

# outlook



## CAN YOU DOUBLE IT?

Double what?  
The individual church  
member's regular Sabbath  
school offering.

We are talking about  
the 2X Plan. The idea is  
simple enough: encourage  
each Sabbath

school member to double his offering. Although it may sound a bit startling, pilot programs have proved that it works extremely well. Our people are willingly, even eagerly, supporting it. Strange as it may seem, many appear to find it easier to give twice as much as to increase their offering by 20 or 30 percent.

Now the 2X Plan has been officially adopted by the (See page 5.)

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# deskside chats

## MOTIONS



Motions of the body, what they mean and how they are controlled, make a fascinating study. Translated into habit patterns they become a major feature in our way of life. Familiar gestures become a part of personality identification.

Inevitably then, motions are involved in conduct. The Apostle Paul describes just how serious this can be: "For when we were in the flesh, the motions of sins, which were by the law, did work in our members to bring forth fruit unto death." (Rom. 7:5)

A few years ago the chief announcer for Radio Hong Kong gave me a graphic illustration of how "motions of sins" can wield their sinister control. Here's what he told me.

"One day I was in the announcer's booth doing my daily disk jockey stint. As the record finished, I took my lighted cigarette and set it down on the deck beside the control panel while I switched on the microphone. Then, the announcement over, I automatically reached for another cigarette and lighted up. Just then the telephone rang, and I laid down my cigarette to answer it. I soon found myself in an annoying conversation.

Unconsciously I reached for another cigarette. After the phone call, it was time for an announcement so I laid that cigarette down. As I started the next record, I looked down at the deck beside the control panel, and there were three lighted cigarettes. I didn't remember lighting any of them. I said to myself, 'This is stupid.' And right there I gave up smoking."

How about taking a little candid inventory of your own unconscious motions? You may need to ask your wife or your husband or some close friend to help, for these gestures that get us into trouble are mostly automatic. 'Perhaps the simplest way to discover them is to work back from some regrettable experience. You will almost certainly find a well-defined pattern of actions leading to a predictable result.

Fortunately, "motions of sins," dangerous though they be, are not necessarily permanent entanglements. Psychologists and preachers agree that the best attack on evil practices is to discover the motion sequences that lead to them and then resolutely break up that pattern.

Most encouraging of all—motions of righteousness are just as effective as motions of sin.

Cordially,

Paul H. Eldridge, President

*COVER: 2X stands for two times, or twice as much. This plan has been officially adopted by the General Conference, and Adventists all around the world are being encouraged to increase their Sabbath school offerings. Division President Paul H. Eldridge poses the question: "Can you double it?"*

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## Health Leader



Leazer

The new associate secretary for the Far Eastern Division's Department of Health is Wilma Leazer, who recently arrived in Singapore. Miss Leazer is not new to the Far East as she has served in Indonesia, Thailand, and Singapore. Most recently she was dean of the school of nursing at Walla Walla College.

## SOS in Saigon



Rice

It's a family affair at the Saigon Adventist Hospital. Harley E. Rice, father of Mrs. Vernon Small, is serving as administrative assistant on an SOS basis. Elder

Rice's other daughter, Mrs. F. Russell Tyler, is at the Bangkok Adventist Hospital where her husband is serving as pathologist.

## Taiwan M.D.



Grytes

Glenn and Silva Gryte are in Taipei where he is a physician at the Taiwan Adventist Hospital. The Grytes have one daughter, Judy, living with them in Taipei, and another daughter, Susan, who is

serving as a volunteer at the Hong Kong Adventist Hospital. Three other children are in the States.

## Teacher Returns

Connie Beebe returned to Southeast Asia to teach elementary school in Saigon, Vietnam, this year. She taught in Bangkok from 1970 to 1972 and then served as dean of girls at Blue Mountain Academy in Pennsylvania.

## Spirit of Prophecy



Watts

Former Division ministerial secretary and president of the Korean Union Mission, R. S. Watts, Sr., has returned to the Far East on an SOS basis as a general field secretary to promote Spirit of Prophecy. He will be itinerating throughout the division with Paul Gordon of White Estate in Washington, D. C. Elder and Mrs. Watts are living in Singapore.

## Dietitian



Ponce

Mercia R. Ponce is the new dietitian for the Mindanao Sanitarium and Hospital. She graduated from Philippine Union College in 1968 with a major in foods and nutrition. Since then she went to the United States and took her internship at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit, Michigan, passed her U.S. government examinations and became a member of the American Dietetics Association.

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## Overseas Ministries

North American Protestant missionaries overseas increased in number by less than two percent in the past three years. A triennial handbook on the Protestant mission force abroad set the total at 35,000 last year. Mission giving increased about 100 percent but did not keep up with the rates of inflation and dollar devaluation. The 1973 *Mission Handbook*, subtitled "North American Protestant Ministries Overseas," is published by the Mission Advance Research and Communication Center of World Vision International.

## Pastor Gives Birth

A pastor in the Lutheran Church in America has given birth to a six-pound, six-ounce baby girl! Margaret Krych of New Jersey is the first ordained woman in the denomination to have a baby since the church approved ordination of women in 1970.

## End of the World

"Those who observe world events with the newspaper in one hand and the Bible in the other can discern the signs of the Lord's coming," says Evangelist Billy Graham. He cites such things as world perplexity, a permissive society, the knowledge explosion, and worldwide evangelism as current signs of the end of time.

## Youths Killed

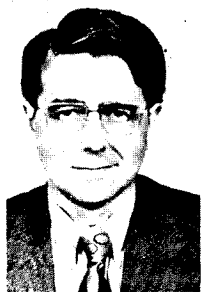
Twenty-one persons, 19 Adventists, and 17 from the same church in Sao Paulo, Brazil, were killed in a bus-truck accident. The youth were returning home from a unionwide Youth Congress when their bus collided with a truck after crossing a bridge near the city of Logos. A mass funeral service was held on Christmas Day.

