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Decision

"If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God . . . and it shall be given him" (James 1:5).

Wonderful promise! The answer to every problem is guaranteed on request.

But wait. Read on. There's a condition attached. "But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed. For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord" (verses 6 and 7).

The added words detract nothing from the wonder of the promise. They do, however, cast some doubt on our eligibility. What causes wavering? Could this be the explanation of why the wisdom we seek is not always forthcoming?

Wavering is motion out of control. Every experienced driver knows that loss of power, too sudden change of direction, an unexpected hazard, too much speed—any of these can start the wobbling process. Only quick restoration of control can avert disaster.

A few years ago I watched a Grand Prix-race for motorcycles. Sitting in a temporary stand built beside a hairpin turn in the highway, ears numbed by the frightening din of high-pitched motors at full power, I watched with mounting excitement as the fearless riders geared down from the straightaway, braked their plunging mounts, leaned fantastically to round the curve, then roared up to full speed again. Sixty laps meant sixty times around that breathtaking corner.

Suddenly one cycle, braking for the turn, began to wobble. Fighting a losing battle for control, the rider was pitched to the road as the bike went down. He rolled over and over half a dozen times, then miraculously staggered to his feet, not seriously hurt, but out of the race, a disappointed man.

A professional rider, thoroughly competent, he had already negotiated that same curve repeatedly without mishap. Then came that fleeting break in control. That moment of wavering, unchecked, cost him the race.

Everyone of us is involved in a spiritual race for the ultimate goal. We may be aggressive and experienced and have a splendid record of triumphs. But sudden hazards are often unescapable. Changes in speed may be necessary. New approaches may be required. Overconfidence is a subtle danger. Any of these may start us wavering. If we lose control, how can God answer our prayer for wisdom?

That's where faith comes in. Faith is the element of control in spiritual motion. "Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering (for He is faithful that promised)" (Hebrews 10:23).

Cordially,

P. H. Eldridge

Paul H. Eldridge, President

World Day of Prayer and Study

SABBATH, April 28, will be a very special day in every Seventh-day Adventist church. By action of the General Conference Annual Council held in Mexico City, this day has been designated as World Day of Prayer and Study. The objective is to study again the importance of careful Sabbath observance and to seek God's forgiveness, guidance, and special blessing as we dedicate ourselves to keeping the Sabbath as He requires.

Pastor Andrew Fearing of the General Conference Ministerial Association has prepared a sermon for that day. We hope this can be given in every church. In addition, a pamphlet entitled, "Remember the Sabbath Day to Keep It Holy," has been produced by the General Conference to give guidelines for acceptable Sabbath observance.

The Far Eastern Division has ratified this special day, and it is our hope and prayer that it will be an unforgettable experience for each of our members. With the days of soul-testing just before us, it is imperative that we fortify our faith. This special Sabbath of prayer and study will give us an excellent opportunity.

Another feature of Sabbath, April 28, will be a seven-hour prayer meeting. The emphasis will be on seeking the Holy Spirit for power to give a living witness during MISSION '73.

As union and mission offices furnish the materials for this very special day, we are counting on every church pastor and elder to bring these to his church so that every member can join in this worldwide quest for God's promised blessing and power.

—Paul H. Eldridge.



To Ponder . . .

DR. Andrew N. Nelson has been a baptized Seventh-day Adventist for six decades. A familiar personality to those in the Far East, he has given half of his nearly fourscore years to the work of God in this part of the world.*

Dr. Nelson is a man of many talents.

He is an educator. While serving as president of Philippine Union College, he helped found Mountain View College and then became its first president. He

*See Dr. Nelson's picture on the cover of the December Outlook. He was awarded a Medallion of Merit by Dr. Charles B. Hirsch on behalf of the General Conference department of education.

was also the first president of Japan Missionary College since its relocation at the present site. He is now on leave from Loma Linda University and serves in a volunteer capacity at South China Adventist College in Hong Kong.

He is a champion for Christian education. Dr. Nelson believes in the One who founded the Eden school and who will be the Master Teacher in the Eden school restored. And he believes in and advocates a work program in which both students and teachers participate.

He is a writer, coauthor of **The Gist of Christian Education**.

He is a linguist who has compiled a Japanese-English dictionary and is currently working on a Chinese-English dictionary with Dr. Wilbur Nelson, president of South China Adventist College. At the close of World War II he was employed by the United States Army as a translator of the Japanese language.

He is a family man. It is of interest that his Japanese-English dictionary was dedicated to his son Richard, a physician who spent eight years in Japan. Today Richard's daughter and her physician husband, Dr. and Mrs. S. R. Kettner, are at the Hong Kong Adventist Hospital. Their two small children are fourth generation missionaries. Now both of Dr. Andrew Nelsons' sons practice medicine in the United States. A daughter serves with her husband at Middle East College in Beirut, Lebanon.

And he is a humble man. He credits his success in raising his own family and helping to mold the lives of hundreds of other young people to several sources: 1. a commitment to God and a desire to fulfill God's will for him; 2. his home training (his parents became Seventh-day Adventists when he was a child); 3. his attendance at Adventist schools; and 4. the help of his faithful companion.

Dr. Andrew Nelson is a firm believer in the motto—

STRENGTHEN THE HOME

Marion S. Simmons

COVER PICTURE

This month the "Outlook" features the English Language Schools of Korea. Two are in operation now, Seoul and Pusan. A third one is planned for a university city, Kwanju, in the very near future. The schools are under the direction of Dr. M. T. Bascom, who started the English school idea while serving as an overseas worker in Osaka, Japan. The cover picture shows a student missionary, Sue Breithaupt, teaching a class at the school in Seoul, Korea. See the center spread for more pictures and a short feature story on the language schools in Korea.

—D. A. Roth

Beginnings of Adventist Education in the Philippines

Part 2

WHAT strange Christmas presents!" could have been the thoughts of Mr. and Mrs. Emilio Valera, public school teachers, when they saw magazines hanging on the Christmas trees that their children had been decorating during the noon break.

