



## *This Child Evangelism Workshop Was Unique*

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"There is no end to this at all actually! Since taking up this study, I have not bothered to know when to stop. Indeed it has become so fascinating that I feel I have just begun!"

"I never knew how to sing before. I had always imagined myself to be a monotone but now— isn't it surprising? I find that I can carry a tune and they are God's songs, too!"

"Before I took up this challenge, I had no interest at all in children. To me they were just another bothersome group. I was assigned to the children's division in our church and I accepted it as a matter of course. While attending this workshop, however, I saw the painstaking efforts of people who try hard to open up these children's minds in a study of God's love and I realize that there is something to it after all. I have repented of my cruel thoughts since and I have decided deep in my heart to devote more and more of my time to taking care of these little ones 'for of such is the kingdom of heaven.'"

Such stirring testimonies flew thick and fast as the children's workshop drew to its close. This group study was organized by Mrs. R. C. Williams (nee Frances Sundeen) who is the wife of the director of the Manila Center. Late in May this year, she circularized all Sabbath schools in the Manila-Rizal area inviting them to send representatives to this workshop

which was to be held in the basement of the Manila Center in Quezon City.

It was a unique workshop for several reasons. Unlike previous child evangelism institutes which lasted from three to four days, this one ran for over two months—from late May to early August this year. Supplies were furnished on the first day and even during the succeeding study-work periods scraps of material could be had for the asking. There was no roll call each time; in fact one

could come and go at will. There was no hurry-scurry and the students took their time in making their projects. There was no written examination held nor were there certificates handed out after the course was ended. Actually, as mentioned in the opening paragraph of this article, one felt she had just begun even after two months had elapsed.

We felt there were other hidden treasures to be discovered and various possibilities for improving the children's divisions manifested



This picture shows a section of the Child Evangelism Workshop group. The students have put aside their pencils for a moment to tell Outlook readers, by the expression on their faces, how much they are enjoying their work. Mrs. R. C. Williams, organizer of the workshop, stands at the head of the table.

themselves. Each time we knew more explorations needed to be done if our thirst must be satisfied. Already we have uncovered many treasures and when we presented them in our own Sabbath school's children's divisions, there was much cause for rejoicing. For, you see, this workshop came at just the right moment to keep the attendance and interest in our children's divisions from dwindling.

Each time we learned something new from the workshop we were quick to introduce it in our children's division the following Sabbath. Parents and children sat up and took notice. Eyes popped wide and ears strained to hear every word and after a while even the parents were singing the songs which we were teaching the children. A Sabbath or two more of this and then these parents were bundling their children and hustling their eager feet to our small study area. They were that interested!

The workshop was held from 5 to 7 o'clock each Sunday afternoon and the students came, stormy weather notwithstanding. Heavy rains and strong winds were frequent then and the folks came drenched to the skin.

Mrs. Williams impressed by the interest shown by a majority of the group, decided to advance the workshop to 4 o'clock so that the students could have a full three hours to trace designs, learn songs and finger plays, correlate sets of drawings with stories and poems, listen to lectures, etc. Occasionally, she got others to lecture or demonstrate to the group.

Mrs. G. C. Eckvall, who is affiliated with the Pasay English church Sabbath school, told us much about children's divisions' activities and how to keep the children's interest constant and unflagging. Nor was the subject confined to the small people alone. Realizing the need to keep the juniors' interest in Sabbath school intact and at its peak each time, Mr. M. G. Jereos, auditor of the North Philippine Union Mission and who has several years of experience in junior leadership work, was invited to lecture and demonstrate to the group.

Several times, too, Mrs. Williams and Mrs. T. A. Davis (the latter is actively participating in Philippine Union College's children's department) got the group to-

gether and taught them songs. They had a cute portable organ laid out on the table which they plugged into a switch and away we would sing! This was a wonderful chance for us who did not know any other songs for children save the already threadbare "Deep and wide, deep and wide, There's a fountain flowing deep and wide" that we heard sung by pastors' wives and Bible women in evangelistic meetings several years ago.

The need for a songbook so the teachers can have available at their finger tips short songs and finger plays came up, too. Mrs. Williams, together with Mrs. Davis, Pastor J. O. Bautista (North Philippine Union Mission Sabbath school secretary), Mrs. Serafin Flores (also PUC), Mrs. F. Fernandez, Mrs. A. J. Escarra and Mrs. Jack Kennedy (all of the Pasay English church) worked on a little songbook which will soon be off the press. This will be sold at a very nominal price to all Sabbath schools desiring to have copies so that the children's divisions stand to benefit from all the many good things made available to Sabbath school officers and teachers at the Manila Center Workshop.

This workshop also introduced us to a wonderful material called pellon. Unlike two materials we used widely before—flannel, which is too soft for handling and cartolina, which is stiff and is likely to fall off when being used—we found pellon just right. In both flannel and cartolina we had to use sandpaper in order to make it adhere to the flannelgraph board. Pellon, on the other hand, needs no sandpaper backing. It is the material used for stiffening ladies' evening dresses and costs four pesos per yard. But don't let the price frighten you—the material is wide and several drawings or figures can be made with but one yard! Here are simple instructions on how to use pellon:

Trace a drawing on pellon in pencil or India ink (or you can trace the drawing on tracing paper and then transfer it to pellon). Use crayola for coloring the drawing. Get a piece of waxed paper and put it on top of the drawing on the pellon material and apply a hot iron on the waxed paper for a few seconds. Snip the drawing from the rest of the material and you now have a figure with a color that will not wash off.

It is ready for use. Another enterprising member found that a damp towel, instead of the waxed paper, can produce excellent results, too.

We were also introduced to the pentograph. This is an instrument to enlarge or reduce a drawing and is very useful when one has to teach a large group.

Where we never bothered about memory verses before, we found ourselves taking note of devices calculated to keep the children interested in learning short Bible verses and keeping them in their hearts. There is a wealth of story material in each short verse.

