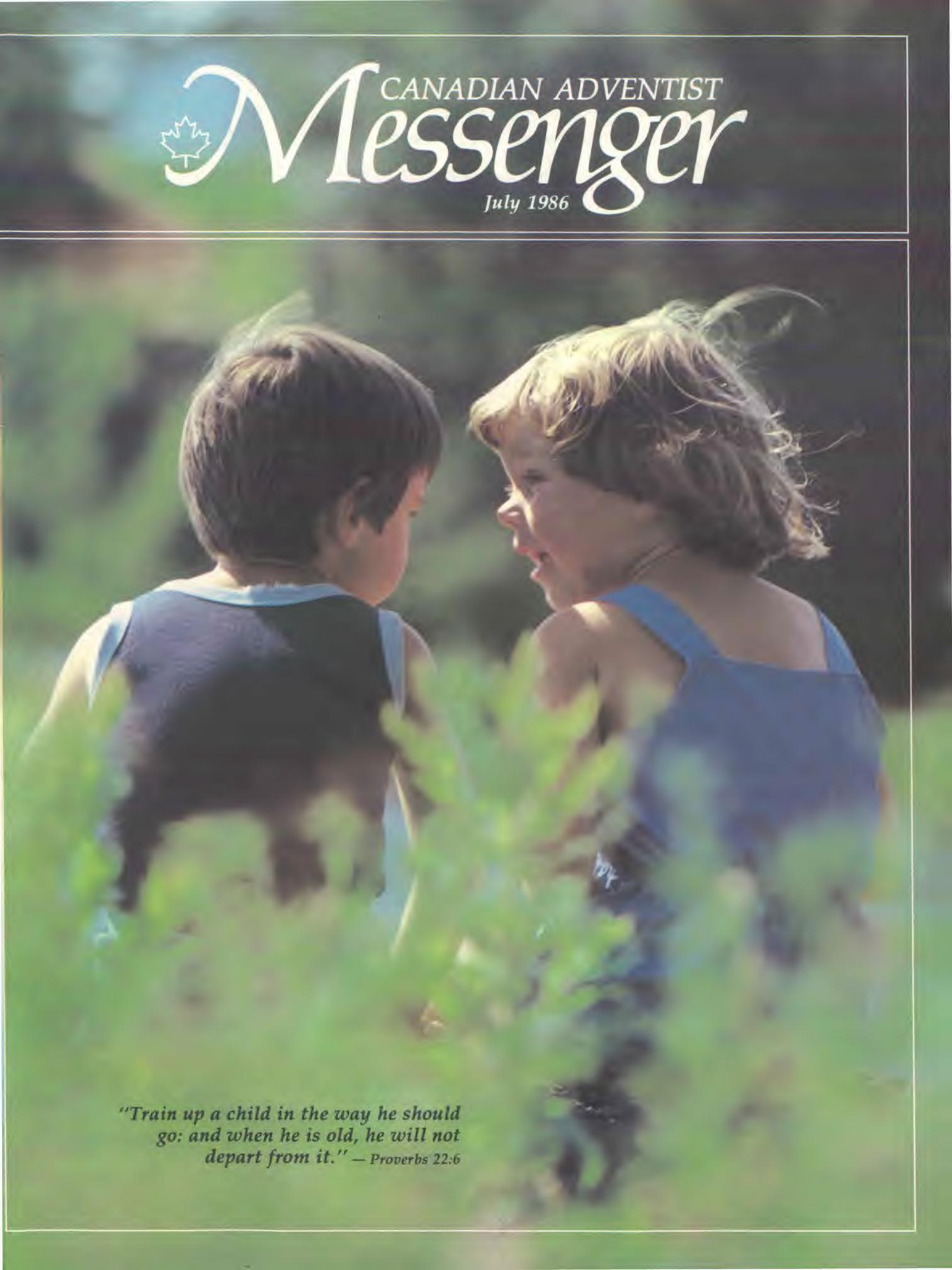


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A photograph of two young children, a boy and a girl, standing in a field of tall grass. The boy is on the left, wearing a dark blue tank top, and the girl is on the right, wearing a light blue tank top. They are both looking towards each other, and their hair is blowing in the wind. The background is a soft-focus green field.

"Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it." — Proverbs 22:6

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God's Mercy Never Fails

IN THE TOWER OF LONDON, February 25, 1601, the executioner's ax abruptly ended the life of the Earl of Essex who allegedly was accused of high treason.

In happier days, as a favour, Queen Elizabeth had given him a ring with the assurance that in any life-threatening situation, the return of the ring to the Queen would secure his rescue. Prior to his death, his enemies had placed before the Queen a warrant for his execution — it did require the Queen's signature. She waited, remembering her promise to him. Day after day she lingered and waited, but the ring was not returned.

Finally, driven to desperation by what she considered his defiance, she signed the fatal document and her friend was gone forever. But the story is not yet finished.

Later in the year, the Countess of Nottingham, on her deathbed, called the Queen. Elizabeth went, little dreaming of the unfolding tragedy. The Countess told her that a short time before his execution, Essex gave her the ring with the request that she take it immediately to Elizabeth. Her husband had advised against it, so she had never fulfilled the request.

Essex had remembered the promise, had tried to save himself, but died believing the Queen had refused to fulfill her pledge. Elizabeth never recovered from this tragic shock. She would not eat and could not sleep. Her heart was broken. The messenger had not delivered the plea for mercy. The messenger had failed.

God's mercy will not fail. We have a wonderful Messenger, a Mediator, who never fails to deliver a plea for mercy. Before the throne He says, "Father, my blood, my blood!" This plea He makes for every repentant soul.

Someone has said that everywhere the word "mercy" is found in scripture, we may substitute the word "Christ." He is our mercy seat. Romans 3:25. ☩

I Have a Dream

By Ed Desjarlais

Lacombe, Alberta

SHE SAT IN A DARK, DINGY ROOM where the air is stale, in her hand she held a well-worn Bible. I asked her how long she had been attending the Revelation seminar. "This is my seventh," she replied. "How are you enjoying it?" I inquired. "I just love it," she replied. "I have been reading the Bible for ages but I could never understand it but the Revelation seminar made it so plain and simple."

As we converse I learn of her life. Surely her life has not been easy but then I've heard that story so many times before. No doubt she will be baptized soon but then I wonder what is going to happen to her after that. Perhaps only the Lord knows, but this I know for certain that her life is going to be worse than before. Already her relatives are continually harrasing, ridiculing and scoffing her new found faith. Her friend often attempted to force her to drink alcohol and attend wild parties.

After she has been baptized how long can she sit in that dark, dingy, apartment alone, forsaken by her friends and the church members who are afraid to associate with her? Now that she's a church member, it also means no more bingos, nor more shows, or bars, no more parties. Maybe I should ask a better question — with all these don'ts and do's in her new life,

how long can she remain faithful to her new found-religion without being given a fair chance to deeply root her spiritual life? The usual custom is to baptize them, then walk away and let them struggle by themselves. Oftentimes if we look closer we can see them climbing to the peak and soon falling back down to the bottom.

If I was describing only one person in that predicament then perhaps it would be easy to shrug my shoulders and say, "everyone has to walk that lonesome valley by himself." But the saddest thing about this story is that ninety percent of the native people we work with are in that same situation. We baptize them, and soon we lose them and then we wonder why.

It's part of the history of civilization that the rich and poor do not mix and white and colored would rather stay away from each other. With this in mind, I recall many times sitting alone in the pew, feeling rejected while I whispered, "Lord, am I in the wrong house of worship?" but the answer is always the same from the Lord, "You are part of the elect, remain where you are." In spite of feeling rejected at times, alone with discouragement that I experienced in my Christian life, I have remained faithful to my church and beliefs. I certainly can thank the Lord and praise Him for this. It's because of His wisdom and guidance that I'm still here. Many years ago while I was in the T.B. sanitorium Jesus sent the third

angel's message to me. I was on fire for the Lord. It was there I read and reread all the books of Mrs. E.G. White I could lay my hands on. I also enrolled and completed all the Bible correspondence courses our denomination has to offer. By the time I left the hospital my faith in God was solid as a rock and no one can ever remove me from His love and from my church.

The native people we work with don't have that chance. We rush them through Bible studies and baptism and we turn them loose to go back to their old environment and from there it's only a matter of time before they go back to their old ways.

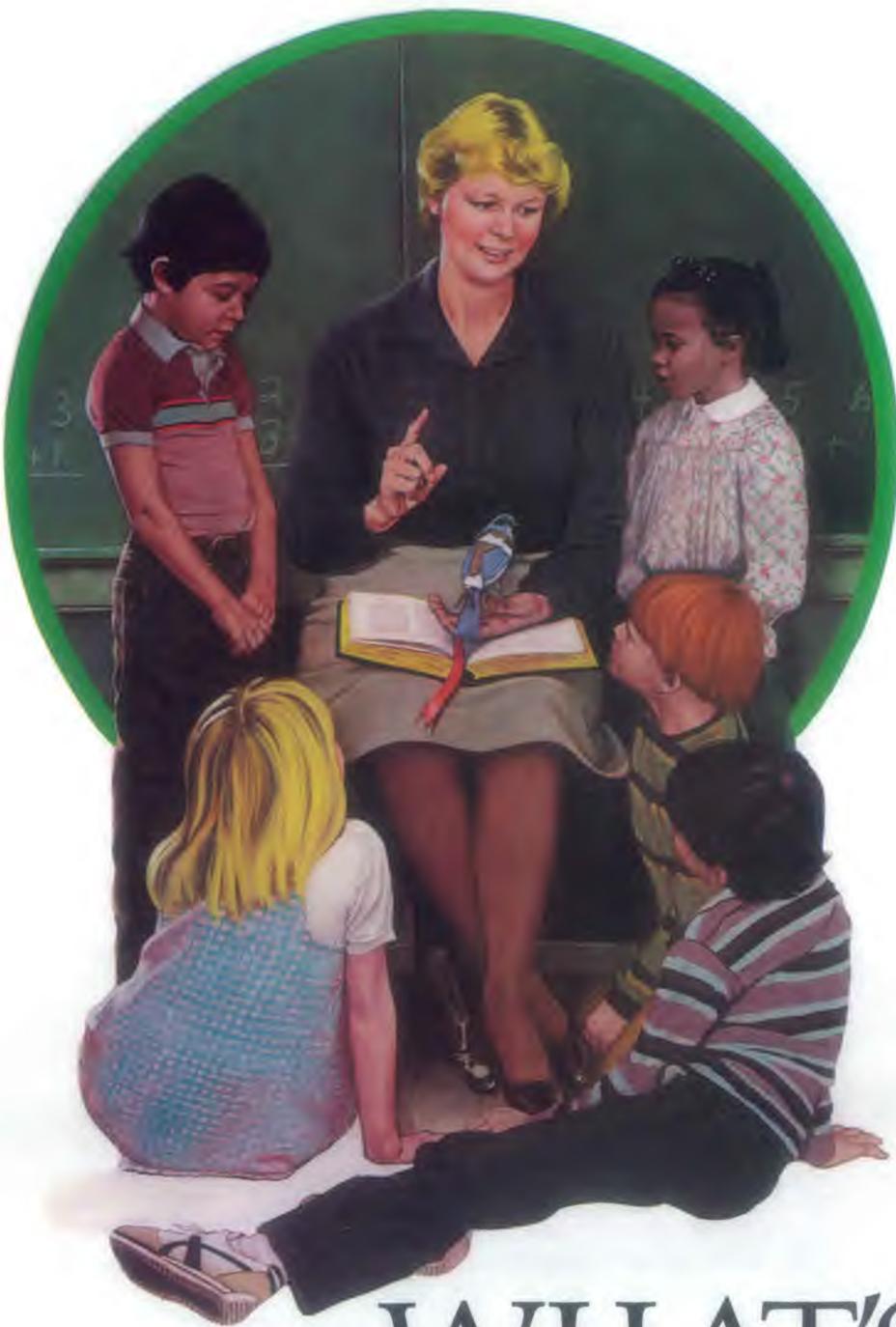
Abraham Lincoln had a dream to free the slaves, Martin Luther King dreamed of freedom, Terry Fox strived for a cure for the dreaded cancer. I too had a dream. My dream is to build a native spiritual training centre. A place where the native people can come for deep-rooted spiritual training. Also a place where they can come for practical vocational training such as carpentry, masonry, auto body, agriculture, Indian culture, cooking, hygiene, etc.

I believe this type of school is urgently needed today. We must train these people to be independent and then send them home to be workers for God among their own people.

Would you like to help me fulfill my dream? I need someone to donate the land, lumber, logs and money. All the Canadian conferences should participate since they will all benefit from it.

Friend, I cannot do it without you. I'm waiting to hear from you. ✨

"Abraham Lincoln had a dream to free the slaves, Martin Luther King dreamed of freedom, Terry Fox strived for a cure for the dreaded cancer. I too had a dream."



WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?

By Malcolm Graham, President, Canadian Union College

IT IS OFTEN EASIER and even more pleasant to let the mind dwell on the past than to face the challenges and opportunities of today. But it is not a good way to improve the mind for memories are blurred and paint only the bright roses without their tangle of thorns. So, when we hear glowing praises of the good old days contrasted with the dismal scenes of the present, remember that God put eyes in the front of our heads and not in the back; remember that we are living today and preparing for tomorrow; remember that God accepts our youth where they are, as they are and expects us to provide the best possible home and educational climate in which they are to be given opportunity to develop characters fit for eternity.

The reason why we recall the good things of the past is because God has forgiven and erased from memory (hopefully) the sorrow, the mistakes, the misconduct, the guilt, the shame of yesteryear. These extra burdens and excess baggage we don't have to drag along. And as God has forgiven, so do we.

There are criticisms regarding students' dress, music, lifestyle, social behaviour, etc. I happen to know that the great majority of our students not only view themselves as being, but indeed are, decent, supportive, active members of the church who are hassled by the uncertainty of our times and who don't need more hassels by well-meaning folks. I defend the students, our youth in

Why Seventh-Day Adventist Schools?

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School evaluations are an integral part of the Seventh-day Adventist system of Christian education. A unique student questionnaire has been developed for elementary schools, junior academies and senior academies. There is also a different parent questionnaire for elementary schools and junior academies.

One of the questions asked on the elementary school and junior academy student questionnaire is "What do you think are the reasons for having a Seventh-day Adventist school?" The most common answers centre around learning to know more about God and Jesus. Some students expand that response by saying, "To learn about Jesus and how He loves us." Another said, "To learn about Jesus, and that makes me happy." Some other sample responses are as follows: "To learn the right things", "to go to a school where there is no alcohol and drugs", "to learn good language and to be truthful." As I read the insightful responses from many students, I wonder what answers children attending public school would give if asked a similar question.

Another question asks the students to check the statements below that tell how they feel about their school. Some of the statements are:

- "Things I learn in school help me know more about God."
- "I like the way teachers make me feel important."
- "I like seeing my parents helping around our school."
- "I like the spirit and loyalty in our school."
- "I like the school because there's someone here that I can talk to about my problems."
- "My teacher cares about me."
- "My teacher helps me to learn about Christ and how to be a better Christian."

In another item, the students are asked to check from a given list, what activities in the school helped them most spiritually, and helped them to learn what God is like. Some of the activities listed are: Week of prayer, worships, Bible class, prayer bands and chapel.

Student responses indicate clearly that Seventh-day Adventist schools are meeting the needs of the students. Again, not from a critical point, I wonder how the students who are not attending Seventh-day Adventist schools would respond.

Since Seventh-day Adventist education places special emphasis on social and spiritual responsibility, the practice of service for others must be a part of each student's education. Students are actively involved in outreach and community service projects. Plans have been developed, and implementation procedures are being considered whereby each school will be actively participating in Harvest '90. Seventh-day Adventist schools have as one of their goals, the personal commitment of each student to Jesus. A further goal is to encourage and to assist the students in spreading the gospel within the community.