It seems that the day had been a busy one, and the pupils were excited over seven Christmas trees they were trying to decorate for the afternoon program. When their teachers went out for the noon meal, a few pupils were left to finish decorating. Just then a man came in with arms loaded. He had magazines and asked the children to help him hang them on the trees. Noticing the names of their teachers on the magazines, they gladly did as he suggested.

However, when the teachers returned and saw the strange appearing trees, they must have thought it was an odd way of decorating for Christmas. But since the children said that the magazines were presents, they left them on the trees.

Like the others, Mrs. Valera got her copy. That night she thought she would leaf through the magazine before going to bed. The articles were interesting, especially the one about the fourth commandment. She checked the texts with her Bible and could not sleep that night until she had read every one. Mr. and Mrs. Valera were so impressed that

later they both received Bible studies and became Seventh-day Adventists. They told others about their new-found faith, and a church was built in their home town of Narvacan, Ilocos Sur.

The next year, in June, 1919, Tomas Pilar, a young man studying in Pasay Junior Academy, was called to teach the school that opened in this church. This first Adventist school in the Northern Luzon Mission had 29 pupils. The brethren sold magazines to help pay the teacher's salary which was only 15 pesos.

A crisis in the life of ten-year-old Antonio Abawag led to the founding of the first church school in Manila. It was the time of a national competition. Antonio had led his school to victory in the past, and his teacher was sure he would do it again. But now there was a problem, his Sabbath.

Looking the teacher straight in the eye, Antonio replied firmly, "I can't do it this time, sir. I can't do it on Sabbath."

"Just this once," begged the teacher.

"I'm sorry, sir," repeated the small boy. "I must keep the Sabbath."

At the time of the competition, a great crowd gathered on the Luneta. Antonio's schoolmates, 500 of them, were there. The band played. The contest began. The various groups did their best. Then the winners were announced. They were not from Antonio's school.

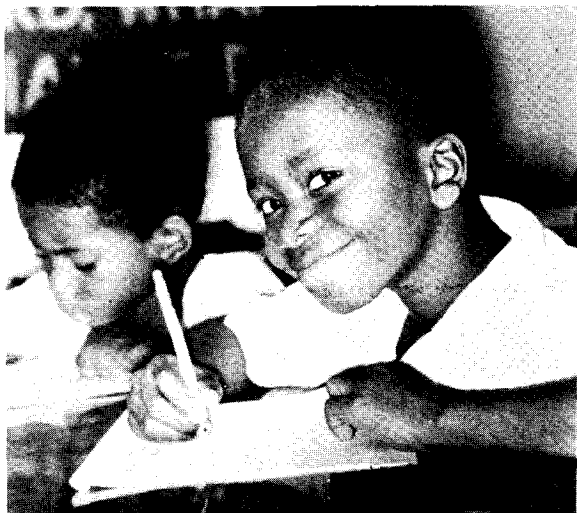
"I knew it," his teacher thought. "That boy Antonio is to blame!"

On Monday, Antonio was at school as usual. Without warning, the teacher took him aside and gave him an unmerciful whipping. That week, Antonio's father and the other church members decided they must have a school for their children.

On June 1, 1921, when the Trozo church school opened, Antonio was there. Macario Pascual was the teacher of 45 pupils in grades one, two, three, and five. Many years later when asked about Pastor Antonio Abawag, retired educational superintendent in the North Philippine Union, Brother Pascual commented: "I knew he would turn out to be an energetic minister. He was a leader." Then referring to Pastor Meliton Zamora of the Central Philippine Union, another of his pupils: "He was the class mathematician. No wonder he became a good mission treasurer." Pastor Jose Herrera, retired principal of P.U.C. Academy was also a pupil in this first church school in the Central Luzon Mission.

From these simple beginnings, the educational work in the Philippines has grown beyond expectation. Today we have about 200 elementary schools, 17 academies, and two senior colleges. As we ponder how the Lord has led our educational work, let us approach the future with even greater confidence. Our schools not only save our children but train them to be workers here on earth to finish God's work.

—P. J. Moreno, Elementary Supervisor,
South Philippine Union



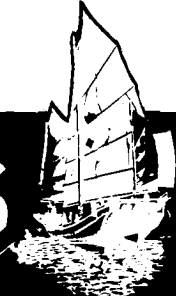
Thirteenth Sabbath Offering

The Thirteenth Sabbath Offering overflow for the first quarter of 1973 goes to the Northern Europe-West Africa Division.

Projects to benefit from these funds are an assembly hall for the Adventist College of West Africa in Nigeria, and a development program for Stanborough School, a secondary school in England.



NEWS *from the* UNIONS



JAPAN

At Christ's "Grave" in Northern Japan

THE Tohoku area in the northern part of the North Japan Mission is a place where our work has been very slow to advance. In fact, there are many cities and villages where Adventism has never entered. The city of Hachinoe was one of these.

About ten years ago an Adventist couple came there to live. Mr. Ogasawara, the husband, is an auto mechanic. When they moved there from Tokyo, two other members were living in the city, but they had not met and no regular meetings had ever been conducted.

In 1971 Mr. Campbell, a serviceman, moved from Hokkaido to Misawa Airbase, about 30-minute's drive from Hachinoe. He is a very earnest lay preacher and wanted to help, though he would not be stationed there for long. He contacted Brother Ogasawara, and together they started to work for the Lord. About this time Miss Yoshihara, a former kindergarten teacher, came from Osaka to live in the neighboring village. She also is an earnest lay worker.

The first thing they did was to purchase 10,000 penetration tracts from the mission and distribute them. About 30 people asked for the gift Bible lessons for further study of Christianity. They started to visit these people with the lessons and Bibles on Sabbath afternoons and Sundays. They also began Bible studies every Sunday evening. Brother Campbell, with the help of Miss Yoshihara, also started to hold English classes for young people on Sunday morning, with the result that interest in our church gradually developed. Last summer they even held a camp with about 50 young people attending.

In the village where Miss Yoshihara lives, there is a strange tradition that Jesus Christ once lived there and that His grave is there. There is not much written in the Bible about Christ in His youth, but according to their tradition, Christ came to their village when He was 21 years old and lived there until He was 30. When he reached that age, He returned to Judea. Just before He was nailed to the cross, He escaped to Japan through Siberia and His brother was put on the cross instead. After He came back to Japan, He lived in that village with His wife and died when He was 106 years old.