To those of us who had been teaching the Sabbath school lesson to older folks before, it took us some time to become interested in flowers, birds, cats and dogs, and little pails and shovels. It kept us busy up to the late hours of the night at home as we snipped busily at tiny figures and learned to associate them with stories about Jesus when He was a little boy, what good children who love Jesus do at home and at Sabbath school, etc.

This workshop has taught us a trait of inestimable value in our current work for the little ones: **patience!** It has taught us to listen to each little question asked by a child. Where before we used to say "sh-hh" each time a child attempted to ask a question, now it has taught us to have a ready answer for each "Why?" and "Why is this so?" The workshop has led us to a deeper understanding of children and served to impress on our hearts the importance of bringing these many young hearts to a greater knowledge of our Lord and Saviour as they grow up.

Indeed, what more can we ask?

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**It is a noble thing to teach; it is a blessed thing to learn. Knowledge is a precious possession, and the more we obtain of it, the better work will we do if we make a right use of it. As workers for God we want more of Jesus and less of self.—T.S.S. p. 19**

## Indonesia

### *Another Youth Camp*

By J. T. Manullang, MV Secretary  
West Java Mission

Our third youth camp began on July 26, 1961, and was held at Pangandaran on the southern coast of West Java. Pangandaran with her beautiful beach and her jutting peninsula of forestry where wild "Bantangs" roamed seemed to be an ideal camping place.

campers to see a lovely spot called Batu-hiu, meaning "rock of the shark." On the way to Batu-hiu a young camper unfortunately lost a bundle of bank notes from his pocket. A thorough search was made but to no avail. So the group returned to camp disheartened. On

was very inspiring. The action stories by Pastor Tan Peng Hong and Brother Othmann Silalahi kept the group laughing. The youth panel discussion under the chairmanship of Pastor D. Batubara, the Bible history class, conducted by Pastor A. Mamora, and the flag signalling by Pastor Tan Peng Hong were all greatly appreciated.

At the Sabbath morning hour, Pastor B. A. Aaen gave a very timely sermon on "Who Is Your Hero?" The hearts of the campers were stirred. Following the service, 10 white-robed young men and women were led to the ocean to be buried with their Saviour in baptism. It was a very touching ceremony as the youth wit-



A group of happy girls who were privileged to attend the third youth camp in the West Java Mission. One hundred and seventy-three young people availed themselves of this period of training.



The ten young people who were baptized following the Sabbath morning service. With them are the two officiating ministers. Pastor A. L. Lesiasel, president of the West Java Mission, stands at the right.

One hundred and seventy-three young people enjoyed the four days of training.

There was quite a bit of excitement in the camp when the local army battalion commander with two other officers came to camp unannounced. In his address to the group, the commander made these statements: "In building up a prosperous country we need young people who believe in and trust in God—young people who are loyal and kind to humanity. Be 'boys of the Cross' . . . Keep up the good MV work." Later Pastor A. L. Lesiasel, the mission president, took the distinguished guests on a tour of the camp.

The next morning through the kindness of the commander, trucks were provided to take all the

the way back to camp, several kampong folks waved to us to stop. They told us that a great number of bank notes had been found strewn on the dusty road near the coconut groves. The money had been gathered to return to the owner and in the meantime it had been deposited with the authorities for safe keeping. Not long after the lost money was returned to the owner and it totalled 5,300 rupiahs, the exact amount that had been lost. Our young people pondered over the fact that these poor fishermen who barely make a living preferred honesty to worldly wealth. Our hearts were touched and we recalled to mind the One who once lived among the fishermen of Galilee.

Group singing around the campfire under the light of a full moon

nessed a minister baptizing two of his granddaughters and another minister baptizing his two sons.

May the youth of the Pangandaran Camp have been blessed through this short period of training and eventually may many more surrender their hearts to God.

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If the youth today would stand as Daniel stood, they must put to the stretch every spiritual nerve and muscle. . . . Time is golden, dear youth . . . Dwell upon that which is noble in the characters of others, and these traits will become to you a moral power in resisting the evil and choosing the good. Set your mark high. Messages to Young People, p. 164.

## Korea

*The Voice of Youth in Korea*

By Rudy E. Klimes

Seven youth teams from the four missions in Korea held Voice of Youth efforts in the Taejon area from November 25 to October 1, 1961.

A smiling young man from Pusan welcomed the hesitant stranger; a high school student from Seoul ushered him to his seating place on the floor; a Missionary Volunteer from Kuraori led out in a rousing song service. Later that evening two of these youth presented a special feature on temperance, two of them sang a duet, and then all three preached with power their assigned portions of the Voice of Youth evangelistic sermon. Night after night, children, youth and adults filled every inch of floor space.

Every day after a short morning devotional service, the Missionary Volunteers met together in a Voice of Youth Evangelism Institute. There were practice periods, discussions, sessions when plans were laid and there was youth evangelism instruction by Pastor C. D. Martin, Division MV secretary and the writer. With empty stomachs they went by bus or on foot to

their place of evangelism and to dinner. In the afternoon the youth walked the narrow paths between the paddy fields, the little alleys, and the tree-lined streets to visit the neighborhood homes—some 5,000 of them. In the homes, on the streets, at the market they distributed 12,000 pieces of literature.

At the 6:30 story hour the little ones watched with open mouths as a modern day, slightly younger Noah built the ark. Their enthusiastic singing was enough to drown the downpour of the flood rains. The little multitude then departed and made room for the village elders, the mothers, the soldiers, the bright-eyed girls and the ready young men.

Youth sang. Youth prayed. Youth preached. And God's Word had its effect. A former Adventist worker was contacted during the visitation program. He came to the meetings and decided to return to the fold with his wife and son. A lady who attended an effort in a home offered us her closed-down dance hall—we moved in. A pastorless church of

another denomination invited one of our members to become their pastor. A faithful old widow moved out of her small house so that our youth evangelists might have a place to sleep. A total of 550 non-Seventh-day Adventist youth and adults and over 1000 children attended the seven efforts. In one place 14, in another 35, and in one of the smallest efforts eight people decided for the first time to follow Jesus all the way. The local youth and the pastor are now following up the interests with Bible studies.

