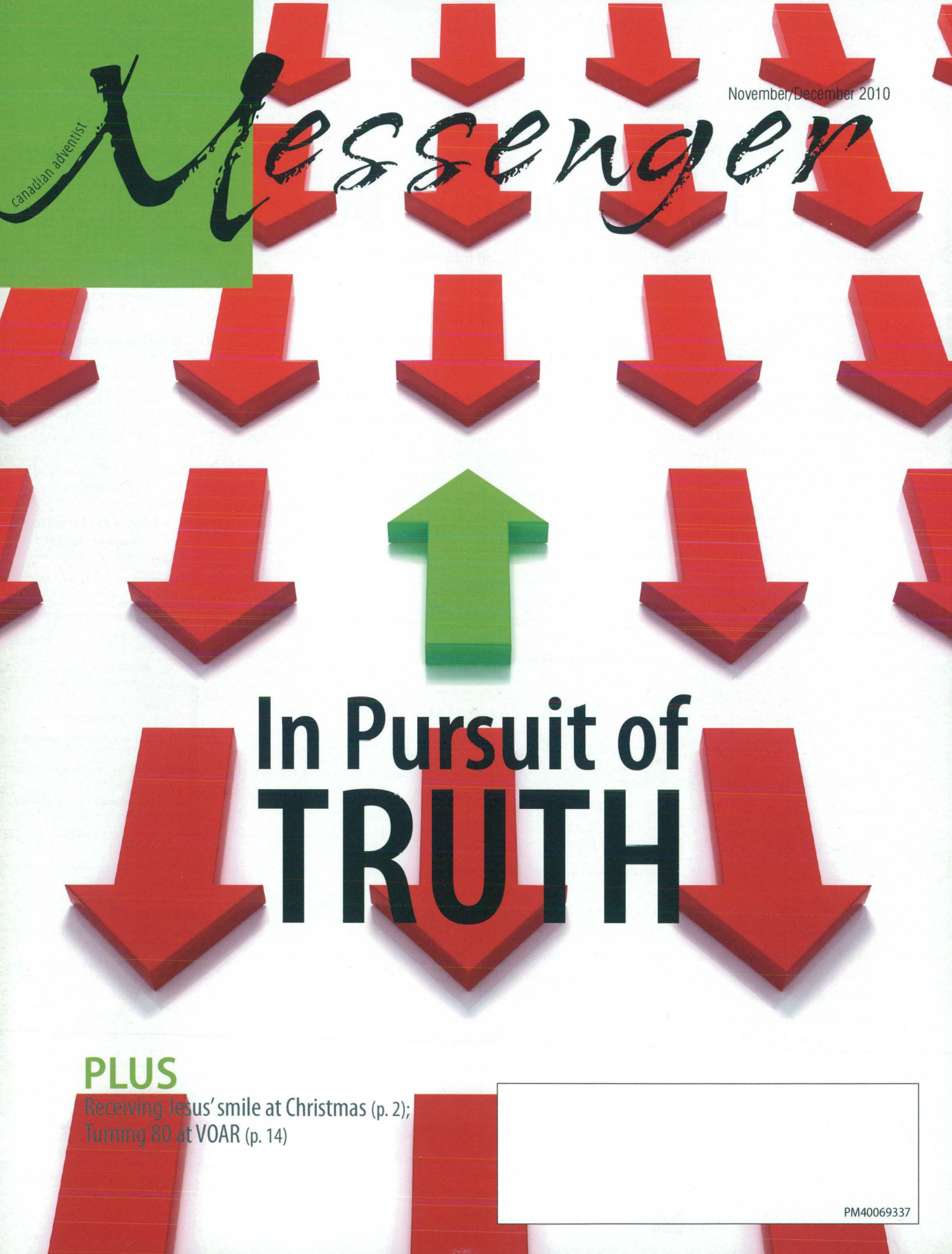


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I recently came across this thought from a fellow writer and was touched by the picture she painted, the possibility of Jesus' smile lighting His face merely by our being present with Him. In the spirit of giving at Christmastime, I wanted to share this lovely thought with you, our Messenger audience. —Crystal

# The Little Drummer Boy

I have this odd little quirk. Call it crazy. Call it focused. Call it annoying. Call it sanity. Call it my attempt to slow down enough to absorb the message of something that matters in a world where we are bombarded with millions of fake and persuasive images daily. I leave the TV off, and pick one song to listen to on repeat. All. Day. Long.

It's whatever I need to hear on that particular day, and it works for me. The music lays the foundation while the lyrics pierce my soul. I find it comforting; freeing for some reason. Today, my song of choice was The Little Drummer Boy, by Jars of Clay.

I adored the TV special as a child, until the part where the little lamb was run over by the ox cart. But later, as he is healed and dances to the music of the drummer boy, it caused me to melt, every time.

Even back then, I recognized it as the one true Christmas special that had nothing to do with Santa Claus, reindeer, or misfit toys, and found it refreshing. This Christmas special is the only one I remember that focused on giving instead of getting, on Jesus instead of Santa, and on people instead of things.

Today, as I listened to the lyrics, minus the pa rum pa pa pums, I was struck once again by the simpleness of the message of this story.

Come, they told me  
A new born King to see  
Our finest gifts we bring  
To lay before the King  
So to honor Him  
When we come.

Little Baby  
I am a poor boy too  
I have no gift to bring  
That's fit to give the King  
Shall I play for you,  
On my drum?

Mary nodded  
The ox and lamb kept time  
I played my drum for Him  
I played my best for Him  
Then He smiled at me  
Me and my drum.

The Little Drummer Boy is a fictional story, but still so very true. All Jesus asks from us is whatever we have to offer. For this boy who was hurting, it was a song on a drum. Nothing more. Nothing less. For me, it is my writing. It is all I have to offer; the only way I know to give back in return.

The song says "so, to honor him, we come." So, after listening all day, I get it now. I will show up, bringing all that I have to offer.

And if he smiles at me?

I can think of nothing better than this.

Me and my drum. Pa rum pa pa pum. ■

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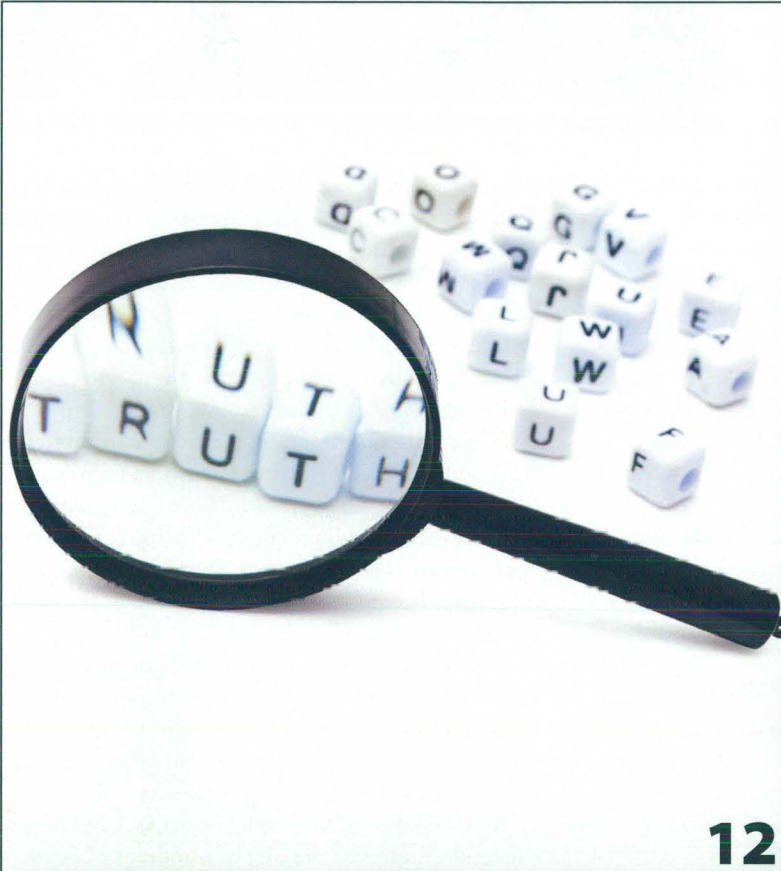
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# A Bridge of Hope

When I recently started taking classes at university, I had the opportunity to study the world from a new perspective. The first day, as I sat waiting for my Environmental Science professor to begin his lecture, I observed a very different learning environment than the one in which I had been raised.

When I was a young student, I sat anxiously in class with my textbook open, pencil in hand, ready to take notes as the teacher reviewed the lessons. Twenty-five years later, as a mature student, while I still sat with pencil in hand and textbook open, my fellow students sat with laptops open; texting and typing on MSN—no books or pencils in sight. During the lecture, I took page after page of notes while my classmates actively surfed the Net and updated their Facebook pages. Weeks went by; research projects were assigned, essays prepared and marks distributed. To my amazement, my new friends and fellow students obtained A's on their essays.

Today's world is very different than it was twenty-five years ago. Technology has changed the way we do business, the way we communicate and the way we learn. We now live in one big global community. We can Skype our families halfway around the world, apply for jobs on other continents, and Google for answers to our questions.

Now more than ever, education is essential for success and survival and yet many children don't have access to it. In Canada, according to the 2008 Report Card on Child and Family Poverty in Canada, one in nine Canadian children (more than a million) live below the poverty line.

"For many families, it's very difficult to get out of poverty. There isn't enough money to feed the children, clothe them properly, or even enough money to pay for the bus fare or to look for a job," says Grant Wilson, President of Canadian Children's Rights Council. According to the report, it is even harder for Aboriginal families and the children of new Canadians; both of whom are at greater risk of living in poverty.

In developing nations, due to the daily challenges of survival, few children have access to schools (let alone pencils or paper) and many cultures offer no educational opportunities for girls.