Not long ago in this village, in order to draw

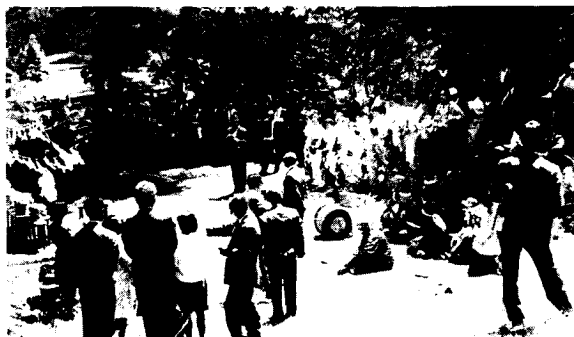
tourists, people decided to have a yearly festival to appease the spirits of Christ and His brother Eskiri. Because there were no Christians in Hachinoe and the surrounding area, the festivals had been conducted by Buddhists and Shintoists. Last year the mayor of the village, knowing Miss Yoshihara was a very earnest Christian, asked her to plan and conduct the festival in Christian style. She contacted Brother Campbell and together with a friend they planned the program. On the day of the festival 200 villagers gathered. These were not Christians, but they were given song sheets, and in the cemetery they all sang hymns. After that, with the help of a translator, Brother Campbell briefly outlined the life of Christ according to the Bible record. It was certainly a good opportunity for the people to hear the true story of the life of Christ.

Knowing the festival would be televised, the Shintoists also wanted to have their ceremony. It was an unusual combination, but after Brother Campbell's explanation about the life of Christ, Shinto priests performed their ceremony. This was televised for nearly 30 minutes on a local station. Though in strange circumstances, our laymen are very thankful for this opportunity to share their faith with those who do not know Christ and His true love.

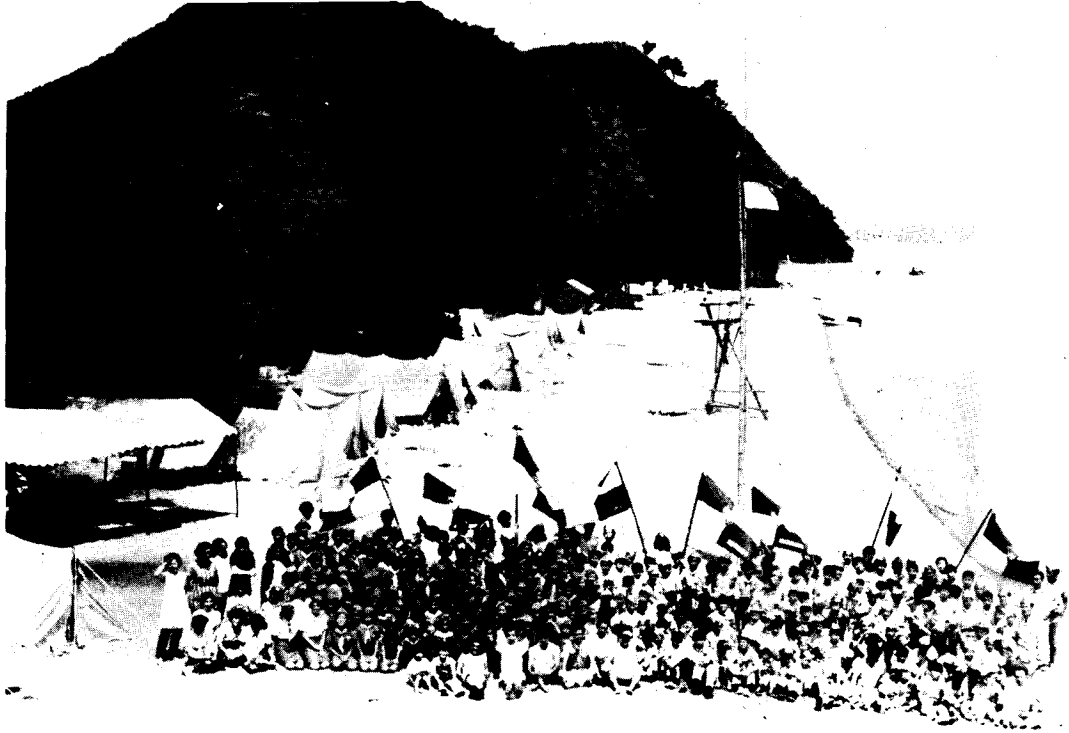
Now in the city of Hachinoe about 15 people have begun to keep the Sabbath. A few months ago these laymen, with the help of several college students, held an evangelistic effort at their own expense. Our work in Japan is very slow, but our members are beginning to catch the vision of what they can do.

—Akira Yamaji,

Lay Activities Secretary



"GRAVE." About 200 people attended a festival in northern Japan at what is known by tradition as Christ's grave. In this picture the group is singing a hymn from song sheets passed out by Adventists, who considered this festival a good opportunity to acquaint those who attended, and those who watched the ceremony on television, with the Biblical story of Christ's life.

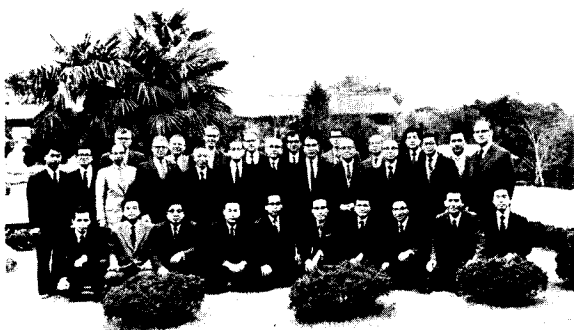


Largest-ever Pathfinder Camp in Japan

The largest Pathfinder camporee ever planned in Japan took place last summer by Lake Inawashiro at the foot of Mt. Bandai on northern Honshu. Ten clubs in the North Japan Mission were represented by 230 Pathfinders and a staff of 40. The busy six-day program included hiking, swimming, flag signaling, drilling, nature study, and, of course, worship and camp fire.

Sixty campers took part in an overnight climb of Mt. Bandai, a former volcano 5,460 feet high. All made it successfully to the top.