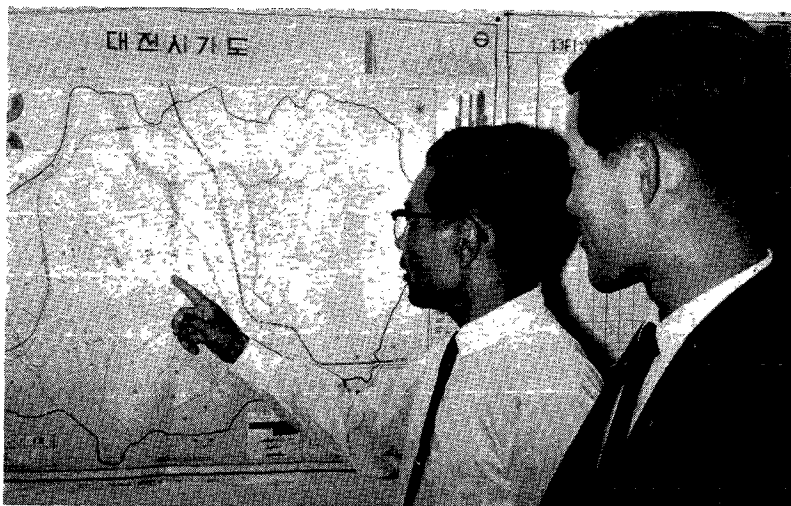
In these last days, thousands in Korea are hearing the Voice of God through the voice of youth.

**Pusan Sanitarium and Hospital**

By Louis Erich, Medical Director and Business Manager

"They are killing my baby! They are killing my baby!" shouted a little patient's father as he hysterically ran up and down the halls of the Pusan Sanitarium and Hospital. It was midnight. The boy had gone into febrile convulsion just as he arrived at the hospital. The nurses were giving the child a cold sponge bath to bring down the fever, but his father was sure that this was the wrong treatment. Attempts at explanation were useless, as he refused to listen. Of course all of the other patients were awakened and wondered what was going on. Soon the convulsions stopped and the baby drifted into a sound sleep. The father calmed down too, and rounds were made to all the other patients to give words of comfort and assurance.

The baby's grown brother came to visit him, and in three days the baby was well and went home. Later the older brother came back to the hospital for a visit. He explained that he was well educated and a devout Buddhist. He had recently spent several months at a monastery, trying to achieve peace of mind. At our hospital he found a different atmosphere and became interested in Christianity—just curious he said. One Bible study led to another, and now we see real joy in his eyes as he tells how he found Christ and true peace of mind. So many times God takes apparently damaging situations and turns them into blessings.



Pastor H. C. Im, MV secretary of the Southwest Korean Mission, and one of the team leaders. Pastor Im designates the territory to be worked by the team.

The Pusan Sanitarium and Hospital traces its beginning to the Korean war when the southeastern portion of the Korean peninsula was the only part not overrun by invading armies. Many of the refugees have stayed in this area, and Pusan continues to be a city of refugees. The needs here are great, but progress is being made in the relief of suffering and the spread of the gospel.

Sometimes the language is also a problem. Recently an unconscious and severely ill patient was brought in. A local physician had given up and declared the case to be hopeless. By the grace of God, along with vigorous treatment, he improved. Then we were confronted with the problem of communicating with him. The patient was a Chinese who spoke the native dialect of Formosa. He would speak in his native tongue to another Chinese, who translated what he said into Mandarin to still another Chinese, who spoke Japanese, and he in turn to a Korean who spoke English to me. During his hospital stay, this patient read the Chinese translation of **The Great Controversy**, and we pray that his interest will continue as he returns to Formosa.

The people of Korea are eagerly looking for something better than a mere existence. Hope in Christ fills this need, and the day of opportunity for the gospel continues. Just a few days ago we were thrilled as 117 new members were baptized here in Pusan. We praise God for these souls and look forward to the task of reaching thousands more.

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## American Servicemen in Korea

By Rudy E. Klimes

Pastor C. D. Martin and Captain Glenn I. Bowen, newly-arrived Army Chaplain who is stationed near Seoul, recently visited some of our Adventist soldiers stationed in Korea. They could only meet with a small number of soldiers in the widely scattered army camps but their ministry was much appreciated.

Some 15 to 25 servicemen meet for Sabbath services in the spacious radio recording studio in the



**Pastor C. D. Martin, Division MV secretary (left), and Army Chaplain Glenn I. Bowen who is now stationed near Seoul, Korea. There are at present about 65 Seventh-day Adventist servicemen stationed in Korea.**

Korean Union Mission office building. Their liberal offerings have been used for mission projects chosen by the servicemen. Their Sabbath meals are provided by the overseas mission families on a rotating basis. A number of the servicemen arrive Friday afternoon and enjoy the kind hospitality offered them by our union mission president, Pastor C. H. Davis.

At present 65 Adventist servicemen are stationed in Korea. Some of them attend church regularly; some located in outlying areas are without suitable transportation; some need spiritual encouragement and guidance. Few can understand the loneliness, the discouragement, the temptations and conflicts often encountered by them. They are your brothers. Pray for them.

## North Philippines

## *They Did It Again*

By J. O. Bautista

In a former write-up, we reported what was accomplished by the Manila-Rizal Dorcas Federation during the year 1959. The various activities of the federation help in a big measure to bring the welfare work of Seventh-day Adventists into the limelight and for this we are justly proud and thankful to the Lord.

The unprecedented disasters of 1960 afforded the organization an

opportunity for expanded relief operations. The central plains of Luzon suffered from the worst typhoons with attendant floods in the history of the nation. This resulted in numerous deaths and rendered thousands of families homeless. Hard hit in the area served by the federation were the districts of Santa Mesa, San Juan, and Obrero. Also, a big fire razed a large portion of a residential section in Tondo, Manila.