Why Seventh-day Adventist schools? The students attending know the answer! ☩

Our youth are different today because they live in a different world and have had a different set of experiences in life. By the way, 85% of Canadian elementary students (so they say) go to school without breakfast because their parents are away or they don't care.

I quote from an educational researcher, Alexander Astin, published in

CHANGE-A MAGAZINE OF HIGHER LEARNING. "For the past ten to fifteen years, students have become markedly more self-centered and materialistic, less altruistic, and less concerned with social issues or with involving themselves with the improvement of society. These value changes are exactly paralleled by changes in students' career plans; business, engineering, and

computer science have reached record levels of popularity, while virtually all the helping professions — teaching, social work, nursing, and the clergy — have reached all-time lows in popularity. There is increasing student interest in money, power, and status." (p. 38, July/Aug. 1985)

There are many reasons for the change of values from our generation(s) to that of today. Let us consider just a few. We'll start with the cradle and work upward. (1) Depending on social strata and the area of the country, up to 50% of children that come into the world are born to unwed mothers. From day one, they live in uncertainty and insecurity and poverty. Worse yet, they are often rejected. They fight, unconsciously at first, for survival — and they fight alone. (At least this is true for many of them.)

(2) Home life is not what it used to be even in the solid, two-parent home. Father is working up North (and as some cynically observe, that is often the best way to keep the family together), mother works; the child is in the day-care centre and learns to identify with others and to accept their values. What can the church do to show its acceptance of this abandoned generation and to imprint Christian values within the personality and character of the children?

(3) By the time many children have reached school age, they will have spent more time being programmed by television than they will spend under the tutelage of a teacher during the first four to six years of elementary education. Today there is no childhood for millions of children — mass media and the absence of parental presence, association and guidance have thrust emotionally and spiritually under-developed

RELIGIOUS EQUALITY IN CANADA



by Douglas Devnich

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THE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH historically has considered it to be a duty to take an active part in national and international efforts which protect liberty of conscience and religion. Early in 1981 a new era began in Canada within which the Church in this country has been fulfilling its historically appointed role in defense of the freedom of conscience and religion for Canadians.

When the *Charter of Rights and Freedoms* was entrenched in the *Canadian Constitution Act* on April 17, 1982 a very important provision, identifiable as Section 15, was not to come into force until April 17, 1985. This delay period was to give the federal and provincial governments time to revise existing laws in order to bring them into harmony with Section 15.

Section 15(1) of the Charter says:

Every individual is equal

before and under the law and has the right to the equal protection and equal benefit of the law without discrimination based on race, national or ethnic origin, colour, religion, sex, age or mental or physical disability.

Early in 1985 the Minister of Justice for Canada issued a discussion paper on equality issues and he invited interest groups to submit representations to a special sub-committee of Parliament. Hearings were to be held across the country for the purpose of discerning social attitudes in Canada toward equality right issues.

The Church's department of Public Affairs submitted a Brief recommending certain changes in law which would enhance the freedom of religion in Canada and which would put the diversity of religious beliefs and practices in Canada on equal footing.

Subsequently, an invitation was extended to the Church to make an oral representation of its con-

cerns before the Committee. It was pointed out that few Beliefs had been submitted by religious groups on the question of religious equality and that the Committee wanted to hear from the Church.

At the appointed time David B. Thomas, General Counsel for the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada joined with the Director of Public Affairs in making the following recommendations to the Government.

- (1) That where existing laws specify Sunday as an employee's day off, a benefit is given to Canadians who choose Sunday as their day of religious rest. Observers of Saturday do not receive a similar legal benefit and are thus discriminated against. It was recommended that laws respecting hours of business and employment standards ought to delete any reference to

Sunday. This change would tend to put people of all religious faiths on a more equal footing, which is the purpose of Section 15 of the Charter.

- (2) That changes should be made in law which would require employers to make reasonable accommodation for the religious practises of their employees. In particular, where employees by reason of religious conscience, are unable to work on Sabbath hours, the employer would be obliged to take reasonable steps to accommodate that religious need.

In October the Parliamentary Committee issued its report and its recommendations coming out of the hearings which were conducted in 1985. The following are excerpts of the report.

"Members of the religions

that observe a day other than Sunday as their religious day of rest are at a disadvantage when day of rest legislation designates Sunday. Although Parliament retains jurisdiction to legislate in relation to religious days of rest, we believe it is inappropriate to do so."

"There are a number of practical things an employer can do to accommodate the religious observances of its employees. Those whose Sabbath is on Saturday and begins on the preceding evening can be allowed to leave work early on Friday during the winter months when the sun sets at an earlier hour. To ensure that no work time is lost, employees could begin the workday earlier on Friday, work through the lunch hour or make up the time on another day of the week. Employees who need prayer breaks during the day could be allowed to take coffee and lunch breaks at flexible times to accommodate this practice. When an employee has a day of religious observance that does not coincide with a statutory holiday, the employer could allow the employee to work a different shift or work longer days at other times to make up for lost worktime. These options for accommodating religious observance or practices will not usually be disruptive or expensive to implement."

Following the issuance of this positive report respecting the Church's earlier representations, further high-level government contacts were made to encourage the Government to put in place the recommendations of the Committee.

Finally, on March 4, 1986 the Honourable John C. Crosbie, Minister of Justice for Canada tabled the Government's response to the 85 recommendations on equality as given by the Parliamentary Committee.

RECOMMENDATION 40. We recommend that the Minister of Justice refer to the Uniform Law Conference of Canada and to provincial ministers responsible for human rights the consideration of amendments to provincial hours of business and employment standards legislation to provide for days of rest that respect freedom of conscience and religious belief on a consistent basis.

Response: Recognizing the responsibility of provincial governments

for legislation regulating hours of business and employment standards for most workers, the Minister of Justice will raise with the Uniform Law Conference and provincial ministers responsible for human rights the question of weekly days of rest which respect freedom of conscience and religious belief. The matter will also be raised at the meeting of federal and provincial ministers of labour.

RECOMMENDATION 80. We recommend that the *Canadian Human Rights Act* be amended so that employers are obliged to make "reasonable accommodation," that

is, such special provisions as would not cause undue hardship to the employer, in response to the needs peculiar to those classes of employees that are protected from discrimination by terms of the Act.

Response: The Government agrees in principle that the *Canadian Human Rights Act* should be amended to incorporate the concept of reasonable accommodation. In light of the recent Supreme Court of Canada decisions in *Bhinder and Canadian Human Rights Commission v. Canadian National Railway Company* and

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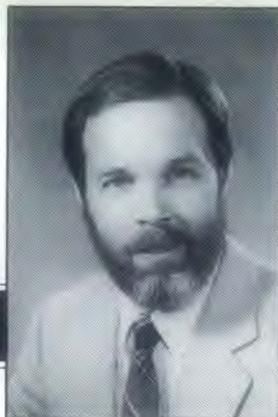
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Family Forum

"Whosoever Shall Cause One of These Little Ones to Suffer. . ."

Dear Readers:

It is not my intent to keep bringing the "bad news" of family issues to you. It is, however, my commitment to discuss any family issue with which our church family needs help. With that in mind, and with the knowledge that Jesus is soon to call a halt to our pain and sin, I print this next letter. While reading, remember that this letter represents many letters that are not printed here, and many more that have not yet been written.

Dear Mr. Cao:

I am writing to encourage you to do an article on child sexual abuse. This is a very controversial and difficult subject, which is why I would like you to address it. It must be happening in other Adventist homes if it can happen in one as "normal" as ours.

I don't know how to deal with this. I've spoken to my pastor about it a few times, but if I report it, my husband could go to jail, and he would be ashamed to set foot inside our church again. I am also afraid of him.

I am so afraid for my daughter. I pray she has not been badly hurt (In our case, the abuse was not severe). I did confront my husband, and he has done nothing to help himself. The roots of our marriage are being ripped out for the lack of trust I feel towards him. Do I love him or am I just afraid to take the next step and maybe lose him?

Three choices loom up to me, all of

them terrible:

1. Status quo — Some risk to children, lack of trust, anxiety, family goes on like before.

2. Separation
— visiting privileges
— children at risk while visiting
— what others will think

3. Intervention of authorities
— loss of control of family
— husband in jail
— newspapers
— children have to be interviewed by everybody
— court

What can I do?

How do I handle it?

Where can I turn?

I can only sign myself,

Confused and Anxious.

Dear Confused:

You are writing as if this whole mess was your fault and only you can solve

it. Please slow down. Others also carry responsibility for what is happening. Your husband is responsible for what he chooses to do. What he did to your daughter was *Not* your fault. You are not responsible for your husband's actions, although many spouses today train their partners to take the blame for their own actions. You *are* responsible for what you do or do not do, such as knowing that your children are in danger and not moving immediately to protect them and report your husband. I can understand your fear of your husband, and your fear of being left alone if you report this.

But: 1. If *you* are upset, imagine the trauma of your little girl's heart and body and *her* feelings of helplessness.

2. You are, along with your husband, acting as an unfit parent in violation of God's law and the law of the land.

It has been said before, two wrongs still don't make a right.

My difficulty is in sounding too harsh when I'm just wanting you to hurry up and get help. Go ahead and be a caring mother and do what is right and necessary. God will love you for it.

"And they brought young children to him, that he should touch them: and his disciples rebuked those that brought them. But when Jesus saw it, he was much displeased, and said unto them, Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God. Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not enter therein. And he took them up in his arms, put his hands upon them, and blessed them." Mark 10:13-16

Following are several categories of brief information and thoughts on sexual abuse. It is just the tip. And, I know many may feel this is not the place for such articles. I am not sorry if this subject troubles you. I am sorry that this article needs to be written.

1. Facts and Figures

This is not an uncommon form of abuse.

Did you know?

- that 96% of all prostitutes interviewed under the age of 18 admit being sexually abused before they left home? No wonder they left home, the poor kids!
- that 1 out of 4 girls will be sexually assaulted before they reach 18? These statistics didn't include boys, but the damage is the same.
- that most of the offenders are family members or adults trusted and known to the child?
- that many offenders refuse treatment until they are charged and convicted and treatment is ordered. Help isn't always chosen, but it is always needed.
- that sexual abuse is often generational, passed from parent or relative to child, who grows up and abuses the next generation.

2. You, the Non-offending Spouse

This is a difficult time for you. You have said that you feel guilty, helpless, afraid, trapped and alone. Please get help. Maybe you don't understand how counselling and therapy or government agencies work. But, please do this for yourself and your family. Don't suffer in silence and endanger your children any longer. Do you think child protection workers enjoy getting paid to investigate or apprehend a child? No. They enjoy helping and seeing children and parents learning, forgiving and reuniting in health and happiness. But, first they have to protect. Wouldn't you?

God says so much about His love for children. Don't let a child's view of God be distorted by a parent. Please.

3. Hubby and the Church

He has been a hypocrite this long already, just like most of us. Confrontation with God would be good for him, for all of us. Worrying about what other members think gets in the way of what God thinks, and wants. Let him deal with God. God can handle it, you don't have to protect either of them.

4. Your Marriage

What was it that led him to molest your daughter? There are several possibilities, I will mention two.

1. Your husband is angry, hurt, and emotionally withdrawn from you and he finds nurturing and acceptance in the child.

2. Your husband is emotionally still a child and is attracted to girls of his emotional age. There is every chance he was molested as a boy. It is common to pass it on.

All of this sounds very psychological and treatable, and it is. *BUT!* It is also wrong, damaging, and illegal.

5. Pastor

Your pastor should be supportive, direct, tender, and non-judgmental. But he should not keep the secret. Secrets are not therapy and are not safety. Reporting begins both treatment and protection. He can contact the local Children's Aid Society to report and get information on how to help the family.

6. Daughter(s)

I do not know a pleasant way to say this although I do understand your fear and hesitation to disrupt your home. If you think you are doing your family a favour by keeping the secret, read what one 25-year-old client recently said about her mother. "I'm mad. They (Mom and Dad) had no right to do what they did. It wasn't love. . . I hate them. . ." Does this sound like they both molested her? No, just dad. But, Mom knew it was happening. Now, years of pain later, she cries out, "Why didn't she protect me?" Support your daughter, protect her.

7. "The Abuse Was Not Severe"

Minimizing is common. It is also common for the offender and the victim to tell only part of the story. The dirtiness, fear, and guilt often make the truth distasteful and hard to speak.

The emotional impact can be devastating. Sexual abuse is one of the listed abuses that can result in multiple personality disorders, suicide, severe depression, lack of trust, etc. The child is exploited and betrayed, and often left to face the adult(s) alone! How awful, how unforgiveable (almost). The longer the child goes without help, the longer the affects last and the more difficult to undo. God can do anything, but sometimes we won't let Him.

8. God vs Caesar

Not everyone reports sexual abuse. But, when they get old, they wish they had. When the children are grown, they often end up telling people like myself that they wish someone had helped them back then. The law wants the children protected and the offender charged. So does God, only He calls it Judgment. Responsibility and accountability are key words in these last days.

We do what we want to do with what we have, by choice. Render to God that which is God's. . . i.e. the children, *safe and sound.*

9. Your Options

1. Keep the secret. It is criminal, it is dangerous, and it keeps the family in a dysfunctional state of values and priorities. Would you rather have your children upset now, temporarily, or possibly forever?

2. Separation and keep the secret. Someone will get tired of suffering and will tell. Then the separation or removal of children will happen anyway, which puts you right in the middle of your third option.

3. The authorities. Why not report it and stop the sickness and sadness? Tomorrow will still come, and so will next year. You will make it. Each person will face their actions with or without your help. God will do it in Judgment if nowhere else. So, why wait? Be a part of the healing.

What can you do?

Where can you turn?

Pray, and pick up the phone for the social service agency, family and children's service, or police.

How do you handle it?

- Just deal with the truth and your part in all this. Believe your children, encourage them.
- Surround yourself with friends and professionals who can support you through this.
- Ask lots of questions and find answers. You are going to suffer, along with everyone else, for a while. It will get better.
- Stay close to God and talk to Him constantly.
- Trust starts with sharing. You have told me. That is very brave of you. Now tell someone who can help all of you.
- Your husband must get treatment. He may have to be charged to get it.
- The sooner it is faced, the sooner the nightmare will be over, and the sooner you can have more real happiness and peace than you have ever known. ☩

As a result of this letter and others like it, along with the demand for information and the growing number of known sexual abuse cases involving Seventh-day Adventist families, the next two columns will be on issues of the Christian and Child Sexual Abuse. Part 1 - Awareness and Prevention

Part 2 - Treatment and Healing

"Family Forum"

1148 King Street East

Oshawa, Ontario L1H 1H8

BRITISH COLUMBIA

You Are Invited To Worship at Hope



Driving west to EXPO on the Trans Canada? Then you'll likely drive the new Coquahalla super highway in British Columbia. As you drive past Hope you will also be passing the newly built Seventh-day Adventist Church complete with a tall black spire atop the white belfry. The colonial church complex was built in 1984 in the Hope community of 5,000.

Since the sanctuary seats 140, our usual attendance of fifty leaves room for healthy growth and plenty of visitors. Besides the Sabbath School division rooms, the community activity room and spacious fellowship room have provided a well-used open-door for the townspeople, with more than 80 of them participating in a variety of community service programs and two Bible Seminars during 1985.

For many years the small congregation met in a small one-room building on the old Conference campground while steadily adding to a building fund. In November of 1983, with a building site purchased, plans were sketched and construction began on February 13, 1984.

After much study and prayer the members decided to refrain from using the building until it could be completed, paid for, and dedicated to the service of God and the needs of the community. With the bountiful blessing of God and the dedicated commitment of the members and many friends, the work was completed in March 1985.