At the last camp fire, an investiture took place at which a large number of Pathfinders received pins.



Annual Meetings

Members of the Japan Union executive committee and invited guests met for their annual committee meetings December 7 to 13 at the Japan Union office in Yokohama. These meetings were the first officially chaired by Dr. S. Kunitaira since his appointment in November as president of the Japan Union.

—Lois May Watts



Pathfinders

A new Pathfinder club has been organized at Hiroshima under the leadership of T. Ishizuka. The club has about 20 members.



CENTRAL PHILIPPINES

Evangelism Through Ingathering Contacts

THE recent Ingathering campaign which found the East Visayan Mission breaking the financial goal barrier for the first time was unique in that a soul-winning approach was employed in most of the contacts. Instructions were given to workers and members to leave as many tracts and books as possible and to pray with those contacted. Our workers were encouraged to make priests and other ministers special objects of effort.

This burden was particularly felt for the coastal and interior towns of Samar, unentered by public evangelism. In those places where we have neither churches nor members and which have no hotel accommodations, we had to pray for the Lord's help in locating a place where we could stay while soliciting.

In Lao-ang, Northern Samar, we were received by a kind family, the husband being a well-known law practitioner and politician and the wife the pharmacist of the local government hospital. While

in their home, opportunity was given during our second evening for studies on the state of the dead and also on the New Jerusalem. The wife exclaimed how she longs to live in that beautiful city. She invited us to visit her often and gave suggestions on how to communicate our message in unentered areas during martial law.

In another town where we spent a night in the beautiful home of the chief of the Bureau of Internal Revenue, we found him and his wife interested in our message. He already had several of our books in his library which he had bought from our literature evangelists.

We were able to get liberal donations from almost all priests, bishops and Catholic sisters operating schools that we contacted. We prayed with them and, in turn, some of them prayed for our work. I also prayed in the office of one of the Philippine Constabulary provincial commanders, a lieutenant colonel, when we approached him for a permit to Ingather in his territory. We also prayed with many businessmen after getting their donations.

Mrs. White has told us that God has many "hidden reserves" among the higher classes of people and even among ministers of other faiths. When is a better time to contact them than during the Ingathering campaign?

—L. E. Montana, President,
East Visayan Mission



KOREA

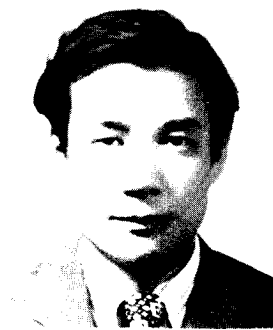


Capping Ceremony for Student Nurses in Seoul

A modern Florence Nightingale stood in the darkness with a lighted candle, observing a group of 30 eager young women receive their caps and three young men their chevrons. After each cap or chevron was in place, the happy wearer then proceeded to light a candle from Florence Nightingale's.

The impressiveness of the scene increased with each lighted lamp, until by the time all 33 were glowing, soft illumination flooded the front of the church while the group repeated the Florence Nightingale pledge together.

We welcome these students to the family of workers at the Seoul Adventist Hospital.



Dr. Ik-mo Lee

Dr. Lee Joins K.U.C. Faculty

DR. Ik-mo Lee, a Ph.D. in linguistic science, returned to Korea to teach in the English department of Korean Union College. He obtained his Ph.D. degree at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C. The title of his dissertation was "A Study of Laryngeal Source Features and Distinguishability as Measured in a Linguistic Perception Test."

Dr. Lee was a teaching fellow at Georgetown University and taught articulatory phonetics to graduate students. As a lecturer, he taught phonetics at Howard University in Washington, D.C. He was also engaged in an N.H.I.-financed speech research project as an associate researcher.

—Kwon Song, President,
Korean Union College



SEOUL. The Doe Wang Corner in Seoul, Korea, is a large building in a commercial section which houses the Seoul Adventist English Language School. The building was gutted by fire last year but school continued after a short lull.



TAPES. Tom Becraft, director of the Pusan school, looks over the console of the language laboratory while a Korean employee listens to an English conversation tape which is playing.

LABORATORY. This large language laboratory serves students at the Seoul, Korea, school. Every visit of a student to the school includes a classroom session and a laboratory.



Student Missions Korean English

By

TWO English language schools are operating in Korea, with a third one planned to start this month's cover and in this centennial year of the Korean language schools at Seoul and Pusan. The school at Kwanju. A payment has been made for the school. Government clearance has been given the school.

The Seoul English language school was founded by Pastor Dean Hubbard, at that time a member of the Korean Union. Since that time there have been more than 1,500 students and 25 teachers.

The full-time director of the school is Dr. M. T. Bascom, "father" of the English language schools in Korea. He established the first school at Seoul in 1905, serving in the Japan Union. Other schools have since been established until now there are a total of 11 schools.

The Korean schools are almost all in the English language colleges in North America. They have been operating for a year and during this period active



TEACHERS. Here are some of the teachers at English language schools.

DIRECTOR. Dr. M. T. Bascom, director of the Korean English language schools, talks over a class schedule with a student missionary, Lindsay, from Columbia Union College.



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SCHOOL. The top two floors of this building in Pusan, Korea, house the English language school. The building is centrally located near the main railroad station.



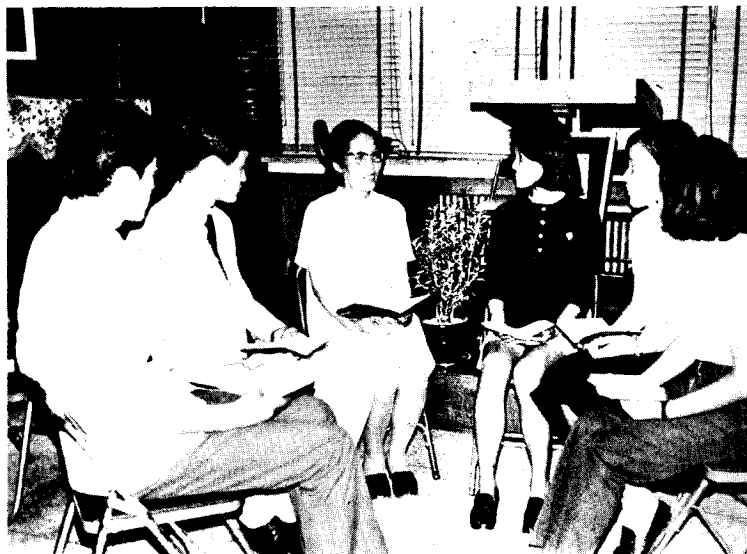
Student missionaries who teach in Seoul, Korea.