Federation members and visitors pose with the display of awards earned by the first aid detachment in the two annual contests. The rest of the plaques are awards received by Mrs. Betty O. Miranda from the Philippine National Red Cross for service rendered to the organization.

Once more the first aid detachment of the federation participated in the contest held in connection with the celebration of the Ninth National Safety and Accident Prevention Week, November 20-26, 1960. As has been reported previously, the detachment won the following awards in 1959:

General Championship — Fourth Place

Back-fracture Event — First Place

Artificial Respiration—Third Place

In the last inter-first-aid detachment competition the team made a better showing by winning three more prizes as follows:

General Championship — Second Place

Splinting Event — First Place

Relay Bandaging Event — Third Place

A party is held annually for reporting the Federation's activities as well as laying plans for current and future projects. This year's affair was held February 16, 1961 at the home of its president, Mrs. Betty O. Miranda, and attended by representatives from the Division, union and local missions and the different institutions within the Manila-Rizal area. At this gathering, it was revealed that the federation has acquired additional very much needed equipment and utensils. With tents and stretchers, the members can now build temporary headquarters for

operation right on the scene of a disaster. Heretofore, food and other supplies had to be prepared and stored in some other place which was quite an inconvenient arrangement.

At present the home of the Mirandas serves as the welfare center for the federation, but the members look forward to the time when they will have a center of their own. There is a plan on foot now to erect such a building.

## Philippine Union College Student Effort

By Rogelio Bautista  
Managing Editor, "College Voice"

Twenty-eight precious souls were won to Christ as a result of the evangelistic effort conducted by ten Philippine Union College ministerial students in San Jose, Binan, Laguna, April 15 to June 3 under the leadership of Pastor Herminio L. Reyes, head of the department of applied theology.

Two baptisms were conducted by Pastor Reyes and Pastor Elton H. Wallace, dean of the PUC school of theology. One baptism was held on June 3 at which time 20 were baptized and another baptism was held on July 1 when eight more decided to join the church. These were the fruits of

the follow-up work of Abraham B. Frias, one of the ministerial students and now a ministerial intern in the South-Central Luzon Mission.

The effort was begun by introducing the Bible to many homes by student canvassers. A Voice of Prophecy meeting at the plaza followed with Pastor Laverne Tucker, North Philippine Union Mission VOP director, as the principal speaker. It was reported that about 500 persons attended this initial meeting.

Pastor Reyes said that the objectives of the evangelistic meetings were to reclaim delinquent church members and to add more trophies to the Cross. Bible studies in the homes of the people were conducted by the students in the afternoon and the preaching services were held in the evenings.

The choice of Binan as the place in which to hold this series of meetings was the result of much prayer. Pastor Reyes and the future ministers and Bible workers believed that it was God's plan that such a work should be done in this particular town where many were found to be thirsting for the truth.

The group of workers stayed at the home of Mrs. Rufina Vda de Miranda, an elderly SDA member, during the duration of

the evangelistic effort. The students were given academic credit in Persuasive Speech and Supervision I.

The ministerial students who participated were: Abraham Frias, Leslie Moreno, Arsenio Belenson, Honesto Talento, Eusebio Gamino, Salcor Quines, Esther Medenilla, Loida Alix, Ligaya Realin, and Teodora Graneta.

## In Retrospect

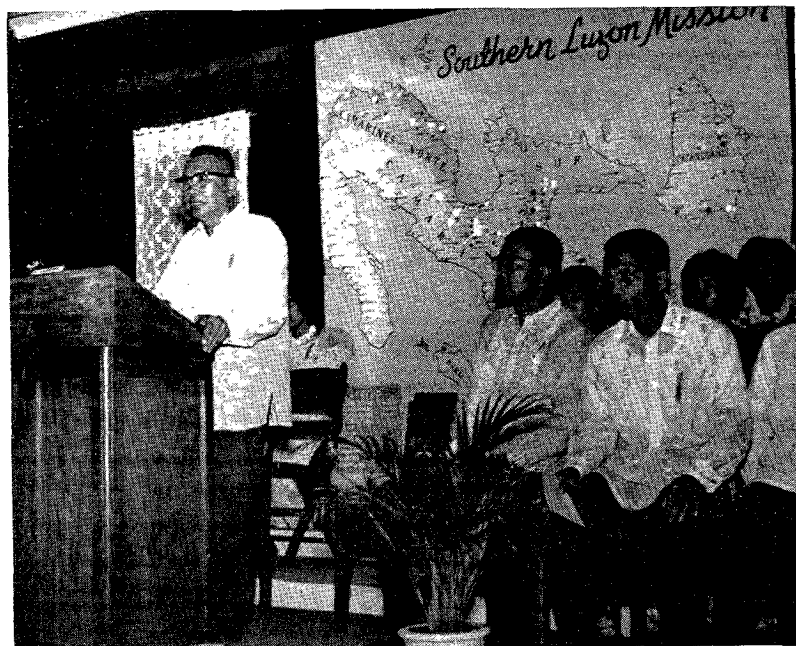
The Southern Luzon Mission held its biennial session in May, 1961. Seven hundred delegates, friends and visitors attended this important meeting. Forty-five workers—ordained ministers, evangelists, teachers, departmental secretaries with their wives—marched to the platform for the opening meeting of the fifteenth biennial session of the mission. Pastor Gil de Guzman, president of the mission, opened the session with these words: "The biennial period of 1959-1960 can be rightly termed as a period of precious blessings from God on the work in the Southern Luzon Mission."

The Word of the Lord found its way into the hearts of 713 men and women who were baptized in 1959-1960. This was an increase of 210 over that of the previous biennial period. The tithe income amounted to P.107,503.54, or an increase of P.27,729.96 over the 1957-1958 period.

The church membership had grown to 3,103 and these members were distributed among 54 organized churches and 34 companies throughout the five provinces of Bicolandia.

