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CHURCH DEDICATION—On Sunday, September 22 at 4:00 p.m., the new church building at Montego Bay, Jamaica was dedicated. The program began outside the church with a hymn, scripture reading and prayer. After a vocal solo, division president B. L. Archbold officially opened the building by cutting the ribbon. The program continued inside with several numbers by the choir, the reading of the church history, the presentation of special guests by conference president S. M. Reid, and a speech by the mayor of the city. After the dedicatory sermon by Elder B. L. Archbold, Elder M. G. Nembhard led out in the act of dedication, Elder J. O. Iversen offered the dedication prayer and church pastor D. L. Burrowes made some closing remarks. Another lovely anthem by the choir and the benediction by Dr. R. Williams brought the program to a close. Although the church has a capacity of 2,000 people, around 4,000 were present for the dedication.—*B. L. Archbold.*

RETREAT FOR UNIVERSITY STUDENTS—A wonderful retreat for university students was conducted by Elder Darayl Larsen at Camp Llanito in the Pacific Colombian Mission from the 22nd to the 25th of August. The problems of Adventist students in secular universities were discussed in depth, and a program was outlined by which the church can help these students, in combination with their personal devotional studies, to maintain a close relationship to God and an involvement in the activities of the church. Close study was given to the *Fervent Appeal* recommended to the unions and local fields by the 1973 Annual Council of the General Conference. Elder C. V. Henriquez, educational secretary for the Colombia-Venezuela Union was present for this retreat. The Cali University Students Club was organized, making a total of three such clubs organized in the Colombia-Venezuela Union during 1974. two in the Pacific Colombian Mission and one reorganized in the Upper Magdalena Conference.—*C. V. Henriquez.*

REPORT ON SAN PEDRO SULA CRUSADE—The division personnel were happy to have Elder Salim Japas give a first-hand report of his experiences during the crusade in San Pedro Sula, Honduras, for the worship hour on September 16. He told of the wonderful response to the meetings, to his lectures before various groups in the city, and to his radio and television talks on the part of civil, religious, business and educational leaders of differing church affiliations. A total of 317 persons have been baptized in nine ceremonies: two in the tent, one at the river, and six in the church. This total is expected to increase to 500 by the end of the year. These wonderful results were achieved through the extensive preparations made by Elder James Zackrisson and his assistants beforehand, the faithful work of all the members of the team, the cooperation of our church members in the city during the campaign, and above all, the blessing of the Holy Spirit. Dr. Banks of the Andrews University faculty, who taught a personal evangelism class during the last two weeks of the effort, said he had never experienced anything like the San Pedro Sula crusade previously. Elder Japas expects this crusade to have an effect on SDA evangelism throughout the world.

PRIME MINISTER ADDRESSES SESSION—Mr. Eric Williams, prime minister of Trinidad and Tobago, spoke to the delegates assembled at Caribbean Union College for the 7th quadrennial session of the Caribbean Union Conference on the afternoon of August 27. The prime minister's topic was the New Quinquennial Plan for Education in Trinidad and Tobago.—*Jose H. Figueroa.*



SAWS AIDS HURRICANE "FIFI" VICTIMS—Newspapers and officials in Honduras praised the Seventh-day Adventist relief work as the only one operating in an organized and efficient way. Providentially, at the time the hurricane struck, the Honduras Mission had 325 bales of clothing on hand in San Pedro Sula. Coupons were distributed to disaster victims, and by presenting these at SAWS headquarters, they received clothing and other necessities. Over 60,000 pieces of clothing were distributed on the spot. The impact of the Japas crusade was still being felt in San Pedro Sula when the hurricane struck two nights after the evangelist had left, so it was natural for the people to call the Seventh-day Adventist relief work "Operation Japas." The large air tent where the meetings were held was torn in two and badly damaged by the hurricane, but city officials were anxious for the meetings to begin again to boost the morale of the people. The tent was repaired and the meetings resumed on the night of September 28 with union president Carlos Aeschlimann as the speaker. At this meeting 74 persons expressed their desire to prepare for baptism. As far as is now known, no Seventh-day Adventists lost their lives in this disaster, but many of our members have lost their homes and all their possessions. At least one school and 3 churches are in ruins. SAWS has already sent cash, medicines and food. Those wishing to help can do so best by sending money to the division office. This will be used to relieve the most urgent needs in the worst-afflicted areas. Food shortage will be even more acute in the weeks just ahead. General Conference president Elder R. H. Pierson sent a special message of encouragement to our brethren in the stricken area with the writer who was in Honduras from September 24 to 30. The first picture at the upper left below shows church pastor Oscar Villeda, Magaly Monzon, and other members of the SAWS rescue team distributing help to victims. The other photographs show some damages caused by the hurricane and some of those left homeless by the disaster which is one of the worst of this century.—A. H. Riffel.