TESTIMONY. At a meeting of the Seoul area pastors, English language school students gave their testimonies on how they accepted Christ as a result of contacts at the school. Here a young student gives his talk with the help of a translator.

STUDY. Regular daily Bible studies are held at the language school. Here a Korean lady Bible instructor, center, talks to a group of interested students in the assembly hall of the Pusan school.

ACTIVITIES. Student missionaries at the Seoul English Language School participate in all of the activities, especially in weekend meetings. Here a student missionary speaks at Sabbath School in the school's assembly hall.





NORTH PHILIPPINES

Dr. Thomas Visits P.U.C.

THE visit of Dr. Charles Thomas of the Loma Linda University School of Health highlighted the week of September 19 to 26 at P.U.C. Study of the basic concepts of physical fitness was combined with instruction in home health care. In addition to the 19 graduate students who signed up for credit in the course, a large number of undergraduate students, teachers, and mission workers audited the classes.

The college has initiated a program providing for a health and religion major in its graduate religion department. Health courses are also being planned for the undergraduate department of religion. The goal of this study is to send workers into the field better prepared to minister after the pattern of the Master whose mission it was to bring complete restoration.

—Walter O. Comm,
Department of Theology



DEMONSTRATION. A child's walking habits are tested and analyzed by Dr. Charles Thomas in a practical demonstration period.

Academy Ingatherers Cheat Death

EIGHT teachers and seven students of Palawan Adventist Academy out on an Ingathering trip to Brooke's Point, South Palawan, on October 1 eluded death three times under spectacular circumstances.

First, one of the group noticed that the rear wheels were loose. Investigation showed that it was just one lone bolt that was holding them in place. Had this condition not been sensed and the wheels tightened, tragedy would surely have resulted when the car traveled a narrow, precipitous road.

Next, a mechanical defect occurred in the steering wheel. Just after negotiating a winding mountain road, all of a sudden the motor stopped as the car came to a level section. Checking the motor proved that it was all right. However, it was discovered that a pin holding a portion of the lever that controlled the front wheels was detached.

What a blessing it was found while the car was on a level spot rather than when going along a zigzag road. A piece of iron improvised for the lost pin, and soon the Ingatherers were on their way once more.

The last adventure occurred when the driver lost control of the vehicle just after passing a heavy truck. There was no crash. Instead the car plowed up a mound of earth beside the road until the motor balked. The impact was cushiony. No one was hurt—not even a slight scratch.

With this the Ingatherers got out of the car, and then and there offered up prayers of thanksgiving to the Lord for three times saving them from disaster. Surely "the angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear Him, and delivereth them."

—Espiritu B. Guadiz, Principal,
Palawan Adventist Academy



Nurses Go to Hong Kong

Two nurses from the Philippines recently joined the Hong Kong Adventist Hospital staff. They are Emma Salonga (shown at the left in the above picture with her parents and Mrs. M. G. Jereos, director of nursing service at the Manila Sanitarium and Hospital) and Luivina Macaraeg (shown below receiving a pre-departure briefing from Ben Somicad, assistant treasurer of the North Philippine Union).





Layman Explains Truths

Manuel Cabugaa, an active layman, carried on a Reach Out for Life crusade in Pugara, Dagupan City. Church members helped him in these meetings. Five have already been baptized in this effort, and others are studying in preparation for baptism.

A Modern Day Miracle of Fish

UBIHAN is a coastal barrio of Meycauayan, Bulacan, in the Philippines, which can be reached only by bancas from the highway or by hiking on narrow fish pond dikes. The recent flood which inundated central Luzon came in two stages. During the first weekend of the flood the little flock at Ubihan of some 30 members failed to attend Sabbath services, for they were watching their fish ponds day and night to keep their fish from escaping when the water overflowed its banks.

Brother Geronimo Conferido had a better idea for caring for his ponds. That Sabbath he faithfully came to church, having entrusted his fish pond to the keeping of the Lord. Though almost alone at church, he spent his time in prayer and kept his Sabbath according to the commandment.

After that weekend when the flood water had somewhat subsided, most barrio folks were out to survey the remains of their fish ponds. Our church members' efforts had proved fruitless, for their fish had escaped just the same. However, Brother Conferido's fish pond was full of fish. In fact, he estimated that it had three or four times more than the number he had put in.

During the week the members had a meeting, and the brethren who came wept bitterly, not only for their losses but in sincere confession of their sin for desecrating the Sabbath of the Lord. The elder of the church made a solemn promise that never again would he lose confidence in the Lord.

The following weekend even greater flood waters covered the fish ponds again. This time the brethren came to church and worshipped the Lord on the Sabbath. The water had been rising for several days. Food became scarce. Firewood was hardly available. But the little flock, inspired by the consecration of Brother Conferido, prevailed in prayer.

After several days the flood waters subsided,

and again the barrio people were out to survey the havoc. Brother Conferido's fish ponds had much more fish than ever before. The church elder, who had lost all his fish during the first inundation, discovered that his fish were back and were even more in number. Brother Conferido's little rice field survived, and now he expects a full harvest whereas all around his rice fields, the crops were destroyed. To top it all, when the flood waters subsided he found in his backyard several logs which will provide firewood for the next couple of years.

As a result of this miracle of the fishes, our little church group at Ubihan revived, and about the middle of September, as soon as they received their Ingathering supplies, every church member went out soliciting. In one day they reached their goal and now are requesting a bigger goal for next year. I fully expect that soon there will be a report of an ingathering of souls from this church as a result of this modern miracle of the fishes.

—B. A. Martin, President,
Central Luzon Mission



MARKER. Unveiling a historical marker at the Malolos church are Dr. Charles B. Hirsch, left, head of the General Conference department of education; Pastor B. A. Martin, Central Luzon Mission president; and Pastor P. H. Eldridge, right, division president.