The departmental secretaries vied with one another in the unique way in which they presented their reports. Fifty-nine enthusiastic colporteurs marched to the platform and their leader Pastor Brutus reported that there had been an increase of P.17,255.54 in sales over that of the previous biennial period. Book and Periodical Agency Manager Eliseo Salvador told the delegates that P.44,534.78 worth of books had been sold during 1959-1960.

The Dorcas ladies in their attractive official uniforms and the lay preachers marched up the aisle to the platform and their leader Pastor M. P. Arevalo reported that 239 souls had been baptized as the result of work done by



**Pastor G. de Guzman, president of the Southern Luzon Mission, presents his report to the delegates to the biennial session held in May, 1961.**

the lay preachers and the 52 Dorcas societies had all been active in welfare work.

Pastor A. J. Abawag, the youth leader, told how the 766 Missionary Volunteers had participated in 109,475 different missionary activities. The Sabbath school, medical and educational departments likewise gave unique and thrilling reports.

Seven hundred people attended the Sabbath services and P.2,000.00 were given in cash and pledges as a love offering. Three services were held in the afternoon, namely an Investiture, Ordination and a Trophy Hour. Brother Beato Brutus was ordained to the gospel ministry. Many of the young people were invested by Pastor P. H. Romulo as Friends, Companions, Explorers, and Guides. Three youth were invested as Master Guides.

Saturday evening was given over to the young people who demonstrated their talents in singing, poetry and instrumental music. Each district rendered three or four numbers and it was an inspiration to see these active and enthusiastic young people march to the platform carrying their district flag. And thus the 15th biennial session of the Southern Luzon Mission came to a close.

All the delegates returned to their respective fields and homes with a determination to do their best to help finish the work of God in the Southern Luzon Mission.

(Excerpts from a report written by A. J. Abawag, MV and educational secretary of the Southern Luzon Mission.)

## Salvation behind Iron Bars

**By Elvie Camarce, Secretary VOP Staff**

Heaven rejoices over the 64 precious souls that have been baptized this year in the Manila City Jail.

What a wonderful work! But, how did this happen?

Shortly after the summer of 1960, a unique and an unusual program was launched by Pastor L. E. Tucker, director of the Voice of Prophecy. Invitations were sent to the Bible course students, radio friends and sponsors to enroll their neighbors and friends in our free Bible course. Hundreds of valiant and missionary-minded people responded and brought to their friends the privilege of studying our Bible course.

What tremendous and encouraging results! Thousands of en-

rollments came in. Letters, containing sincere desires to know the Bible better, were received. Requests for more lessons were turned in to our office.

After a few days, one of the enthusiastic group leaders from Baesa, Caloocan, Rizal, Mr. Catalino Domingo, came to our office and requested 200 sets of Bible course lessons. We were amazed! What a quantity! But, here's what he said: "We want to share this wonderful Bible course with our friends in the prison." Thus started our work in the Manila City Jail. Every Saturday afternoon, this zealous group has been working with the prisoners. To date, 169 prisoners have enrolled in the Bible course and 73 have graduated.

The culmination of these untiring efforts came when 64 precious souls were baptized into Christ. But this is not the end. More prisoners are being enrolled each week. Graduations are being scheduled. And most wonderful of all, baptisms are being planned. These prisoners, though living behind iron bars, have found the peace and contentment wrought by the love of Jesus Christ through the Bible correspondence course.

We want to share with you some inspiring statements from our Bible course students. One said, "The Voice of Prophecy Bible course has opened my eyes to see that life is of quality rather than quantity." Another said, "I consider it God's providence to be confined here to receive the message of salvation through the Faith Bible course. My lessons made me realize my heavy responsibilities before God. I'll endeavor to win my loved ones for Him."

More disheartened souls, groping in the darkness of this world of uncertainty, could be saved if we would only give them the light they need—the beacon light of salvation, Jesus Christ. With our combined, earnest and persevering prayers and incessant endeavors, we can be assured that many more souls will be won for Christ's Kingdom.

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**All over the world men and women are looking wistfully to heaven . . . Many are on the verge of the kingdom, waiting only to be gathered in.—**

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**Behind gray stone walls and iron bars, the third Bible School graduation in the Manila City Jail took place Saturday afternoon, August 19, making a total of 73 who have graduated from the free Bible correspondence course in this jail.**



**Seven of the fourteen prisoners who were baptized on August 19 at the Manila City Jail. Pastor J. S. Vitto conducted the baptismal service. Baesa church laymen, who have led out in this fruitful soul-winning work, are also pictured.**

## *Health and Welfare Center Opened*

**By M. P. Arevalo, Secretary  
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Southern Luzon Mission**

July 9, 1961 will long be remembered by the Albayanos in Bicolandia as a significant date for it marked the formal opening of our first Health and Welfare Center in the Southern Luzon Mission. This Center is beauti-

fully constructed and ideally located on our mission compound adjacent to the church building. After three long years of planning and waiting, the people of Albay, as well as the members of the Albay Dorcas Welfare



Federation, in particular, were exceedingly glad to witness the inauguration program which was participated in by prominent people of this city headed by Mrs. Perla Estevez, wife of the Vice-Governor of Albay and in charge of the Social Welfare Administration of the province. To Mrs. Estevez was given the honor of cutting the ceremonial ribbon. She was assisted in this ceremony by Mrs. Priscilla Miranda, president of the Albay Dorcas Welfare Federation.

The most important part of the program was the inaugural address delivered by Pastor A. J. Robbins, the Seventh-day Adventist Welfare Service director for the North Philippine Union Mission. In his talk, Pastor Robbins emphasized our medical and welfare work throughout the world. He stressed the point that Seventh-day Adventists as a people believe in the principle of Christianity in action as embodied in the example and teachings of our Lord Jesus Christ during His ministry here on earth. For the first time, the people were enlightened as to why Seventh-day Adventists are carrying on a program of preparedness—ready at all times to help the suffering and the poor, especially during times of disasters, and to care for the sorrowing and afflicted.