## More people

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Then she specialized in therapeutic dietetics at St. Luke's Hospital in Cleveland, Ohio. She has also taken graduate classes at Michigan State University. Last summer Miss Ponce visited her parents in Iligan City and was persuaded to fill the need for a dietitian for Mindanao Sanitarium.

### Youngberg Manager



Jacobson

The new business manager for Youngberg Memorial Hospital in Singapore is Arvid L. Jacobson, formerly administrator of Takoma Hospital in Greenville,

Tennessee. He has attended Canadian Union College, Walla Walla College, and the University of Colorado. He holds a B.S. degree in business administration and an M.S. in health administration.

### Accountant



Sinksen

Ruth Sinksen has joined the accounting department of the Far Eastern Division office. She comes to the Orient from the Arkansas-Louisiana Conference in Shreveport,

Louisiana. Mrs. Sinksen has served in various conferences in the North American Division as well as a missionary in the Inter-American Division.



Marion Simmons was honored by the Far Eastern Division Council during a special program held at the Makati Commercial Center in Manila. Mrs. T. G. Sie, a laywoman from Malang, Java, Indonesia, pins a corsage on Mrs. Simmons while B. B. Alsaybar, left, education and public relations secretary of the North Philippines, looks on. Mrs. Simmons left Singapore December 27 after serving for the past five and one-half years as associate secretary of the department of education.

### Education Lady Leaves Far East

Just exactly five and one-half years, to the day, after Marion Simmons arrived in the Far Eastern Division, her Singapore friends and co-workers gave her a special going-away party.

Following a pot-luck supper a special program entitled "This is Your Life, Marion Simmons," depicted some of the experiences she encountered while serving as associate education secretary in the Far East. Some of the main characters in this program were elementary and secondary students of Far Eastern Academy, who have so much appreciated her hospitality and kindness as well as her delightful collection of stories.

Mrs. Simmons left Singapore on December 27 with a few scheduled stops for rest and relaxation before she settles in the Atlantic Union where she will be working

on a part-time basis for the education department.

She was a regular contributor to the OUTLOOK with her monthly column, "To Ponder."

### Anniversary Days

The year 1973 marked the 85th anniversary of the Hong Kong-Macao Mission in the South China Island Union Mission. It also was the 70th anniversary of the denomination's educational and medical work in Hong Kong.

#### Missionary La Rue

The first Seventh-day Adventist to Hong Kong was Abraham La Rue, in 1888. Although a man already in his 60's, he worked until the time of his death in 1903 in spreading the gospel of a soon-coming Christ. The year before his death missionaries J. N. Ander-

son, Ida Thompson, and others were sent by the General Conference to carry on and expand the church's work in Hong Kong, especially the educational and evangelistic work.

In a short time a school for girls, called the Bethel Girls' School, opened with Miss Thompson as principal. Today that school is South China Adventist College.

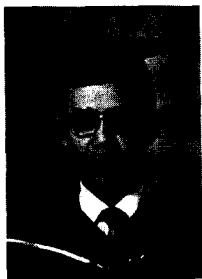
#### Miller to China

Dr. Harry Miller arrived from the United States to Honan, China, on November 5, 1903, and began the medical missionary work in the Far East. Seventy years later at the age of 94, Dr. Miller left Hong Kong last summer for a permanent return to his homeland.—*Samuel Young.*

### Tract for Muslims

A tract designed as a soul-winning leaflet for Muslim Filipinos is being prepared by the Philippine Publishing House, and will be ready for distribution early this year. The tract which will be printed in various Muslim dialects is one project of the Far Eastern Division's "Bold Adventure" evangelistic program for 1974.

### Doctoral Dissertation



Segovia

Dr. Agripino C. Segovia, president of Mountain View College, successfully defended his doctoral dissertation at Iowa University. His dissertation was

"An Investigation of the Faculty and Administrators' Perceptions of the Faculty's Involvement in Institutional Governance in Selected Seventh-day Adventist Colleges in the United States and the Philippines: A Cross-cultural Study."

# 2x Plan (FROM PAGE 1)

General Conference, the Far Eastern Division, and all of our union missions. We want to present it to our church members, not with high-pressure methods or suggestions that they have not been doing enough, but with enthusiasm over a simple way of showing our thanks for God's blessings, our faith in His promises, and our eagerness to see the work move faster.

Here are the purposes of the 2X Plan as listed in the General Conference Annual Council action:

"1. To maintain and expand

the mission program of the Church around the world.

2. To enter into expanding opportunities throughout the world.
3. To invigorate the giving of the evangelistic message of the Church.
4. To broaden the training of workers giving them a worldwide vision."

The action taken by the Far Eastern Division Annual Council includes these recommendations:

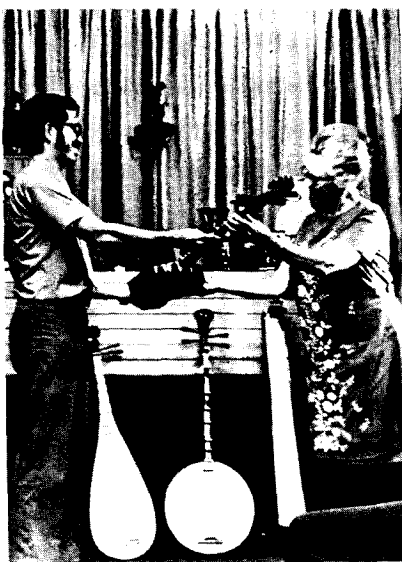
"That union presidents take the program to their committees and staffs inviting each individual to commit himself to the program.

"That the 2X Plan be carried to the committees and office staffs of the local missions for their commitment.

"That the program then be presented to workers at workers' meetings, with strong spiritual emphasis, inviting every pastor to commit himself to the plan. Pastors in turn will encourage every Sabbath school superintendent, member of the Sabbath School Council, and every Sabbath school member to double their offerings."

A little figuring shows that right here in the Far Eastern Division if only one-fourth of our members doubled their Sabbath school offerings, there would be an increase of US\$85,000 in just one year. For the whole world, the added funds would be more than US\$3,000,000!