Dedication of the members in a communion service on Friday evening, March 16 preceded the formal act of dedication during the divine worship hour the next day. At 4:00 p.m. the sanctuary and the narthex were well filled for the inaugural service followed by a fellowship luncheon for the guests. Now, a year later, we look back in wonder at how God led throughout the project!

Our heartfelt thanks to each of you who helped, and an invitation to all to worship with us whenever you can — the bell tolls eleven times as Divine Worship begins each Sabbath morning.

Darol Rick

Thirty Years of Service

Frances Switak was a young church school teacher in Windsor, Ontario, when the wife of the local pastor asked her to write up church news for the *Windsor Star*.

For the next 30 years Fran not only wrote the news, but helped to make it. She organized Windsor's first Pathfinder Club and encouraged the youngsters to collect canned food for the needy instead of the usual Halloween treats. The *Windsor Star* photographer helped the Pathfinders build the cans into a robot, then took their picture for a feature story, which was followed by many more.

When Fran and her husband Paul moved to Penticton, the church had neither a press secretary nor a Pathfinder club, but Fran soon made up for this deficit. Again her Pathfinders and the Dorcas Society featured prominently as she made the public aware that the Adventist church is a caring church. The articles she submitted, together with news articles about Adventists picked up from other sources, are enough to fill 12 entire newspapers.

Fran's contribution to the church was officially recognized when Elder W. Rogers of the B.C. Conference presented her with the Communication Award for Excellence on November 13, 1976.

After her husband's accidental death while working at Camp Hope, Fran married again and became Mrs. Steve Foldi. She now longed to retire from the position she had held for so many years, and the church reluctantly accepted her resignation, nominating a new press secretary for 1986.



When Fran gave her final report at a recent church business meeting, Pastor Dan Jackson presented her with a plaque inscribed "In Appreciation for 30 Years of Dedication to the Church in the Communications Field."

Elfriede Volk

More Missing Members

If you know the address or whereabouts of the following people, please write to the church clerk, Aldergrove SDA Church, Box 998, Aldergrove, B.C. V0S 1A0:

Patrick Jordan
Mrs. Cathy Hovland
Cheryl Hovland

Vancouver Central Baptism

Baptisms represent victories. On Sabbath, April 26, 1986, five more victories were witnessed. Pastor Jerry Chang baptized three young people from his weekly Junior Baptismal Class — Elvie-Jane Basit, Anne Marie Mindoro, and Jay Bacomo. All are students at Deer Lake Seventh-day Adventist School and were encouraged and supported in their decision for baptism by their respective parents.

Terry Hiebert started regularly attending the Vancouver Central Church in February, 1986; and on his first Sabbath mentioned to Pastor Bob Tetz his desire to become a Seventh-day Adventist. Terry attended the "Truth for the End Time" Seminar conducted by Pastor Dirk Zinner. Terry's first contacts go back some five years as he occasionally attended various Seventh-day Adventist churches in the Vancouver area with some Seventh-day Adventist friends. Personal Bible studies convicted him of the Scriptural truths that he was studying and galvanized his decision to surrender all to God and join His church.

Michael Rolih is originally from Yugoslavia; and because of the witness and encouragement of his wife and many Seventh-day Adventist friends, anxiously prepared for his baptism.



Front, Anne Marie Mindoro, Jay Bacomo, Elvie-Jane Basit.
Back, Pastor Jerry Chang, Terry Hiebert, Pastor Bob Tetz, Michael Rolih, Pastor Dirk Zinner.

Diamond Wedding



Bill and Anne Vanshaik celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary recently. The Comox Valley Church family gathered together for a delicious dinner sponsored by Bill and Anne's children. This sincere couple have been a witness to others for many years and the church family extends warmest congratulations and best wishes.

Vancouver Youth Hold Rally

"Do You Really Want To Go?" was the theme of the Youth Rally held in the Vancouver area during the weekend of May 10. Ray Tetz, Public Relations and Development Director for ADRA, was guest speaker.

This rally was not just an ordinary event for two reasons. For one thing, the majority of the audience were under 30 and secondly, the event was planned and carried out by young people with Darin Rowse, a young leader from the Vancouver Central Church,

as coordinator. With vision and courage and an unwillingness to wait for the appointment and arrival of a Conference youth leader, Rowse sought the cooperation and enthusiasm of the area churches. Although the Conference was not specifically involved in the planning, counsel was requested and a financial contribution was made.

The stories of Ruth and Solomon's wisdom in selecting the correct mother

were retold by Tetz in modern-day settings and applications. Tetz has been a popular Week of Prayer and Camp meeting speaker for academy and college-age groups.

Music presentations were made by the youth choirs from the Vancouver Central and Westminster churches as well as a variety of selections by other young people. Pianist Gordon Taylor from the Vancouver Church was the guest artist.



Darin Rowse coordinated the Youth Rally. The Vancouver Youth Choir, led by Jessica Okimi and accompanied by Anthea Hii, presented selections from a repertoire of songs prepared for the spring concert.

Five New Members Added to Orchard City Church



Following a series of meetings held in Kelowna by Dr. Wadie Farag, B.C. Conference Evangelist, five new members were added to the Orchard City Church. Left: Markku Toijanen, and Kevin O'Neill, holding their baptismal certificates, with their families, Markku, Vaughny and Bradley Toijanen left, and Kristy, Michelene and Pat O'Neill, right, with Pastor Harold King, after the baptismal service. Centre: Chad Lachelt, with his mother Nora and Right: Ruth Ann McVicar and her mother Ruth Pringle also joined the Orchard City Church following their baptism.

Comox Valley Scene of Baptisms & Dedications



Adam Chalmers gave his heart to the Lord and was baptized by Pastor Dan Wells. The Comox Valley Church rejoiced over these souls who are preparing for life eternal.



Comox Valley Church was pleased to extend the right arm of fellowship to Jeanne Metselaar, left, who was baptized by Pastor Dan Wells following a Daniel and Revelation Seminar. Arthur and Mabel Richardson were also accepted into membership on profession of faith.



Baby Alisha, daughter of Fred and Joy Vandenoer and Baby Jedd, son of Skip and Jennie Carby were presented in dedication to the Lord by Pastor Dan Wells in the Comox Valley Church.

Metro Adventist Community Centre Ground-Breaking Ceremony April 13, 1986

Occasional showers and cool weather hardly dampened the enthusiasm as several hundred individuals gathered to mark the occasion of the Ground-Breaking Ceremonies of Metro Adventist Community Centre (M.A.C.C.) This facility will provide a 60' x 100' gymnasium, three additional classrooms, as well as new offices for Deer Lake School. It will also provide a much-needed recreational centre for the metro Vancouver churches. Numerous other outreach and church and school activities will be facilitated by this project to be constructed adjoining the existing Deer Lake School.

Projected plans are to have the facility usable by September, 1986, and totally completed by January, 1987.

Pastor and Mrs. Reimche Honoured

Pastor and Mrs. Harold Reimche were honoured as they retired in Vernon March 1. Members of the Vernon church put on a program of praise to God with musical selections and scripture, and hosted a supper for friends and relatives.

The Reimches have served in the ministry for over 38 years literally from coast to coast. They started in Alberta, followed by Ontario, then two churches in B.C., New Westminster and Victoria, before answering a call to New York City and later Washington, D.C. A return to B.C. brought them to Oliver-Osoyoos and finally Vernon.

The Lord has blessed the ministry of Harold and Mary in many ways. They will be long remembered in Vernon for their support in the building of a new church, completed in less than a year and dedicated six months later. They have also been appreciated for their strong spiritual leadership. May they be blessed with a happy and fruitful retirement as they continue to labor in the Lord's vineyard.



Pastor Harold and Mary Reimche pose behind a cake at a retirement evening honouring their years of service sponsored by the members of the Vernon Church. Mary Penner, Mary Reimche's mother, is at Pastor Reimche's left.

BAPTISMS — Victoria Church

Five precious souls were joined to the Victoria Church family on March 8, 1986.

Emilie Davie came into the church by Profession of Faith at the conclusion of Bascom Crusade.

Kathie Campbell is the oldest new member. Born in 1906, Kathie had regularly attended the evangelistic campaign held in the Victoria Church and a recent Revelation Seminar, and joined the Church by baptism. Pastor Les Anderson officiating.

Maurice Shaw, another convert from a recent Revelation Seminar, conducted by Mike Stapleton and Pastor Kelly Schultz, was baptized into the Victoria Church membership by Pastor Schultz.

Theresa Johnny from Jamaica, now living in Victoria, is returning to her church by re-baptism, conducted by Pastor Les Anderson. It's always a pleasure and joy to welcome home a wandering child.

Michael Lane first came to Victoria Church after phoning the Church one Sabbath morning to ask for directions. The young man who answered the telephone was Walter Honicke who offered to meet him and bring him to the service. Finding that the Church was answering a lot of his questions and was meeting his needs, Michael kept coming and when the Bascom Crusade came to town Michael stayed right through and joined the Church by baptism. Pastor Les Anderson officiated on this joyous occasion.

Trent Wilkins who had been attending Victoria Church for the last two to three years made the decision to join the Adventist Church family by baptism after following through Pastor Maurice Bascom's recent evangelistic crusade. The officiating minister was Pastor Les Anderson on March 1, 1986.

Also baptized at the same time was Donald Leach, who in recent months started attending the Victoria Church. As a result of the recent Crusade, conducted by Pastor Bascom, Don expressed a desire to join the Church of his younger days by rebaptism.

On March 22, 1986, Pastor Les Anderson officiated at the baptism of June (Ritchie) Tradewell at the Victoria Church.

June makes up a trio of sisters who, in recent years have been baptized into the Advent family. Victoria Church members are thrilled for they had attended Sabbath School as little girls.

Roth Reunion — Roth Family and Friends Reunion at SDA Lodge, Camp Hope, B.C. August 14, 15, 16, 17, 1986. For more information call or write:

Melvina Roth Patzer Kindopp
801 - 4A Street NE
Calgary, Alberta T2E 3W3
Phone - (403) 276-8539

Grandview Flats Church Homecoming

All former members, pastors and friends are invited to attend the 75th anniversary of the organization of the Grandview Flats, British Columbia, church on August 15 to 17.

It is planned to have Friday evening vespers, special all-day Sabbath services and an old-fashioned get-together on Sunday.

There is plenty of parking on the school grounds nearby for tents, recreational vehicles, etc., with the use of the school facilities. Several homes will also be open to accommodate visitors. If you would like further information, please contact Alberta Smith (546-6462), C6 Site B Grandview North, R.R.#3, Armstrong, B.C. V0E 1B0 or Eleanor Bergey (546-9380), C26 Birch Drive, R.R.#3, Armstrong, B.C. V0E 1B0. We look forward to seeing many of you there.

Baby Hetland Dedicated



Pastor and Mrs. Stan Gallant were grateful and happy grandparents to be dedicating Autumn, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Ray Hetland, to the Lord. Five days prior to the dedication Autumn had been rescued from the burning home of her parents in Kitwanga, B.C. The dedication took place in the Hazelton SDA Church, April 12, 1986.

Missing Members

The Seventh-day Adventist Church in Abbotsford is attempting to update its membership directory and is looking for the addresses of the following people:

Mrs. Lise Brophe
Mrs. Stella Buchanan
Mr. Edgar Doucet
Mrs. Nellie Gut
Mr. Harry Jones
Miss Sheila Jones
Edith Parmele
Mrs. Natividad Phillips
Miss Lydia Pilch
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Robinson
Mary Anne Robinson
Miss Shawn Walker
Mrs. June Smythe
Mrs. Elsie Zivney

If anyone knows the whereabouts of these people, please contact the pastor, Abbotsford Seventh-day Adventist Church, 1921 Griffiths Road, Abbotsford, B.C. V2S 6H3.

Evangelist Gerard Dis Conducts Evangelistic Series in Edmonton

So far 28 people have been baptized in the metropolitan Edmonton area following an evangelistic series of meetings conducted by Gerard Dis, an evangelist from the AMAZING FACTS ministry. He was assisted by the Greater Edmonton area pastors.

Evangelist Dis, spoke at the Edmonton Convention Centre. With the assistance of his charts and his enthusiastic approach to the study of the Bible, he imparted biblical truths to the many interested people who came night after night. The opening night non-Adventist attendance was 500.

We are glad for those who have made their commitment to God's everlasting truth and we look forward with anticipation to others who may in the near future make their decisions.

Ron Teranski

Update on Calgary School

Greetings from Calgary Seventh-day Adventist School. Many of you are aware that we lost our beautiful school in a fire on March 21, 1985, and thus have been faced with crucial decisions about the future operation of our school. In a spirit of earnest prayer, the faculty, students, parents and supportive constituents looked to God for wisdom and doors were opened. Within a few days school was once more in operation in a rented facility, St. Anne's School, and the year was finished on schedule. Again a way was opened for our school to continue as we moved to another rented facility, St. Paul's school, which has served us well for the 1985-1986 school year. Many prayers of thanksgiving have been expressed as our program continues to prosper. In spite of the fire, new classes in French, Computer Literacy and Art have been added to our program this past year.

At the present, construction of our new building is under way and the teachers and students are excited about moving into a new facility in the near future. The students of CSAS have worked hard to raise \$7,400.00 between December 1985 and April 1986, and in addition \$188,500.00 has been raised towards the cost of a new building. An additional \$350,000 is still needed for basic costs not covered by the insurance settlement.

We express our thanks for the many cards, letters, phone calls and financial gifts extended to us during this time of challenge. Please pray for the continued success of our school program as plans are laid for the 1986-1987 school year.

Dallas Weis, *Principal*

Infants Dedicated at Sylvan Lake



Stan and Debbie Bell presented their son, Lance, before the Lord for dedication on March 15 in the Sylvan Lake Seventh-day Adventist Church. Stan and Debbie want their son to be a servant of God and a friend to man. They also have a little girl. I ask that God will bless their family.



Harold and Elaine Ohlmann presented Shawna Lee for dedication to the Lord May 10 in the Sylvan Lake Seventh-day Adventist Church. Brother and Sister Ohlmann have two older children. Brother Ohlmann has done his studies in theology at Canadian Union College and part of his externship program in Sylvan Lake. We pray for God's blessing on the Ohlmann family as they enter the service of the Master.

Levern Krenzler, *Pastor*

Kathy Joins Hanna Church



The Hanna Seventh-day Adventist Church was thrilled to witness Kathy Anderson's decision to follow God in new truth. On March 15, 1986 Kathy was accepted into the Hanna membership on Profession of Faith. Olger Aaserude congratulates her.

Civilian Turned Crown Prince



It's not every day that one hears of an ordinary civilian moving up to Crown Prince status — at least not in this world. In the spiritual world, however, the impossible becomes possible through the power and grace of a loving God. On Sabbath, March 29, 1986 Milton Hathaway became officially a Crown Prince, a child of the King, being baptized by Pastor Glen Corkum at the Calgary Pineridge SDA Church.

Calgary Baptism



Darren Atkins was baptized in the Sylvan Lake Seventh-day Adventist Church on March 15. Darren attended a Revelation Seminar in Sylvan Lake. Darren went to Calgary for work. In Calgary Pastor Glen Corkum studied the Bible with Darren in preparation for baptism. He is a member of the Pineridge Seventh-day Adventist Church. He lost his job because of his conviction on the Sabbath. He has need of our prayers and encouragement.

Three Join Foothills Church



Three persons were baptized at Pineridge Church on April 29. They are Merv Werk, Delter and Bridget Schurig, children of Wilfred and Ria Schurig. These new members will join the Foothills Church in Okotoks, Alberta. The other lady joined the Pineridge Church. Pastor Rudy James conducted the baptism.

Anniversary Celebration at Pineridge Church

If you have never been a charter member, you will never fully understand the thrill, the joy and the wonderful feeling of anticipation in starting a new church.