This can be hard to imagine when we are constantly educated on the latest health issues, financial investments, stress management tips and self-help techniques. Magazines and newspapers are everywhere, and the newest cell phones are equipped with apps that can tell us anything we want to know at the press of a button.

Knowledge, whether gained at a formal institution or through another technologically savvy medium, is



so much a part of our daily lives and is so easy to acquire, that we take it for granted. An instrument of change, providing access to new ideas while creatively shaping who we are as individuals, families, and societies, knowledge broadens our perspective and helps us solve many of life's challenges by giving opportunities for earning a living and supporting ourselves.

Because ADRA Canada knows that education is instrumental in breaking the barriers of social status and gender inequality, it, along with its network of partners, works with communities of men, women and children, teaching new skills, helping them create opportunities and supporting their ideas for change. Education becomes the bridge between poverty and a sustainable future.

When you express your Christian compassion by supporting ADRA programs, you empower people in Canada and around the world to effectively manage their resources to achieve better standards of living, changed lives, and hope for the future.

In Mongolia, ADRA's nutritional and agricultural education improved the diet of hundreds of farmers' families by teaching them to grow vegetables.

In Kenya, ADRA helped dispel prejudicial cultural barriers against the physically challenged by highlighting their ability to be active members in the community, with a voice and skills to share. Today families are running their own businesses while effectively caring for their physically challenged children.

In Cambodia, ADRA has educated people about the detrimental effects of tobacco use, resulting in numerous smoke-free communities and schools.

In Haiti, ADRA teaches farmers better agricultural techniques so they will become self-sufficient and be able to support their families.

The 100 Classrooms project provides girls in Afghanistan the luxury of a formal education, and Somali people of all ages are learning numeracy and literacy through ADRA programs. ■

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# The Theology of Worship

midst was just as central to David's worship experience as it is to ours. "In thy presence is fullness of joy" (Psalm 16:11), David proclaimed. The psalmist's greatest fear was being separated from His presence: "Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit from me" (Psalm 51:11, 12).

It should be experiential. Regarding the song that is sung by the 144,000, Revelation 14:3 says, "No one could learn it" (NIV). Why? Because it is a song of personal experience. Nobody else can worship for us. Worship is not routine. It is not tradition. It is a personal interaction between the Creator and the worshipper.

As Seventh-day Adventists, our beliefs—three in particular—influence our worship.

## The Sabbath and Worship

The Sabbath reminds us of creation, when God gave life. The Sabbath reminds us of redemption, in which God gives us eternity. That is what we are called to remember when we gather for worship. God is Creator, and we are but creatures. We do not owe our lives or our eternal life to ourselves. It is in Him that we live and move and have our being.

The perpetual nature of the Sabbath reminds us of God's faithfulness. The Sabbath comes faithfully every seventh day, whether we acknowledge it or not. This shows that God is faithful though we are unfaithful He can be depended upon. He keeps His promises.

## Worship and the Heavenly Sanctuary Ministry of Jesus Christ

For many Christian congregations, worship is based on something that happened in the past—in particular the death, burial and resurrection of Christ. Seventh-day Adventist worship centers not only on past events but also on something that is happening in the present, something so vital that it will influence the future. Therefore, all three time dimensions—past, present and

future—are involved in worship.

When Adventists gather for worship, they are connected not simply to historic events but with the present ministry of Jesus in the heavenly sanctuary. The book of Hebrews, after describing the role of the Old Testament high priest, declares, "We have such a High Priest who has taken His seat at the right hand of the throne of the majesty in the heavens, a minister in the sanctuary, and in the true tabernacle, which the Lord pitched, not man" (8:1, 2, NASB). It is because we have such a High Priest ministering in heaven that the writer says, "let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace" (Hebrews 4:16, NASB).

## Worship and the Second Coming

The Seventh-day Adventist Church looks forward in confident hope. Our hope rests firmly on the biblical promises concerning the imminent return of Jesus Christ, our Lord. We must worship with the awareness that we are on the threshold of His coming.

Hebrews 10:25 admonishes the church not to forsake "our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another; and all the more as you see the day drawing near" (NASB). The day mentioned here obviously refers to the final appearance of Jesus Christ, and it is in anticipation of this day that the church worships. Our hearts reach out toward that great consummation.

It could be said that every Sabbath, the church worships in rehearsal for the day of the Lord when He shall appear. That is why our worship must take place in the context of Revelation 14.

In the interval between His ascension and His return, the church worships. Our worship must be a sincere expression of a deep longing for our Lord to come. Let us worship Him in spirit and in truth. ■

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The first three commandments make it clear that God alone is to be worshipped. The Bible also makes it very clear that God is particular about the way He is worshipped. For instance, both Cain and Abel erected altars and both brought an offering. Abel presented a sacrifice from the flock in accordance with the Lord's directions, "and the Lord had respect unto Abel and to his offerings." Cain's offering was rejected. Two brothers, two different responses from God. Two different theologies motivated their worship. There is a relationship between theology and worship, between our beliefs and what we do in worship.

Revelation 14:7 insists that we must be a worshipping people. True worship should have three basic ingredients.

It should be awe-inspiring. Revelation 14 declares, "Fear God and give glory to Him." This "fear" suggests reverence and awe. Corporate worship must emphasize both the transcendence and the immanence of God; that God is great, and God is here; that God is above us, and God is among us. This awareness must pervade our worship.

It should be joyful. Revelation 14:2, 3 describes the redeemed in worship: "The sound I heard was like that of harpists playing their harps. And they sang a new song." The song of Revelation 4:8 remembers what God has done in the past and looks to the future in its praise to God.

Celebrating God's presence in our

## No Shortcuts

# T33nTalk

**This is my last year of college. I don't have a job and I'm running out of money to pay my school bills. I've sent so many applications, but nothing! Then, finally, last week I got an interview and they want to hire me. The problem is that they are asking me to work on Sabbath. Should I accept it? Is this an answer to my prayers? I've been looking for a job for months now!**

That must be so hard. I'm sorry you have to go through such an ordeal. It's true that God works in mysterious ways, but there's something I know by experience: God doesn't like shortcuts, especially if they go against His Word.

I'm not saying "watch it because God will punish your shortcut" (working on Sabbath to pay the bills). Not even "hold on because the reward is worth it" (let's say, a better job with lots of money), but hold on because God is in control. He's heard you; He knows what you are going through.

Hold on, my friend. Keep praying. Keep looking for a job. Keep studying. Don't give up! Until He doesn't show you the exit—as He did to Abraham when He asked him to sacrifice his son Isaac—you don't stop, you don't take a shortcut. You keep on going!

Why? Because He keeps His promises! Check this out:

- 2 Corinthians 1:20 - "For no matter how many promises God has made, they are 'Yes' in Christ. And so through him the 'Amen' is spoken by us to the glory of God."
- Psalm 89:34 - "I will not violate my covenant or alter what my lips have uttered."
- Deuteronomy 31:6 - "Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the Lord your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you."
- Psalm 105:8 - "He remembers his covenant forever, the word he commanded, for a thousand generations."
- Joshua 23:14 - "Now I am about to go the way of all the earth. You know with all your heart and soul that not one of all the good promises the Lord your God gave you has failed. Every promise has been fulfilled; not one has failed."



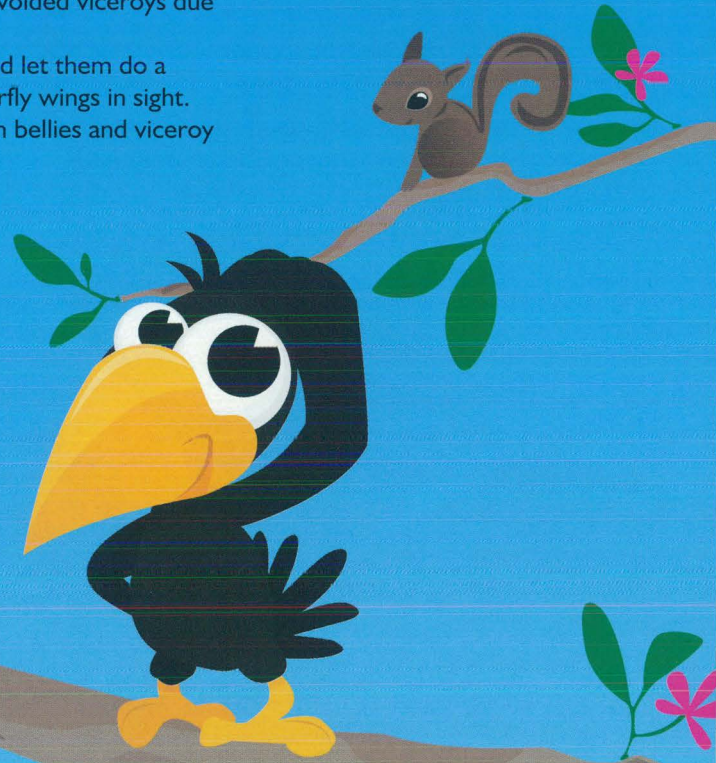
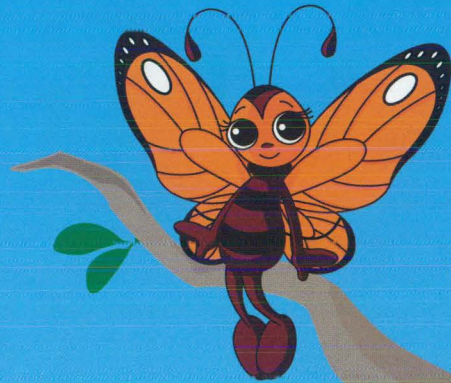
# Creation Corner for Kids

“Be imitators of God, therefore, as dearly loved children and live a life of love, just as Christ loved us.” Ephesians 5:1

## Viceroy Butterfly

The viceroy butterfly looks so much like the monarch that birds and other predators leave it alone. Scientists have long used the viceroy as a brilliant example of mimicry, explaining that the viceroy evolved to look like the monarch as a form of self-defense. Since monarch caterpillars feed on the bitter-tasting, poisonous milkweed, it was thought that predators avoided viceroys due to mistaken identity with the monarch.