Leaders Locate Marker at Historical Site

ON November 4 an historical marker was unveiled at the Malolos church in Bulacan province, the site of the first Seventh-day Adventist church in the Philippines. Pastor P. H. Eldridge, division president, based his remarks on Israel's experience in setting up the memorial stone Ebenezer, where it was said, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." Attending the ceremony were members of the Malolos church as well as denominational leaders.

The marker states: "In this town of Malolos was built the first Seventh-day Adventist Church in the Philippines in 1912." Implementing the action on historical markers taken two years ago by the North Philippine Union executive committee is the historical committee headed by Pastor B. B. Alsaybar, public relations secretary. It is planned to place markers in other locations significant to the denomination.



Team Voices Temperance Message

PASTORS Rudy Bermudez and Ely Moreno and the writer had never before received the red carpet treatment, but during a recent temperance trip in the eastern part of the union, they were garlanded and banqueted wherever they went.

When a holiday is declared and classes are dismissed to permit all teachers to attend temperance lectures and see temperance films, we consider this very encouraging. But when all public and private school teachers and government officials from many barrios go out of their way to meet our people and listen to our temperance message, that is overwhelming indeed.

Smoking Pedro and other visual aids commanded rapt attention. Some 12,000 people heard the temperance message. The good public relations of our district leader, Pastor Dominador Gonzales, and Nep Gultiano, a layman, contributed much to the success of these temperance activities.

—G. M. Somosó,
Associate Temperance Secretary,
South Philippine Union

Student Missionary Trains Radio Personnel

LARRY Losey, student missionary from Walla Walla College, finds life in the Philippines quite varied. Larry accepted a call to help with programming for DXCR, the new radio station at Mountain View College. During his own college years his radio experience included assignments from announcer to station manager on the three stations for which he worked.

Larry's radio skills and cheerful spirit have made his contribution even more meaningful. He works with both teachers and students in developing the many programs aired during the 19-hour day provided for in the franchise granted by the Philippine government. During the second semester he is teaching three sections of a course in radio programming and script writing. Workers for the station will be selected from these students. When Larry leaves in March for Loma Linda University, where he will begin medical school, he will leave behind a crew of personnel trained in the arts of radio broadcasting.

There are many things to occupy one's free time in Bukidnon. During a recent trip to Dampaan, a village near the college, Larry treated a serious foot injury.

—J. H. Zachary, Chairman,
Bible Department, M.V.C.



VERSATILE. Larry Losey, who is at Mountain View College to help out at the new radio station, finds he also has the opportunity to do such things as treat the foot injury of a Manobo tribesman in a village near the college.

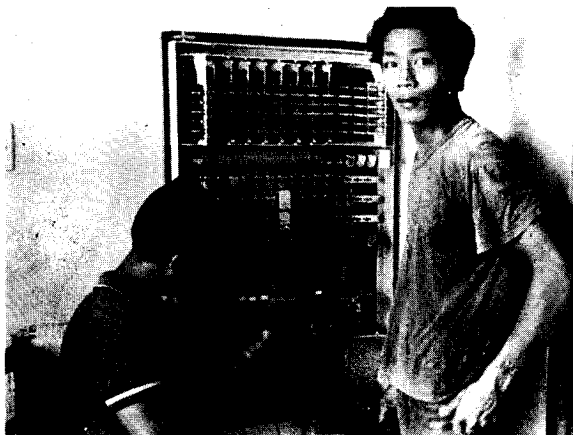
Hospital Gets Automatic Exchange Telephone System

THE Iligan Adventist Hospital has recently acquired a dial telephone system. The 10,000-peso private automatic exchange (PAX) was donated by the Lora Memorial Fund through Dr. and Mrs. W. G. Dick. It allows departments to call simultaneously without an operator.

Miss Lora Dick, youngest daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Dick for whom the donation was made, died in an automobile accident in Miems, southern France, seven years ago. In her memory, funds are raised for worthwhile projects in our denominational institutions.

Installed by Dr. W. C. Richli with the assistance of R. O. Gravino and Roberto Mendoza, maintenance men, the telephone system is a great convenience for the hospital departments. There is a plan to extend connections to homes of key hospital personnel when funds are available for more wiring. The hospital staff is grateful to Dr. and Mrs. Dick for this important gift.

—G. U. Ellacer, P.R.O.,
Iligan Adventist Hospital



TELEPHONE. The new private automatic exchange telephone which the Lora Memorial Fund donated to Iligan Adventist Hospital allows departments to call simultaneously without an operator.

Davao Choir Sings with Boys' Town Chorus

THE Davao Central Church choir, directed by Helen C. Diaz, assisted the Boys' Town chorus in a concert at Immaculate Concepcion College auditorium on Sunday evening, October 29. Fund-raising for the ever-increasing needs of Boys' Town was the prime purpose of the concert.

The program consisted of six religious selections sung by the Davao Central Church choir; ten secular numbers by the choir, in eight of which the singers from Boys' Town joined; four songs the boys sang alone; and additional numbers from other groups.

Mrs. Lourdes Cura Solis, director of the Neglected Children Commission, first heard the Davao Central Church choir sing during a Knights of Columbus program in November last year. Immediately afterward she sought the willing aid of the group to teach the boys at Boys' Town some songs. This they did and discovered that teaching them songs, as well as telling them character-building stories and playing with them, was a joy beyond measure and an effective way of introducing the boys to Jesus and helping them prepare for His kingdom.

—Shirley Fermalino



BENEFIT. The Davao Central Church choir taught Boys' Town residents several songs and then assisted them in a benefit concert to gather funds to help maintain this civic-supported organization.

Temperance Parade in Davao City

THIS is the story of a public demonstration during martial law in the Philippines—a demonstration against DEATH! At three o'clock in the afternoon of November 20, 1972, the biggest temperance parade and rally in the Far Eastern Division roused the 800,000 people of Davao City. Teachers, 20,000 students, Boy Scouts, police, Kiwanis members, and our own people marched with 400 placards, streamers, floats, and military bands. The parade and rally were known far and wide because of the free publicity given by local mass media.