In November, 1976 the little Pineridge Company was started by Pastor George Emm. Mrs. Barb White remembers that "Pastor Emm and his wife came to our door and told us that they were sent by the conference to start a new church in the east end of Calgary — would we be willing to attend this new church?" She said, "Yes."

By February, 1977, the little company had grown to 39 members and became the charter members when the church was officially formed. Still with us today are Mr. George Jacobson and family, Mr. Jack Birkett and family, Mr. Carl White and family, Mrs. Reba Black, Mrs. Ruth Cameron and Mrs. Clara Cooksley who were charter members.

In March, 1977 Pastor Emm became ill and Pastor Terry McComb served as Pastor for a year. He was succeeded by Pastor Wayne Culmore who pastored the young church for about two years. Then Pastor Ron Johnson came on the scene. After five years Pastor Ron received a call to Williams Lake, BC and Pastor Glen Corkum was given the pastorate here.

In 1983 the little Pineridge group were able, by God's grace, to build a church of their own after having rented other churches for several years, and are presently enjoying a beautiful Christian fellowship unique to the Pineridge Church. Through the years the church has experienced growth by baptism, transfers, and births. Many have come and gone — and relocated. Today we have a total of 225 members attending — not including children, and the church is continuing to grow.

As a special treat, Pastors Terry McComb and George Emm, two of our former pastors, with their wives and some children,

graced us with their presence. Pastor Emm presented the message for the hour. His theme was "We must be born again in order to enter heaven."

The C.U.C. Singers provided the special music for Sabbath School and the divine service. In the afternoon following a special fellowship dinner, our hearts were warmed as we enjoyed a rich feast of gospel songs and the evening featured Elder Krenzler's slides of the Holy Land.

And so it was we celebrated the memory of a beautiful beginning — realizing that we have come this far — not by our might nor by our power — but by His Spirit.

Cutie O'Riley



Pastors, past and present, with members of their families. Left to right, the present pastor of the Pineridge Church, Glen Corkum with wife Bev, daughter Anita and son Allan. Next is Pastor George Emm and wife Dorothy, and Pastor Terry McComb and wife Jean with their two youngest sons.

(Photo by Brad Jacobson)

QUEBEC

Quebec Association Has a New Treasurer

Brother Yves E. Colas, originally from Haiti, has been appointed as treasurer of the Quebec Association filling the vacancy left by Elder Gordon Gray's acceptance of a call from the Ontario Conference.

Brother Colas has already taken up his duties as treasurer. He comes with a good background in accounting and business management for he has served as accountant, assistant business manager and business manager of West Indies College in Jamaica. He is dedicated to the church and its growth.



Yves Colas

Three Rivers Seminar Culminates in Seven Baptisms

It all started in January with a Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking that Pastor Pierre Zita and Jean-Guy Tremblay held in the town of Three Rivers. Seventy-five persons attended the session and almost 80% quit smoking.

One week later, Pastor Zita started a Revelation Seminar in the same place. After mailing 300 letters and using radio, newspaper ads, and handbills, the members were happy to greet 48 people the first night, February 11, 1986. Several from the Five-day Plan came to the Revelation Seminar and learned from the Bible the secrets of better health.

After 12 weeks of seminar, seven persons were baptised and three new prospects for baptism are attending services. We have many names for further Bible study. The new members and interested persons are now attending a follow-up Bible course and vegetarian health lessons given by Simone Ratelle.

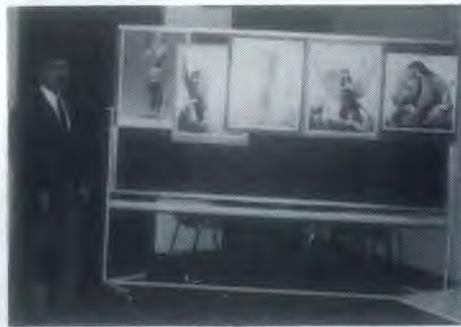


Baptismal group in Three Rivers, Quebec.

Daniel Seminar at Sherbrooke

A Daniel Seminar was held recently in a rented hall at a Junior College in Sherbrooke. Two nights a week, Tom LeBlanc, pastor of the Sherbrooke Seventh-day Adventist Church presented the exciting prophecies of the Book of Daniel to an interested and participating audience. An average of 30 people attended, more than half of whom were non-Adventists. A group of faithful church members were on hand each evening, to lend support and help in the effort.

Follow-up meetings in the form of group Bible studies are now being held once a week at the Adventist Church in Sherbrooke with good attendance. Several of the participants have begun attending church on Sabbaths and have brought friends and relatives to both Bible studies and church services.



Tom LeBlanc explaining the prophecies of Daniel.

Charlottetown Church Celebrates 50th Anniversary

The 50th Anniversary of the organization of the Charlottetown Seventh-day Adventist Church on Prince Edward Island was held on Sabbath, May 24, 1986 with the guest speaker the new Maritime Conference President, Perry Parks.

Adventists date the beginning of the work of the church on Prince Edward Island back to 1935 with a series of public meetings conducted by evangelist F.W. Johnston, at which time some 35 precious souls were baptized.

The first Sabbath School was organized on Sabbath afternoon, Oct. 26, 1935 under



Charlottetown S.D.A. Church.

New Minas Baptisms



Ted Harvey (left) publicly displayed his decision to follow Christ in a very special baptismal service by Pastor John Bullock. Ted is a unique young person and we know that his love for the Lord is a great witness to other young people. Ted's baptism marked a special occasion for our New Minas Church as it was the first baptism in the new baptistry.

George Eric Hartmann-Jorgensen, right, was baptized in the New Minas Church and accepted into the fellowship of the Digby, N.S. Church. It was through the gentle Christ-like witness of a new friend that George came to seek the Adventist truth. As he drew nearer to God, his whole life changed. His new-found friend is now his wife. We welcome George into our church family.



Revelation Seminar held in Summerside, P.E.I. Three of the group were recently baptized. Studies are currently being carried on with some others.



Harold Clements.

the direction of Elder F.W. Johnston with eighteen adults and eighteen young people present.

The following summer, in July of 1936 the Charlottetown church was organized with Elder S.G. White, the then Maritime Conference President, chairing the meeting, with a charter membership of thirty-five; another fifteen members were added two weeks later. Brother Harold Clements, Sr., at the age of 92, is the oldest charter member presently residing in a Senior Citizen's Home in Charlottetown.

It was later in 1936 that the newly formed church body purchased a lot of land at 20 Laphorne Ave. in Charlottetown on which to erect a place of worship. Under the direction of Brother Harold Clements, Sr., a representative edifice was subsequently built. On January 8, 1938, the members rejoiced as they took part in the dedication of their new church building with Elder M.V. Campbell leading out in the dedicatory service.

It continues today to be the centre of worship for God's people of the Advent movement on beautiful Prince Edward Island, and stands as a monument to the dedication and sacrifice of those who were willing to take their stand for the cause of truth more than fifty years ago here in this part of God's great vineyard.

A number of dedicated pastors have come and gone during those fifty years each leaving his own distinctive imprint behind him. The present pastor, Max Mercer, who spent the first four years of his ministry on Prince Edward Island, 1952-56, and who returned to Charlottetown in the fall of 1983 will be retiring in June of this year.

There are bright days ahead. God has a firmament of believers on the Island yet to be gathered in before Jesus comes. Please pray for this stronghold of traditionalism!

W.M. Mercer

Bridgewater Baptism



Jeanette Hosking receives her baptismal certificate from Pastor Jim Sharpe after her baptism on New Year's Eve, 1985 in the Bridgewater church.

NEWFOUNDLAND

"Youth Helping Youth" in Marystown



Several months ago the Marystown youth group received a \$5,000 grant from the Newfoundland International Year of Youth Committee to put on a drug awareness program in 15 communities on the Burin Peninsula. Under the leadership of Pastor David Jamieson and after weeks of preparation the program was presented on May 8 at the Marystown Mall with an anti-drug and alcohol display and computer health check-ups. In six hours 180 people had their computer health age check-up done by six eager youth. Plans for youth recreation seminars across the peninsula are well under way reports Pastor Cameron Johnston.

THE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH in Canada with its headquarters at 1148 King Street East, Oshawa, Ontario, held its 12th quinquennium session at Kingsway College Oshawa, Ontario, from June 6th to June 9th, 1986.

The purpose of the session was to set goals and elect its directors and Executive Committee for the Seventh-day Adventist Church for the next five years.

Seventh-day Adver

By June Ulett

Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada



The Honourable Mr. Gerry Weiner, recently appointed by the Prime Minister as the Minister of State for Immigration represented the Prime Minister and the Government of Canada at the 12th Session of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada. Here, Mr. Weiner (far left) joins with Elder Gary DeBoer, Dr. Douglas Devnich and Mr. Dave Thomas at a Breakfast meeting prior to his address to the delegates.

174 delegates and invitees from across Canada were present to conduct the business of the Church. There were also invitees from the General Conference as well as the Honourable Gerry Weiner, Spokesman for Prime

the interest of the Church to organize itself, and

Whereas, our experienced Seventh-day Adventist Canadian lawyers have pointed out the inconsistencies and vulnerabilities of our present organizational structure and Church administrative procedures, and suggest that the

accepted by the delegates at the session.

The seven Conferences shared what God has done in their field and the challenges for the quinquennium. A committee was appointed to study the quinquennial challenge and special emphasis will be placed on working for

ist Church Holds Its 12th Quinquennium Session

Minister Brian Mulroney.

Elder C.S. Greene, Director of Church Ministries, retired after serving the Church in various capacities for 40 years.

The Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada has a membership of 35,689 with 289 churches being cared for by 235 ministers. We operate 94 church schools from K-12, and one senior college, located in Lacombe, Alberta. These schools are operated by 350 teachers with a total enrollment of 4,200 students.

Realizing that the goal of completing the gospel commission will be reached only with revival and reformation, quinquennial objectives were adopted.

All of the session's business was conducted with Harvest 90 in mind. In fact, it might even be said that Harvest 90 was the theme of the entire session.

The following major constitutional change approved by the North American Division was voted at the session:

Union Structure - One Stream Concept

Whereas, the Church in Canada must operate under a legal system that provides little recognition for an incorporated body, and

Whereas, the present dual structure of the Church is presenting to the Church increasing legal and administrative problems, and

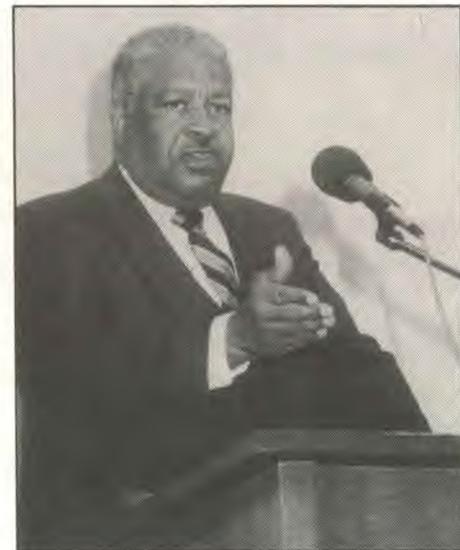
Whereas, the Canadian system of law is distinct and entirely separate from the law in the United States, and

Whereas, it appears to the Church in Canada that it is most prudent and in

parent body (Union Conference) should have legal entity, and

Whereas, the North American Division has given their approval to the Canadian Union Conference, it was

VOTED: To accept the one stream concept for the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada. The Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada Corporation is the successor in interest to the



Elder Charles Bradford, president, North American Division, gave a dynamic presentation on "Harvest 90" on Sabbath evening.

previously unincorporated religious association known as the Canadian Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, both of which shall, in the future, do business as a single entity in the form of this non-profit religious Corporation under the name of Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada.

A new set of Bylaws was voted and

former Seventh-day Adventists as well as the youth of the Church. After much discussion regarding the challenges that face the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada during the next quinquennium, the following action was taken:

VOTED: To recommend that each Conference Committee set one day aside in consultation with Union personnel, to discuss the item of the quinquennial challenge, and develop constructive ideas for their regions no later than the end of 1986.

The Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada has a tremendous investment in its youth. Christian education is a most urgent matter and with a united Canadian constituency, there is potential financial strength to successfully operate a Senior College at Canadian Union College.

The Chairman, Elder Wilson, polled the delegates whether they desired to continue with post-secondary education in Canada as it is presently structured. A very great majority expressed their support. The delegates to the session voted to recommend to the Executive Committee of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada, that a standing audit committee for the purpose of compliance of Canadian Union College with the Debt Liquidation Plan for Canadian Union College, be established by June 30, 1987. Debt Liquidation Proposal is quoted on page 19.

This Audit Committee shall consist of from three to seven Seventh-day Adventist laypersons, knowledgeable in the field of quality control/assurance audit who have demonstrated an

interest in Christian education, and who are at arm's length with Canadian Union College.

The committee shall report once per year after the end of the school year as follows:

—by October 15, to the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada for the fall meeting of the Executive Committee,

—to the October meeting of the College Board,

—to the November/December Conference Committee, and

—to the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada on or before the January issue of the Messenger.

The terms of reference of this committee may be expanded at any time by the Executive Committee of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada. The life of the committee shall be at the pleasure of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada in Session.

They also voted: To appoint a study group for the Canadian Union that could concentrate on gleaning the Spirit of Prophecy for practical direction from God. This study group could make recommendations to the various boards, and also report to the Union membership through regular reports in the Messenger, to update the Canadian constituency regarding Christian Education.

Necessary academic, financial, and industrial safeguards are being implemented to assure that the need for another debt liquidation does not arise a second time.

Confession & Commitment to Seventh-Day Adventist Christian Education:

Whereas, the delegates to the Session realize that mistakes have been made in the past regarding Christian education in Canada, it is

VOTED: To record that we, the members of the 12th Session of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada, express before God and the membership of the church, our prayer that God may forgive our neglect to follow fully His instruction with regards to Christian Education, and the support of the same for our children, God's children.

That we pledge ourselves to, and call upon all of our people to seek the simple beauty and unity of a Christ-like lifestyle personally in our homes, churches and schools.

That we commit ourselves to support,

SDA CHURCH IN CANADA - 1986 ELECTED PERSONNEL

ADMINISTRATIVE

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| 1. President | J.W. Wilson |
| 2. Secretary | G.E. Maxson |
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| 8. Associate Education | Janice Saliba |
| 9. Public Affairs -
Religious Liberty | D.D. Devnich |
| 10. Literature
Ministry | P. Cordray |
| 11. Church Ministries | E.R. Bacchus |

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(Rev. Fund/Trust) | F.L. Bell |
| 13. Assistant Treasurer
(Computer Services) | R. Sullivan |
| 14. Assistant Treasurer
(HHSC) | W. Ruba |

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH IN CANADA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

EX OFFICIO

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4. Roy Adams
5. L.G. Lowe

CONFERENCE PRESIDENTS

6. N.C. Sorenson
7. H.S. Larsen
8. D.M. MacIvor
9. O. Parchment
10. C.A. Sabot
11. P.A. Parks
12. D.S. Crook

UNION DEPARTMENTS

13. J.D.V. Fitch
14. D.D. Devnich
15. E.R. Bacchus

INSTITUTIONS

16. Canadian Union College - M.S. Graham
17. Kingsway College - R.R. Janes
18. Pacific Press Publishing - E. Stiles

ELECTED

LAY PERSONS

1. Alberta - Miss Bonnie Kerr
2. B.C. - Mrs. Carol Domke
3. M-S - Ike Cadogan
4. Ontario - Carl Okimi
5. Ontario - Mrs. Karen Halminen
6. Quebec - Harold Cote
7. Maritimes - Melvin Boutilier
8. Newfoundland - Don Morgan
9. Special - Miss Karen Scott (B.C.)