Recently, though, someone rounded up a bunch of blackbirds and let them do a taste test by serving up a selection of butterfly abdomens, no butterfly wings in sight. Even though the birds couldn't tell the difference between monarch bellies and viceroy bellies, they showed a strong distaste for viceroys just the same.



### Think about it.

Except for a thin black line that crosses the hindwing of the viceroy, it can be difficult to tell the difference between a viceroy and a monarch just by looking at them. Apparently, they both taste bad, too, so tasting them won't help you! God made people in His own image, but because of sin, most of us don't resemble God very closely anymore. The Bible tells us that our characters should be copies of God's own character, though. By drawing near to Christ, every thought, word and action can be Spirit-directed until our lives are a copy of Jesus' own life.

### Do it!

Meditate on the Scripture verse and pray, asking God to show you how your character is different than His. Ask Him to change you into His likeness. There's more information about the viceroy and monarch at this website: <http://biblescienceguy.wordpress.com/2010/02/10/12-monarch-or-viceroy/>. A fun mirror image butterfly craft can be found at <http://meetthedubiens.blogspot.com/2010/04/mirror-image-butterflies.html>.



by Mark Haynal





# Let Me Tell You Why I Believe

## STUDENTS AT CANADIAN UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

hear their professors say all sorts of things, from erudite discourse to painful reminders of upcoming exams. But the seven most important words professors at CUC utter are, “Let me tell you why I believe.”

There is something deeply moving about hearing a teacher you admire and respect share her faith. There is something very persuasive about a professor who is conversant in all of the major theories of origin telling you why he still believes God created all that exists. Nothing has quite the impact of hearing a professor who is fluent in Hebrew and Greek tell you why he believes the Bible is the inspired word of God. It is this sharing of personal faith and belief by Seventh-day Adventist faculty and staff, in formal and informal settings, in planned and unplanned ways, that sets CUC apart from all other universities in Canada.

I still remember something a teacher shared with me when I was a senior at Far Eastern Academy in Singapore. Toward the end of an informal conversation on dating and relationships, he said, “I believe one of the reasons my wife and I have a happy and strong marriage is because God is at the centre of it.” While what he said is certainly true, there is nothing unique or unusually profound about his words. But I remember them still because he spoke them not in a lecture, nor from the pulpit, but as one believer sharing his faith with another.

While it is important that denominational workers share their faith, our young men and women also need to hear lay people speak those seven important words, “Let me tell you why I believe.” It profoundly impresses our youth when they hear successful men and women not employed by the Seventh-day Adventist Church share their faith. I beg you to look for opportunities to tell our children and youth why

you love Jesus and why you believe living God’s way leads to a truly abundant life. Let them know why you still keep the Sabbath and believe Jesus is coming again!

As important as it is to verbally share our faith, it is vital that we live what we believe every day, all day long. I like how one saint put it: “Preach the gospel always, and if necessary, use words.”

I had a voice teacher in college whom I admired greatly. I actually can’t recall him saying anything memorable about his faith. I’m sure he did speak of it. What I do remember is the way he lived his life. He was patient, he was fair, he was considerate, he was ethical. He was very involved in the life of the church. The way he lived his life spoke these seven important words, “Let me show you what I believe.”

As we share our faith, either in words or deeds, we will discover that we receive far more than we give! Ellen White put it this way, “The exercise of a living faith means an increase of spiritual strength and the development of an unfaltering trust. It is thus that the soul becomes a conquering power.”<sup>1</sup>

I believe Canadian University College exists to provide men and women a university experience that offers world-class instruction that is permeated with logical and appealing invitations to believe in God and embrace the principles of His kingdom. I see and hear CUC faculty and staff doing this every day through words and actions. This is why CUC has for more than 100 years been such a blessing to our young men and women. This is why CUC remains an integral part of the Seventh-day Adventist work in Canada.

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# Christmas is Coming

BY SARAH MOSS



**I**t's that time of year again when bells ring, carols are sung, people go shopping, peace and love are spread throughout towns, hearts are mended and lives are healed. Yet, at the same time, hearts are broken, lives are shattered, and memories bring back more pain than some people can bear. As much as we tout Christmas as a time of peace, joy and love, we must not be blind to the fact that for many people it is also a time of great sorrow and pain.

This year, I, myself, am struggling to balance the pain with the delight. I love Christmas and I always have, yet this year I cannot turn from the pain of years past, the realization of empty places in my heart for those I love who are no longer with us. I know that I am not alone in this struggle. It is a battle in my soul to remember that Christmas is a time to make happy memories, yet a time when I am compelled to remember the sad ones also. How can I dance when my heart is crying? How can I sing when my breath is missing? How can I write when my words are absent? One day at a time, one moment at a time, and only through the grace of God because I know that He is carrying me through even this remembered sorrow. It is easy to forget that, though. It is easier to feel that I am alone and that I have no one to trust in or rely on but me.

The thing is, my feelings are lying to me. God can and does give me peace and joy even during my darkest hours, my loneliest moments and my most heart-breaking memories. I have to focus on my beliefs, my knowledge and

my faith in the love of God for me. It's hard to do. It's hard to remember when Satan is breathing his lies into my fragile emotions and moods. I can remember, though. I am called to remember. Every Sabbath we are commanded to remember (Exodus 20:8; Deuteronomy 5:15). In Psalm 77 and 78, David writes about how his recollections remind him of the mighty power of God, and we can see the changes in how he feels.

Lately, I have failed because I have forgotten to remember. I have forgotten to focus on Him and to immerse myself in His Word and His love for me. Fortunately, it is easy to return to those good recollections. I can open His Word and keep open the lines of communication with Him so that I am reminded that I am never alone, never abandoned, never forsaken—no matter how I feel about it. I praise God that He is always there to reach me, pick me up, hold me close, teach me and help me through every moment of my life—good and bad—to heal me and teach me with each decision and event that comes my way.

I am blessed to know Him, to have memories to renew my faith. However, not everyone knows that Jesus is there for them. My challenge to you is that you become Jesus with skin on to someone who is hurting and suffering this season. Sometimes they are easily recognizable, and other times they look perfectly normal. Talk to people and, if they need to, let them remember and share with you their good and bad memories. Help them survive this beautiful time of year that, sadly, can

cause great depression, and then tell them about our Saviour who is waiting to bring them healing. Encourage them with your memories of how He has walked through the dark valleys with you. Show them your history so they can understand and know what Christ is waiting to do for them.

If you are one of those who are hurting this year, my prayer for you is that you remember Jesus stands beside you. Don't let the glitter of this time blind you to the needs and love of those standing beside you. Don't be afraid to allow the painful and good memories to co-exist this season. But, when the painful memories come, also remember the way that God carried you through those times, just as He brought the Israelites through the Red Sea. God asks us to remember how He works in our lives so that when the hard times come, we have more than just our faith to cling to—we also have our history. ■

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"IT HAS STOOD THE TEST OF TIME. GOD'S BOOK, THE BIBLE. STILL RELEVANT IN TODAY'S  
COMPLEX WORLD. IT IS WRITTEN. SHARING MESSAGES OF HOPE AROUND THE WORLD."



## LIGHTS, CAMERA,



Most of you reading this article are familiar with what you just read above. They are the words of the opening segment for each *It Is Written* television broadcast. And for 28 years, that is indeed what *It Is Written* Canada has been doing: "sharing messages of hope around the world." Currently, *It Is Written* is "sharing messages of hope" across Canada every Saturday morning at 11 a.m.

Since it started in 1973 under the direction of Pastor Henry Feyerabend, *It Is Written* has been on the cutting edge of technology. Two years ago, I had the opportunity of seeing first-hand just how important technology is to the production and delivery of the *It Is Written* broadcast. At the rented studio in Burlington, Ontario, the *It Is Written* team had just begun a two-week marathon of recording approximately 68 programs a week in English and Portuguese.

I watched and learned over Doug Bruce's shoulder (the production manager for *It is Written* Canada) for a week, and couldn't help but wonder how 30 years of technology had shaped what this broadcast is today.

To answer that question, I talked to Bill Santos, speaker/director for *It Is Written* Canada. Santos told me that technology currently plays a major role in nearly every stage of the production and delivery. He said that when *It Is Written* began, one recording was made each week; with advancements in technology, *It Is Written* can record up to 12 programs a day.

"Newer technology has allowed us

to capture more programs in less time," Santos said. "In one word, it's faster. Faster to prepare programs and faster to capture the programs."

The access that the internet provides facilitates a continual online presence 24/7. "A web presence with the television program has really been a significant enhancement," said Santos. He tells me that they receive 600-1,000 contacts per month through the phone or online presence. Out of the many emails received, one particular request has been seen coming in on a more regular basis over the past year. "People are making comments like, 'I understand you folks are an Adventist ministry. Where's the closest Adventist church?'" said Santos.

Douglas Pereira, director of operations at *It Is Written* Canada, recently received an email from a young man who watches the *It Is Written* Portuguese broadcast. The young man said he is not Adventist, not Christian, not religious at all but liked the program. He wanted to know if there was an Adventist church he could attend in his area. Pereira emailed him back and gave him the address to the nearest church. The young man later responded and told Pereira that he really enjoyed his visit to the Adventist church. "I found myself praying when others were praying; I found myself following along," he said. "I even made a few friends and plan to go back again next week."

*It is Written* has approximately 140,000 viewers each week, which makes it the largest congregation in Canada. There are currently 225 active

bible studies and more requests coming in every week by phone or through the website. "A common misconception we hear is that only old people watch *It Is Written*," said Santos. "That is not the case. There are lots of young people between the ages of 20 to 55 who regularly watch."