After Pastor Robbins' talk, Engineer Roque Tabuena, director

of the Bicol colleges, made an encouraging response in behalf of the people of Albay who in one way or another will be the recipients of the blessings from this Health and Welfare Center.

Pastor A. J. Abawag gave the dedicatory prayer invoking the blessings of the Lord upon the building as well as upon the people of the community. A special song was rendered by Attorney G. L. Miranda and Mrs. Esther Lagavon who sang a duet to the delight of the audience.

After the ribbon cutting ceremony, Pastor G. de Guzman, president of the Southern Luzon Mission, declared the Health and Welfare Center open to serve the people of the community irrespective of color, race or creed. It was announced by Pastor M. P. Arevalo, the Welfare department secretary of the mission, that this center is at present giving regular rations of rice, cornmeal, flour and milk from the "SAWS" to about 50 indigent families every Sunday afternoon, and that it has secured the free services of two of our doctors, Dr. C. L. Miranda of Guinobatan and Dr. P. L. Miranda of Polangui, who will hold a clinic in this Center every Monday and Friday afternoon from two to four o'clock. Free consultations will be given to the public, especially the indigents.

After the program, the building was opened for visitors to see

and then refreshments prepared by the Dorcas members were served to the special visitors and to the public. In appreciation of the good work we are doing for the public in general, one of our visitors gave a cash donation of twenty pesos (P.20.00) for our welfare work before he left. This Health and Welfare Center will not only serve to break the barrier of prejudice there may be against Seventh-day Adventists but will also be an instrument to enlighten and win precious souls to the kingdom.

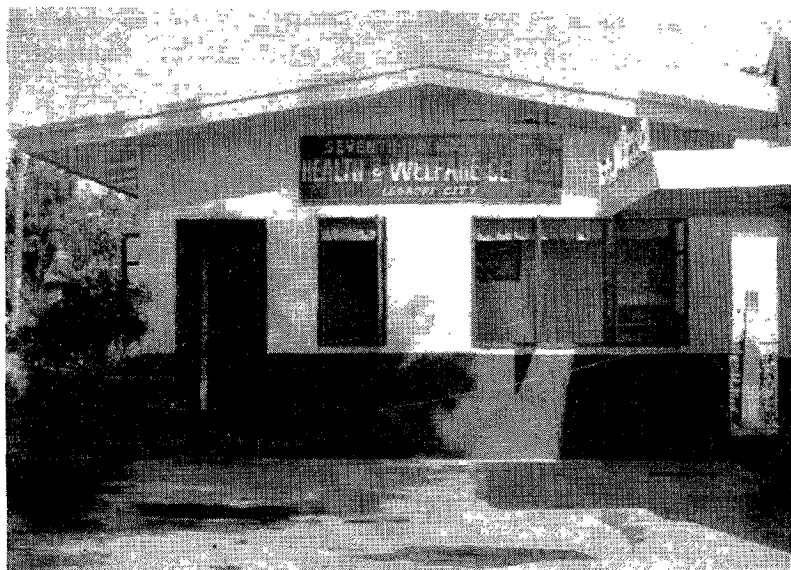
## **"Dear Jesus, Make Us the First Honor Unit"**

**By T. V. Barizo, MV Secretary  
South-Central Luzon Mission**

Fifty-five Juniors attended the Pathfinder training camp held at Malinao Ibaba, Atimonan, Quezon. According to Pastor P. H. Romulo, our camp consultant, this was the first camp in the North Philippine Union Mission and perhaps in the Philippines with all the campers in uniform. They wore their uniforms in going to and returning from camp.

The juniors enjoyed the campfire activities, camp crafts and swimming. As in all IMV camps, first, second and third honors-of-the-day-units were chosen from the different units. All were urged to memorize the Morning Watch texts and were taught how to pray. An interesting incident occurred one morning when the small girls' unit with Miss Mulya as counselor, began to pray. Some of these little girls were not Adventists and so they did not know how to pray. The counselor encouraged them to pray just a sentence or two. They were so anxious that their unit should be the honor unit the next day so one little girl prayed: "Jesus make us the first honor unit tomorrow. Amen." The counselor told them that their prayers to be the honor unit could only be realized if they themselves helped by cooperating with each other and other campers. This gave the counselor an opportunity to explain how God answers prayer.

The campers were served delicious vegetarian foods. There were seven units in the camp and the boys' units were named after animals and the girls chose the



**The new Health and Welfare Center located adjacent to the Legaspi City church.**

names of flowers. The last night was the most enjoyable time in camp because hidden talents were revealed at campfire time. Vocal and instrumental numbers were given. Poems in English and Filipino were recited, and there were a few dialogues, etc. Eunice Alinsod was chosen as the model camper from among the girls and Ervin Pedernal was chosen the model camper from among the boys. June Burce and Nora Inandan were chosen the model captains while Belle and Rodelfo Legaspi were named as the most industrious campers. Agosto Aldovino and Jean Jaurigue were honored as the most cooperative campers. Pastor F. M. Bayona was the camp pastor and the local MV secretary served as camp director.

Only eternity will reveal what these camps have meant to the boys and girls in developing their personalities and characters. We wish that more of our youth could attend these camps and experience the joy of Christian fellowship and the permanent influence that camp life affords to each camper.

## Ingathering Surprise

By J. O. Bautista

With suspicious eyes, Mr. Basilio Unsay watched furtively the movements of two strangers who were making rounds in his neighborhood one October day in 1953. The two men, well dressed and carrying brief cases, were going from house to house on the opposite side of the road of the Unsay home in Mabunga, a barrio of Pasig, Rizal. "They must belong to the same gang that did me injustice before," he muttered to himself.

Such reaction on the part of Mr. Unsay stemmed from a recent experience in which he was cheated by members of a swindle syndicate operating in Manila and the suburbs to the amount of P10,000. Supposing the pair to belong to the same group of unscrupulous persons and wanting to get after them, he could no longer contain himself when he saw them go up to the fourth house from the corner and so he followed them.