Let's try it. I am certain our people will accept this challenge. And God will more than double His blessings to us.—*Paul H. Eldridge.*



### Museum Donations

Le Cong Nghiep of the Saigon Adventist Hospital presents a Vietnamese stringed instrument to Marion Simmons, one of the "founders" of the Seventh-day Adventist Museum of the Far East. The Vietnam Mission delegation to the year-end meetings of the Southeast Asia Union made a special presentation to the museum in December. Among the items donated were musical instruments, lacquerware, vases, basket-ware, hats, dolls dressed in Vietnamese costumes, and brassware made from bomb shells found throughout the war-stricken country.

Orchid Island! The very name suggests some spot of exotic beauty, strikingly unusual and colorful with tropical palms, silver-sand beaches and lush greenery accented with varieties of exquisite orchids. Could it be? Reports were that the island is inhabited by people who live under conditions rarely found in today's modernizing Orient. Naturally, to members of the Advent Movement it suggested another frontier to move into, a new challenge to be met.

It was my privilege to join the medical-dental team on a goodwill tour to this island to give medical help and study plans for future medical evangelism among the people. To reach

this small island, we flew from Taipei to the east coast city of Taitung at the southern end of Taiwan, and then took a little six-passenger Cessna Super Skywagon which came to rest on a stretch of flat land running parallel with the coast of Orchid Island.

#### Underground houses

Some 2,000 people live in a total of six villages on the island. From a distance, villages are not readily seen since all houses are hidden underground, except for a few near the airport, in order to survive frequent typhoons. When walking through a village, one stands above the housetops looking down on roofs. The entrance to most homes is

several feet below ground level in a deep hole dug to fit the size of the house. Door openings no more than three or four feet high seem to pose no problem to anyone except visitors from off the island. Small verandas on stilts are built above ground and furnish the only shade and shelter available outside of their dark windowless homes. No trees, plants or flowers beautify these typhoon-swept villages. Built as they are, the homes survive the heavy winds, and the simple bamboo veranda can be easily replaced when blown away.

Christianity was introduced on the island 13 or 14 years ago. Tseng Wu Lang, a young

## The Challenge of

# Orchid Island

by Paulene Barnett



The home of the Adventist worker is built with a door at ground level. This admits a little more light into the house.

policeman who was sent from Taiwan to work with the police force on the island, accepted Christianity and returned to Taiwan to study at a Presbyterian seminary. After his training, he went back to Orchid Island as a missionary. One of the first persons he met was a Catholic priest who suggested they build churches and have services together to avoid duplication of effort. The young man thoughtfully replied that since he did not believe as the Catholics, it might be difficult for them to work and worship together.

"Are you not a Catholic?" asked the priest in surprise. "If



Communication barriers break down with the language of fun and laughter. Island women make the most of a new friendship with Mrs. Helen Lee.

not, then I don't understand why you worship on Sunday. The Catholics originated the keeping of Sunday. If you are teaching the Bible, then you ought to be a Seventh-day Adventist."

#### Adventist student

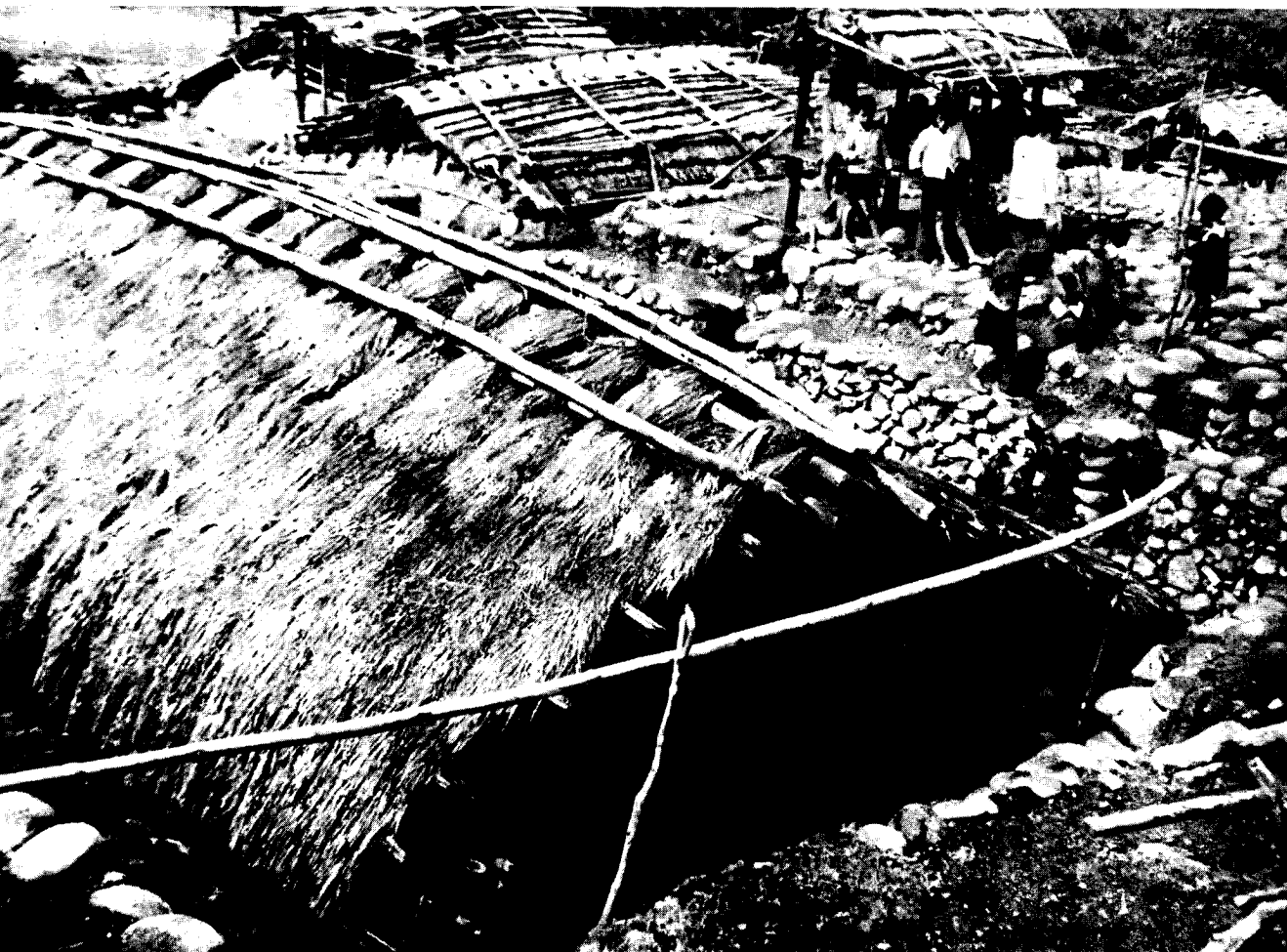
That little seed of thought grew in Wu Lang's mind until he eventually found himself back in Taiwan, this time in a Seventh-day Adventist school. Later, as an Adventist worker, he again thought of Orchid Island and shared this interest with his mission president. Eventually he became J. E. Christensen's guide