Asked if there were any plans for new types of technology in the future Santos said, "I think the audience wants a more interactive experience." He told me that there are plans to experiment with a web studio. This would allow us the opportunity to invite viewers from the television broadcast to go to our website for a more in-depth discussion and to answer questions." Santos says that they want to experiment with this type of interactive online technology next season in Portuguese and then try it with the CTV broadcast.

Also, with the television industry moving more and more to on-demand programming, Pastor Santos feels that this technology may be the most significant next step for *It Is Written*. "You should be able to watch the program whenever you want. Whenever it is convenient for you, the viewer."

And now you know the rest of the story behind the production and delivery of *It Is Written* Canada. For more information about *It Is Written* Canada, visit [www.itiswrittencanada.ca](http://www.itiswrittencanada.ca) ■

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# In Pursuit of



*The Messenger is happy to present "In Pursuit of Truth," the first in a series of articles to examine church–state relations with respect to social issues, such as same-sex marriage, in a biblical context. We hope that this will generate discussion and participation, and we welcome your thoughts and questions.*

**T**he topic for the discussion panel in a California Seventh-day Adventist educational institution was whether the Seventh-day Adventist Church had a role in the proposed same-sex legislation in California. The discussion was tense, and some of the participants hostile. Many questions were raised without satisfactory answers—frustration was evident on all sides.

Another discussion, this time in Canada, was whether government should legislate a civil day of rest—on Sundays. There were some Seventh-day Adventists who thought that it might be a good idea because the state needed to send a message to society that people should spend more time with family.

Back to the Pacific Northwest in the United States: Recently, a promoter of euthanasia, a Seventh-day Adventist doctor of medicine, fully endorsed by the local church pastor, spoke enthusiastically about assisted suicide from the front of the church on Sabbath morning to an audience of senior Seventh-day Adventist members.

Currently, Canada and the United States are considering legislation with respect to euthanasia. The proposed legislation would involve health professionals participating in assisted suicide.

Whether we realize it or not, it is critical that we know where we stand on these issues. When the church, as an official organization makes argument in court or in legislative committees, or when we, as individuals, communicate on volatile social issues, we are sending a powerful message to government and to society. We are really communicating our understanding of the character of Christ and the instruction He has given in His Word. It has been said that “the last rays of merciful light, the last message of mercy to be given to the world, is a revelation of His character of love.”<sup>1</sup> This becomes a very interesting statement just now.

Controversial social issues leap from the pages of newspapers and are declared in serious tones by broadcasters around the world. Many issues are challenging because they involve clashing worldviews—with religion and, in particular, the meaning of religious liberty being thrust to the forefront. This

has created a general clamour, with voices calling for many things, including the shutdown of freedom of expression in the public square (secular separation of church and state groups), legislation of morality (concerned citizens of all worldviews including Christians), and a call for liberty that involves almost no restrictions on personal autonomy (this is made up of a wide and varied group). Where do we stand?

If we go back in time before the foundations of earth were laid, we find the first threat to liberty. Isaiah records the words of Lucifer in chapter 14, verse 13: “I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; I will be like the most high.” Satan’s notion of government was definitely not a republic. He states that he would set up his authority or government over the angels. Readers, this form of government is not based on the consent of the governed.

God’s government and His law are love. Therefore, choice is essential. In case there is any confusion, we have only to look to the cross: “[Christ] being in the form of God, counted it not a thing to be grasped to be on an equality with God, but emptied Himself, taking the form of a servant, being made in the likeness of men” (Phil. 2:6, 7, RV, margin). The necessity of choice is so important that Jesus hung on the cross to ensure that we would have this entitlement.

We will find in the next discussion that the Bible consistently advocates forms of civil government based on the consent of the governed and which incorporate the concept of self-government. This is true in both the old dispensation and the new. Further, we will see that Jesus, the founder of the Christian religion, set down powerful principles of governance for the civil state, the church and the individual.

So, we end the first discussion at the beginning of the Great Controversy—the remarkable epic of the battle between two governments. ■

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<sup>1</sup> Ellen G. White, *Christ’s Object Lessons* (Hagerstown, MD: Review and Herald Publishing Association, 1952), 415.

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## Newfoundland



# Celebrates 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

### EIGHTY YEARS IS A LONG TIME IN ANY BUSINESS, BUT

in the radio business, 80 years makes you a pioneer. The pioneer of Christian radio in Canada, Voice of Adventist Radio (VOAR), wraps up its 80th year of broadcasting with its annual Sharathon fundraising appeal this November.

The theme for this year's Sharathon is "Shining With Heaven's Light," and that's an appropriate theme for a radio station that has been shining the light of heaven to an ever-wider audience since it was founded in 1929 by Pastor Harold Williams in St. John's, Newfoundland. Operating under the call letters 8BSL, the station was one of the first to broadcast in Newfoundland and continued to be an outreach ministry of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Newfoundland throughout the twentieth century, increasing its on-air hours and broadcast reach as resources allowed.

When Newfoundland joined Canada in 1949, Canada's regulations didn't permit religious broadcasting, but a "grandfather clause" allowed VOAR and another Newfoundland station to continue broadcasting. By the time the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) regulations changed to open the way for more religious broadcasting, VOAR was ready to expand across the country

with Christian music and Bible-based teaching programs.

The last 20 years have been an exciting time for this once-small, church-owned radio ministry. Now headquartered in Mount Pearl, Newfoundland, VOAR is the centre of a growing broadcast network of satellite downlinks and repeater stations, reaching from coast to coast. When station manager Sherry Griffin first started working at VOAR as a student in the 1980s, the station's transmitter had a power output of only 100 watts. A leap to 10,000 watts was the first step in expansion, along with new studios and a new tower site. Today, VOAR can be heard on the airwaves across Newfoundland, as well as in Nova Scotia, Saskatchewan and 30 locations in British Columbia. Bell ExpressVu Satellite and live streaming on [www.voar.org](http://www.voar.org) expand the station's reach even further.

During this 80th anniversary year, VOAR has celebrated with a series of Christian concerts and other special events, including a cross-Newfoundland tour with Adventist recording artist Karen Ritchie from B.C. "The people we met, the churches that welcomed us, and the friendships we made were such a reassurance of what God is doing in them and through them for this station in our communities," says Sherry Griffin, who has been station

manager since 1999, overseeing VOAR's rapid expansion plan that began in 2000. "But," she adds, "we still face challenges along with our new opportunities." The recent devastation caused by Hurricane Igor in September 2010 didn't leave VOAR untouched; there has been some damage at the tower site which will need to be repaired. Many of VOAR's faithful supporters in Newfoundland are coping with damage to their own homes and property after the hurricane, and may not be in a position to support the station financially as much as they have in the past.

Every new opportunity to share God's Word with a broader audience means new expenses, and VOAR continues to rely on God to supply all its needs. To do that, He uses Christians who care enough about Christian radio that they're willing to help in its mission of "Shining With Heaven's Light" all across Canada. ■

—Trudy Morgan-Cole,  
member



This article also available online at <http://adventistmessenger.ca/news/voar-celebrates-80th-anniversary>

## British Columbia

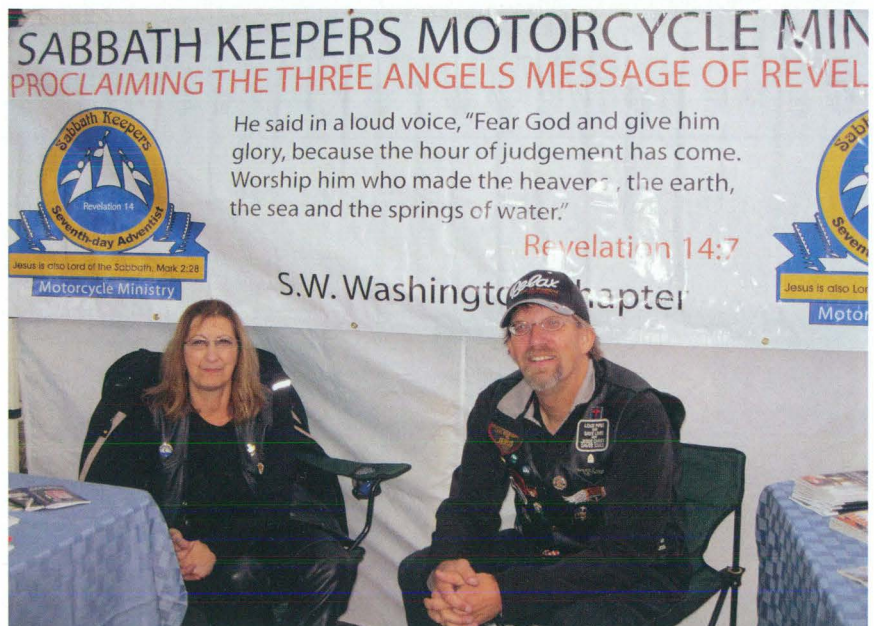
# Sabbath-Keepers Motorcycle Ministry (Aldergrove Chapter) Participates in Oyster Run 2010

The Aldergrove Chapter of Sabbath-Keepers Motorcycle Ministry met with the South West Washington Chapter in Anacortes, WA, September 26th for the 29th Annual Oyster Run. Two booths were set-up. Aldergrove Chapter offered free blood pressure checks and free books pertaining to health; the SW Washington Chapter handed out religious materials.

This was the first time Sabbath-Keepers Motorcycle Ministry participated in the Oyster Run and the first time in 29 years that it rained during this annual event! Aldergrove Chapter participants included Lloyd and Betty Steinke, Dave Woloschuk, Warren Gunter, Brett Hammill and Betty Lang. Participants from the SW Washington Chapter included, Paul Lattig, Robert Hastings, San and Tom Infante, Norma and James Turner.

