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When Pastor Bruce Babienco introduced Edith Sawdy, left, and Maria Ruiz to Lansing church members, he explained that they were being baptized as a result of Adventist awareness advertising.

Awareness Advertising Results in Baptisms

MICHIGAN—Edith Sawdy and Maria Ruiz were baptized into Jesus Christ recently at the Lansing, Michigan, Church.

These women are special because of the intriguing vehicle the Holy Spirit used to attract them to Christ.

That instrument is advertising, a new method of outreach for the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Some are calling this new form Adventist awareness advertising.

In the case of Edith and Maria, radio spots created their interest. Edith, age 50 and a housewife, heard a spot in Lansing that invited the listener to attend church the next Saturday morning.

She did, but only got as far as the parking lot. "Then I got cold feet and went home," she said, smiling at the memory.

However, the next Sabbath Edith entered the church. She was warmly greeted and affirmed. Some members invited her to sit with them.

"The church was so friendly," she says. "Everyone seemed to be wearing a smile."

Maria Ruiz, age 19, is a secretary in Lansing. She recalled hearing a spot about the Sabbath while she was shopping. "Jesus and all the great Bible characters went to church on Saturday," she heard the spot say.

In less than 60 seconds the spot ended. But conviction about worshipping on Saturday began to grow in Maria's mind.

She had no church background. However, several months later she attended a local Adventist church and was warmly received.

Maria's dark brown eyes were radiant as she said, "God has really changed my life."

As Pastor Bruce Babienco introduced the two women to the Lansing church members, he said: "A few months ago, these ladies did not know the Seventh-day Adventist Church even existed. Today they will be baptized because our church reached out to them earlier this year through Adventist awareness advertising."

The awareness advertising concept is still very new. However, limited campaigns have been conducted.

In terms of church growth, the results have been varied. Cities with a younger demographic have enjoyed more additions to the church than older communities.

It is important to remember that Adventist awareness advertising is primarily a sowing outreach. Evangelistic reaping programs can be more effective when they follow a two- or three-month awareness outreach.

One drawback to Adventist awareness advertising is the high cost of advertising. While campaign costs in small towns may run as low as \$5,000 to \$10,000, budgets in larger cities can easily run from \$75,000 to \$100,000 and more.

For church members who may become excited about this new form of outreach, it is important to realize that advertising, despite its potential, is not an ultimate answer to church growth or to "finishing the work."

Warm, loving church members reaching out to visitors who attend church are absolutely essential if church growth is to take place.

Michael A. Jones, President
 Michael A. Jones and Associates

Adventist Television Ministries: Caring Enough To Share

NEWBURY PARK, CALIF.—Estelle Ceja was raised as an only child in a devout Catholic home. Life was full of joy until after her marriage and the birth of a son, Michael.

Her husband died when Michael was only three and Estelle experienced loneliness. She began attending dances and later studied with Jehovah's Witnesses.

One day, while flipping her television dial, "Faith For Today" caught her attention. The program portrayed people in life situations much like hers. They seemed to find answers in the Bible and Christian fellowship.

In time she requested the Bible correspondence course offered on the program. As she plunged into the studies, many of her questions were answered. Former ideas about God and His kingdom began to change.

She wrote her instructor to ask for a personal visit. Faith Associate Mary Virgo of Peru, Illinois, was assigned her name.

Mary was much more than a spiritual counselor to Estelle; she became her friend. The two women's spiritual pilgrimages

were much the same.

Three years before, Mary had found that her religious background lacked the depth she desired. She had many questions about God and the future.

She tried different churches but none seemed to have the answers she sought. Then one day she and her son happened to see "It Is Written."

George Vandeman's clear, Bible-based message caught her attention immediately. She watched the next week and the next. She took a Bible course from the "Voice of Prophecy" and in time was baptized in the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

(See Television Ministries, page 7, column 1.)



Mary Virgo, right, became an Adventist through watching "It Is Written" and reading George Vandeman's books. She explained Bible truths to Estelle Ceja whose first contact with the church was through "Faith For Today." Their combined witness has produced eight new members.

January 19 Offering to Promote Religious Liberty Education

LAKE UNION—"You are suspended for three days without pay, and if it happens again you will be fired."

This was the message which Earl had dreaded, but which this early Monday afternoon was being delivered by his superior.

Earl was a Seventh-day Adventist. During many years of working for his employer, no conflict had arisen between his duty to his God in keeping holy the Sabbath and his duty to his employer in working when scheduled.

However, a couple of months earlier a new contract had been signed which included a new work schedule. This new schedule required every employee to work both days of every fourth weekend.