to the island about three years ago.

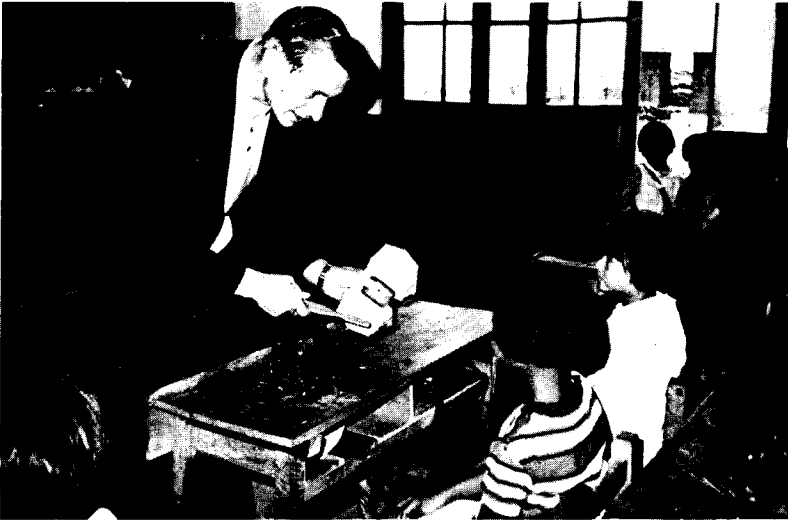
#### Not for women

"But it's not superstition," insisted the G-string-clad Orchid Islander. "Women don't dare eat this kind of fish. This is for men only. It will make women sick and will not remain in their stomachs. There's another fish for women to eat, and yet another for children. Only the flying fish can be eaten by all."

No amount of reasoning could convince him. The fact that visitors to the island disregard this taboo and eat freely of any kind of fish without



The barren, drab-looking villages of Orchid Island boast only "rock garden" minus even a sprig of green. Walking through the village, one looks down on the rooftops of houses built in a hole made-to-order just the size of the house. The underground construction permits the houses to survive the strong typhoon winds of Orchid Island.



Dr. William Tym demonstrates to school children the proper way to brush their teeth. Greens for dinner decorate their desks until students prepare them for lunch.



This little fellow was more interested in Paulene Barnett's camera than he was in Dr. Tym's demonstration.

mishap only left the islander silent but unmoved in his belief. Did not their fathers and grandfathers tell them these important things years ago?

#### No help wanted

Doctors and dentists face a new and unexpected challenge when with compassionate hearts they go onto the island to bring free treatment to those in need, then find their services unwanted. The man with a large, deep sore on the side of his nose only shook his head and walked away when invited to let the doctor treat it. Some, we understood, might accept medicine if it is exactly the same size, shape

and color as the last they received. But white pills won't substitute for white capsules nor little round pink pills for the large flat pink ones.

#### Cool reception

The dentist received no warmer welcome. During all the hours he waited in the village, not one native availed himself of the proffered help. Some say the people might allow a tooth to be filled but certainly would not permit one to be pulled unless replaced immediately by a good one.

The only welcome the medical team received was in the government school where teachers lined up their captive audience for teeth inspection and instruction on brushing and care of the teeth. The children listened attentively enough, but not one of them even owned a tooth brush, we discovered. Surprisingly, the children's good teeth and healthy appearance indicate that their meager diet may be better than it sounds. Far less cavities were found among the island school children

than among those in the cities of Taiwan. Their diet consists of fish, sweet potatoes or taro, and wild greens.

Fishing territory becomes a claim of vital importance to the people of Orchid Island. Two villages are still not on the best of speaking terms since one trespassed on the fishing territory of the other. Serious hostility resulted in actual battle.

#### Rock warfare

The two sides met at the ridge between their villages and for several hours fought fiercely with the only weapons they had — rocks! Women kept the supply lines rolling while the men threw them. Rocks flew both directions, and police who tried to stop them were forced to dodge out of the way and stay under cover until the war ended. No one was killed, but a number were injured. The winners returned home singing their song of victory, composed on the spot to tell the story of the battle.

#### Superstition dying

A baptismal candidate was asked how many of the superstitions held by the people of Orchid Island still remain after 14 years of Christian missionary work. His guess was that perhaps no more than 50 percent of the superstitions are still held by those who have joined the churches.

Obviously the hope of the future rests with the children. Their investigative minds, less restrained by old concepts, will certainly be influenced by Christianity. What a challenge faces our one lone Adventist worker on Orchid Island! Remember this work in your prayers.



# NEWS

## FROM THE UNIONS

### central philippines

#### New Life to a Former Church

Several years ago, work was started in Libas, San Julian, Eastern Samar, by Eduardo Frasco, at that time a young ministerial intern. A church was built in that area with a few believers. When the worker was transferred to Mountain View College, no replacement was sent and the work languished. Church membership dwindled, with only one family left. Later on, the deserted church building was left to the mercy of the elements.