WORKERS

10. Alberta - Pastor Mark Laws
11. B.C. - Pastor Bob Tetz
12. M-S - Pastor Larry Kositsin
13. Ontario - Pastor Graham Glover
14. Ontario - Mrs. Juanita Neal
15. Quebec - Pastor Wayne Martin
16. Maritimes - Pastor Ken Crawford
17. Special - Pastor Brian Leavitt
(Canadian Union College)
18. Branson - James Bruce

and to fulfill the mission that Christ has given us in Christian education and in preaching the Word.

In response to communication with the office of the Prime Minister of Canada, the Honourable Gerry Weiner represented the Government to the 12th Session of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada. Mr. Weiner, in addition to representing as a member of Parliament the Dollard constituency of Quebec, serves as the Minister of State for Immigration.

Mr. Weiner, a Jew, said to the delight of the delegates, "Possibly the reason why I was selected to represent the government at this meeting is because I know the Sabbath is on the right day of the week."

He went on to explain the high regard that the Government has for the Seventh-day Adventist Church and that the Government appreciates the church's representations which have been made to Parliamentary Committees and to Members of Parliament.

He maintained that religious faith is an essential element in the cultural



Quebec conference president, Claude Sabot with Dr. Jean Leclerc who recently joined the church following an Amazing Facts Crusade in Quebec City.

character of Canada, and that the Government of the day is committed to protect the freedom of minority religions and it welcomes their influence.

The delegation responded effusively to the speech and presence of Mr. Weiner. The delegates were greatly enriched by hearing and meeting this humble, winsome Government personage. In turn, Mr. Weiner and the Minister to whom he reports will have received a new and positive view of who Seventh-day Adventists are and what their purpose and mission is in the world.

A multimedia presentation with special emphasis on the "Caring

Church" concept across Canada, showing personal involvement in church ministries was presented to the delegates.

The session ended with a Harvest 90 dedication prayer by the President of

the Seventh-day Adventist church in Canada, praying that every member will join together in prayer, sacrifice, and commitment to double the strength of the Church between now and 1990. ☩



Quartet members Lee Patterson, Dan Jackson, Bob Tetz and Al Reimche sang a Harvest 90 song composed by Gem Fitch at the piano.

CANADIAN UNION COLLEGE DEBT LIQUIDATION PROPOSAL June 8, 1986

The Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada has a tremendous investment in its youth. A united Canadian constituency, pulling together, has the potential financial strength to successfully operate post-secondary education at Canadian Union College.

WHEREAS: The corporate church has continuously operated on a "sharing philosophy" — all sharing for the good of all, and

WHEREAS: Drastic actions are required to care for the indebtedness which has accumulated for many reasons including high interest rates, a slumping economy, the disastrous farm fire, and

WHEREAS: The marketing of Christian Education is a most urgent matter, and

WHEREAS: Austerity and retrenchment will be the mandate for every conference and church organization in the foreseeable future,

It is therefore necessary that safeguards be put into place to assure that these academic, financial and industrial situations do not arise a second time.

I. Academic Safeguards

- A. Academic operations will be organizationally and functionally separated and insulated from the industrial operations.
- B. Course offerings must be more increasingly cost effective and not be expanded for the next five years.
- C. Alberta accreditation to be implemented only as funds are available.

II. Financial Safeguards - Until June 30, 1991

- A. No capital projects will be permitted except as provided in B) and C) below.
- B. Donations made for specific purposes may, with appropriate College Board approval, be used for the intended purposes on condition that such funds would not otherwise be available for

debt liquidation/recovery and that the project involved will not require funds in addition to such specific donations.

- C. Emergency major repairs (situations involving the health and safety of students and staff) involving more than \$50,000 will be referred to the Union Executive Committee and the Conference Committees for approval.
- D. The college will adopt an annual budget with proper funding in order to eliminate any deficit financial position and allow the building of working capital by showing a 3% to 5% operating gain. Any previous deficit financing will be corrected in the new budget for the following year.

III. Financial Safeguards - After July 1, 1991

- A. General Conference building guidelines requiring that 50% of funds be on hand and bona fide plans for the remaining 50% be in place before a project is started, will be strictly followed.
- B. Capital projects involving an expenditure of more than \$5,000 will require the authorization of the full College Board before implementation.
- C. Capital projects involving an expenditure of more than \$100,000 will not proceed until approval has been given by:

1. College Board
2. Union Executive Committee
3. Conference Executive Committees and/or Constituency meetings
4. General Conference Building Committee

A 2/3 majority vote by the committees of the conferences constituting 85% of the constituent membership of the Canadian Union will be required before the project will proceed.

IV. General Financial Safeguards

- A. Should Canadian Union College engage in capital expenditures contrary to the conditions outlined above, fail to keep its scheduled commitment of debt reduction, or fail to restrict its operations within an approved balanced budget including provision for any operating deficit in the preceding fiscal year, conference appropriations would cease forthwith.
- B. The regular appropriation will be reduced to an amount equivalent to 1½% of the previous year's title receipts (normally 3%) for a period of up to five years until June 30, 1991, or the close of the quinquennium. The time frame to be determined by each conference.
- C. Funds from the conferences will be forwarded only when it has been established that the other organizations involved are equally prepared to meet their portion of the debt liquidation plan. Failure on the part of any one of the organizations concerned to achieve

these objectives will place in question the participation of all conferences.

V. Industrial Safeguards

- A. Separate the College-owned industries from the academic operations by June 30, 1986.
- B. Establish a new not-for-profit corporation to hold the assets and liabilities of the industries and farm. (Suggested name for the new holding company, Parkland Education Support Corporation.)
- C. Commit the specific College assets to meet the \$2,000,000 portion outlined in the Debt Liquidation Plan for Canadian Union College.
- D. Encourage private investors, and/or corporations supportive of the Seventh-day Adventist education work-study

concept, to purchase and operate the industries and farm.

VI. In light of the above safeguards, it is recommended that the Canadian conferences accept the following debt liquidation objectives:

Alberta	900,000
British Columbia	800,000
Manitoba-Saskatchewan	275,000
Maritimes	120,000
Newfoundland	55,000
Ontario	750,000
Quebec	125,000
Conference Total	3,025,000
b. From the Union and General Conference	775,000
b. From General Conference Special	200,000

d. From CUC reorganization and commitment of assets	2,000,000
Total to be raised	6,000,000

VII. Inasmuch as two conferences elected presidents after the CUC study began, and inasmuch as time is needed to deal with the CUC matter, it is, RECOMMENDED: That the deadline for the up front cash payment as shown above be extended to August 1, 1986, and that the regular 3% college grant from the conferences be continued until the conferences have deposited these funds with the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada for payment to the bank. ☼

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What's the Difference?

children and youth into an adult world — boys play starwars, and six year old girls take dancing lessons. And it is looked upon with humor.

A few years ago, a barefoot boy walked 60 miles across the mountains to our school at Gitwe. His name is Karambizi. His folks couldn't read or write. They didn't have any money. He earned his way through school by hoeing out my wife's carrots and beets and leaving the weeds. Today, he is doing auditing work for the Lake Union Conference. In December, he is going to return to Central Africa to teach business in our new university. How could he do it? Underprivileged, poor — I've sat on the only chair in his father's mud hut. He had a childhood surrounded by supportive parents. He had no identity crisis. He took advantage of opportunities and did not suffer from a sense of abandonment. In this country, we need to re-cement the family and develop a sense of identity and restore childhood.

I do not eat or dress as my grandfathers did. I have not followed their vocations. I am different. We expect our sons and daughters and grandchildren to be different from us. Older folks are often dismayed with the profoundness of differences and the rapidity of their evolution.

In addition to the factors noted above, which shape the "now" generation, there are many other forces beyond its control, which makes it what it is.

Apart from our church schools and similar private educational endeavours supported by Christian communities,

the humanistic educational philosophy that shapes our present society is resolutely directed toward educating for the person-centered society — and that person is not Jesus Christ.

Our youth live under the threat of war — nuclear war — with no winners. So, if there is no future, eat, drink and be merry — now. William Byron, president of the Catholic University of America observes that Youth are

there is still a chance. And our own college youth are talking about getting away from it all before the time of trouble comes).

We throw before our youth the memory of the holocaust — men's capacity to hate, to murder, to disregard human life and dignity. We give them family instability and the trauma of their parents' marriage break-up — and leave them to live under the

"Education . . . is a painful, continual, and difficult work to be done by kindness, by watching, by warning, by precept, and by praise, but above all . . . by example."

— John Ruskin

troubled by poverty — not just their poverty, but by sustained deprivation — lack of food, shelter, employment, education, health care in so many areas of the world. Sometimes they feel guilty, and more often angry because they see suppression of the weak by the strong who "have" and who want more.

Our insecure and immature youth are thrown into the issue of ecological deterioration-polluted streams, abuse of soil, poisoned air, destruction of croplands by erosion and urbanization (and many go back to nature now while

unclear cloud and in a survival syndrome that contributes ambiguity rather than clarity of purpose to their lives. There is indeed, widespread purposelessness in life. Many homes have not provided security. The nation offers little sense of direction.

And so, we see teenage couples, starey-eyed (not starry-eyed) strolling hand in hand in our parks, oblivious to what is going on around, each with a head-set on, listening to their favourite rock group. Everything else is blowing their minds — so why not music, too?

And where does this all leave our youth? It leaves them vulnerable — vulnerable to every “ism” that comes along; racism, sexism, capitalism, communism, materialism. A large headline in the Edmonton SUN, October 23, 1985, reads “Cults ‘Epidemic’ at U of A.” It says in part, “The U of A is a virtual ‘hotspot’ for recruiters who entice at least one in 50 students to surrender their lives to cults. . . . A lot of people are searching and cults will promise them anything.”

As church leaders, as parents, as fellow members of the Church, we need to recognize that change has come very fast — too fast, within the home, the nation and even the church itself. The traditional certitudes that once bound us all together have been undermined.

Today is here, and so is today’s youth — precocious and uninhibited, bright and self-assertive, challenging and often provocative, and without the foundation of secure homes, stable society, sense of identity and purpose that characterized previous generations.

Our youth today were born in an era of social turbulence and change, in the ‘60’s and ‘70’s. They were nurtured in the age of television; they are being ushered into the information age in which by 2000, it is estimated that 2/3 of all employment will be in infor-

mations industries and services. This in itself will break down the traditional power systems which have guided the home, school, church and even government employment structures.

Our future is with us right now — our future as a church lies in our children and youth who must carry the torch of past generations to the triumphal entry into the kingdom of God. Given these forces which have molded their personalities and the problems that our youth face daily, I am amazed at their sincerity; their commitment to the church; their spiritual growth. It is indeed the result of the miracle of God’s grace in their lives. Let us not be dismayed over the accidents caused by youthful impetuosity and lack of experience in life which have provoked spiritual shipwreck for some. A certain amount of pain and grief we will have to bear. Let us support and uphold the host of wonderful youth that belong to our church. I, for one, am proud of them. I know where they come from and I accept them. They may not know where I came from, but are intelligent enough to know that I came from somewhere and are mature enough to accept me in return.

John Ruskin wrote, “Education does not mean teaching people what they do not know. It means teaching them to

behave as they do not behave. It is not teaching them the shapes of letters, and the tricks of numbers, and then leaving them to turn their arithmetic to roguery and their literature to lust. It means, on the contrary, training them to the perfect exercise and kingly continence (self-control) of their bodies and souls. It is a painful, continual, and difficult work to be done by kindness, by watching, by warning, by precept, and by praise, but above all — by example.”

Brethren and sisters, to this, Mrs. White adds, (Ed. p. 17) “Every human being, created in the image of God, is endowed with a power akin to that of the creator, individuality, power to think and to do. . . . It is the work of true education to develop this power, to train the youth to be thinkers, and not mere reflectors of other men’s thoughts.”

May God help us to support our youth as they think through their particular problems of today as they struggle onward to the foot of the cross. And may God give us all courage to meet the challenges that today’s youth bring to us personally who have been nurtured in a different generation. May we graciously and with confidence hand the torch on to those who must bear it in the future. ✠

Okanagan Adventist Academy — “Where does my Big Brother sit?” asks a wide-eyed grade two student, as he looks around the high school Bible classroom.

Speaking of her grade 1-3 class, Beverly How says: “I can’t tell the students of the next activity with their Big Brothers and Sisters too far ahead, because they get so excited.”

Three years ago, Nyren Compton, Bible teacher at OKAA, suggested to his high school students that they “adopt” a little brother or sister in grades 1-3. The idea took root immediately. Ever since, big and little brothers and sisters have been getting together regularly to have some fun together. They remember each other’s birthdays and often surprise each other with little gifts and notes.

“It’s sort of a Bible lab — a way to put into practice what we’ve been studying about in class,” explains Mr. Compton. “Loving other people is lots of fun.”

Bella Coola Jr. Academy — The Bella Coola Jr. Academy students and staff celebrated an Agapé Feast on February 7, 1986 at 6 p.m. This special occasion was one of the highlights of our school year. Students and staff met around a cross-shaped table exquisitely filed with a variety of breads and fruit. The table setting, beautifully arranged



by Wendy Witas, created a lovely atmosphere for the feast.

Before the communion service, Pastor Unruh explained the significance of the Agapé feast and then led us in prayer.

After the Agapé feast a lively and joyous song service followed, with guitar and synthesizer accompaniment.

Cariboo Adventist Academy — Jennifer Campbell’s grades 3 & 4 class sell soup and

cookies once a month to raise money for a student in Rwanda. She has been doing this with her class for 4 years now. The girl’s name is Marie Mukumwiza and letters from her and her teachers indicate that she is a bright girl but could not possibly be in school with the financial help she gets. So far this year the students have raised \$150 which is still a long way from the \$420 (U.S. dollars) that she needs. Since the project started tuition has gone up from \$200 to the present \$420 and she must also buy school uniform and her school supplies. It gives the students some idea that life is not as easy for everyone as it may be for them.

Choir and band have been rehearsing for the Festival and Expo. Band is composed of 29 members directed by Barb Murrin. They will tour Prince George, Fort St. John, Grande Prairie and Chetwynd. The choir is directed by Phyllis Lee and will take a tour similar to the band but are awaiting the big challenge — auditioning to sing at Expo 86.

Sandy Lake Adventist Academy — On February 3, 1986 a full page in the *Halifax Chronicle-Herald* was set aside for poetry, prose and art work by the students of Sandy Lake Academy. The topic for this student work was “Hobbies.” The *Halifax Chronicle-Herald* is the newspaper with the largest circulation in the Halifax area. ✠

A short parable every Adventist parent should read before choosing between a public or Adventist school next September!



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nce upon a time there lived a very happy family. There was a mother and a father. And a little sister and a big brother. There was also a very wise grandfather.

Grandfather lived very far away. In fact, the children had never been to his house. But they had heard a lot about him. Mother and Father often talked about how Grandfather could do just about anything—manage a business, repair an automobile,

and even build his own house.

"Grandfather is very wise," Mother and Father would say. "And someday, when you're old enough, you can take a trip to Grandfather's house. We want you to meet him and learn from him. He can teach you so much about life."

Finally they were old enough! Both children were excited about the new adventure. But now the family had to decide how Brother and Sister would get

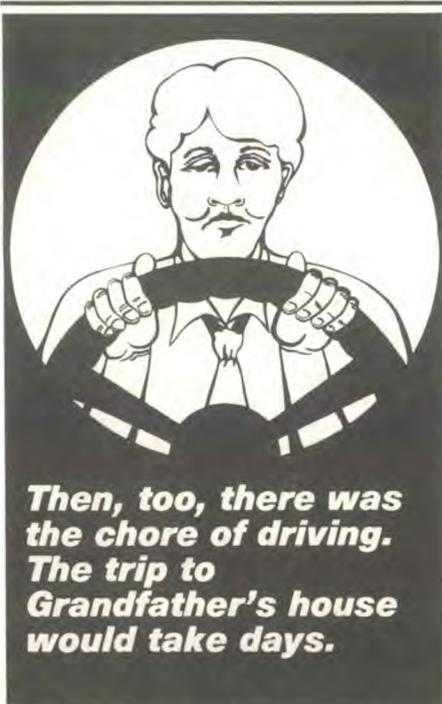
to Grandfather's house. This was a major decision. They had two options.