During the first few times Earl had been scheduled, he had obtained a substitute to work in his stead. The employer later told Earl that such a procedure was unacceptable and that Earl himself must work both Saturday and Sunday on the weekends he was scheduled to work.

Earl explained his beliefs regarding Sabbath and requested a change in schedule to accommodate his religious convictions,

but without success.

The next Saturday Earl was scheduled to work he did not appear. His action resulted in the message which was delivered on Monday afternoon.

That same afternoon contacts with the employer by Earl's pastor and the union religious liberty department seemed unsuccessful.

Later that afternoon, however, Earl's supervisor came to Earl and told him that the company was very impressed with his dedication and commitment to his religious beliefs, and that the decision to suspend him for three days was being rescinded.

Furthermore, Earl would not have to obtain a substitute when he was scheduled to work on Saturday; he would not again be scheduled to work on Sabbath, and the employer would provide him with a written statement to that effect.

What caused such a sudden change in attitude? Had the employer just been testing Earl?

Upon discussing this miracle with some of Earl's friends afterwards, it was discovered that many people had been praying for him and for God's intervention on his behalf. In fact, a group of

people meeting together on that Monday morning had had special prayer for Earl.

There can be no doubt that the Holy Spirit impressed Earl's employer to accommodate the exercise of his Sabbath beliefs.

There is no power within our grasp to preserve our religious liberties like prayer, and it is proper that we should pray on behalf of our religious freedoms.

We are told in 1 Timothy 2:2 that we should pray for kings "and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life. . . ."

During this time of year when we are giving special consideration to our religious liberty and Liberty magazine, we must give thanks to God, the author of freedom, for the liberty which we enjoy in this country.

A number of Americans, however, need to be educated regarding the subject of religious liberty. The Liberty magazine offering on January 19 will provide church members with an excellent opportunity to have a part in that education process by sponsoring Liberty subscriptions.

Vernon Alger, Director
 Religious Liberty Department

SIGNS—Witnessing made easy.

Planning Ahead for the New Year

The new year seems to be the time when most people begin to think about income tax, while many consider investments, or the purchase of a new car or home.

Still others contemplate personal changes or improvements.

Some people, however, place God as a priority in their new year planning. And some of these people are those you have become acquainted with during 1984 through the slide-tape programs known as NO ONE BUT YOU.

Here are a few of their plans, goals and aspirations for the new year:

Armour Potter, pastor of the Troy, Michigan, Church who was featured in the first quarter program, "By the Side of the Road," is looking forward to the completion of a 10-grade school which is being erected behind the Troy Church. It is expected to be finished by March 1.

Troy church members will be dedicating the gymnasium of the school for community programs such as stress management and parenting seminars.

Pastor Potter also wishes to establish church growth and discipling classes for his parishioners. In these classes he will continue to assist his members in discovering their spiritual gifts.

Eric Kratz, a member of the Troy Church who was featured in the same program with Pastor Potter, is the manager of Pure 'N Simple, a vegetarian restaurant and health food store in Troy.

Eric is engaged in a new venture with fellow church member Richard Hovey. Eric and Richard are organizing a vending machine business called Healthy Habits. These unique vending machines will provide healthy snacks to travelers.

Eric will be providing the food for the vending machines and Richard will distribute the machines and service them.

Jae Lee, Bing Alabata and Elizabeth Durichek were featured in the second quarter program "Something Beautiful." Jae, you

will remember, authored a soul-winning tract for the Korean people of Chicago which he and his fellow church members at the Korean Church have been distributing.

As personal ministries leader of his church, Jae had organized 13 Bible study groups by the end of 1984. Some of the people attending the study groups came to an evangelistic series that was held in December.

Jae's goal for the new year is to reactivate these groups. He anticipates having nine group Bible studies with nine or ten people in each. Church members and local church elders serve as leaders and teachers for these groups.

Bing Alabata plans to complete a series of expository Bible study manuscripts during 1985 that can be used by Filipino-American church members to give Bible studies.

Bing has been regularly using this method which studies whole passages of the Bible with those interested in God's Word. He finds this method a most successful way of discussing the Bible.

After perfecting the series, he hopes to incorporate slides and perhaps filmstrips into the study.

Elizabeth Durichek has recently retired as dean of women at Hinsdale Hospital School of Nursing where she served for 20 years. Elizabeth has not retired from the Lord's work, however.

Though she has just moved to an area 50 miles away from the Hungarian Church in Chicago, she still plans to retain her membership there and help the pastor.

She wants to spend one day each week visiting Hungarians in the Chicago area who have shown an interest in knowing more about God and the Bible.

Emil and Pat Schneider and Pete and Alice Hoenes were featured in the third quarter slide-tape program called "The Love Song."