B. D. Gulfan, new district leader in the area, after his follow up of the Borongan effort preached on the old church site in order to rebuild the church, reclaim backsliders, and convert new interests. On two occasions a total of 28 souls were baptized. The Better Living Center eventually became the newly resurrected church.—*L. E. Montana.*

### east indonesia

#### Publishing Troops

Spies had gone out. The position of the enemy was clear before the sudden attack began. Then the troops from the districts of Ratahan, Langowan, Tondano, and Kawangkoan met the troops from Kotamobagu and Amurang.

These were not ordinary soldiers. They were literature evangelist troops, and they met at Rumoong Lansot, Tareran district. It was a thrilling encounter.

They had been on the march for one month—about 25 literature evangelists with their publishing leaders. Many wonderful experiences had come to them as they carried their books in buses, by trucks, and sometimes even on foot while covering the hills and valleys of these four districts (Tareran, Sonder, Rerer, and Eris) of South Minahasa.

Not only had these literature evangelists encouraged their own souls during this month, but programs in the churches had warmed the hearts of members as well. When they gave their final report at Rumoong Lansot, they realized that not only had they had good sales but the Lord had blessed with rich spiritual experiences as well.—*N. Ruhupatty.*



Appropriately, children participated in the graduation services held for those who recently completed a parent-home course in Rerer.

#### Parent-Home Graduation

On Sabbath, the Rerer church was packed with hundreds of church members who had come for a special program. Mrs. J. Raranta, mission parent-home secretary, presided over a graduation of more than 200 students of a parent-home course. With her were J. A. Raranta, mission president, and W. Rantung, mission education and public relations secretary.

P. Rantung, the district leader, had arranged an interesting program. The Dorcas Society presented a drama about Dorcas and her activities. The youth and children of the church presented various numbers. Music was contributed by a literature evangelist group who sang several songs. The highlight of the program was a sermon by Pastor Raranta who discussed the importance of happiness in the home.—*N. Ruhupatty.*

# japan

## Hospital in Kobe

Seventh-day Adventist hospital work returned again to Kobe, Japan, on October 30, 1973.

On that date, the "project-finishing ceremonies" and the "opening ceremonies" took place for the new Kobe Adventist Hospital—70 years after a small sanitarium was begun in Kobe in 1903. This sanitarium closed in 1909. However, a small Adventist hospital opened for a short time before World War II.

### Opening ceremonies

The recent ceremonies were held beside the hospital building in a large white tent with gaily striped sides in the national colors of Japan, red and white. Approximately 200 guests were in attendance.

Chairman of the Kobe Adventist Hospital development committee, C. B. Watts, gave the project report, followed by greetings from other Adventist hospitals and church members in Japan given by S. Kunihiro, union president. G. C. Ekvall, M.D., health secretary for the Far Eastern Division, gave the keynote address. C. D. Johnson, M.D., hospital medical director, expressed appreciation to the project participants.



A pneumatic-tube system throughout the hospital is one example of the modern equipment in the Kobe hospital. This is the first Adventist hospital in the Far East to have such a system. Pictured is Dr. William Tyndall, physician.



The Kobe Adventist Hospital is completed and open for business. This facility is the 22nd Adventist hospital now operating in the Far Eastern Division.

Congratulations were offered by the following: T. Sakai, governor of Hyogo Prefecture; T. Miyazaki, mayor of Kobe City; J. Isano, president of Kobe Chamber of Commerce; S. Hayashi, M.D., president of the North Kobe Medical Association, and J. Henmi, M.D., health secretary for Japan Union Mission.

### Tour and refreshments

Ribbon-cutting ceremonies at the entrance, followed by a tour of the new facility, and refreshments, concluded the opening program. A short delay occurred in admitting patients due to unforeseen circumstances, and admission of the first patients took place on November 18.

Kobe Adventist Hospital became the 22nd Adventist hospital now operating in the Far Eastern Division. It is an outgrowth of a small clinic in the downtown area of Kobe, begun by Edwin Krick, M.D., in 1967. The new hospital's location is at a beautiful site in a green mountainous suburb near a recently constructed housing development.

### Room for more

An initial 45 beds are available for patient care; however, the hospital has been planned for future expansion to 150 beds. The four-floor concrete structure has been beautifully finished and contains the latest equipment for all departments with practical and attractive appointments throughout.

The healing ministry of this hospital combined with its soul-winning efforts will be a fine asset to the work of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in the southern area of Japan.

## korea

### Kwang-Ju Language School



The new language center in Kwang-Ju, Korea, averages 250 students per term.

The building which houses the third English language school in Korea was purchased from funds raised by the Seoul and Pusan schools, reports M. T. Bascom, director of the English language schools in Korea.

The Kwang-Ju SDA Language Center was formerly a city hall building in this isolated city of Southwest Korea. According to Bascom, it is the first building purchased exclusively for an English language school.

The city of Kwang-Ju is a center of education, commerce, and trade for Southwest Korea. The city has two medical schools, thus thousands of college students, many of whom wish to study English.

Enrollment in the SDA Language Center averages 250 students each term, reports Bascom. These are instructed by five student missionary teachers.

Students of the language school are always invited to attend Sabbath services. Bascom reported that 25 students came to the first Sabbath service after the school opened, and two baptismal services were held in 1973.

## north philippines

### Baptism at Infanta

The Infanta church members requested Lucerio Gamboa to be the speaker in an effort they wanted to hold at barrio Langgas, Infanta, Quezon. He responded favorably, and as a result of this effort,

seven young people were baptized by Jose A. Montojo last year.

One of those baptized was Linda Nunag, a second-year high school student. Her father opposed her becoming a Seventh-day Adventist. He asked her to choose between being baptized and stopping her studies, or continuing her studies and not being baptized. Linda chose to be baptized and is hopeful that she will be able, through the grace of Christ, to continue her studies as well.