Jesus says, John 21: 15–17, that if you love Him then you will “Feed My lambs” and “Tend My sheep”. That’s exactly what Sabbath-Keepers Motorcycle Ministry was doing at the 29th Annual Oyster Run. It was an awesome experience “rubbing shoulders” with motorcycle enthusiasts; engaging in conversation with other Christian organizations—Tribe of Judah, Christian Motorcyclists Association of WA, etc., and sharing His message of hope and health. His children are everywhere! ■

\*If you are interested in starting a chapter in your area, contact Lloyd Steinke at [lbsteinke@shaw.ca](mailto:lbsteinke@shaw.ca). Also, see the January 2010 issue of Messenger for more information about this exciting ministry.



## Ontario

### Kingston Total Health Seminar

Are you rundown, tired or concerned about your health? Darlene Blaney, nutritional consulting practitioner and co-author of *The Optimal Diet: The Official CHIP Cookbook*, addressed these and other questions at the well-attended Total Health seminar October 15-17, 2010 at the Calvin Park Seventh-day Adventist Church in Kingston, Ontario.

Blaney, Health Ministries department director of the Alberta conference, led the seminar which was comprised of four parts. Friday evening's subject was clarity, specifically how our choices affect both the physical and spiritual health of the frontal lobe of the brain—the centre of



decision-making. Sabbath morning's message was about choices, following God's will or our own, especially His plan regarding our health. Saturday evening's subject dealt with the fact that the majority of diseases are caused by a

poor diet and lifestyle, and how exercise, water and a balanced diet offer real hope for the prevention and even possible reversal of disease.

Sunday afternoon's presentation was the highlight of the weekend as Blaney and assistants Gabrielle McNeil and Frances James, prepared a variety of simple, low fat, highly nutritional and delicious vegan dishes that everyone had a chance to sample. Blaney answered questions as she demonstrated the preparation of the various foods. Pastor of the Calvin

Park church Djojo Sekulic was enlisted to show just how easy it is to make healthy and tasty cookies.

It was a very spiritual, informative and fun weekend. ■

## General Conference of SDA

### New AWR Vice President for Finance Announced



Adventist World Radio's board of directors has elected Kent Sharpe as the organization's new vice president for finance. He replaces Dowell Chow, who became AWR's president this summer after serving in the finance position for the past five years.

Sharpe comes to AWR from the Arizona Conference, where he has been the treasurer since 2005. While there, he carried the additional responsibility of serving as CEO of Good News TV and MAS TV—low-power digital television stations that broadcast 24/7 in the Phoenix, Arizona, area in Spanish and English.

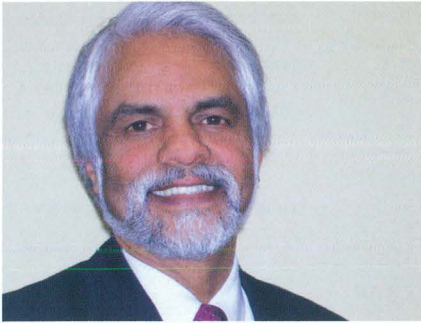
Sharpe is no stranger to the General Conference building, as he spent five years here as the director of accounting/finance services for Adventist Risk Management. Among other roles over the years, he has been the treasurer of the Arkansas-Louisiana Conference and the business manager for Mount Vernon Academy in Ohio.

"I am very delighted that Kent has accepted the invitation to join our AWR team, and we are looking forward to welcoming him and integrating him into this important role," says AWR president Dowell Chow. ■



## SDA Church in Canada

### Latchman Named Quebec Conference President



At a meeting of the Board of Directors on Sunday, November 14, Daniel Latchman was elected president of the Quebec conference of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Latchman began his service for the church on the islands of Réunion and Mauritiuis in the Indian Ocean where he worked for many years as a teacher, pastor and administrator. He came to Canada from the presidency of the Réunion conference in 1998, serving as Youth and Family Life director in the Quebec conference until 2005 when was called to the presidency of the Mauritius conference. After serving his term, Latchman returned to Quebec and served the churches and companies in and around Quebec City.

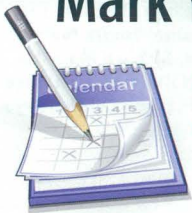
Speaking of Latchman's election, the president of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada, Mark Johnson,

remarked that "Pastor Latchman is a man who loves God and loves His people. His ministry has blessed the Quebec conference in the past. I am confident that as president he will be a tremendous asset to the field."

Latchman will take over as president of the Quebec conference on December 1, 2010, when the current president, Dragan Stojanovich, takes over as vice-president of Administration at the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada in Oshawa, Ont. ■



## Mark Your Calendar . . . or at least help us mark ours!



*Did you know that our fantastic new website, [www.adventistmessenger.ca](http://www.adventistmessenger.ca), has a calendar of events where your church can advertise upcoming events for free?*

**Messenger online** has been operational for only month or so, but already more than 1000 people have used the site to get the latest news and opinions relating to Seventh-day Adventists in Canada. It is quickly becoming the digital "home" of those who want to keep up-to-date with church happenings. Is *your* church taking full advantage of this great communication tool? Judging by the empty calendar, I'd have to say it is not.

Church pastors and other leaders of local ministries are invited to contact the *Messenger* with information about upcoming events and request that it be posted in our online calendar. Through this one little tool, hundreds or thousands of people could find out about your next CHIP program or fundraising dinner. Even those who are not local may choose to support your event—if not financially then by prayer or perhaps recommending it to a friend. And the listing is *free*, so can your church afford to pass on this opportunity?

**Email [messenger@sdacc.org](mailto:messenger@sdacc.org) today for more information.**

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■ **Announcements**

**Valley Grande Adventist Academy Alumni Association** invites all former faculty, staff, and students to our annual Alumni Weekend to be held on March 25–27, 2011. All honour class years end in 6 or 1 (2006, 2001, etc.). For more information visit our website at [www.vgaa.org](http://www.vgaa.org) or contact Suzanna Facundo: [sfacundo@hotmail.com](mailto:sfacundo@hotmail.com).

**Missing Members:** The Botwood Seventh-day Adventist Church, in Botwood, NL, is looking for the following members: William Knee, Alvina Morgan, Mona Osbourne, and Carolyn Roberts. If you have any information about these members, please contact Pastor Jason Williams at 709/258-2295, or [jason.williams@nf.sympatico.ca](mailto:jason.williams@nf.sympatico.ca), or PO Box 670, Botwood, NL A0H 1E0.

**The Mount Zion Filipino SDA Church is looking** for the following missing members: Dorcas Adams-Grant, Remy Asuncion, Rhoderic Bancolita, Peter Carabat, Virginia Carabat, Joe Francis B. De Asis, Lorraine Henry, John Ibrahim, Sergey Kovalyov, Julieta Manglan-Ian, Jennifer Marrier, Leonardo Pasi, Karen Pecson, Nolasco Perez,

Ann Pitt, Tatyana Syvatnenko, Dina Vendiola, Marius-Norel Cojocar, Maria Costa Livingston, Christine O. If you know the whereabouts of any of these individuals, please contact Rowena Velasquez at 647/349-4654 or email her at [mtzionfilerk@adventistontario.org](mailto:mtzionfilerk@adventistontario.org).

**The Pugwash SDA Church is looking** for the following member: Linda Keller. If you have any information about this member, please contact Beverly Mosher at PO Box 271, Pugwash, N.S. B0K 1L0

■ **New Members**

**MARITIME**

**Bethanne Atton** was baptized in Pugwash, N.S., on July 10, 2010, by Pedro Graça. She is now a member of the Tantallon church.

**Jordan Bannister** was baptized in the Pollett River in Elgin, N.B., on June 12, 2010, by Ron Nelson. He and his wife, Naomi Striemer, who transferred her membership from Santa Monica, Calif., are now members of the Moncton church.

**Julie Cheney, and Brenda, Emilee and Sarah Henry** were baptized in the Magaguadavic River, N.B., on August 21, 2010, by Victor Chant. They are now members of the St. George church.

**Donna Eastwood** was baptized in Pugwash, N.S., on July 31, 2010, by Ken Corkum. She is now a member of the New Glasgow church.

**Ashley Mae Eisnor** was baptized in Bridgewater, N.S., on August 7, 2010, by Leroy Corkum. She is now a member of the Bridgewater church.

**Mathieu Goguen and Adam Marciszewski** were baptized in Pugwash, N.S., on July 31, 2010, by Ron Nelson. They are now members of the Moncton church.

**Raines Heath** was baptized in Pugwash, N.S., on July 24, 2010, by Paul Llewellyn. He is now a member of the Middleton church.

**Kerstin Kuhle** was baptized at Old Lake in Woodside, N.B., on August 5, 2010, by Ron Nelson. She is now a member of the Moncton church.

**Jessica Llewellyn** was baptized in Pugwash, N.S., on July 31, 2010, by her father, Paul Llewellyn. She is now a member of the Middleton church.

**Michael Melanson** was baptized in

Digby, N.S., on August 21, 2010, by Paul Llewellyn. He is now a member of the Digby church.

**Geoff Moretto** was baptized in Tantallon, N.S., on May 22, 2010, by David Crook. He is now a member of the Tantallon church.

**Rachel Slaunwhite** was baptized in Foxpoint, N.S., on June 19, 2010, by Pedro Graça. She is now a member of the Fox Point church.

**ONTARIO**

**Mary Jane Ndlovu** was baptized in Kingston, Ont., on August 7, 2010, by Djojo Sekulic. She is now a member of the Calvin Park church.

**MANITOBA/SASKATCHEWAN**

**Etienne Harshmana, Bway Mu Paw, Duenay Soe, James Soe and Chris Lay** were baptized in Saskatoon, Sask., on July 31, 2010, by Harold Penner. They are now members of the Mount Royal church.