First there was the public bus. It was a shiny, double-decker tour bus. It had air-conditioning. Padded, reclining seats. Stereo headphones. And several other creature comforts.



Both children were excited about the new adventure.

But the most attractive thing about the bus was the price of the ticket. It was very reasonable. The cost was well subsidized by the advertisers. Their messages were carried over the stereo system. Four-color display advertis-



Then, too, there was the chore of driving. The trip to Grandfather's house would take days.

ing was also posted over each seat.

But there was another reason the price of the ticket could be kept so low. The bus company was also subsidized by many attractions along its route. From ski resorts to amusement parks, the bus schedule included numerous stopovers that made the trip really enticing!

However, these "attractions" often turned into "distractions"—and many passengers never arrived at the final destination. Finding the stopovers "just too good to leave," passengers stayed. When the bus arrived at the end of the line, it was often nearly empty.

Now the only alternative to the bus was private car, which meant the family station wagon. The station wagon wasn't nearly as attractive as the tour bus. And it certainly didn't have the same luxurious creature comforts!

This option had its drawbacks, too. The station wagon really guzzled gasoline! Gas and

oil alone would cost several hundred dollars. The wagon didn't have air-conditioning. Or a stereo system. It was plain, basic transportation.

Mother and Father considered the cost of meals along the way—and places to stay at night.

Then, too, there was the chore of driving. The trip to Grandfather's house would take days. Mother and Father could spend that time on other important things.

The list of drawbacks went on and on. Taking the kids to Grandfather's house in the family station wagon was going to be a major expense.

Father and Mother had many discussions about the trip. They carefully considered both options.

The bus was cheaper and nicer. The bus station was conveniently located right around the corner. The kids would meet new people traveling by bus. They'd have some great new experiences while seeing the country. Brother and Sister would certainly receive a broader education on the tour bus than cooped up in the family station wagon.

On the other hand, Mother and Father were a bit concerned about the "distractions along the way." What if the children found an entertainment so enticing that they decided not to continue their trip? They might never get to Grandfather's house at all!

Finally the family decided the best thing to do would be to call Grandfather. They'd ask his opinion. After all, he was a very wise man.

So they got on the telephone and explained the situation. They carefully listed all the pros and cons of taking the public bus or the private car. Grandfather pa-

tiently listened to all the information.

"Well, what do you think?" Mother and Father asked.

Grandfather thought for a moment, then quietly answered.



Finally the family decided to call Grandfather and ask his opinion.

"I guess it all depends on what's more important—the trip, or arriving at the destination."

Even Brother and Sister had to agree that Grandfather was a very wise man indeed.

Your Decision:

The decision whether to send your children to public school or an Adventist school may prove to be the most important decision you will ever make for them.

Why not make your decision a summer prayer and planning priority?

Christian
EDUCATION

An Adventist Essential

MANITOBA/SASKATCHEWAN

Winnipeg Baptism



Gavril Ardelean, (centre back) and Ruth and Hiram Holloway, (front right) are pictured with Mr. Pandeletis and Mr. Seidl who studied with them. Pastor Kempert performed the baptismal rite on March 29 at Mountain Andrews Church.

Henderson Highway Church Baptism



During the last few months the Henderson Highway Church has been blessed as the following beautiful Christians have been baptized and voted into membership: Sheila Yearwood, Paul Ahn, Jill Gilbert, Andrew Donald, Shawn Donald, Angela Neto, Janet Mutya, Natasha Jackson, Dietmar Glenn Tonn, and Michael Glen O'Halloran. The church welcomes them and seeks to minister as they continue to grow in Christ. Some of those baptized are pictured here with Pastor John Gilbert.

Cheque Aids Computer Program



Principal Dan Carley, right, receives a cheque for \$300.00 from Pastor J. Alan Nash. The cheque is a gift presented by the Kamsack congregation. It is given to boost the software inventory for Yorkton Adventist Academy Computer program. Currently the Y.A.A. owns two computers — the APPLE II E, plus an APPLE II C. Dan Carley implemented computer programs which now involve all the ten grades.

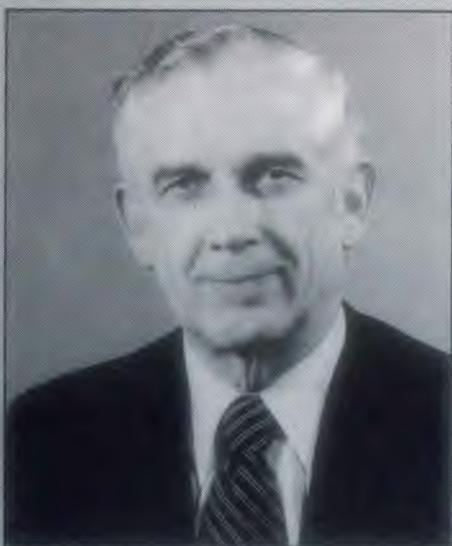
George William Morgan was born in Northumberland, Pennsylvania on September 19, 1923, to Anna [Mertz] Morgan and George B. Morgan, and passed away at his home in Oshawa, the evening of June 17, 1986.

He graduated from Northumberland High School in 1941, and Bucknell University in Lewisburg, Pennsylvania in 1944 with a degree in Chemical Engineering. He was inducted into the U.S. Army immediately upon graduation and spent two years in the Army Medical Corps, with one year of that service having been spent in the Philippines.

He was united in marriage to his high school sweetheart, the former Iona Keyser, on February 22, 1947, and his passing on June 17 brought an end to almost forty years of happy marriage. The day following their wedding they moved to Painesville, Ohio, where Bill was employed by the Diamond Alkali Company as a research chemist.

Four and a half years later he felt called to the gospel ministry while attending camp meeting in Mount Vernon, Ohio. After two years at Washington Missionary College in Washington, D.C. he was called to work in his home state, and spent nine years as a pastor in the East Pennsylvania Conference.

In 1962 he received a call to the Texas Conference where he pastored the Grand Prairie and Irving churches in the Dallas-Fort Worth area for three years. In 1965 he moved to Lincoln, Nebraska to become an associate pastor of the College View Church. He became Stewardship Secretary of the Nebraska Conference



GEORGE WILLIAM MORGAN
[1923-1986]

and one year later accepted the responsibility of Conference President. The Morgans stayed in Lincoln longer than in any other place of service, so Elder and Mrs. Morgan and their three sons, considered Lincoln their home.

He accepted a call to be president of the Indiana Conference and served there for six years, before coming to Oshawa as President of the Ontario Conference in June, 1981. He will always be remembered as the President who led out in the programme to remove the heavy load of debt on this Conference, which he inherited because of the Camp situation.

He resigned as President in September, 1985, because of ill health and since then has worked part time at the Conference, as much and as long as he was able.

His first love was that of His Lord and Master and we know with confidence that he awaits the day of Jesus' soon return.

He slipped into a coma Monday, June 16, and fell asleep in Jesus quietly, Tuesday evening, June 17.

A Memorial Service was held in his honour on Thursday, June 19, at 3:00 P.M. at his home church in Bowmanville, Ont. Elder Lester Carney, a very close friend and the Conference Secretary was the speaker at the memorial service and almost fifty of the conference pastors joined in singing "Never Part Again".

The Funeral Service was held on Sabbath afternoon, June 21, at 3:00 P.M. in the Northumberland, Pennsylvania Seventh-day Adventist Church. He was laid to rest in the Riverview Cemetery in Northumberland, where he awaits the coming of Jesus.

Elder Morgan is survived by his wife Iona; three sons: Clifford of Loma Linda, California; Timothy of Omaha, Nebraska; and Douglas of Chicago, Illinois; a brother, Fred, of Spangle, Washington; and two sisters: Lois Walker and Marie Wohlgenuth, both of Marietta, Georgia.

Len Leatherdale
Correspondent
Bowmanville Seventh-day Adventist
Church

Announcing Ottawa Church Dedication

The Ottawa S.D.A. Church building will be dedicated to the honour and glory of God and the service of all mankind at 10.00 A.M. on Sunday, July 13, 1986. All friends and former members are invited to attend and unite with present members in celebrating this joyous occasion.

Five Children Dedicated at Bramalea



On April 5, 1986 three young couples dedicated their children during the worship service. The members of the church were challenged to help and pray for the couples as they rear these children in the nurture of the Lord.

Pictured from left to right with their respective children are: Mr. & Mrs. Adam Aspilla with Addison, Mr. & Mrs. Ruperto Becbec with Mervin, and Mr. & Mrs. Mario Gurango with Anthony, Cathy, and Philip.

Brother and Sister Baptized



Jamie and Michelle Dorion are the products of a Christian home and Christian education. Their parents, Mr. & Mrs. Pat Dorion rejoice as they make their commitment to Christ in baptism at the Carleton Place Church.

Windsor Baptism

Choin and Sandra Khiev were baptized by Pastor E.L. Anderson in the Windsor Church baptistry. The two candidates are refugees from Cambodia who arrived in Canada almost a year ago. Dr. L.P. Tan, the McGeens and others helped to minister to their needs.

Baptisms at Toronto's Filipino Church

May 3, 1986 was a day of great rejoicing in heaven when two precious souls were baptized at the Filipino Canadian Church.

Four years ago Pepito Cada became a very sick man because of alcohol. He went to Dr. Elnora Inandan, a SDA practitioner. She prescribed treatments and introduced him to Benito Mary, the pastor of the newly organized Filipino Church. Prayers for his healing continued as Bible studies were given. As he felt his whole being permeated by God's love, he was also touched by the warmth and friendliness of the church members whenever he attended church services. He overcame his addiction to alcohol and now he is a changed man. He was baptized Nov. 12, 1983 by Pastor Bradford during the Bible exposition in Toronto.

Pepito faithfully attended church services with his five-year-old son who later joined the children's choir. His wife Pacita who was very much against her husband's baptism, kept her daughter Perla from going to church with her father by enrolling her for piano lessons on Saturdays.

The Lord honoured Pepito's faithfulness. On April 27, 1985 with her mother's permission Perla was baptized during the Bible crusade of Pastor Lawton Lowe at Willowdale. In Pacita's heart was a growing desire also to go to church to learn about the God of her husband. She was lonely whenever she was left alone on Saturdays. When they bought their new home Pastor Benjamin Sanidad officiated at the dedication. The warm Christian fellowship of those who attended the gathering touched Pacita's heart and upon their invitation she assured them that she would attend church the following Sabbath. She did not but purposed that as a Christmas present to her husband she would start going to church in December of that year. She did not keep her promise.

Pacita became ill in January. Prayers ascended in her behalf in the homes of the elders of the church as she underwent an emergency operation. In her hospital bed, Pacita realized that God was calling her, and there she decided to give her heart to God. After some Bible studies, she surrendered herself to God through baptism.

Frank Rojas was also baptized with Pacita Cada. When he came to Canada a year ago he met his mother's Seventh-day Adventist friends who invited him to Sabbath meetings. After the prompting of the Holy Spirit and the Bible Studies conducted by Pastor Mary, he decided to surrender his life to God through baptism.

The following story of the conversion of a whole family is worth relating as it shows the result of sharing one's faith to others.

Remedios Cada Semella was also seeking for truth during the illness of her brother, Pepito Cada. Through the TV ministries including It Is Written, she learned of the

love of God and she felt the need for a closer walk with Him. In her desire to learn more she went from one church to another. Still she couldn't satisfy her longing for a better understanding of God's Word.

At this time she noticed the great change that came to her brother Pepito who told her he was now a baptized member of the Filipino SDA Church. He invited her to join with him. Pastor Mary, with some of the brethren, gave them Bible studies and their hunger for truth was met. In April 27, 1985 during the Bible crusade conducted by Pastor Lawton Lowe the whole family accepted God as their personal Savior through the rites of baptism.

E.R. Sanidad
Communication Secretary



Pacita Cada and Frank Rojas in baptismal gowns flanked by their spiritual guardians, Esther Sanidad and George Solijon respectively. Pastor Efenito Adap, church pastor accompanies them. Inset — Remedios Semella being baptized by Pastor Mary, former church pastor.

Okimi Appointed Director of Nursing Care at Heritage Green Seniors' Complex



Rosemary and Gerald Okimi and children — Mathew, Justin, Gregory, Kevin. Rosemary is a graduate nurse from Branson Hospital, and received her degree in nursing from Andrews University. She has had considerable experience having worked full time at Guelph General Hospital. In Hamilton, she worked in Public Health Nursing, and also at Chedoke-McMaster Hospital. Prior to this appointment, she worked part time at the Heritage Green Nursing Home. We wish her success in this Christian endeavour.

Grassie Church Officially Organized

Sabbath April 12, 1986 was a day of Sabbath Celebration, when Lincoln Pioneer Seventh-day Adventist Church, Grassie, Ontario was officially organized at five o'clock, in the presence of several Elders from the Ontario Conference.

Elder Jacob Hiebert led out in prayer and the sermon was delivered by the President Elder Orville Parchment. The church was organized under the direction of Elder Lester Carney, who presided as each of the twenty-five charter members signed the scroll. Elder Gary Strunk gave the dedicatory prayer, and the history of the church and its members was given by David Falconbridge, Elder of the new church.

Special music was provided by talented members of the church and their children. A Cornet Solo, "The Holy City", was rendered by Mark Okimi, while Jennifer Minnick presented a Violin solo, "O Lord Most Holy". A duet of confidence, "Each Step I Take", was given by Carl and Sharon Okimi.

As this new church shines in its newness, due to the efforts of its members who had it renovated from the former Grassie Public School, we are sure to see it grow under the efforts of its dedicated members.



Lincoln Pioneer Seventh-day Adventist Church, Grassie, Ontario.

Kingsview Crusade Culminates in Baptism

Seventeen precious souls were baptized at the Kingsview Village S.D.A. Church following a four week evangelistic crusade in March led by Pastor Les Carney, evangelist and Executive Secretary of the Ontario Conference.

The crusade meetings were highlighted by Pastor Carney's colorful slides of the Holy Land and by musical concerts given by Kingsview's own church choir, singer Isabel Santos, and singing evangelist, Alise Schram. Prior to Pastor Carney's meetings, Kingsview's Pastor Steve Petr held a Prophecy Seminar in February that included lectures and films from Daniel and Revelation. As a result of the crusade, a spiritual refreshment and revival was evident among the members of the Kingsview Village Church.

Janice Robinson
Public Relations

Bethel Baptism



Six persons were baptized at Toronto's Bethel Church during revival meetings. Guest speaker from New York was Pastor D. Smith. He will have another series August 30-September 20.

Six Young People Join Bramalea SDA Church



The Central Park Baptist Church, where the Bramalea SDA Church meets, was the scene of a beautiful baptism. Three young people were buried in the watery grave into a new fullness of life. The lovely baptism service, conducted by Pastor E.C. Corpus, was the culmination of the Bible studies with Todd Roland Corpus, Trish Ellen Corpus, and Nelvin Earl Cuvin.



On April 12, 1986, three other young people followed the footsteps of the Master the first baptism for 1986 at the same church when Pastor A.V. Pangan conducted it. The three young people are: Suzanne de Asis, Mark Genobaga, and John Imperial.