Lucerio Gamboa estimates that since becoming a lay preacher in 1958 he has won to the Lord about 500 souls. Even though his formal education is extremely limited, God has used him mightily.—*E. J. Tangunan.*

### Ordinations



Newly ordained men receive the greetings of their fellow ministers during the North Philippine Union Mission quadrennial meeting. Pictured from right to left are J. M. Montalban, district pastor; O. C. Pilar, M.D., Manila Sanitarium and Hospital medical director; and E. C. Corpus, Manila Sanitarium and Hospital business manager. Not seen are B. E. Capule, newly appointed PUC dean of school of business and PR director; D. B. Viloso, district pastor; J. A. Coe, PUC Bible teacher; and F. B. Conopio, Philippine Publishing House associate editor.

### LLU Loans Professors to WHO

Loma Linda University's world concern expressed in their motto, "To Make Man Whole," are well known to the Far East. Recently, however, not only has the influence been felt through the presence of physicians, dentists, and other health professionals on regular assignments but also through a number of visiting specialists in various fields. Presently this is being seen in the strengthening of the graduate program in religion and health education offered by the Seminary at Philippine Union College, through cooperation with the School of Health of Loma Linda University.

Dr. Wilbur K. Nelson, chairman of the department of health education of LLU's School of Health,

is currently one of the faculty on loan to this field. He came recently to Manila from Hong Kong where he served a year on an interim basis as president of South China Adventist College, with campuses in Taiwan and Hong Kong.

#### Health advisor

Continuing research and writing in the field of religion and health behavior change sponsored by LLU and related to a program at the University of California, Dr. Nelson has concurrently been asked by the World Health Organization to serve as their adviser for health education for the Western Pacific Region. This responsibility requires technical assistance in advising on the planning and implementation of all programs related to health education in some fifteen countries and territories from Australia to China and Korea.

#### Unique privilege

As an international consultant Dr. Nelson observes, "I consider it a privilege to serve with WHO from its Manila headquarters. I find that Seventh-day Adventists are well known and respected throughout the Organization and that there are unique opportunities for us to share through such agencies the concerns we hold for bringing healing to the ills of the world." Dr. Nelson's evangelistic, educational, and health ministry has included about ten years in the South China Island Union where, with his nurse-health educator wife Dorothy and five children, he has been instrumental in the development of a variety of educational and evangelistic activities including the preparation of new visual aids in the Chinese language.

#### Help church too

During his stay in the Philippines it is hoped that further study may be given to the current expansion of interest in health education in the evangelistic planning of the church in which closer ties with world trends in this vital area may be established. The family are due to resume their duties at Loma Linda in 1974 in the School of Health, where the department of health education has grown to be the largest of any school of public health in the world.

#### Asia opportunity

"The work will not be really finished anywhere until it is finished everywhere. Certainly Asia offers opportunities unlimited for the blended ministry of health evangelism in which Loma Linda University has been destined to cooperate with the nations of this region who have so cordially opened doors of welcome to us," stated Dr. Nelson.—*Remy Albaciete.*

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## south china island

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### Pathfinders Galore

August 19 to 23 found the Tai An Mission compound literally stacked with Pathfinders. The expected 100 Pathfinders grew in number so fast that leaders found it difficult to get an accurate count. At meal time the 180 trays and bowls proved insufficient and dishwashers were kept busy cleaning the trays for second use. The 220 *monto* (steamed bread rolls) never seemed to be enough for breakfast, and if you asked for the actual count of those who had eaten, the rushed leaders were not sure they knew. Rooms arranged to accommodate eight persons were occupied by 24—with three to a bed. Pathfinders slept in every office in the mission building, overflowed into the worker's homes and eventually to the roof—until it rained.

From all over the island they came, two or three from one family and quite a number of interested non-Seventh-day Adventists who were willing to pay the fee required. Their vibrant singing attracted attention from all directions. Choirs, solos and group singing were included in the music contest. Chinese, English and mountain songs added an endless variety in both sacred and secular songs. Contests in storytelling and other MV activities were judged on performance, ability, content, gestures and expression as well as dress and appearance. The Olympic contests opened with flag bearers marching briskly to the parade grounds to place their beautiful new MV flags before the reviewing stand where the mission, union and Division MV secretaries stood.—*Paulene Barnett.*

### Literature Distribution

In Hong Kong there are about 3,000 Seventh-day Adventists, as compared to a population of four million. It would seem that the opportunity for evangelism should be great, but due to preoccupation with international trade, the people have other concerns and the work of spreading the Three Angels Message has progressed very slowly during the past 85 years.

About a year ago when the mission office directed a box of English *Steps to Christ* to us, we wondered how to use them. Finally, it was decided

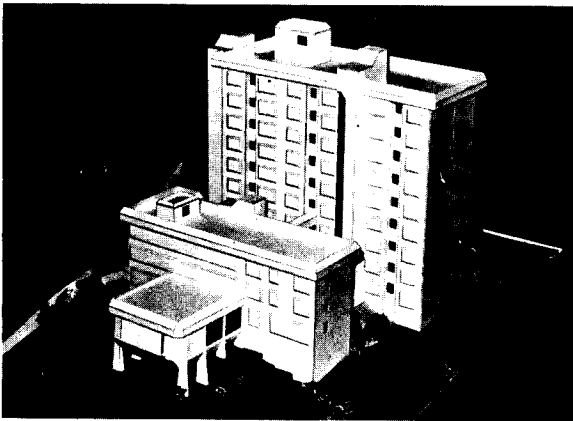
to send two copies each to public libraries and school libraries.

We sent four copies of *Steps to Christ* to the largest lending library in Hong Kong and discovered about six months later that the books had been well used. In fact, not even one was found on the shelf.

Two copies of *Steps to Christ* were sent to a denominational middle school. Not only did they thank us for the gift but asked for more copies for their students.

The blessings have not ended there. About a half year ago, we attempted to mail *Signs of the Times* to every Bible correspondence student enrolled through the MV society. Several months later after the Voice of Youth meetings had ended, *Signs of the Times* played a significant role in following up the interest of those who had attended the meetings.