**David Swan** was baptized at the Foothills Blind Camp in Bowden, Alta., on July 10, 2010, by Moises Ruiz. He is now a member of the Mount Royal church.

**ALBERTA**

**Noel Aguilar and Carmen Garcia** were baptized in Edmonton, Alta., on April 24, 2010, by Carlos Molina, and **Julio Villatoro** was accepted into the church by profession of faith. They are now members of the Edmonton Spanish church.

**Roland Alexander, Bernado Perez Estrada, Anait Huerta, Antonio Leyton, and Jenifer Mejias** were baptized in Edmonton, Alta., on May 1, 2010, by Julio Morales, and **Emanoil Jorza** was baptized by John Murley. They are now members of the Edmonton Renacer church.

**Julie Amana** was baptized in Edmonton, Alta., on February 20, 2010, by Terrence Horrell. She is now a member of the Edmonton West church.

**Wilma Ampong** was baptized in Prairie, Alta., on June 24, 2010, by Pastor Balansag. She is now a member of the Lighthouse Company.

**Ana Andrews and Ramiro Ruiz Ibanez** were accepted into the church by profession of faith in Edson, Alta., on January 23, 2010. They are now members of the Edson church.

**Jean Antoine, Violette Briceus, Esther Joseph and Pansy Letts**

were accepted into the church by profession of faith in Calgary, Alta., on May 1, 2010. They are now members of the Calgary Remnant Company.

**Michael Baird** was baptized in Lethbridge, Alta., on May 8, 2010, by Olaf Clausen. He is now a member of the Lethbridge church.

**Walter Barrera** was baptized in Edmonton, Alta., on September 5, 2009, by Julio Morales. He is now a member of the Edmonton Maranatha Spanish church.

**Julia Beaudoin** was baptized in Ponoka, Alta., on July 24, 2010, by David Beaudoin. She is now a member of the Ponoka church.

**Berndt Becker** was baptized in St. Albert, Alta., on February 13, 2010, by Dan Rochford. He is now a member of the Red Willow Community church.

**Awein, Bol, Hol and Ring Bol, and David Campbell-Hunt** were baptized in Calgary, Alta., on May 8, 2010, by Joseph Bulgin. They are now members of the Calgary Remnant Company.

**Jessica Brand, and Daphne and Darline Rantung** were baptized in Calgary, Alta., on January 2, 2010, by Leo Launio. They are now members of the Calgary Parkdale church.

**Blair Bruner, Emron and Kewrina Cenac, Krista-Lee Clark-Malaykhan, Bethany and Elshaddai Game, Yogita Master, Abena Miller, Richard Mugisha, Dieudonne Naikumana, Shanice Pierre-Antoine, and Caleb Quay** were baptized in Edmonton, Alta., on May 29, 2010, by Terrence Horrell. They are now members of the Edmonton West church.

**James Butler** was baptized in Smoky Lake, Alta., on March 27, 2010, by Dario St. Louis. He is now a member of the Smoky Lake church.

**Rolando Canales** was baptized in Calgary, Alta., on May 3, 2010, by Jair Pinilla. He is now a member of the Calgary Maranatha Spanish church.

**Noel Carriere** was baptized in Fort McMurray, Alta., on June 6, 2009, by Darrell Beaudoin. He is now a member of the Fort McMurray church.

**Claudia Castanaza, Briana Duarte, Angel Saenz, Flores Sindy, and Deborah, Haydee and Saralee Suazo** were baptized in Calgary, Alta., on April 24, 2010,



by Arturo Quintero, and **Junior Castanaza** was re-baptized by Pastor Perez. They are now members of the Calgary Central Spanish church.

**Alanis Castro** was baptized in Calgary, Alta., on April 6, 2010, by Keith Gray. She is now a member of the Calgary Central Spanish church.

**Corinne** and **Victor Catarino**, **Eddy Doin**, **Erode** and **Peter Dolne**, **Chris Graca**, **Selena McKenzie** and **Kevin Orozco** were baptized in Calgary, Alta., on May 1, 2010, by Joseph Bulgin. They are now members of the Calgary Remnant Company.

**Miguel Chaparro** was accepted into the church by profession of faith in Red Deer, Alta., on April 2, 2010. He is now a member of the Red Deer church.

**Moses** and **Tryphine Chidemo**, **Sean Dhlo**, and **Thando Ncube** were accepted into the church by profession of faith in Calgary, Alta., on March 13, 2010. They are now members of the Calgary Garden Road church.

**Mike Chorley** was baptized in Edmonton, Alta., on June 12, 2010, by John Wesley. He is now a member of the Edmonton Central church.

**Josh Clutter**, **Lili St. Laurent** and **Therese Wwambaye** were baptized in St. Albert, Alta., on May 15, 2010, by Dan Rochford. They are now members of the Red Willow Community church.

**BRITISH COLUMBIA**

**Lorne Ehrlich** was baptized in the Jordan River on Vancouver Island, B.C., on September 11, 2010, after attending the Vancouver Island Camp Meeting in May 2010. He is now a member of the Juan de Fuca church.

**Katie Mowat** was baptized in Aldergrove, B.C., on October 16, 2010, by Michael Dauncey. She is now a member of the Aldergrove church.

**Cindy Unrall** was baptized in Aldergrove, B.C., on October 16, 2010, by Melissa Cooke. She is now a member of the Aldergrove church.

**Births**

**Titus Robert Hamstra** was born on July 29, 2010, to David and Heidi (Kartik) Hamstra of Fort McMurray, Alta.

**Matthew Jamieson** was born on July 26, 2010, to Amanda and Will Jamieson of Moncton, N.B.

**Owen Samson Lalas** was born on October 8, 2010, to Josh and Melanie (Jakovac) Lalas of Langley, B.C.

**Luke Kristian Mowat** was born on August 21, 2010, to Chad and Kim (Hallvre) Mowat of Abbotsford, B.C.

**Malachi Maxwell Turner** was born on October 24, 2009, to Jim and Janette (Kartik) Turner of Burnaby, B.C.

**Ember Skye Wollmann** was born on August 3, 2010, to Evyn and Farrah Wollmann of Carberry, Man.

**Weddings**

**Ronald Belyea II** and **Carla Nelson** were married July 11, 2010, in Battle Creek, Mich., where they will be making their home. Ronald is the son of Ronald and Helen Belyea of Havelock, Ont., and Carla is the daughter of Doris Nelson of Pittsville, Wis.

**Jason Smith** and **Meghan Hubley** were married June 8, 2010, in Tantallon, N.S., and are making their home in Timberlea, N.S. Jason is the son of Roger and Veronica Smith of Shag Harbour, N.S., and Meghan is the daughter of Ray and Glynis Hubley of Tantallon.

**Denise Loxdale** and **Geoff Moretto** were married June 25, 2010, on a sandbar at Camp Pugwash, N.S., and are making their home in Halifax, N.S.

**Jordan Bannister** and **Naomi Striemer** were married June 27, 2010, in Delhi, Ont., and are making their home in Moncton, N.B. Jordan is the son of Bob and Jullie Bannister of Moncton, N.B., and Naomi is the daughter of Glen and Lorraine Striemer of Simcoe, Ont.

**Sarah McCann** and **Marcus Bellefontaine** were married August 28, 2010, in Pugwash, N.S., and are making their home in Springhill, N.S. Sarah is the daughter of Erna and Kelly McCann of Birchy Head, N.S., and Marcus is the son of Mary and Gerald Bellefontaine of Porters Lake, N.S.

**Anniversaries**

**Marguerite** and **Quentin Covey** of Kelowna, B.C., celebrated their



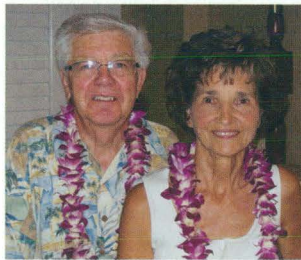
60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on August 9, 2010. Family and friends helped them celebrate at a special open house at their home in Kelowna. The Covey's have two daughters: Marion (Ray) Betz of Portland, Ore., and Shirley (Cameron) Johnston of Williams Lake, B.C. They have six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

**Ben** and **Magdalena Domke** of Langley, B.C., celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on August 2,



2010. The Domkes were the honoured guests at a dinner with family and friends. The couple has two children: a daughter, Benita (Robert) Robella of Sardis, B.C., and a son, Berton (Cathy) of Langley, B.C. The Domkes have four grandchildren.

**Eugene** and **Ruby Eliuk** of Naramata, B.C., celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on August



14, 2010, with a trip to Kauai. The trip was a gift from their son, Travis (Karen) of Auburn, Wash., and daughter, Tammy (David) Taylor of Riverside, Calif. The Eliuks have three grandchildren.

**Charles** and **Evelyn Hawes** of Armstrong, B.C., quietly celebrated their 70<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on September 19, 2010. They were joined by family and friends, including their daughter, Marion (Bob) Coppock of Smithers, B.C., and



their sons, Robin (Lolita) of Smithers, Barrie (Maxine) of Invermere, B.C., and Brian (Karen) of Kelowna, B.C. They have 11 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

**Ewa** and **Nick Homenuk** of Weekes, Sask., celebrated their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on August 2,



2010, on the farm where they are still actively involved. The Homenuks have four children: Joseph of Weekes, Sask., Beverly (Gerry) Radcliffe of Clive, Alta., Sharon (Alex) Vanek of Red Deer, Alta., and Donna (Albert) Wollmann of McCreary, Man. They have ten grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

**Edward** and **Lillian Matiko** of Millet, Alta., celebrated their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on April 9,



2010, and were joined by family and friends. The Matikos have two children: Charlotte Cooper of Calgary, Alta., and Everett (Joan) of Millet. They have two grandchildren.