Emil and Pat own a music store in Green Bay, Wisconsin, and conduct Bible studies in what was originally designed as a performing arts room in the back of their

More. Eight people have been baptized thus far as a result of these studies.

Emil said that his goal for the new year is to train other church members to give Bible studies and experience the joy he and Pat have found.

Pete and his wife, Alice, are members of the Otsego, Michigan, Church. They are involved in community services work and enjoy working with and for people.

Pete has many plans for the new year, but his top priority is to see two Sabbath School classrooms completed in the new addition to the community services center.

Another priority both he and Alice have is to help raise more money for Christian Neighbors. Christian Neighbors is an interdenominational group which helps supply food, clothes and funds to people in need.

Alice is area coordinator for the organization, and the Adventist community services center in Otsego is responsible for all of the clothing distributed by the group.

The fourth quarter NO ONE BUT YOU program featured Rex Reed, a teacher at the Hastings, Michigan, Church School, and Lola Reese who is the deputy sheriff and a member of Shiloh Church in Chicago.

Rex has determined to rededicate his life anew to the Lord for 1985. His resolution for the new year is "to prepare myself and family and each student in my charge to be ready to meet the Lord."

Lola is currently meeting with a group of fellow workers on lunch hour three or four times per week to discuss the Bible. Her desire for the new year is to learn more about the Bible. She says, "I would love to become a Bible instructor and have studies in my home."

Goals, plans, aspirations, that's what the new year holds out to each of us. While contemplating these things in our personal lives, may we also set goals, make plans and aspire for the Living Lord.

Happy new year!

Bonnie Kottler
Copy Editor



Avis Graham Retires From Teaching

LAKE REGION—Avis Graham, a member of the Shiloh Church in Chicago, recently retired from the Chicago public school system after 29 years of service. She served as teacher, counselor, and finally as assistant principal at the Calumet High School which is located on the city's west side. Avis has also served her church throughout the years. At the Shiloh Church in Chicago, she has been Sabbath School teacher, Sabbath School superintendent, and presently serves as a member of the Shiloh Academy School Board. For a number of years Avis has shared her talents with two churches. According to Charlotte Stuart, Shiloh Church communication secretary, Avis has commuted between Shiloh and the Calvin Center Church in Cassopolis, Michigan.



Steve Yochum of Plymouth, Michigan, says that Revelation Seminars are "a wonderful way to share the Gospel."

New Church Members Active in Witnessing

MICHIGAN—The Westland High School classroom is packed with students attending a Revelation Seminar.

One man, a student of the seminar, has just finished sharing his ideas with the group and sits down.

Steve Yochum, a member of the Plymouth, Michigan, Church, thanks him for his comments and turns to the rest of the class. "What should we do with the information Raphael just presented?" he asks. "Do we treat it like the rest of the information brought to class?"

"Yes," the students say unanimously. "Verify it with the Holy Scriptures," one student exclaims. "Prove it with Bible texts," says a student in the back of the room. Steve smiles. It is only the third night of class, yet the group has already learned that the final authority for spiritual concepts is the Bible.

Steve has only been aware of the Seventh-day Adventist Church for a year and a half. The first Sabbath he cautiously attended church alone.

Pleased with the warmth of the church, he returned the next week with his wife, Marilyn. They were invited for dinner after church and accepted.

Both Steve and Marilyn had been "different" from their many friends. They had never cared for liquor, cigarettes or jewelry, and

they had been vegetarians for a long time. They were delighted when they discovered their host and hostess practiced the same life-style.

The next Sabbath they attended church with their daughters Jenny and Erika. Their daughters made friends immediately with the children in the Sabbath School class and asked their parents' permission to go to the Adventist church school. Steve and Marilyn agreed.

From then on, the Yochum family faithfully attended the Plymouth Church and studied the doctrines of the church in a Revelation Seminar Pastor Royce Snyman conducted. They were all baptized during the summer of 1983.

They have since been actively involved in outreach and various responsibilities within the church. Marilyn, a nursery school teacher, loves working in the Sabbath School classes. Steve, who manages a heavy equipment business, enjoys helping with Revelation Seminars.

At the Revelation Seminars, Jenny and Erika register the people at the door while their parents and other helpers serve as greeters.

As Steve says, "This is a wonderful way to share the Gospel."

Laurie Snyman
Communication Secretary



Berean Church Celebrates Men's Day

LAKE REGION—From left, Terry James, Robert Adair, Pastor Marcus E. Harris, C. J. Stephenson, head deacon of the Berean Church in South Bend, Indiana, lock their arms in unity at the Men's Day program. Mr. James was program director for the day. The purpose of the day was to highlight the work of the men in the Berean Church. A second purpose was to raise money for the church's heating boiler. Designated men were in charge of the program for the entire day. They prepared and served an attractive fellowship dinner after the divine worship service. A total of \$1,500 was raised, according to Candida Henry, communication secretary.