How happy we were when we received 400 more copies of *Steps to Christ* and 70 copies of *Great Controversy* sometime ago. We are anxious to give them to those who are in spiritual darkness. Please pray for this work.—*John Lai*.



A model of the new School of Nursing for the Hong Kong Adventist Hospital.

## Dormitory Complex

The School of Nursing of the Hong Kong Adventist Hospital, which is three stories high, is in the front with a connecting bridge to the dormitory in the back. On the first floor will be two classrooms and a large lecture room protruding from the building. The second floor will have the dean's apartment, a connecting corridor to the school, director's office, and offices for the instructors. The third floor will have the director's apartment, a large demonstration room, and a library.

The dormitory will have ten rooms on each floor with connecting baths between the rooms,

including a kitchen and dining room as well as a laundry room. The terrain goes up rather sharply in the back, and the building is fitted to this slope. The first floor of the dormitory has only four rooms which will be used in conjunction with the School of Nursing as science rooms. The second floor has five rooms for students. The third floor has seven rooms, and it is not until we get to the fourth floor that we have the full complement of ten rooms.

The total estimated cost of the project is US\$1,000,000. Approximately 50 percent of the needed funds are in hand, and it is anticipated that the project will be built in stages.—*Robert Burchard*.

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## south philippines

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### One in One Hundred

"Let's go into the circus tent," suggested a young mother to her husband.

For several weeks now she had been mourning the loss of their four-year-old son who died, leaving only one surviving child of five boys born to the family. The six-year-old was delighted with the prospect of seeing live circus performers for the first time. Since the death of his younger brother, he had accompanied his parents night after night to different places of amusement in his father's effort to comfort the bereaved mother.

#### No charge

"What! Admission free?" the father marveled to himself as he saw throngs of people entering the big tent. No sooner were they seated than a bemused American in his early forties followed by a much shorter young man appeared on the stage and then singing began with the strains of, "He is at the door."

"What a strange circus performance this must be," thought the father to himself. "I wonder who is at the door."

After the first stanza was sung, his six-year-old son joined in the singing at the top of his voice, attracting the attention of many in the audience. Stranger still, after the song, the American addressed the audience in English with the shorter young man beside him interpreting in Tagalog. "Where are the dead?" was his opening question.

The young mother, who had been silent all the time and very much disappointed with the strange way the circus started, began to pay more interest and listened with rapt attention. As the American continued to talk about the state of the dead, the resurrection, and the happy reunion of departed loved ones, she was overjoyed.

"So I can see my sons again," she remarked to her husband as tears of joy flowed freely down her cheeks. Night after night the trio came and listened until the couple united with a group of more than one hundred people in the rites of baptism.

#### Pioneer to Philippines

The American preacher was none other than L. V. Finster, who pitched his "circus" tent in San Pablo, Laguna, in 1916. The young man who translated for him was Bibiano Panis featured in Pastor Finster's articles in the October issue of the *Outlook*. I am that six-year-old boy.

Having been informed earlier of his coming 100th birthday anniversary, I wrote him a letter of congratulations and greetings. I introduced myself to him as the son of the couple he baptized in 1916 in my hometown, narrating to him in detail how we stumbled into that "circus" tent. I quote a paragraph of his handwritten letter in answer to my greetings:

Thank you

"I am so thankful for your telling me how your mother first came in contact with our message. How thankful I am that the impression made on your mind at that time led you to prepare yourself for service and that you are now president of the largest union in the Philippines. May God continue to bless your work."

How thankful I am that I was *one* who drifted into the current of Pastor Finster's *one hundred* years of fruitful service to the Master, a portion of which was spent in my home town.—*M. M. Claveria.*

### Trust Services Seminar

Some 100 local church and mission stewardship secretaries and Trust Services directors attended the first Trust Services seminar conducted last November in Adams Center, Bajada, Davao City. Lecturers for the seminar were A. C. McKee, Trust Services director of the General Conference, and C. A. Williams, Division stewardship secretary and Trust Services director.

Of special interest was the ceremony when the property of Dr. and Mrs. Ben de la Cruz was received. Dr. de la Cruz, one of our prominent optometrists in the Southern Mindanao Mission, and his wife responded to an appeal made in a local mission seminar and decided to give their property to the organization. The simple ceremony took place in the presence of Pastors McKee and Williams. The property is valued at US\$22,388.—*A. A. Villarín.*

## southeast asia



The Honorable Minister of Youth and Sports, Nelson K. Ngareng, and Pastor Paul Nyungga inspect the Pathfinders at Ayer Manis School.

### Youth Leader Visits Ayer Manis

"Pathfinders, ATTENTION!" R. Daquila, Pathfinder leader of the Ayer Manis School in Sarawak, sounded the command.

Pathfinders in full uniform, staff members in special batik outfits, and the whole student body of Ayer Manis School dressed in their smart school uniforms were expecting the arrival of the Minister of Youth and Sports, the Honorable Nelson Kundai Ngareng, who was once a student at the Ayer Manis School.

This was the welcoming party that greeted the government official when his Bell helicopter landed. The purpose of the visit was an official inspection of the Pathfinder club. After inspection, Mr. Ngareng presented two "Best Camper Awards" to students who had been model campers during the recent youth camp held at the Bako Forest Reserve.

In his address to the Pathfinders and staff members, Mr. Ngareng urged the students to work hard and find ways and means of supporting themselves to bring prosperity to the country of Sarawak. He said they should not rely on government funds.

His talk was recorded on tape and later broadcast on Radio Malaysia Sarawak.

Being a former student of Ayer Manis, the Minister of Youth and Sports was anxious to see changes in his alma mater, so he was given a tour of the science laboratory and library in addition to the school industries, a bakery, a peanut butter factory, a tahu factory, block-making industry and rubber works.