**Herbert** and **Dorothea (Derr) Reimche** of Kelowna, B.C., celebrated their 70<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on August 18, 2010. They were joined by family and friends at an open house hosted by



their children, Twyla Gimbel, Ken (Shirley), Audrey (Lester) Bigelow, and Debbie (Art) Swarz, followed by a surprise dinner cruise on Okanagan Lake. The Reimches have seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

## ■ Birthday

**Walter Frape** of Grande Prairie, Alta., celebrated his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on



June 15, 2010. He has five children, ten grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

## ■ Obituaries

### **Susan Christina (née Baron) Antoniuk**

was born December 27, 1934, and died June 30, 2010, in Bonnyville, Alta. Susan was a dedicated member of the Bonnyville church. She is predeceased by her husband, John, her father, Nick Baron, and her mother, Mary. Surviving: daughters, Tanya Antoniuk of Bonnyville, Alta., Andrea (Glenn) Babcock, also of Bonnyville, Anna (Ken) Kurylo of Edmonton, Alta., Natalia (Chris) Polson of Calgary, Alta., and Patricia (Bryan) Fitz of Edmonton; brother, Linard (George Anne) Baron of Houston, Tex.; sister, Elizabeth Baron of St. Albert, Alta.

**Kay Brietzke** was born September 9, 1918, in Regina, Sask., and died September 11, 2010, in Lacombe, Alta. Surviving: husband, Donald; daughter, Rose (Reginald) Froid of Avon Park, Fla.; one grandchild and one great-grandchild.

**Walter Chiakowsky** was born September 22, 1937, in Elk Point, Alta., and died August 2, 2010, in Abbotsford, B.C. Wally was

instrumental in building a church in Hyloboka, Ukraine, as well as assisting other church projects there. Locally, he actively supported the Aldergrove church's Acts of Kindness community outreach programs. He is predeceased by his father, Paul. Surviving: wife, Lee-Ann; sons, Jady (Connie) of Ladera Ranch, Calif., and Jason (Heather) of Loma Linda, Calif.; mother, Alice; and three grandchildren.

### **Edna (née Trelenberg) Demitor**

was born July 4, 1913, in Fenwood, Sask., and died August 4, 2010, in Melville, Sask. She is predeceased by her husband, Louis, her brothers, Albert, Fred, John and Bill, and her sisters, Annie Armbruster, Matilda Schmidt, Alvin Gorozy and Martha Trelenberg. Surviving: sons, Howard (Gerry), Don (Ruby), Reg (Judy) and Vern; daughters, Eileen (Ben) Ferster and Shirley (Ken) Dregier; sister, Bertha Gable; 23 grandchildren, 41 great-grandchildren and 11 great-great-grandchildren.

**Edward L. Gladden, Jr.** was born September 9, 1911, in Berkshire, Vt., and died July 10, 2010, in Richford, Vt. He is predeceased by his wife, Helen Gladden Waterhouse, and his son, Edward Jr. Surviving: daughter, Esther (Bruce) Knutson.

### **Martha (née Eckert) Goertzen-Harmon**

was born January 14, 1911, in Poland, and died August 12, 2010, in Armstrong, B.C. She is predeceased by her husband, Harvey, daughter Elisabeth Palfenier, brothers Ervin, Fred and Harold, and sisters Lydia Burgermaster and Freda Shully. Surviving: son, Marvin (Pat) Goertzen; daughters, Florence Osland and Marianne Young; brothers, Arnold and Eric; sisters, Olga Odenbach, Elsie Holland and Alma Hoppi; 14 grandchildren, 30 great-grandchildren, and four great-great grandchildren.

**Alexander James Kaytor** was born September 27, 1910, in Punnichy, Sask., and died June 26, 2010, in Hamilton, Ont. Alexander, a centenarian, was a dedicated member of his local church. He is predeceased by his wife, Lena. Surviving: son, James (Charlene) of Mount Hope, Ont.; daughters, Diane (Milton) Perkins of Bracebridge, Ont., and Beverly (James) Gascoyne of Mount Hope, Ont.; brothers, Anthony of Abbotsford, B.C., and Gordon of Stoney Creek, Ont.; sister, Anne Lennox; six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

**Esther (née Drury) Lowe** was born February 4, 1928, in Detroit, Mich., and died October 29, 2010, in McBride, B.C. She is predeceased

by her husband, Lawton. Surviving: son, Garry (Wendy) of McBride; daughter, Susanna (Sandoval Melin) Reid of Honolulu, Hawaii; seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

**Jack Mackay** was born November 1, 1911, in Kolomyja, Ukraine, and died September 3, 2010, in Kelowna, B.C. Aside from working in logging, farming and construction, Jack was also involved in literature evangelism. Surviving: wife, Tena; daughters, Jackie Thibaudeau of Edmonton, Alta., Darlene (Mike) Tohivsky of Walla Walla, Wash.; 15 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren.

**Fredrick T. Mandzuik** was born February 28, 1913, in Veregin, Sask., and died July 6, 2010, in Abbotsford, B.C. He is predeceased by his wife, Kay. Surviving: sons, Samuel of Abbotsford, B.C., Albert, and George (Lou Ann) of Custer, Wash.; foster children, Colleen (Larry) Erickson of Creston, B.C., and Darlene (Terry) Day of Boise, Idaho; brother, Steven (Sophia) of Paris, Ont.; and two grandchildren.

**Doris (née Brown) Meehan** was born November 24, 1926, in Providence, R.I., and died October 13, 2010, in Saint John, N.B. Doris faithfully worked behind the scenes throughout her life for her church in Barnesville, N.B. She is predeceased by her husband Andrew Meehan, her parents Frank and Pearl, and her brothers Harold and Edward. Surviving: daughter, Doreen (Douglas) MacArthur of Barnesville; one grandchild and three great-grandchildren.

**Richard W. Oickle** was born September 8, 1922, in Moser's River, N.S., and died September 18, 2010, in Port Hillford, N.S. He was a faithful member of the New Glasgow church for many years. Richard is predeceased by his father, Edgehill, his mother, Matilda, his brothers, Vincent and Roland, and his sister Grace. Surviving: daughters, Darlene (Jeff) Jordan, of Port Hillford, and Shirley (Douglas) Oickle, of Antigonish, N.S.; sisters, Amy Slauwhite, of Dartmouth, N.S., and Barbara Davies, of Arnprior, Ont.; five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

**Kingsley Cecil James Peter** was born August 2, 1940, in Badulla, Sri Lanka, and died August 24, 2010, in Port Alberni, B.C. After being baptized into the SDA faith in 1961 and ordained as a minister in 1972, Kingsley was very active for the church and for ADRA in the Philippines, Sweden, and Pakistan.

He served as a pastor for many years, loved to give Bible studies and share the gospel with others. He is predeceased by his father, Simon Edwin, his mother, Jemima Dora, and his brother, Mervyn, of Montreal, Ont. Surviving: wife, Kathleen; sisters, June (David) Fiorito, of Lacombe, Alta., and Betty (Justus) Joseph, of Courtice, Ont.; son, Marlon, of Port Alberni, B.C.; daughter, Geraldine (Robert) Toms, of Chatham, Ont.; three foster children (of Gambia, Ontario, and Dubai, respectively); and two grandchildren.

**Dorothy (née Smith) Rae** was born December 29, 1926, in Westville, N.S., and died October 16, 2009, in Stellarton, N.S. Dorothy served as head deaconess, head of Investments, and head of the Dorcas society at the New Glasgow church. Dorothy is predeceased by her son, Billy Works, of Stellarton, her daughter, Judith Clarke, her father, Eugene, her mother, Lillian, her brother Bill of Frasers Mountain, N.S., and her sister Kathrine Lays. Surviving: son, David Works, of Stellarton; daughter, Helen (Allen) Smith, of Westville; brothers George (Beth), of Chiliwack, B.C., John (Agnes), of Westville Hwy, N.S., and Clarence, of Stellarton; sister Gloria Adair, of Grande Prairie, Alta.; seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

**James Duncan Roffey** was born Oct. 6, 1947, in Chapleau, Ont., and died July 31, 2010, in Arnprior, Ont. James served as head elder, Sabbath School teacher, ranger at Cohutta Springs Conference Center, and head ranger at Camp Frenda. He also served as a missionary in Africa with wife, Marta, and as vice president of FACE (Free African Children Thru Education). James is predeceased by his father, Robert. Surviving: wife, Marta; son, Wesley (Leah) of Brantford, Ont.; stepson, Joey (Megan) Zintel of Boise, Idaho; daughters, Amy (Dean) Nash of Brantford; stepdaughter, Wendy Creamer-Zintel of Spring Hill, Fla.; mother, Isabelle; brothers, Tom of Kenora, Ont., Russell (Kimi) of Hagar, Ont., and Don, of Toronto, Ont.; stepbrother, Chris Schiefer, of Dalton, Ga.; sisters, Jan (Michael) Gautier of Toronto, Ont., Dorothy (Doug) Schween of Brantford, Judy (Wally) Seneza of Manitowadge, Ont., and Carol (Paul) O'Neill of Holland Landing, Ont.; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

**Elias Seidel** was born July 17, 1931, in Bentley, Alta., and died September 25, 2010, in Salmon Arm, B.C. Elias served his church as a bellringer, Sabbath School teacher,



deacon, and elder. He is predeceased by his parents, Richard and Elsie, and his brother Benjamin. Surviving: wife, Merie; son, Kurt (Cara) of Nanaimo, B.C.; daughter, Loretta of Salmon Arm; brothers, Carl (Ina) of Revelstoke, B.C., Werner (Geri), Dick (Leone) of Napavine, Wash., and Lloyd (Rhea) of Strome, Alta.; two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

**Gloria (née Misner) Smith** was born February 6, 1941, in Black Point, N.S., and died October 20, 2010, in Halifax, N.S. She is predeceased by her sisters Marguerite LaPierre and Violet Pippy. Surviving: husband, Cyril; son, Troy (Linda) of Seabright, N.S.; daughters, Pam (Duncan) Jones of Tantallon, N.S., and Tanya of Tantallon; brothers, Herbert (Judy) of Beaver Bank, N.S., Roy (Anne) of Black Point, and Sidney (Cathy) of Hammonds Plains, N.S.; sisters Janesta (Oscar) Boutilier of Head of St. Margarets Bay, N.S., and Marilyn (Barry) Hubley of Weldon, N.B.; six grandchildren.