First College Prep Seminar Provides Students a Head Start

MICHIGAN—Two Michigan students, Rosette Norris and Debra Burnette, organized a thank-you party at Andrews University for faculty participating in the first College Preparatory Seminar.

The seminar was held as an experiment.

In the fall of 1983 the Andrews University Developmental Skills Committee began discussing the establishment of a study skills pre-session prior to the opening of the 1984-1985 school year.

The committee decided the program should emphasize reading, writing, mathematics, physical education and scholastic study skills. The target group would be incoming freshmen on academic probation (below 2.0 grade point average) and/or students with low American College Testing and placement test scores.

The seminar was to help provide a "head start" for students who might have difficulty settling into a college program. Twenty-four students responded by taking the seminar. Twenty-three of them stayed for the fall quarter.

Faculty of the seminar were: Delmer Davis, director; Linda Closser, assistant director; Peggy Kroncke, scholastic study skills; Theodore Hatcher, mathematics; Louise Moon, reading; Bruce Closser, writing, and Robert Kalua, physical education. Helen Byoune assisted in the reading classes.

Student responses were positive. Jerry Murphy said: "It encouraged me scholastically and spiritually. It made me more prepared for college."

David P. Oakley said, "I think we really can be thankful that there were people who cared enough to take the time to give us a second chance to be better instruments for the service of God and society."

"I've been out of school for 13 years," said Casey Cramer, "so I was very thankful for the college prep course. It helped me acquire reading, writing and study skills needed to succeed in college."

"But an even bigger blessing was the kindness and love of the teachers and the bond of friendship that has grown between many of the students and faculty."

"I would not have traded one moment of the seminar for all the money in the world," said Rosette Norris. "The seminar has brought me closer to the Lord and has

brought me lasting friendships with students and teachers."

Peggy Kroncke spoke for the faculty: "I felt that the small group size and the intense study gave teachers and students an opportunity to get to know each other well."

"For students, it provided concentrated study in specific skills needed for college. . . . The group of 24 was quite diverse in the beginning but seemed to develop a bond and acted like a family as the session ended."

Glenn Hill, communication director of the Michigan Conference, said: "I was impressed with the spirit of gratitude that spontaneously expressed itself at the party. There was a very warm relationship between faculty and students."



From left, Rosette Norris, Jeff Lawson and Casey Cramer admire the poster painted by David P. Oakley for presentation to the faculty of the seminar. The poster expressed the students' fears as they began the seminar and their confidence for the future as the program ended.



Larry Blackmer, principal of Grand Ledge Academy, kneels by one of the two gas meters that prayer provided.

Two Miracles Witnessed At Grand Ledge Academy

MICHIGAN—Parting of the Red Sea . . . cleansing of the ten lepers . . . Why doesn't God give us miracles today to reveal His presence so we too may believe?

Have you ever heard fellow Christians asking questions like this? The students and staff of Grand Ledge Adventist Academy no longer ask these questions, for they have seen the hand of God working miracles in their school. They would like to share with you two such miracles.

Because of rising heating bills, and to better understand the cost of operating the academy, the board of directors asked Principal Larry Blackmer to purchase and install two commercial gas meters.

After the gas company inspected the school, a representative of the company told Mr. Blackmer that the meters needed were very expensive—\$6,000 each—and that used ones were rare and difficult to obtain.

That conversation took place on a Friday. Monday morning, at staff worship, the meter problem was given to the One who supplies all our needs. A few hours later a phone call came to Mr. Blackmer from the gas company.

"We don't know where your connections are, but while we were at your school on Friday, two reconditioned gas meters, perfect for your situation, showed up at our warehouse."

"It's strange because we usually only receive one or two a year, and never two at one time. Yet

stranger still is what the head of

fice told us to charge you for them; \$110 a piece!"

The second recent miracle deals with the roof of the administration building, which is in sad condition. The student body, realizing the need, raised funds for the repair job, and supplies were purchased.

A dry roof was necessary to effect repairs, and two days of dry, warm weather in November is unusual. But finally the weatherman promised two nice days, so a section of roof was removed and left open overnight to dry.

When staff and students arrived at school the next morning, it was raining.

After trying to deal with the water flow for some time, the students were called to the chapel to be dismissed for the day.

It was still pouring rain as students and staff knelt together for prayer. Three students asked the Lord to hold back the rain long enough for temporary repairs to be made.

As everyone rose from their knees, not a drop of rain was falling. Though it rained all day in Lansing, Michigan, a few miles away, it did not rain again that day in Grand Ledge.