The police motorcade escort and the University of Mindanao band led the long parade through the busiest streets of the city and ended at the City Rizal Park where a battery of speakers led by the city mayor, the N.B.I. chief, doctors, and the tem-

perance secretary of the Far Eastern Division welcomed everyone and talked about the evils of tobacco, alcohol, and drugs. Seventh-day Adventists became the talk of the town, and the following results are beyond our fondest dreams.

(1) One thousand teachers of Davao del Sur, headed by the superintendent of private schools, Mr. Felix Villarin, made a formal request for a series of temperance lectures for all teachers in the south.

(2) In a meeting of all private school heads in Tagum, Davao del Norte, on December 1, 1972, a plan to sponsor their own parade and rally in Tagum was discussed and approved, and the temperance personnel of the Davao Mission were invited to participate as sponsors.

(3) Father Edward Bedard Se, superintendent of all Catholic schools, requested a one-week series of lectures for his 40,000 students and teachers on the subject of tobacco, alcoholism, and drug dependency.

(4) Dr. Isaac L. Yap, editor and trouble shooter of the provincial governor, has enthusiastically endorsed the temperance movement and offered to launch his own information drive. He requested the temperance department to be with him in January for a series of lectures to public officials in Mati, Davao Oriental.

(5) In an unnumbered memorandum to all school heads, Superintendent Villarin instructed all principals to require all students to use our **Drug** magazine as home reading material and further instructed all principals to submit a monthly report on the progress of their school's temperance and anti-dangerous drugs drive.

(6) During one of our temperance lectures and demonstrations to school principals and Catholic sisters using our simple visual aids and Smoking Pedro, I conducted a lively question-and-answer period for almost two hours. When I distributed handouts and temperance materials at the end of my talk, I was almost mobbed for more temperance materials.

The challenge of the temperance work is great. It is waiting for our action.

—Gaudencio M. Somoso,



PARADE. Leading the temperance parade is Gaudencio Somoso, associate temperance secretary of the South Philippine Union. To his left are the Kiwanis Club president and other parade officials.



SOUTHEAST ASIA

Youth Encounters a Bottle

AN object reflecting the rays of the setting sun and bobbing with the waves that dashed against the shore attracted Jalad Seyong as he walked along a lonely beach near his home in Lahad Datu, Sabah. When he approached the object, he discovered that it was a bottle containing a piece of printed paper. Removing the cover, he took out the paper and read it. Immediately, he became interested. When he had finished reading the article, he wrote to the address which the paper bore—and waited.

About a month later, he received a package from Kota Kinabalu, capital of Sabah. It had been sent by Pastor G. W. Munson, then president of Sabah Mission, and contained a Bible and a series of 24 Bible Says lessons. In his accompanying letter, Pastor Munson stated that Jalad's letter to Australia had been referred to him, hence the Bible and the lessons. From then on, letters flew between Jalad and Pastor Munson and some of the other mission workers.

Although brought up in a Moslem home, Jalad open-mindedly read the Bible and studied the lessons. At first, finding the lessons to be difficult, he almost gave up, but a Catholic classmate encouraged him to persevere. Later, this friend and others joined him in studying the Bible lessons.

Months went by. Then one day while answering lesson 12, Jalad really became interested in the message. And when he finished the lesson on baptism, he wrote Pastor Munson requesting that he be baptized. Meanwhile, having accepted Christ as his Saviour, he changed his Moslem name Jalad to Paul.

Finally, Pastor Munson went to see Paul in Lahad Datu. During the weekend, they went over the doctrines taught by Seventh-day Adventists. There were none he could not accept.

Toward the end of the year, he received a letter inviting him to study at the Sabah Adventist Secondary School in Tamparuli. He talked the matter over with his parents, who consented, and started saving money for the following school year. Then on January 4 of this year, he took a plane to Kota Kinabalu and proceeded to Tamparuli by car.

It was raining hard when he got off the taxi in front of the school. Seeing a girl behind the gate, Paul approached her and introduced himself. Both he and the girl were pleasantly surprised, for she turned out to be Nony Sha'ah with whom Paul had corresponded some time before.

Nony brought Paul to the apartment which she shared with one of the teachers, served him something

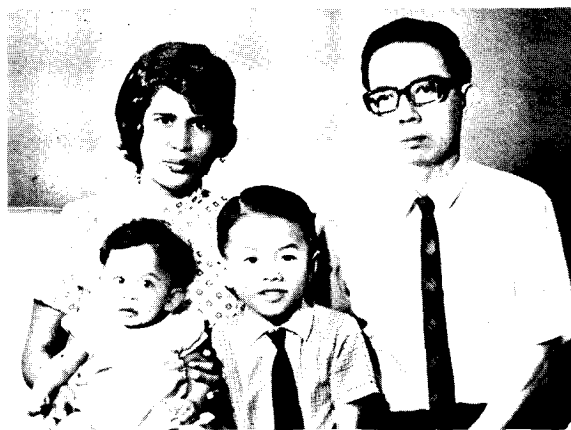
hot, and later got him settled in the boys' dormitory. The following day, Paul registered and easily made friends with teachers and students.

During the Week of Prayer at Sabah Adventist Secondary School last March, Paul talked with me at every opportunity. Then after church service on Sabbath, the lovely river flowing by the school campus became the site for the baptism of eight individuals. One of these was Jalad Paul Seyong, who first met Christ through the bobbing bottle about two years before.

—B. U. Donato, MV Secretary,
Southeast Asia Union



CONVERTED. Paul Seyong is baptized by Pastor Donato.



Family Returns to Thailand

Mr. and Mrs. Hun Eam Yeoh and family are not new to Thailand. He formerly served for two and a half years as manager of our hospital in Haad Yai. After an absence of more than a year, during which time he was manager of the Malaya Mission Book and Periodical Agency, he has returned to Thailand to be in charge of maintenance at the Bangkok Sanitarium and Hospital. We are happy that the Yeohs have chosen to make Bangkok their home.