**Gladys (née Denis) Sulzle** was born August 2, 1922, in Calgary, Alta., and died September 22, 2010, in Kelowna, B.C. She is predeceased by her parents Alphonse and Nel, and her sister Ellen McKee. Surviving: husband, Clarence of Kelowna; son, Rodd of Houston, Tex.; daughter, Wendy (Isaac Gervais) of Calgary, Alta.; brothers, James and Alfred; one grandchild and one great-grandchild.

**Harry Toop** was born June 13, 1918, in Carleton Place, Ont., and died August 31, 2010, in Arnprior, Ont. Harry was one of the founding members in the Arnprior SDA Company where he faithfully served as a church leader, head elder and Sabbath School teacher for many years. He is predeceased by his wife, Grace (née MacEachern), his brothers Arthur, Fred, Bill, Bert, and Ewen; and his sisters, Dorothy, Mary and Maybeth. Surviving: daughters, Judy Toop, Janet Kindopp, Cheryl (Nick) Theodoru, Cathy Kositsin and Deborah (Larry) Ivany; brother Aylmer (Madella) Toop of Carleton Place, Ont.; seven grandchildren, four great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

**Martin Richards Welch** was born April 16, 1931, in Brooks, Alta., and died July 19, 2010, in Langley, B.C. Surviving: sons, Jeff (Aranka) of Merritt, B.C., and Rick (Connie) of Penticton, B.C.; daughter, Debbie Welch of Coquitlam, B.C.; brothers, George of Langley, B.C., Henry (May) of Alta., and Ross Nordin of Burnaby, B.C.; sisters, Margaret

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## ■ Tribute

**Ronald Richard Duchesne** born July 1947 in North Bay, Ontario, died May 3, 2010 in Sault-Ste-Marie. Ron was a development miner most of his life in the Sudbury area. He was also an avid fisherman. Ron lost his brave fight with cancer and fell asleep in the Lord leaving behind his wife Joelle, eldest son Pastor Joe of the Cornwall/Hawkesbury churches (Lucy) and grandchildren (Tommy, Emma and Ella), André (Sarah) grandchildren (Mack and Emily), Jean-Pierre (Tammy) all of Sault-Ste-Marie. Ron had a great sense of humour even till the very end and he was a very generous man to friends and family. He will be deeply missed by all who knew him as we wait to see him again when His Lord and Saviour Jesus-Christ comes to call him from the grave at the Second Coming.

**Jean Marion (Mills) Holm** was born February 14, 1925 in Kindsley,

Saskatchewan, and died February 18, 2010 in Penticton, British Columbia. Jean loved Jesus and was faithful to Him throughout her life. She served for many years as a deaconess and children's Sabbath School Teacher. Along with her husband, Hillmen, she was also actively involved in promoting ADRA, and in partnership endeavors with *It Is Written* and *Voice of Prophecy*. Jean struggled with MS for many years, valiantly maintaining a cheerful attitude in spite of her progressing disability. She always had a smile for everyone. Jean was predeceased by her son Howard in 1973, her parents, 3 brothers, and one sister. Jean is survived by her husband of 65 years, Hillmen; daughters, Marjorie (John) Wright of Kelowna, B.C. and Myrene (John) Kartik of Cochrane, AB; son, Clifford (Mazel Best) Holm of North Battleford, SK; one brother and one sister; ten grandchildren and thirteen great-grandchildren.

**Katie Skoretz.** Our dear mother was born August, 29, 1923, in Canora, Saskatchewan and passed



away peacefully May 18, 2010 in Kelowna, B.C. Mom leaves to her family a wealth of beautiful memories. She will be forever missed by sons Eugene (Gwen), Arni (Elvine), her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband, John, in 2008. Her warm hospitality, laughter, smiles and loving Christian ways will always be wonderful memories we cherish and keep close to our hearts. Our lives were blessed because of her.

**Happy Birthday to Joshua Roy Tennant**, who celebrated his first birthday on October 29, 2010. We



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**Happy 60<sup>th</sup> birthday to Mrs. Loveita Perry**, who celebrated on August 24, 2010. May God continue



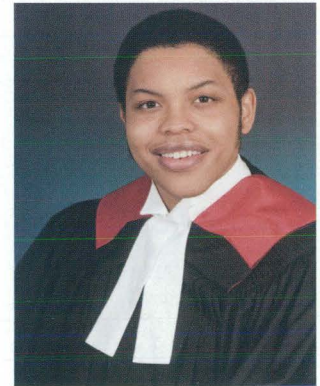
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**Congratulations to Joseph W. Richards II, LL.L.; LL.B.**, who was called to the Ontario Bar in Ottawa



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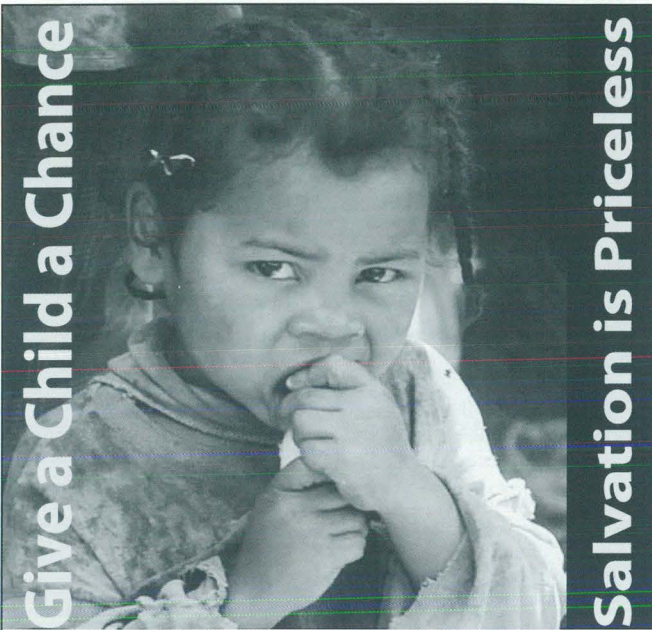
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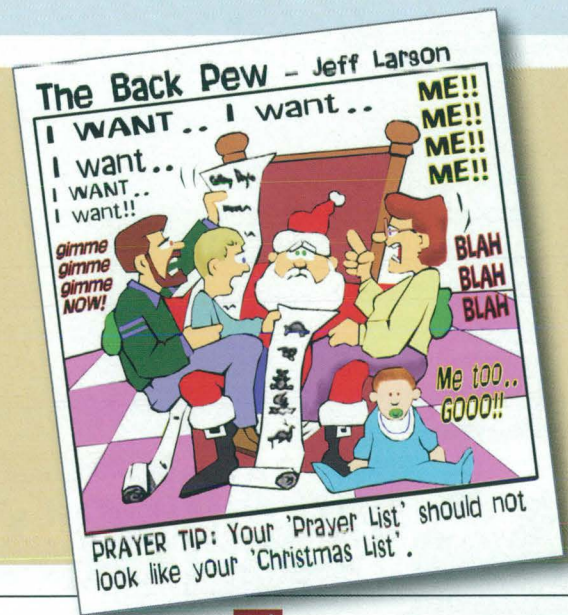


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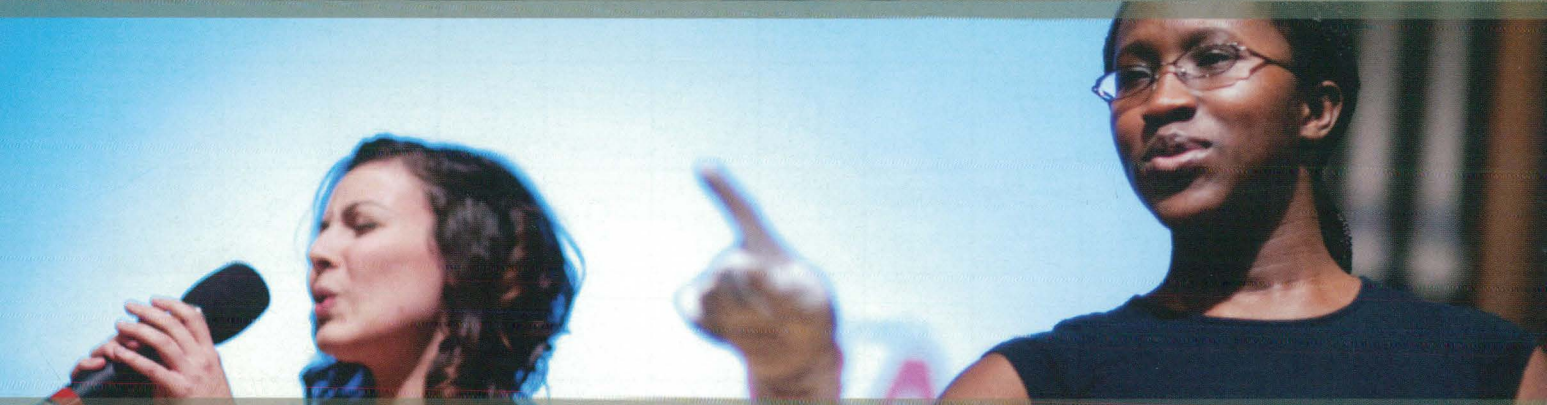
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