"But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Jesus Christ" (Philippians 4:19).

Glenn H. Hill
Michigan Conference
Communication Director

Maranatha Opens Retirement Center

MICHIGAN—Maranatha Flights International, based in Berrien Springs, Michigan, has become synonymous with volunteer construction work for needy areas around the world.

This "Christian Peace Corps," often referred to as simply "Maranatha," has grown both in the number of projects accomplished and the number of participants involved.

As it has grown, Maranatha Flights International has searched for methods of putting the organization on a more solid financial footing.

Traditionally, donations and membership dues have been the sole means of support for the organization. However, in the summer of 1982, the board of directors decided something must be done to insure the future of the Maranatha ministry.

John Bullock, private businessman and member of the board of directors, accepted the challenge of finding a method of financial support for Maranatha. John and his business partner, Wayne Schaffer, proposed a plan for the construction and operation of a retirement facility.

New Port Richey, Florida, was chosen as the site for the new facility, which was to be called the Maranatha Living Center—Florida. The ground-breaking ceremony was held in December of 1983.

More than 200 volunteers worked during the early months of 1984 and saved the project more than \$400,000 in construction costs. The doors to the center were opened on September 2, 1984.

Said Roberta Crabtree, administrator of the Maranatha Living Center: "We were delighted with the response at the open house. Nearly 600 people toured

the facility in just one day."

With 24 full-life lease apartments and 56 rental studio apartments, the center is prepared to offer a comfortable Christian place to enjoy the retirement years.

All proceeds from the operation of Maranatha Living Center—Florida will be used to advance the ministry of Maranatha Flights International.

Visitors are welcome to see the center at 575 E. County Road 518, New Port Richey, FL 33552; 813-847-2980.

Don Noble
Executive Director
Maranatha Flights International



All proceeds from the operation of Maranatha Living Center will be used to further the ministry of Maranatha Flights International.

Paoli Church Dedicated

INDIANA—The Paoli Church dedication was held November 3. Elder Robert Thompson, conference president, was the speaker.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Haynal of Indiana Academy provided special music.

The Paoli Church was organized as a company in 1971 and began with 28 members.

Boyd Hooper and Clatis Puckett of Marengo, Indiana, worked together with Wayne Lewis of Springs Valley area and Pastor David White. A site was purchased and Otis Rupright of Lafayette, Indiana, donated the original structure.

The church was organized in October of 1972 led by Pastor Michael Nickless. A church school started in August of 1973 with 10 students.

The present sanctuary was added to the original building in 1977. The building of the sanctuary was done by church members directed by Ron Williams, also a member.

Since Pastor Nickless five men have pastored the church. They include Dan Snider, Don Klinger, Don Kellogg and Jim Brown. Chuck Hanlon is the present pastor of the 58-member church.

Donna Williams
Communication Secretary

Youth Congress Delegates Help Nassau Believers

LAKE UNION—After two years of planning, 123 delegates and sponsors to the Pan American Youth Congress in Mexico City left for Nassau on Sunday, December 9, 1984.

They departed from various cities such as Detroit, Chicago, Indianapolis, Milwaukee and Minneapolis. The purpose of their mission was to help build camp buildings and a large gymnasium for the Bahamas Academy.

In February 1984 the local conference youth directors and I received courtesy airline tickets from Eastern Airlines for an on-site inspection visit to Nassau. For three days we visited prospective project sites and met with H. A. Roach, conference president, and other conference officers and pastors on the island.

It was decided we would work on the camp and gymnasium, even though four churches were under construction. The gymnasium foundation had been in the ground for 11 years, and the Bahamians were anxious to see a completed building.

Construction of the gymnasium had been previously delayed because of the necessity to construct churches due to overcrowding.

Realizing we would need some help with the gymnasium, we contacted Maranatha Flights International (M.F.I.), which is headquartered in Berrien Springs, Michigan.

The M.F.I. Board accepted the project. John Youngberg Jr., M.F.I. project manager, informed us that Maranatha volunteers would be sent there two weeks ahead of our arrival. It was planned that we would help put on the roof when we arrived.

M.F.I. volunteers arrived in Nassau the last of November 1984. They were housed at the local Catholic monastery, in an abandoned school dormitory. Cooking facilities were also provided for them in the school's home economics room.

Lake Union Conference delegates and leaders arrived in Nassau on December 9 and were housed in the homes of Bahamian believers. Work assignments were given on Monday, December 10.

It was learned that the local conference had exhausted its funds on the construction of the gymnasium and did not have sufficient money for work on the camp, so delegates were assigned to building projects involving two churches and the gymnasium.