All of the six precious youth were accepted into the fellowship and membership of the Bramalea Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Sudbury Baptisms



Over the past few months, the Sudbury Church has witnessed two precious souls surrender their lives over to their Master. Yvon Imbeau, left, for a number of years had been reading his Bible. Many new discoveries led him to ask God to lead him to the commandment-keeping church. Through an acquaintance, he was led to Mrs. Donna Gratwicke, who in turn put him in touch with the Genereux family who lived a short distance from his home. Within three weeks, he had completed two Bible study sets. During the same time, he abandoned the smoking habit. Soon after he was baptized. He now is a faithful sabbath-keeper.



On March 1, a 13-year-old boy professed his faith through immersion. Fernand Genereux has been a regular participant in the Sabbath School. Through careful and loving instructions in the home since age four, and many Bible lessons later, he made his decision for baptism. His father accompanies him. Pastor Dennis Heintz officiated at both ceremonies.

Missing Members

College Park Church Membership List of people with addresses unknown. If you know the address or telephone number of any of those listed below, please contact the College Park Church at 1164 King St. E., Oshawa, Ont. L1H 1H9, or telephone (416) 725-1121.

Byron Anderson
Mohammed Bacchus
Douglas & Catherine Barker
Barbara Barsketia
Sharlene Bettes
Peggy Best
Leonard Best
Roger Blunt
Phillip Brewer
Clyde Brown
Leslie Brown Sr.
Mrs. Leslie Brown Sr.
Annette Bryson
Evelyn Burnham
Daisy Cheung
Kelvin Cheung
Bonnie Colburn
Mrs. Collet
Betty Conboy
Mrs. Gerald Conlin
Louise Dacres
Mary Ann Dorrان
Mrs. George Dove & Kathy
Gary Egert
Sharon Emm
Ronald Ewans
Paul Fenik
Sandra Fillmore
David Forrest
Sandra Foster
Reginald Foley
Dianne Gauvin
Dayle Giroux
Donna Godson
Rita (Isaac) Gray
Hazel Godwin
Donna Green
James Hall
Mr. & Mrs. Harold Hanson
Betty Haskell
Ronald Hathaway
Robert & Alice Hemington
Eivend Hestdalen
Glenn Hockley
Randy Hey
John Guenin
Olga & Karen Cook
Mr. & Mrs. John A. Hurren
Betty Iverson
Robert & Elizabeth Jarvis
Melville Jeffers
Sheila Johnson
Raymond Joseph
Robert Judd
Mark Kaskul
David Kaytor
Mrs. Grayson (Jean-Stark)
Ketching
Mildred Kimmerly
Wally Kopp Jr.
Bonnie Kornell

Sandra Kotanko
Nick Kovalev
Cindy Kraker
Charles Krupop
Judy Kumar
Florence Ladrew
Maurice Lauzon
Michael Leger
Ivan Lowe
Mrs. Harry MacDonald
Darlene MacEachern
Mrs. Wallace MacMillan
Darcy Mandzuk
Phillip Mandfield
Susan Mardell
Keith Marshall
Rocky McAllister
Stephen McCaskill
Barbara McCallum
Randy McInnis
Ken McKeane
Colleen McLaren
John McLean
Dan Mineau
Marilyn Mitchell
Ted Moores
Michael Nicherson
Edwin Nicholson
Kathleen Perry
Arthur, Ludlow & Michelle
Petigny
Tom Presnal
Judy Reise
Pam Nichol
David Rhind
Fatima Romaro
Judy Roussel
Pastor Fred Sanburn
Romeo Saunders
Helene Schimath
Harvey Scott
Ruth Scott
Wayne Smith
Harold Snow
Karen Steffner
Marjorie Sullivan
Eugene Taylor
Calvin Terry
Dr. Everton Thomas
Inger-Jean Todd
Mrs. G.J. Troy
Claudine VanEvery
Macon Watts
Thomas White
Dale Wallace
Ernestine Wilkinson
Dale Woods
Stewart Worden
Ken Woytowich
Michelle VanDyke

"Friends of Canada" Meet at La Sierra

Over 200 Canadians and others who have lived and worked in Canada gathered at La Sierra College for the 45th annual meeting of the Friends of Canada organization.

Chairing the meeting was Joy Stickle Ericksen, president. Friends of Canada was organized in 1941, with Dr. Ewald A. Bower, M.D. its first president.

A sundown vespers was presented by Norman Matiko. Following the supper, a variety program was directed by Bill and Theda Kuester. A Mini-tour from Mile 0 in Victoria took the audience by slides to the most easterly point in Canada on the shores of Newfoundland.

An update of some of the happenings of Friends of Canada personnel during the past year, included the return of Norm and Fran How from a year of SOS service in Egypt, the wedding of Phil Moores and Irene McEachren, the 60th wedding anniversary of John and Eunice Hnatyshyn, the death of H.M.S. Richards who had worked in Canada seven years and was married to Mable Eastman in Oshawa, the welcoming of Elder and Mrs. J.W. Bothe to his new work as General Conference representative on the Loma Linda campus for appointments of doctors and dentists for overseas service, and finally Mark Stickle in uniform, represented Canada's favorite sport, ice hockey.

An update and promotional report was given by James Campbell representing Canadian Union College.

Officers for the coming year were voted as follows: president, Daniel Skoretz of Colton; secretary, Kathryn Graf of Loma Linda; and treasurer, Sherilyn Will of Loma Linda.

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H.M.S. Richards, Jr. Awarded Doctor of Divinity Degree



Doctor of Divinity recipient H.M.S. Richards, centre, receives the diploma and congratulations from Southwestern Adventist College president Dr. Marvin Anderson, right. Looking on are college board chairman Cyril Miller, left, and academic vice president Dr. Harold Wright. Richards was granted the honorary doctorate during Southwestern's spring commencement ceremony May 4.

Radio-TV Commission Solicits Your Opinions

The Adventist Media Center Future Ministry Study Commission appointed by the General Conference Officers solicits your written opinions about present and future radio, television, and other electronic outreach ministries in the North American Division. The 29-member commission chaired by General Conference president Neal C. Wilson will meet in California July 29-31. Send all communications to Commission secretary Robert W. Nixon, Director of Communication Department, General Conference of SDA, 6840 Eastern Ave., N.W., Washington, DC 20012, by July 1.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Second National 1888 Message Conference will be held on the Andrews University campus August 20-24.

The theme of the conference will be "Righteousness by faith in the light the 1888 message and its relation to current church issues and preparation for the latter rain."

The program has been planned by a group of ministers and laymen who find the key to unity and revival in the message of Christ's righteousness as it came to the Adventist Church 100 years ago.

The meetings are scheduled from Wednesday evening through noon on Sunday. For information about the program and accommodations, write to: Second National 1888 Message Conference, 2934 Sherbrook Drive, Uniontown, Ohio 44685.

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Religious Equality in Canada

O'Malley and Ontario Human Rights Commission v. Simpsons-Sears Limited, further consideration will be given to the best way of amending the *Canadian Human Rights Act* to include the concept of reasonable accommodation.

The future of religious freedom in Canada is not yet fully known. One thing we do know however, is that in our present time, the Government of Canada is responsive to the reasonable interests of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Adventists have a role to fill in society. They have a work and a witness to share while the doors of opportunity are open.

Let the Church and its members ever be faithful to conscience and to the principle of establishing the freedom of religion as the cornerstone of justice in Canada. ☪

Canadian Lawyer to Represent Laity

WASHINGTON, D.C.—On recommendation of North American Division officers, the General Conference Committee has elected David B. Thomas, an attorney from Oshawa, Ontario, and an elective member of the General Conference Committee, as the lay member to represent the North American Division at the 1986 Annual Council, October 7-14, in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

Review and Herald Writers' Week July 28-31

Attend the first-of-its-kind Writers' Week held at the Review and Herald Publishing Association and get a close look at publishing from the editor's office to the mailing of the finished product.

Meet the editors of your favorite magazines — *Adventist Review*, *Message*, *Guide*, *Insight*, *Celebration* and *Shabbat Shalom* — and learn exactly what they're looking for in stories and articles. Visit with the book editors and discover just what makes a best seller. Never before have so many Adventist editors worked together to give personal attention and inspiration to their authors. For an unforgettable week — special guest lectures, a tour through the Review and Herald and private consultations with the editors of your choice — attend the Writers' Week July 28-31.

Space is limited. For information write to: Penny Wheeler, Writers' Week Coordinator, 55 W. Oak Hill Dr., Hagerstown, MD 21740.

SIGNS OF THE TIMES to Publish Special Issue on the Great Controversy

by Kenneth J. Holland
Editor, SIGNS OF THE TIMES

IT'S TIME SOMEONE came up with a special issue on the unique Seventh-day Adventist perspective of the great controversy between Satan and Christ from its beginning in heaven to the new earth and eternity.

It's time someone answered the hard questions, the perplexing questions that all too often aren't being articulated but are being felt by everyone today in his most serious moments.

Questions like — Will planet earth be inhabitable for our grandchildren in the 21st century when its population will double and triple?

How long can developed western nations remain secure islands of luxury in a sea of desperate world poverty?

Are diabolical forces conspiring to drag human morality down to caveman ethics?

Will America, the world's last, best hope for democracy and freedom, endure the terrific pressure to sacrifice its constitutional liberties in exchange for security in a demoralized world? If a crime weary, drug weakened, bread and circus America should repudiate the constitutional principles that have made her great, how long could freedom survive elsewhere on the planet?

Our special issue of SIGNS OF THE TIMES (October, 1986) will answer these questions and others as it examines the great battle going on between Christ and Satan — the war behind all wars.

Forces of good and evil exist today that are locked in a struggle for the control of the world and the security of the universe — cosmic superpowers whose significance towers over those nations of earth that we have glibly called the super powers. "Our fight is not against human foes," the apostle Paul assures us, "but against cosmic powers, against the authorities and potentates of this dark world, against the superhuman forces of evil in the heavens." Ephesians 6:12, NEB. This conflict is a spiritual one, but it directly and continuously affects the way we live and the world we live in. This special issue will follow this war behind all wars from the first long-ago beginnings of the rebellion to the soon-to-be final victory of God's loyal forces.

The bad news is that most of us on earth seem to have joined Satan's rebellion against God's government. The entire world will become the rebel's last battle ground. The good news, however, is that the enemy will be defeated. Sin and sinners will be no more.

The signs of the times indicate clearly that this dramatic crisis is approaching rapidly. Someday soon the war will be over.

Shouldn't all Canadians know these things? Shouldn't we distribute this special issue of SIGNS like the leaves of autumn? ☪

Obituaries

AUGUSTINE — Anna Yager Augustine, born March 12, 1920 and died May 25, 1986. She was born in Yugoslavia but later made her home in Saskatchewan and finally in Chilliwack, B.C. She was baptized in 1934 and married Joe Augustine in 1941. Their home was blessed with two children, Eugene and Rosemary. We look forward to that grand reunion.

BELL — Rachel Agnes Bell (nee Stanwick) was born on April 11, 1918 in Donald, Alberta and passed to her rest on April 16, 1986.

She became a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in 1937 and was active in the work of the church until her passing. On February 19, 1942 she married Vince Bell of Sylvan Lake.

She will be greatly missed by her family: George and Mary Ann, David and Annabelle, Bruce and Darla, Stan and Debbie, Richard and Sara, Victor and Gail along with her 14 grandchildren. She also leaves one brother and one sister; and many nephews, nieces and cousins.

Funeral services were held on Monday, April 21 in the Sylvan Lake Seventh-day Adventist Church, officiated by Pastor Levern Krenzler and assisted by Dr. Scott Smith. Interment was in the Sylvan Lake Cemetery.

BLAIR — At his home in Hamilton, Ontario on March 20, 1986, Roy Anthony Blair, beloved son of George and Joyce Blair, in his twenty-fourth year. Besides his parents he leaves to mourn two brothers and one sister, and a host of relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held at the Hamilton Mountain Seventh-day Adventist Church with Pastor Eric Juriansz officiating, assisted by Pastor M. Coleman and Pastor G. Knight. Burial took place at White Chapel Memorial Gardens where he awaits the call of the Jesus.

BODRUG — Anton was born in Austria on December 12, 1902 and passed to rest in Toronto on March 14, 1986. Left to mourn are his wife Mary and son Wesley. Funeral services were conducted by pastors Adam Bujak and William Polishuk. Anton Bodrug was laid to rest in the Memorial Gardens, where he sleeps in Jesus, awaiting the Master's call on the resurrection morning.

BOLTON — Lois Bolton (Mills) was born in Windsor, Ontario, June 26, 1919 and passed to her rest October 26, 1985. She leaves four children, Sharon, Carol, Paul and Hugh and several grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at Windsor, by Pastor E.L. Anderson. She was an active witness to her faith in God and His message for the church today.

CHOMIAK — Luke was born in Ukraine, October 30, 1893. He came to Canada with his parents 1893 and settled in Sifton, Manitoba.

Luke lived forty years in Sifton and four years in Winnipeg, where he joined the Seventh-day Adventist church. Then he moved to Toronto and was a faithful member until he passed to his rest April 20, 1986.

He is survived by four sisters and one brother. Luke was laid to rest in York Cemetery, Toronto, where he awaits his call on resurrection morning.

The service was conducted by Pastor W. Polishuk.

CONNOLLY — Helen Leona Connolly was born in 1912 in Middlewood, Nova Scotia, and passed to her rest April 1, 1986 in Bridgewater, Nova Scotia after a lengthy illness.

She is survived by a daughter, Julia Crouse, a son, Wallace, and five grandchildren.

The service was assisted by Pastor Jim Sharpe of the Bridgewater church. The interment took place at the Middlewood cemetery.

COOLEN — On April 18, 1986 Manuella Coolen passed to her rest in her 103rd year at Fox Point, Nova Scotia.

She is survived by a foster daughter, Emily Baggey, and a number of nieces and nephews. Pastor James Sharpe officiated. Manuella, who enjoyed life so much, now awaits the call of the Lifegiver.

CORNEY — Jennie (Sands) (Oickle) passed away Tuesday, May 6, 1986 in Halifax, Nova Scotia at 66 years of age.

She is survived by her husband, Norman; two sons, Peter and Victor; three daughters, Catherine Ann, Lynda and Mary.

Jennie was a faithful member of the Tantallon Church and we will look forward to seeing her sweet smile on resurrection morning.

Pastor Gordon Houston conducted the funeral service and Sister Jennie was laid to rest in Tantallon Cemetery.

DAVIDSON — Mrs. Wilhelmina (Mina) Davidson passed to her rest on November 1, 1985 in her 72nd year at the St. Joseph's Hospital, London, Ontario. She leaves to mourn — her husband Tom P. Davidson of London, Ontario, three children, six grandchildren. Words of comfort and encouragement were presented by Pastor Henry Feyerabend.

DINSDALE — Thelma Edith was born in Clark Mills, New York on December 25, 1910. On May 21, she passed to her rest at Grimsby, Ont.

She will be remembered for her friendliness, her happy disposition, devotion to the cause of God and the use she made of her many talents.

She leaves to mourn her passing, her loving husband, Fred, one son, David, one sister and one brother. Funeral services were conducted in Grimsby by Pastor Steven Villeneuve.

GEATES — Mrs. Janes Geates was born in Fletwood, Saskatchewan on March 2, 1902 and passed away on April 7, 1986 in Lacombe, Alberta. She married Alexander Geates and they farmed in Prince, Saskatchewan until 1963 when Alexander passed away.

She is survived by two sons: Robert and Harold; six grandchildren, fourteen great-grandchildren, one sister, one brother, numerous nieces and nephews and many friends.

The funeral service was conducted in the College Heights Church by Elders Roy Dubyna and LaVerne Schlehuber and Elder Roy Jamieson officiated at the burial service in North Battleford, Saskatchewan.

HALL — Marian Bevan Hall passed away in Hamilton, Ontario on February 14, 1986 after a long illness. She was in her sixty-third year. Burial took place at White Chapel Memorial Gardens, with Pastor Eric Juriansz officiating at the service. Here she awaits the call of the great Lifegiver.