Accountant Works in Bangkok

Lee Chin Beng joined the Bangkok Sanitarium and Hospital office force in June as an accountant. Born in Indonesia, he received his first schooling in Penang. He attended Southeast Asia Union College in Singapore and then transferred to Spicer Memorial College in Paona, India, where he graduated in May with a Bachelor degree in business administration.

Fruit of Church Schools Seen in Baptisms

WHAT a thrill to have 38 precious young people in the Merabau district of Sabah baptized on Sabbath, November 11, last year. It was a real privilege to have Pastor F. W. Wernick, president of the Lake Union Conference, assist the writer in the baptism on this joyous occasion.

The night before, Pastor Wernick and his son had arrived at the large Adventist community called Goshen. In this part of Sabah there are about 20 Adventist churches and companies, and a large junior academy with an enrollment of approximately 250 young people. It was at the school that Pastor Wernick spoke that evening at the vesper service.

The next morning we made an early start for Merabau in our jeep with a load of young people picked up along the way. Pastor Wernick kindly consented to take the preaching service while the writer examined 26 candidates. It was a thrilling experience to see that 24 of those desiring baptism were enrolled at our church school in Merabau. Our Christian teacher at this village had prepared these children and youth for this sacred rite.

At the close of the morning service, the candidates were presented to the church. After a brief examination and vote for acceptance into church membership subject to baptism, we went down to a water buffalo wallow for the ceremony. Since it had not rained for many months at the village, water was very scarce, and no other site was available for the baptism. Despite the unfavorable location, joy was irrepressible during the service.

Immediately afterward, we went on to Tambarulan where another 12 individuals were waiting for baptism. Upon examining these candidates it was found that most of them, too, were young people from our church school in that village. Surely Christian education is worth everything that we can put into it, for the fruit it bears is evidence enough.

—W. L. Wilcox, President,
Sabah Mission

MISSION '72 Reaches Tatau River

DURING June of 1972 Pastor W. V. Clements, Division Sabbath School secretary, and Pastor R. B. Grady, Southeast Asia Union Sabbath School secretary, conducted MISSION '72 meetings in a longhouse at Mejau, Sarawak, which is located up the Tatau River near the home of Chief Ryong.

The purpose of these meetings was two fold. First, they wanted to bring the message of salvation to these isolated people and secondly, they wanted to see if the MISSION '72 programs as prepared for the adults and the children could be adapted to be used in our more primitive areas.

While Pastor Grady, assisted by Pastors Jonathan Basat and Anyau Kenchang, conducted meetings every evening for the adults, Pastor Clements was assisted by Mrs. Basat and Mrs. Kenchang in special meetings for the children.

During the daytime, Pastors Grady and Clements helped with construction on the much needed lamb shelter at the nearby Ramong church. The boys and girls had been meeting underneath the church for their Sabbath School program.

Happiness was clearly seen on the smiling faces as Pastor Clements dedicated the lamb shelter at the close of the week.



SHELTER. Boys and girls at Ramong now have a place of their own in which to worship. They had formerly been having their Sabbath School underneath the church building.



DEDICATION. This lamb shelter at Ramang, Sarawak, was built in only one week's time. Pastors Clements and Grady held a dedication service at the end of the week.



Five Ordained at Southeast Asia Union Session

Five Southeast Asia Union Mission workers were ordained in a Friday night service during the quadrennial session of the union in Singapore. Pictured above with their wives are Pastors Wong Yew Chong, R. I. Gainer, Ng Sui Koon, John Lai, and Phang Teck Soon.

Participants in the program are in the back row: Pastors Chester Damron, K. T. Kong, Bruce Johnston, R. S. Watts, T. K. Chong, and P. H. Eldridge.

—D. A. Roth

Baptism at Tawau, Sabah

MILO Bato'on was born in the Philippines of Catholic parents. Nevertheless he spent 11 years in Seventh-day Adventist schools, completing his studies at Mountain View College and three years in medical training. He requested baptism, but his parents would not consent.

In 1965 Milo went to Tawau in Sabah, where he became an assistant doctor at the Table Hospital. Not long ago I became acquainted with him and found that he still firmly believes the Advent message. In fact, he has interested several other Filipinos in our church.

The high point of his life came on June 24 of this year when Pastor M. C. Gaban baptized him and three of his friends. They became members of the Andrassy church.

Now 29 years of age, Brother Milo has dedicated his life to the Master's service. He is interested in continuing his medical course, particularly along laboratory technician lines. His experience demonstrates how God leads those who seek Him.

—Tommy Golotoh,
Tawau District Pastor

Evangelism in Penang

A THREE-WEEK series of evangelistic meetings, held in Penang, featured Bible talks by Pastor T. K. Chong, Malaya Mission president, and health talks by Dr. R. R. Standish. Each meeting began with a film or a Bible story. The Singspiration Singers also brightened each meeting.

At the next to the last service, 66 individuals made their decision. Owing to this good response, the meetings were extended for an extra week at the church. Gifts were presented to all who had attended for 12 or more successive nights. The meetings came to a close with a social on Saturday evening.

A new series, "Adventures in Better Living," followed with meetings every Wednesday and Friday for those who desired to learn more Bible truth. These were also well attended.

—Betty Soong, MV Secretary,
Penang English Church



Village Chief Requests Meetings

THE tiny island of Kalama in the Sangir-Talaud Mission has a population of about 1,000. It was to this dot in the ocean that P. R. Manueke, district leader, a number of church members, and I travelled by small boat.

Waiting to welcome us were the chief and many villagers. Not only was a wedding to be performed, but the people had requested some meetings so that they might hear the Word of God. For three evenings they listened attentively, and each time were loath to leave the camp. In fact, some of the people slept there every night and went home the following morning. When the short series was over, the villagers and their chief asked that a one-month public effort be conducted at that place.

On the second day, the wedding took place. Approximately 200 guests attended, and many said that it was the first time they had ever witnessed a Seventh-day Adventist wedding service.

From Kalama Island we sailed for our church at Tamako, expecting to reach there within three hours. But after travelling for about an hour, dark clouds came up, and we were soon engulfed by mountainous waves. We could see nothing—only fog. After struggling and praying for eight hours, we finally reached shore where our members were waiting for us. How thankful we were for the Lord's protection.

—F. A. Massie, President,
Sangir-Talaud Mission