The Johnson Park Church had just been started, and only two walk-out Sabbath School rooms existed on the lower level of the structure.

Delegates, directed by Elders Chester Damron, Lester Rilea, Conrad Gill and Archie Moore, moved the remains of a dismantled building and cleared a swath for the backhoe to dig a foundation footing.

Block walls were started on top of the Sabbath School rooms for a



Lake Union crew at the Johnson Park Church



The Johnson Park cement bucket brigade

portion of the church auditorium. The cement foundation was poured by a bucket brigade, and additional cement block walls were erected. About 45 delegates worked on this project.

The local church elder of the Johnson Park Church is named Joe Lewis. He was also the volunteer contractor on the job.

When Brother Lewis was assigned guests to stay at his home during the project, they turned out to be Elder Archie Moore and his wife. Brother Lewis quipped, "I never thought Archie Moore and Joe Lewis would meet in the Bahamas."

Most of the young delegates did not catch the meaning of his statement because they were not familiar with boxing history.

The second church project involved the New Providence Church. Church members there had the walls constructed and most of the roofing done.

Elders Robert Holbrook, Merrill Fleming, Lester Merklin and Larry Unterseher lead out in this project with the help of about 30 delegates.

They built a cement block gable on the front of the church, finished the front roof, stuccoed the cement blocks on the inside of the church, and leveled the dirt floor in preparation for the pouring of cement.

Elders Dale Ziegele and David Rand led delegates assigned to the gymnasium ("gymnatorium" as the Bahamians call it) project. Delegates helped M.F.I. volunteers complete the 18-foot-high cement block walls and pour the 12-inch reinforced concrete

hurricane band around the top of the structure.

Since the roofing materials did not arrive, the auditorium was left ready for the roof.

On Sabbath delegates went to the seven different island churches with their host families.

Saturday evening an island-wide youth social was held using games from the United States. Two Bahamian games were used to close the evening.

Lake Union delegates made a significant impact on the Bahamian church members. Many said, "We never saw young people work like that before."

Brother Lewis said, "I was standing in the line passing the cement buckets, and I had girls on each side of me. They passed those heavy buckets of cement like they were light. I've never seen girls work like that before."

We were proud of our Lake Union youth, and God blessed as we gave a helping hand to the believers in the Bahamas.

On Sunday, December 16, delegates traveled to the Pan American Youth Congress in Mexico City where they were joined by another 30 delegates from the Lake Union. Robert Carter, president of the Lake Union Conference, and his wife, Rose, were among them.

The Bahamians' slogan is "It's better in the Bahamas." They also say that once you get a little Bahamian sand in your shoes, you return. We hope the Lake Union youth can return on another project and possibly build the camp.

Charles C. Case
Youth Director



The New Providence Church project crew in Nassau, Bahamas



The gymnasium at Bahamas Academy as built by the Maranatha Flights International volunteers.



Mixing cement by hand at the New Providence Church



Lake Union Maranatha volunteers are, from left: J. G. and Geneva Galusha, Berrien Springs, Michigan; Conrad and Dorothy Van Hoven, Howard and Claribel Dorgelo, Dennis and Gertrude Slikkers, Holland, Michigan; Joe and Alice Molnar, Portage, Indiana; Doyle Morgan, Cicero, Indiana. Not pictured are: Jack Cain, Arcadia, Indiana; Phyllis Standen and Eleanor Stanhiser, Berrien Springs, Michigan.



Archie Moore and Joe Lewis meet in the Bahamas. Elder Moore is youth director for Indiana Conference; Brother Lewis is a local elder.

Symphony Premieres Composition Of Andrews University Professor

ANDREWS UNIVERSITY—The Owensboro, Kentucky, Symphony Orchestra recently premiered a composition by Charles J. Hall, chairman of the Andrews University music department.

The composition was titled "The City in the Sea," and was based on the poem by Edgar Allan Poe which describes the destruction of Port Royal, Jamaica, in 1692. "Destroyed by a tidal wave, this pirate stronghold was known as one of the most wicked cities of its day," said Dr. Hall.

The performance of "The City in the Sea" required a narrator, choir, soprano soloist and large orchestra. Narration was taken from Poe's poem and selected passages from the biblical book of Revelation.

Dr. Hall wrote "The City in the Sea" for his doctoral dissertation from Michigan State University in 1969-70.

Dr. Hall's former classmate, Leon Gregorian, who is now orchestra director at Michigan State University and conductor of the Owensboro Orchestra, requested permission from Dr. Hall to per-

form his composition.

Dr. Hall has been on the Andrews faculty since 1969. He received a bachelor of arts degree in music from Andrews in 1952 and a master of music degree in music composition from the University of New Mexico in 1960.