Before he left the school campus, he told Clarence Goertzen, principal, that he had instructed his secretary to purchase several books to be donated to the school library. — *Mrs. G. E. Keizer.*

## Adventists Direct Camp

Twenty-eight students of Sabah Adventist Secondary School (SASS) in Tamparuli had the privilege of witnessing for Christ during the first Sabah-wide St. John Ambulance Association Leadership Training Camp held at Poring, the state's beautiful national park which is famous for its hot spring, located near Mount Kinabalu, the highest peak in Southeast Asia.

The work of organizing and directing the camp was given to a faculty member of SASS who is also an officer of the St. John Ambulance Association for the Tamparuli division. Except for a few modifications, the program and activities were patterned after those followed by Adventist camps.

### Impressive program

The deputy commissioner of the St. John Ambulance Association of Sabah, Rajah Indran, who is a lecturer in a government college in Kota Kinabalu, capital of Sabah, was so impressed with the program that he sent copies to the various district leaders of the association in Sabah. He also sent copies to the St. John Association leaders of West Malaysia encouraging them to base their future camping programs on this.

At the camp our boys and girls led in most of the activities. A number of short courses or proficiency subjects were taught by officers of the association to the more than 60 campers. These included map reading, clerical ability, fire fighting, practical first aid, and lay instructor's course in first aid. The highest rating in all the subjects taught was obtained by one of our Adventist boys, Albert Majilang, who was highly commended by the deputy commissioner during the presentation of certificates at the close of the camp.

The camp program did not include morning and evening worships, so our boys and girls conducted their worship in their respective tents. As they sang, the non-Adventist campers wondered what our young people were doing, and when told that they were having worships, some started calling our boys and girls "holy people." However, when they witnessed that our youth were friendly, cooperative, and talented, they showed respect and admiration for them.

### Operation clean up

Other activities the campers engaged in were *gotong royong* projects in which all the campers went out to Ranau Town and, with permission from the district officer, cleared the rubbish surrounding the government's general hospital.

Our students from SASS presented a special program a day before the camp ended. This consisted of orations and songs telling about the harmful effects of drinking and smoking. A number of special songs were sung by our male chorus. While Geoffrey Gaban delivered an oration on smoking, those who were smoking quietly threw down their cigarettes and listened intently.

### Good example

On the last day of the camp the deputy commissioner came to me and said, "Your boys and girls are well-behaved. They respond easily and do well in all the activities. Do you have a program in your school which trains the young people in all these activities?" He especially appreciated the singing talent of our youth.

I answered that we hold social activities for our young people every weekend and that we go out camping once or twice a year. Later, someone overheard him telling his fellow officers that the Adventist young people are excellent to work with and that they are "well-rounded Christians, always full of smiles."

### Future plans

Now as a result of the camping, he makes sure that we are consulted whenever plans are laid to organize something in behalf of the St. John Ambulance Association. In fact, we have already been requested to plan the program for a Malaysia-wide St. John Ambulance camp next year.

Sabah Adventist Secondary School has 50 St. John Ambulance members and most of them are Seventh-day Adventists. The association has presented SASS with an ambulance because our members are active in social work.

# west indonesia

## Field School in Samarinda



Brother Suhardi, an intern and one of the enthusiastic workers, helps a student find a text in his Bible.

The baptism of 13 souls last September highlighted the field school of evangelism conducted in Samarinda, capital of the East Kalimantan Province. Fanatical beliefs and the regional customs of heathenism make Samarinda a difficult place for soul winning. D. D. Dennis, evangelist, and Dr. R. O. Heald, health lecturer, worked together in carrying on a fine program.

In the beginning we had a press conference, and day after day during the first week of the series we were invited by the government health department, Central Public Hospital, chief of the education department, and the University of Mularman to give special lectures on health by Dr. Heald and on general aspects of life by Pastor Dennis. These invitations became very effective public relations, attracting people to the meeting.

As the climax of these 20 meetings, 325 individuals accepted Jesus as their personal Saviour; 106 enrolled in the Bible class; and 46 requested baptism. Before we left Samarinda, 13 souls had been baptized. Since then seven others have also been baptized. Follow-up work continued under

the direction of Jaser Siregar, our worker in Samarinda, and Brother Suhardi, an intern, assisted by Brother Suwitono. Among those who helped in the campaign were Mochtar Usman, Albert Pardede, an intern, Frits Sumaraw, Siel Stekanggen, and the members of the Samarinda church.—*J. R. Sumual.*

### Deaths

**Mrs. C. M. Lee, 1887-1973**

**Mrs. Amy Tan, 1890-1973**

Two sisters, born in China within three years of each other, passed away in Singapore within three weeks of the other's death. Their joining the Seventh-day Adventist Church was the result of the work of G. F. Jones. Both were married when 25 years old. For more than 80 years their lives flowed along in almost parallel channels, and their deaths bring an end to another chapter of Adventist biography in Southeast Asia.

Mrs. C. M. Lee (nee Chan Teck Soon) was born June 23, 1887, and remained in China until after her marriage to C. M. Lee on Feb. 1, 1912, in Shanghai, where her husband was associate editor of the Chinese *Signs of the Times*. Later they were transferred to Singapore where Pastor Lee was an evangelist. Failing health brought about a change in his work. The couple went to Kuching and began a photo studio which was very successful and earned the patronage of the Rajah Brooke of Sarawak.

Mrs. Lee took a keen interest in mission work and cooperated with her husband in his plan to build the Chinese Seventh-day Adventist church on Thomson Road which was donated to the mission. At her death she left a large family: one brother, two sisters, one son, four daughters, nine grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Tan Soo Meng (nee Amy Chan) came to Singapore with her parents, Pastor and Mrs. Chan Thiam Hee, when she was eight years old. In later life she too lived in Kuching where her dentist husband practiced.

Subsequently she became the preceptress at the Malayan Seminary, now known as Southeast Asia Union College, and afterwards a Bible worker at Youngberg Memorial Adventist Hospital until retiring in 1965.

Mrs. Tan also left a large family when she died last October: three daughters, three sons, 15 grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, a sister, and brother.