Great was his surprise when he found them to be Seventh-day Adventists engaged in their annual campaign of asking contri-

butions from the public. The men were M. T. Isberto, newly assigned district leader of Rizal, and Timoto Bilugan, a church member from Cavita.

Upon learning of their religious affiliation, Mr. Unsay, a product of the Pasig Catholic school, began to ask questions about the Sabbath. In the discussion which followed, our minister made mention of the fact that a Roman Catholic cardinal had stated that there is no Scriptural authority for keeping Sunday as a rest day and that a Catholic priest had offered a reward of US\$1,000 to any one who could find a text that spoke of Sunday as the Sabbath. Visibly shocked, Mr. Unsay stopped arguing. He asked if he might borrow the book with that statement in it.

Later Mr. Unsay was given a Bible. Having been discouraged by the priest from reading the Bible, he felt a strange feeling as he handled the precious book for the first time. He was asked to read Genesis 2:1-3 and the fourth commandment in Exodus 20:8-11. Granted that the Bible teaches that the seventh day is the day sanctified by God from the beginning, can it be ascertained that the seventh day now is the identical seventh day of creation. He wanted to know. This was made clear to him and he was convinced of the Sabbath truth. But

he kept this conviction to himself. He began to attend prayer meetings and the Sabbath services and on January 22, 1954 he was baptized. All of this was not known to his family. As time went on he felt a deep burden for the conversion of the other members of his family. He then told his wife and sister-in-law of the step he had taken. Both became angry and told him that if he wanted to join another church he would have to go it alone. Hatred for him and his new religion grew to such extent that it almost broke the family ties.

Mr. Unsay did not become disheartened. He went about his work as usual. He always went to church on Sabbath and refrained from doing any work on that day. He kept on praying that somehow God would pave the way for the members of his family to join the fold of Christ before it was forever too late.

One day there came to him one of the greatest surprises of his life. When he returned home one evening, every member of the family was asleep. As he was wont to do, he reached for his Bible to read before going to bed. It was missing. This was repeated a second time and it was then that he discovered the Bible beside Mrs. Unsay's pillow. After receiving the necessary instruction, Mrs. Unsay was baptized on December 22,



Basilio Unsay and his wife (second and third from the right, second row) with members of his family and several people they have won to the truth.

1956. Now the factory and store were closed on Sabbath and services were held in his home. Relatives and employees were invited to attend the services. Mr. Unsay's efforts were rewarded for in time the following had been won to the truth: two housemaids, two nephews, one niece, a son and three employees.

The son drifted for a time and married a girl who was a student in an exclusive Catholic girls' school. She had intended to become a nun. But when she joined the Unsay family, she was converted to our truths after a year's study and this couple is now studying at Philippine Union College.

A brother of Mrs. Unsay and his three children were next won to the truth. During a recent Voice of Prophecy Crusade at the Manila Center, the Unsays brought two or three jeeploads of friends and neighbors to the evening meetings Friday to Sunday every week. Among the ten that composed the first group to be baptized on July 14, 1961, was the owner of the lot opposite the home of the Unsays which the latter bought for P10,000 and this is being donated to the mission as the future site of the church building. The Unsay family is now studying with the parents of Mrs. Unsay and another brother and his family. They are being visited in their homes evenings and given Bible studies.

Life has its many surprises. But we have in this instance a surprise from Ingathering work. Who would have thought that some "sleuthing" on the part of an educated Catholic could begin a chain reaction that has already resulted in a big harvest of souls. And the end is not yet! The good work continues to bear fruit for the kingdom of God as the Unsays and those they have won carry on in witnessing for the truth they have espoused.

## News Notes

● Pastor and Mrs. John T. Mason arrived in Manila via Northwest Orient Airlines. He has already assumed his duties as union mission publishing secretary. Formerly he was located in Louisiana where he was the publishing secretary. The Masons have two small children, John and Cynthia.

● Dr. and Mrs. D. K. Brown arrived from the United States last September 15. With them were their four children, Douglas, Judy, Catherine and Steven. Dr. Brown is already busy with his work as dean of Philippine Union College. Formerly he was a member of the faculty at Emmanuel Missionary College.

● Last September 19, Miss Naomi Zalabak arrived in Manila to be the church school teacher for the overseas children of the Pasay compound. Miss Zalabak formerly was on the faculty of the elementary school at Emmanuel Missionary College.

● A number of visitors from many different places have visited our union mission recently as follows: A. A. Esteb, representing the home missionary department of the General Conference, and H. E. McClure from Singapore, conducted lay preachers' seminars: D. A. McAdams, from the General Conference publishing department and E. A. Brodeur of Singapore were in Manila to conduct a union colporteur institute; E. L. Becker, General Conference auditor, and Mrs. Becker and the following from Singapore, W. L. Pascoe, H. D. Johnson, G. O. Bruce and A. E. Gibb assisted in an Auditor-Treasurers' Council that was held at Mountain View College. Dr. and Mrs. Gloor and family from Guam stopped over on their way to Japan for a vacation. Miss Nellie Ferree of Singapore assisted in a teachers' institute in the South-Central Luzon Mission and Boyd Olson also of Singapore made a quick inspection trip to our academies and the college.

● Dr. Benjamin Bandiola recently returned from the United States after acquiring his doctor's degree in education. He has resumed his duties on the staff of Philippine Union College.

● Dr. and Mrs. E. A. de Leon and family also recently returned from the United States where both of them acquired advanced degrees. Mountain View College has voted to call them to join their faculty.

● The report for the first week of Ingathering in the Philippine Union Mission shows progress over the first week of last year. The report shows that during the first week 58.96 percent of the

union mission goal of 90,000 pesos was reached. Nearly every mission and institution made a better showing the first week of this year as compared with last year.

Pasay City Academy raised its goal (P.400.00) the first day and nearly tripped it by the third day. Cagayan Valley Sanitarium and Hospital reached its goal in two and a half days. Northeast Luzon Academy reached its goal in a little more than four days.