He received the 1970 Sigvald Thomson Award from the Fargo-Moorhead Symphony Orchestra for his composition "Five Microscopics for Large Orchestra." He was also awarded a category prize at the Jacksonville University Delius Festival of 1980 for his piece titled "Three Symphonic Chuckles."

In 1982 Dr. Hall was commissioned by the South Bend Symphony Orchestra for an original work honoring the orchestra's 50th anniversary. Dr. Hall's "Chamber Suite No. 1" was premiered at the 1982 National Convention of University Composers in Seattle, Washington.

Dr. Hall is a member of Pi Kappa Lambda, Music Educator's National Conference, the American Society of Composers,



Charles J. Hall, Andrews University music department chairman

Authors and Publishers and the American Society of University Composers.

Lynn Caldwell, Writer
Public Relations Department

Commission Issues Report On Food and Nutrition

ANDREWS UNIVERSITY—Last fall Gloria Smith, director of the Michigan Department of Public Health, announced the findings of the Michigan Food and Nutrition Advisory Commission (MFNAC).

Patricia Mutch, professor of nutrition at Andrews University, served as vice chairman of the commission. According to Dr. Mutch, the findings and recommendations of the commission are contained in *A Right to Food: Food Assistance—The Need and Response*.

Dr. Mutch said that her involvement with the MFNAC began in 1978 when she served on the Michigan Statewide Nutrition Commission by the appointment of the governor. In February 1984 she was elected as vice chairman of the new commission and will continue to serve until the autumn of 1985.

The commission conducted a fact-finding tour of the state by holding six regional public hearings in May of 1984. They received oral and written testimony from emergency food assistance providers, low-income consumers, advocacy groups and public agencies.

In all, some 150 witnesses and respondents produced more than 1,000 pages of documentation of the problems regarding food and nutrition in Michigan, Dr. Mutch said.

The commission found that complex factors related to the economy and federal cutbacks in social service programs have caused what was once an emergency need situation to become chronic.

Dr. Mutch said that while private sector sources have been filling some of the gaps in the state and federal assistance programs, their resources are limited and at present overtaxed.

In addition, most of these types of programs depend on volunteer workers, and the "burnout" rate among volunteers is very high. The result is the deterioration of the health and nutritional status of vulnerable populations and stress on the health and well-being of the family, the commission's report concludes.

The commission found the most cost effective way to deal with many of these problems has historically been the food stamp program.

However, the commission realizes the only real long-term solution is full employment, but until that goal is reached other measures must be taken.

The commission's recommendations were based on the position that every American has a fundamental right to food.

Numerous other recommendations besides those related to improving the food stamp program were made by the commission as well. They include nutritional information programs for pregnant and nursing women, infants and children at risk or with impairments, and the elderly.

The MFNAC report is available in limited quantities from Kay Randolph-Back, Nutritional Advisory Commission, Michigan Department of Public Health, 3500 N. Logan, P.O. Box 30035, Lansing, MI 48909.

John Sweigart, Writer
Public Relations Department

Shortwave Station is Goal of Offering

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The worldwide church family on March 9, 1985, will have an opportunity to participate in one of the greatest mission outreaches of this century.

Today we have thousands of missionaries from scores of homelands serving Christ around the world. But because of religious opposition, cultural barriers, great masses of humanity, et cetera, we as a church find it difficult, and at times almost impossible, to fulfill the gospel commission in some areas of the world.

But there are ways to send the Gospel—ways that would truly amaze Adventist 19th century pioneers. One of these is radio.

On March 9 church members are being asked to contribute to

the special General Conference Session offering, which has been designated to benefit Adventist World Radio—Asia.

Adventist World Radio plans to build a shortwave station on the island of Guam powerful enough to reach more than 2 billion people.

The proposed station will broadcast a strong signal that will have the potential of being heard in the islands of the Pacific, the Philippines, Indonesia, parts of Africa, India, Malaysia, Burma, Thailand, Vietnam, the Chinas, the Koreas, Japan, and vast areas of the Soviet Union.

The capital cost of this major missionary outreach is large in terms of dollars—\$5 million. But thank God for new challenges.

Together we can easily make this project a reality.

When we consider that A.W.R.—Asia will have the capability of reaching more than half of the world's population with the message we have, it may well be one of the most effective mission investments we have ever made.

It is not too early to begin to plan and save for this special 1985 General Conference Session offering. Let the Holy Spirit bring conviction to your heart as you prayerfully consider your contribution to this unusual evangelistic opportunity on March 9, 1985.

