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● **FELLOWSHIP DAY AND BAPTISM**--The members of the Pacific Coast of Nicaragua recently celebrated Fellowship Day in the gymnasium of Colegio Ramirez Goyena. That same day 44 souls were baptized by Pastors Emilio Garcia of the Central district, mission president W. H. Waller, and hospital chaplain Daniel Moncada.

● **FROM MEXICAN PACIFIC ACADEMY**--During the first six weeks of the 1970-71 school year, both students and faculty of Mexican Pacific Academy took time to study together

all the chapters of the book *Steps to Christ*. At the close of the academic year 162 students and teachers received certificates at a mass graduation. Seven students were baptized as a result of this endeavor and 28 are preparing for future baptisms.

*The 1971 Ingathering campaign conducted in the vicinity of the school, has been a real blessing. Students and teachers collected Ps.21,000.00 in spite of heavy rains that flooded several villages where they had worked in previous years. The highest amount reached prior to this was Ps.13,000 in 1970.--*Horace Kelley*.

● **QUADRENNIAL SESSION**--The Central American Union held its quadrennial session in our college in Alajuela, Costa Rica, November 21-22. Present for the occasion were Elders E. E. Cleveland and V. M. Montalban of the General Conference; Columbia Union president Cree Sandefur; and B. L. Archbold, J. H. Figueroa, A. R. Norcliffe, Alfredo Aeschlimann and Marcel Abel of the IAD. For the next quadrennium the departments were staffed as follows: Lay Activities, Sabbath School, Radio and Public Relations, Cesar Funes; Stewardship and MV, Donald E. Crane; Ministerial Association, J. P. Valentin; Health, Dr. V. C. Sparks; Education, G. E. Maxson.

All local field presidents and treasurers were returned to their respective offices with the exception of the Guatemala and Nicaragua missions, which have new secretary-treasurers, Rufino Velasquez and Iszo Zelaya, respectively.

Elder Israel Gonzalez continues as president of CADES; L. T. Wade is the academic dean of that institution; and Delroy Pryce is the coordinator for the secondary school.--*Marcel Abel*.

● **VOP GRADUATIONS IN MEXICO**--In the town of Ocozocoautla, Chiapas, a small group of Voice of Prophecy students, prepared by one missionary mailman, were awarded certificates recently. The event was attended by South Mexican Mission president Jeronimo Madrigal (center right), departmental secretary Israel Guizar and Lic. D.G. y Poyato (center left).--*D. G. y Poyato*.



● **NEW REGIONS BEAR FRUIT**--Eighteen souls responded to the first evangelistic thrust in the town of Siguatepeque, under the leadership of Elder Esteban Lopez Porras. This evangelical stronghold has resisted the third angel's message for years.--*R.S. Folkenberg.*

● **NEWS FROM WEST VENEZUELA**--The following new workers have joined the ranks of the mission staff: Pastor Mario Nino is the new secretary of the Stewardship, Temperance and Radio-TV departments. Brother Franklin Caicedo is the new manager of the Book and Bible House. Two young ministerial interns, Jose Hurtado and William Gomez, are in charge of the Maracaibo and Lara districts respectively. DR. Carlos Dorado is heading the two clinics in Maracaibo.

*The Book and Bible House has moved to a new and more representative location.--*Alfredo Gaona.*

● **SPIRITUAL EMPHASIS AND STEWARDSHIP WEEKS**--The stewardship secretaries of the Salvador Mission and the Central American Union, Brother Cami B. Cruz and Elder Donald E. Crane, respectively, held two weeks of spiritual emphasis and stewardship in the Diez de Septiembre church in San Salvador. At the end of the second week fourteen souls sealed their covenant with God by baptism.--*Cami B. Cruz.*

● **NEW REGIONS--FOR THE SECOND TIME**--In the Honduran department of Olancho were many Seventh-day Adventists from El Salvador who were forced to leave after the last war with that country. We have made that area another "new region" and the Lord has blessed with resurging growth. Recently nine new believers were baptized into the Catacamas and El Pataste churches.--*R. S. Folkenberg.*

● **MINISTERIAL COUNCIL IN CENTRAL AMERICA**--Centro Adventista de Estudios Superiores in Alajuela, Costa Rica, was the stage for an important ministerial council held for the workers of the Central American Union November 17-21. The administrators and union and local field departmental secretaries were present as well as all district pastors and institutional leaders. The following contributed to the success of the council: Elders E. E. Cleveland and V. M. Montalban of the General Conference; Columbia Union president Cree Sandefur; and Elders B. L. Archbold, J. H. Figueroa, A.R. Norcliffe, Marcel Abel and Alfredo Aeschlimann of the IAD.

*On Sabbath, November 20, two workers, Mario F. Munoz and William Boykin, both from the Honduras Mission, were ordained to the gospel ministry. Participating in the service were division Ministerial Association secretary Alfredo Aeschlimann, who preached the sermon; General Conference Ministerial Association associate secretary E. E. Cleveland, who offered the ordination prayer; IAD president B. L. Archbold, who gave the charge; and IAD secretary J. H. Figueroa, who welcomed the new ministers.--*Alfredo Aeschlimann.*

● **CENTRAL AMERICA IS GETTING READY FOR "EVANGELISM '72"**--The keynote of the Central American workers' meeting held November 17-21 was "Evangelism '72." All the speakers had focused on the huge evangelistic thrust we plan to launch next year. In the last meeting of the council, the local fields set their soul-winning goals for 1972. When all the figures were totaled the union goal turned out to be of 6,000 souls.--*Alfredo Aeschlimann.*

● **MORE VOP GRADUATIONS**--Recently ten Voice of Prophecy students received certificates in Papantla, Veracruz, Mexico. Union cashier Jose Gonzalez (extreme left), led out in the program, and district leader Jose Fano (rear), prepared the candidates.--*Lic. D. G. y Poyato.*