Philippine Union College students and staff raised their goal in four days and the super goal was passed by the end of the fifth day with a total of P.16,399.97. If the Ingathering continues as well as it did the first week, the total will exceed last year's by a good amount.

—H. W. Bedwell, Sec.-Treas.

**North Philippine Union Mission**

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## A Century of Growth

There has been a steady growth of Seventh-day Adventists from a comparatively insignificant beginning a century ago to a world movement now bearing a Christian witness in nearly every country on earth.

A century ago not a single Seventh-day Adventist could have been found outside the United States. But in 1874 a foreign missions program was begun, and less than 50 years later, or about 1920, half the total membership was overseas. Today, three Seventh-day Adventists out of every four live beyond the shores of North America.

Not only has there been a steady and sturdy growth down through the years, . . . but a most remarkably rapid increase in the rate of growth. For instance, the increase for the decade 1950-1960 equals that for the first 80 years of the century shown.

These facts constitute significant, tangible evidence of the profound conviction in the hearts of Seventh-day Adventists that God has entrusted them with His final appeal to all men everywhere to prepare for Christ's soon return, and of their unqualified commitment to that solemn task. Even more, this growth testifies to the manifest blessing of Heaven that has attended their humble efforts.

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## NEWS FROM HERE & THERE

● Benjamin Salvador and family returned to Taiwan after a brief vacation at home in the Manila area. Brother Salvador is teaching in the school in Taiwan. Just recently Mr. and Mrs. Abundio Maniacop answered a call to teach in the school at Bangkok and Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzo Lacson answered a similar call to the same school. Miss Nobleza Pilar has joined the teaching staff of the Southeast Asia Union College to teach in the field of music. Miss Romana Cuvin was called to serve as a church school teacher at Haad Yai in South Thailand.

● Mr. and Mrs. Edward W. Higgins and their three children are now located on Palau Island, one of the West Caroline Islands. Brother Higgins is the principal of the academy. Pastor and Mrs. W. A. Burton, formerly in charge of our work on Palau, are now on furlough and Pastor Burton is studying at Andrews University in Berrien Springs, Michigan. We welcome the Higgins to our overseas corps of workers.

● Miss Fay Welter, formerly secretary to Dr. George Harding III in Worthington, Ohio, arrived in Singapore on November 2. She responded to a call for a secretary to replace Miss Mavis Brunton who is leaving for her home in New Zealand. Miss Brunton and Miss Phyllis Lewis joined our Division office staff more than eight years ago and we are truly loathe to have them leave us. Miss Brunton has served as secretary to Pastor A. E. Gibb and Miss Lewis was secretary to Pastor C. P. Sorensen. Both of the girls will attend the biennial session in Hong Kong and leave from there for New Zealand and Australia. We wish them Godspeed and hope that some day they will return to our Division. We are happy to welcome Miss Welter to our compound family.

● It is furlough time again for Miss Signe Nelson! Following the Division biennial council in Hong Kong, she will return to the States for a well-earned furlough. Miss Nelson first came to Singapore in January of 1947. Her continued loyalty to mission service is much appreciated by her fellow workers.

● Mr. and Mrs. Roy Slate from Madison, Tennessee, recently visited Singapore and other centers of our Division field. Our members in the homeland feel greatly rewarded for their giving to missions when they have the opportunity to see how the work is progressing in the various countries.

● Last spring Pastor P. Sitompul held an evangelistic effort in Menado, North Celebes. This resulted in 129 baptisms. Since then, S. J. Maramis, a member of the Sitompul evangelistic team, has again held meetings in Menado and on October 22 fifty-two were baptized. Two major and four smaller evangelistic efforts are now in progress in the North Celebes Mission.

● Pastor W. R. Beach, secretary of the General Conference, spent Sabbath, November 11, with friends and believers in Singapore. He was en route from India to Australia where he will attend the Australasian Division biennial council. Pastor Beach addressed the Balestier Road English church at the eleven o'clock hour.

● At Southeast Asia Union College fifteen young people graduated from the Junior College section the weekend of November 10 and 11, 1961. Pastor Andrew Peters was the speaker for the consecration service; Pastor C. D. Martin gave the baccalaureate address and Pastor S. F. Chu the commencement address. Professor P. G. Miller presented the diplomas. Several of the graduates are leaving for the United States or Australia for further studies.

● Pastor A. E. Gibb recently visited the North Celebes Mission. He reports that forty-five percent of the membership of the Indonesia Union Mission is found in this one local mission. They report an increase of thirty-five percent in tithes and offerings compared with the same period last year.

● The Menado Academy in the North Celebes Mission has an enrollment of 400 with a teaching staff of ten men and women.

● Thirteen Ingathering companies at Philippine Union College raised 16,399.97 pesos in five days. On Monday, October 9, banners were presented to the various bands in recognition of the amounts solicited. At the same

time a telegram from Philippine President Carlos P. Garcia was read as follows:

**It pleased me to learn about progress of your campaign and may I suggest you coordinate your work with nacionalista general headquarters concerning needs and problems requiring special attention stop with grateful appreciation of your devoted support.**

● The Youngberg Memorial Hospital staff is anticipating the arrival of Dr. and Mrs. George E. Richardson next week. Their two daughters, Sharon and Bonnie, preceded their parents to Singapore and are enrolled as students in the Far Eastern Academy.

## Notice - Change of Address

The address of the London Transportation Bureau has been changed from 19 Charring Cross, London, W.C. 2 to 58/59 Margaret Street, London W.1. Telephone: LAngham 8581; Cable: Lonesda London W. 1.

## On Giving to Missions

Protestants in the United States and Canada gave to overseas missions in 146 countries and territories in 1959 US\$170,000,000, or an average of US\$2.75 per church member. Seventh-day Adventists give an average of US\$28.00 per member. These figures were compiled by Frank Price, director of the Missionary Research Library.

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