HODGSON — Chris Hodgson passed away January 18, 1986 in Saskatoon. Brother Hodgson was born in England in 1886. He married Sarah in 1914 and they emigrated to Canada eventually making their home in Moose Jaw, Sask.

He is survived by two daughters Ruth Bodrug and Pearl West; a son Albert; seven grandchildren, ten great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastors Soloniuk, Miller and Laughton. Interment followed at the Rosedale Cemetery.

HUBBARD — Nell Amelia Smith was born near Billings, Montana on June 22, 1890 and passed quietly to her rest on February 3, 1986. In 1907, she married Smith Emmerson Hubbard and to this union were born 3 children. She leaves two daughters, Margaret Hedlund and Virginia Kerner; five grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held in Gregory's Funeral Chapel in Williams Lake, B.C. and were conducted by Pastor Ron Johnson, assisted by Pastor Tony DaCosta.

HUBLEY — Flossie E. Hubley was born on Oct. 22, 1900 in Anagance, New Brunswick and passed to her rest on March 4, 1986 at Saint John Regional Hospital.

She leaves to mourn her passing four daughters, Kathleen Dunfield, Grace Reeves, Treva Burgess and Carroll Berden, one sister, one brother, eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren, as well as several nieces and nephews.

The funeral service was conducted by Pastor Victor Gill assisted by Pastor Frank Spangler in Petictodiac and our dear sister was laid to rest in the Anagance Cemetery to await the call of her Saviour.

KRENZLER — Jonathan was born September 1, 1901 in South Dakota and passed to his rest April 24, 1986 at Kelowna, B.C.

After the passing of his first wife, Jon married Eva on December 15, 1942.

He leaves to mourn his wife Eva, one sister, three brothers, and his children, Irene Nagy, Juanita Trenchuk, Audrey Herman and Carolyn Kneller. Fifteen grandchildren and fourteen great-grandchildren also survive.

Funeral services were held in Rutland and interment followed at Lakeview Memorial Gardens in Kelowna.

KRAIOSOSKY — Mary (Hrychenko) Kraiososky was born in the Ukraine in 1898 and passed away in Hamilton, Ontario, on March 15, 1986. She was baptized in Alberta in 1929.

Four children survive their mother — Lena Forsythe, Ann Cedruy, Nick and William. There are also eight grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted both in Ontario and at Kelowna.

McKAY — Georgina Lillian Grace McKay was born in Winnipeg, Manitoba, on January 27, 1898, and passed away in Kelowna, B.C. on April 26, 1986. Baptized in her early years, she was a faithful member of the church throughout her life.

Two brothers, and three sisters, and one niece, mourn their loss.

Memorial services were conducted at the Rutland Seventh-day Adventist Church.

McWILLIS — Harold was born January 29, 1908 in Joseph Creek, Oregon and passed quietly to his rest on August 13, 1985. In June of 1932 he married Julia Hodgkinson. He is mourned by his devoted wife, daughters Julia Fry and Ellen Brucks and one son Alfred. Mr. McWillis also leaves eight grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, one sister Mabel Vauters and one brother Orris plus many other relatives and friends. The memorial service was conducted in Williams Lake by Pastor Tony DaCosta.

MORTON — Ruth Anna Morton was born September 23, 1897 at Pakenham, Ontario, and passed to her rest on January 8, 1986 in the hospital at Drumheller, Alberta. Through the influence of the Christian Record Braille Foundation, Ruth was led to accept the Adventist Message. The Church members in Drumheller will long remember her cheerful and kindly ways.

NIIEWITECKI — Edward Niewitecki was born February 14, 1916 in Poland and passed to his rest on April 18, 1986 in Kitchener, Ont.

He will be greatly missed by his wife, Jean and by many friends and church members.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Arthur Zaft, assisted by Pastors Jacob Hiebert and Steve Villeneuve. Interment followed in the Woodland Cemetery in Kitchener where he awaits the call of his Redeemer.

PAZITKA — Milan was born in Czechoslovakia August 10, 1927, came to Canada in 1938, and passed to his rest after a lingering illness on April 22, 1986.

He came to attend Oshawa Missionary College in 1944. Since that time Oshawa has been his home. Making that home complete were his wife Alexandra, who survives him, their children Wendolin Munroe, Professor of Music at Canadian Union College, Penny, secretary in the Alberta Conference and Larry, estimator at Maracle Press, and one grandson, Brandon Pazitka. One brother Mike of Welland and one sister, Betty Parrish of Chatham also survive. Funeral services were held on April 24 in Oshawa and interment was in the Mount Lawn Cemetery.

PINCOMBE — William John Pincombe was born in St. Thomas on March 4, 1888. He passed to his rest at the age of 98 on April 24, 1986 in the St. Thomas-Elgin General Hospital. He served as dean of men at Oshawa Missionary College for several years. Funeral services were conducted by Pastors Michael Lay and Jeff Potts.

RADU — Mrs. Lena passed to her rest on February 10, 1986 at Regina, Sask., at the age of 82 years. Predeceased by her first husband Peter in 1963, she is survived by her loving husband John, one brother, one sister, one son Harold and two daughters, Isabel Youck and Doreen Bjornson.

The funeral service was conducted by Elder Larry Kositsin. Interment was in Regina Riverside Memorial Park, where she awaits the resurrection morning.

SHIPOWICK — Archie of Rutland, B.C. passed away at his home in Rutland on Tuesday, September 17, 1985. He was born in 1895 in Russia. He came to Canada in 1913. In 1920 he became a Seventh-day Adventist. In 1923 he was married to Laura Lisoway. God blessed this marriage with seven sons. Laura passed away in 1966. In 1967 he married Matilda Polishuk and they resided in Rutland.

He leaves to mourn his memory his wife, Matilda, of Mannville, Alberta, two brothers, six sons, 22 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held on Sunday, Sept. 22 from the S.D.A. church in Yorkton. Pastors Roy Dubyna, Clarence Baptiste and Don MacIvor officiated. The interment followed in the family plot at Yorkton City Cemetery where Archie awaits the call of the Lifegiver.

VAN OCHTEN — Dirk Van Ochten, Born in Acqouy, Holland, in 1922 died in Kelowna, B.C. on March 11, 1986. He had been a faithful member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church for over 30 years.

Those mourning their loss include seven children, Christina Cowan, Lynn Dolynny, Betty Willett, Ken, Marion, Gordon and Dan. There are also 30 grandchildren and 30 great-grandchildren.

WEICH — Arthur Weich passed away in Abbotsford, British Columbia, on March 20, 1986. His wife, Josephine, predeceased him on January 9, just two months earlier.

Brother and Sister Weich became members of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in 1930.

Arthur leaves to mourn one daughter, Lori Burns; three brothers, six sisters, and three grandchildren.

The funeral service was conducted by Pastor Alfred Lennox, assisted by Pastor E.F. White. Burial was in the Hazelwood Cemetery, Abbotsford, where both Brother and Sister Weich await God's call on the great resurrection morning.

WEST — Mabel Irene Kellar was born near Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, August 24, 1899. In 1920, she was married to Charles James West. To this union a daughter, Marilyn Ruth, and a son, Charles James, were born.

Upon her retirement, she moved to Oshawa, Ontario, to the Kingsway Pioneer Home. Subsequently she was transferred to Nel-Gor Castle Nursing Home, Newcastle, Ontario, where she passed quietly to her rest on Sabbath, April 12, 1986.

She leaves to mourn her loss, daughter Marilyn Michael, and her son Charles. Also deeply affected by their bereavement are eight grandchildren.

Words of comfort were spoken by Elder A. George Rodgers who conducted the funeral service at the Lathague and Skwarchuk Funeral Home in Bradford, Ontario. Mrs. West was laid to rest in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Bradford.

WINSOR — Bridget Winsor was born August 25, 1937 in Bonavista Bay, Newfoundland and passed away in Kitchener, Ont. on February 13, 1986.

She is survived by her loving husband, Donald; three daughters — Evelyn Konink, Bridget and Joan; one son, Donald Jr. all of Kitchener. Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Arthur Zaft in the Westmount Funeral Chapel. Interment followed in the Woodland Cemetery at Kitchener where she awaits the call of her Redeemer.

WRIGHT — Florence Wright (nee Redgrove) was born in Calgary, Alberta on November 20, 1939 and passed to her rest, suddenly, at Abbotsford, B.C.

She is survived by her loving family: two sons — Allan and Terry; two daughters — Denise Los and Tammy Vriend; three grandchildren; one brother, her father, mother, and stepfather.

Funeral service was held Friday, March 11 from Abbotsford Pentecostal Assembly with Pastor G. Lemke officiating. She is now resting in Hazelwood Cemetery, Abbotsford, B.C.

Births

ALCAIDE — Andy and Juliet Alcaide of Surrey, British Columbia, thank the Lord for the safe arrival of their third child, Charity Grace, born on June 2, 1986.

BLACK — Bob and Judy Black (nee Newman) wish to announce the birth of their daughter Stephanie Amber on December 17, 1985.

DOOKS — Daryl and Penny (nee Haughland) are happy to announce the birth of their first child, Jason Daryl, on March 25, 1986 at Branson Hospital, Willowdale, Ontario.

FIORITO — June and David Fiorito are happy to announce the birth of a baby girl, Jerusha Diane, December 20, 1985 in Thunder Bay.

GEAY — Pascal and Anne (Nee Prouty) thank God for the safe arrival of a son, Edward Charles, in Collonges, France, March 17, 1986.

HALL — Don and Margaret (Tschritter) are pleased to announce the birth of their second child, Serena Margaret, February 27, 1986.

HAMILTON — Earnest (Buster) and Kathy, a son. Born May 3, 1986.

HARRISON — Randy and Ingrid (nee Slaubert) are happy to announce the birth of Carlyn Virginia, born August 15, 1985 in Calgary, Alberta.

JAMES — Francis and Lauren James are pleased to announce the birth of their son Kari Allyn James on January 9, 1986 in Fort McMurray, Alberta.

LAWSON — Larry and Gizella thank God for the safe arrival of a son, Jeffery Charles Andrew, in Hamilton, Ontario on March 11, 1986.

MAKER — Ralph and Shawn, a daughter, Darlene Joy, March 31, 1986.

MARCOUX — David and Janet (nee Brucks) Marcoux are thankful for the safe arrival of Jessica Liane, on April 23, 1986.

McCLAIR — Ray and Jane of Fox Point, Nova Scotia are proud to announce the safe arrival of their daughter, Rebekah Lynn, on February 20, 1986.

NEWMAN — Paul and Janice Newman (nee Polishuk) are happy to announce the birth of a son, Brett Andrew, on June 5, 1986 at Oshawa, Ontario.

PASCARU — Dorel and Doina are happy to announce the birth of a daughter, Claudia, in Hamilton, Ontario on December 15, 1985.

PHILLIPS — Raymond and Candace (nee Zayak) thank the Lord for the safe arrival of Murray Grant, born March 26, 1986.

SCALES — Jeff and Bonnie Scales (nee Rick) are proud to announce the birth of their son, Christopher James Brady Scales, born February 21, 1986 in Toronto, Ontario.

STEVENS — Arlo and Lisa Stevens (nee Routley) are happy to announce the birth of a son Jeffrey Ryan on April 11, 1986.

WEBB — Jeff and Rose, a daughter, Dixie Anthem, born April 12, 1986.

Weddings

BIRNEY - LATOSKI

On May 4, 1986, Karen Latoski, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Latoski of Grande Prairie, Alberta, was united in marriage to Alan Birney, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Birney of Penitton, B.C. Pastor Warren Kay officiated at the ceremony which was held in Grande Prairie, Alberta. Best wishes and God's richest blessings are extended to Alan and Karen as they make their home in Edmonton.

GIMBEL - BROWN

On December 22, 1985, Bonita Lynn Brown, eldest daughter of Herman and Amaryllis Brown of Ponoka, Alberta, became the bride of Jere Gimbel, son of Lee and Mary Gimbel of Brunswick, Maine. The ceremony was conducted by Pastor Peter Fritz, of Surrey, B.C., in the Leveland Seventh-day Adventist Church near Beiseker, Alberta. Jere and Bonita reside in Logan, Utah where Jere follows his profession as an engineer and Bonita is finishing her practicum in speech pathology.

GRAHAM - HARRIS

Kevin Dean Graham and Cynthia Dennet Harris were united in marriage on April 20, 1986 at the home of the bride's parents in Grand Terrace, California. The service was conducted by Pastor Dan Simpson.

Kevin is the son of Bob Graham of Quesnel, B.C. and Joan Graham of California. Cindy is the daughter of Wayne and Carolyn Harris of Grand Terrace.

HARTMAN-JORGENSEN - MELANSON

On April 20, 1986 Jeanne Melanson and George Hartman-Jorgensen pledged their love to each other and to God in a beautiful ceremony at the Digby Seventh-day Adventist Church. Pastor John Bullock and Pastor Paul Boudreau shared the privilege of uniting this special couple.

We know from Jeanne & Georges' dedication to the Lord, that their new home will be a place where their Saviour will commune with them daily and we know God's blessing is upon this couple as they begin their life together in Digby, Nova Scotia.

HEGEDUS - HOLLAND

On May 23, 1986, Zsuzanne Hegedus and Brian Holland exchanged their marriage vows at a simple and beautiful ceremony at the Chapel at Fantasy Gardens, Richmond, B.C.

The service was officiated by Pastor Dirk Zinner. Our prayers are with Brian and Zsuzanne as they establish their Christian home in Williams Lake, B.C.

JEFFREY - READ

On July 7, 1985 Isabel Read and Rodrigue Jeffery exchanged wedding vows in the Lasalle, Quebec Seventh-day Adventist Church. This sacred service was conducted by Pastor W. Martin and John Walley.

JURIANSZ - MACDONALD

The wedding of Karen Lee MacDonald, daughter of Doug and Arlene MacDonald of Toronto, and Brian Darrel Juriansz, son of Pastor Brian and the late Daphne Juriansz took place at the College Park Seventh-day Adventist Church in Oshawa on June 23, 1985. The service was conducted by the Bride's grandfather, Frank Connors, and the Bridegroom's father, Darrel and Karen are now residing in Lansing, Michigan, where Darrel is interning at the Lansing Hospitals, and Karen is planning to complete her Master's degree in social services at the Lansing University. We wish the young couple God's choicest blessings as they meet life's responsibilities together.

Pastor Brian Juriansz

MILLER - LETNIAK

On March 30, 1986, Audrey Karen Letniak, daughter of William and Lila Letniak, of Consort, Alberta, and Douglas John Miller, son of Edward Miller, of Lacombe, Alberta, exchanged wedding vows in a candlelight ceremony at the Veteran Full Gospel Church, in Veteran, Alberta. Pastor Larry Couture officiated.

Douglas and Audrey are making their home in Red Deer, Alberta.

TATARYN - JEAN

Adrienne Jean and Bill Tataryn were married in the Kelowna Seventh-day Adventist Church on March 23, 1986. They were attended by Esther Crumb, Bill's daughter, and Dale Shaben, Candlelighters were grandsons of the groom - Scott Barber and Jason Crumb. A reception was held in the Fellowship Hall.

Bill and Adrienne will be setting up their new home in Kelowna. We wish them God's richest blessing.

TOEWS - RITCHEY

On December 26, 1985 Sharryl Lee Ritchey, youngest daughter of Milton and Leatha Ritchey of Williams Lake, B.C. and Bruce Toews, youngest son of Walter and Martha Toews of Fort Worth, Texas, were united in marriage by Pastor Ron Johnson in the Williams Lake Seventh-day Adventist Church. Bruce and Sharryl have made their home at Pacific Union College, Angwin, California, where they will pursue their studies.

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