Neal C. Wilson
President
General Conference

Adventist Agency to Provide Long-Term Aid to Ethiopia

WASHINGTON, D.C.—In addition to airlifting emergency relief supplies to the starving people of Ethiopia, Adventist Development and Relief Agency has begun a long-term program to help.

According to Mario Ochoa, deputy director, A.D.R.A. will assist Ethiopians in growing food supplies on irrigated land.

"A.D.R.A. has voted \$350,000 to underwrite plans for a three-year program," Mr. Ochoa said. "An A.D.R.A. agricultural expert is in Ethiopia surveying possibilities for a teaching program.

"The costs will be tremendous, but the potential is even greater if we help the Ethiopian people to be self-sufficient over the long term."

Mr. Ochoa said A.D.R.A. is an "integral part of the international relief program that is rushing aid to Ethiopia's displaced persons. We've already airlifted nearly 60 tons of tents, blankets, medicines and clothing worth approximately \$500,000.

"We're also shipping five trucks and three trailers from Germany with 100 tons of high-protein biscuits and dry milk donated by people in the Netherlands. Currently we're feeding about 30,000 people, primarily small children and their mothers, at three locations.

"We're straining our financial resources to the limit, but the people keep streaming in, often sick with pneumonia, tuberculosis,

diarrhea and other diseases."

According to R. R. Drachenberg, executive director, A.D.R.A. still urgently needs to provide: 1) additional food and transportation funds; 2) a warehouse 60' x 120'; 3) two or three prefabricated houses for A.D.R.A. personnel; 4) shipments of 1,000 bales of clothing per month.

Estimates put the number of people on the brink of starvation at six million. That number is the equivalent of the populations of New Hampshire, Montana, Nevada, North and South Dakota, Delaware, Vermont, Wyoming and Alaska. One figure puts the death rate from starvation at 1,500 people per day.

Publishing House Merger Exceeds Projected Savings

HAGERSTOWN, MD.—When the Review and Herald and Southern Publishing Associations merged on March 20, 1980, they had a total of 438 employees with a weekly payroll of \$126,350.

Studies conducted by the publishing house management showed that a combined operation in a more efficient facility would result in savings of a million dollars a year in payroll. According to Harold Otis Jr., president, this goal has been achieved.

As of August 31, 1984, the publishing house employs 158 fewer employees at a savings of more than \$29,350 weekly, or \$1,526,200 annually.

Elder Otis said, "I think it is important to point out that this has been achieved primarily through attrition (retirements, resignations, and transfers) with only 13 percent of these cuts being in the form of actual employee layoffs.

"This 13 percent was painful for those who made the decisions, as well as for those whose lives these decisions affected. However, it is imperative that we

operate our institutions as efficiently as we possibly can."

Presently, with 36 percent fewer employees, the Review and Herald is producing a larger volume of business than did both houses individually prior to the merger.

When asked about this accomplishment, George Bowen, vice president for manufacturing, said, "There is no question that this new plant is providing greater efficiency. We're now able to do the work of the two houses with less people, and in a single shift.

"I'm looking forward to the day we can run these presses two and three shifts. At present all of our overhead costs must be met by operating a single shift. We're geared for volume, and eager for the day the church can fully utilize these giant presses to further God's work."

"I'm pleased that we've met this goal while continuing to be able to pass on to our employees their regular pay increases voted by the General Conference for its institutional workers," commented Glenn Beagles, senior finance officer.



New Daniel Course Portrays Caring God

NEWBURY PARK, CALIF.—Paul Heubach, left, and Elder Phil Knoche, instructors for the Voice of Prophecy's new Bible course on the book of Daniel, discuss the lessons with Arlys Walter Qualley, coordinator of the Bible school. Textbooks for the course are the Bible and the new 318-page volume, *God Cares—The Message of Daniel for You and Your Family*, by Dr. C. Mervyn Maxwell, chairman of the church history department at the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary in Berrien Springs, Michigan. Lessons and answer sheets have been prepared by Dr. Heubach, formerly on the faculty and pastoral staff at Loma Linda University and now retired. The course is designed as an advanced study for graduates of New Life, the V.O.P.'s basic Bible guides. Persons are encouraged to enroll first in New Life because the book of Daniel will be more easily comprehended after they have a general understanding of the Bible's major themes.

World Church News Notes

- The Trans-Tasman Union Conference of the Australasian Division reports that youth evangelism is the key to a progressive outreach ministry by youth "down under." In 1983, youth held 31 evangelistic crusades. Forty more were held through September 1984. And a total of 420 Revelation Seminars are planned for 1985.

- Francis Soper, editor of Listen magazine since 1953 and a denominational editor since 1942, retired officially on October 31, 1984. Listen magazine was a trend setter in Adventist journalism, extensively using picture features and major personality interviews as a vehicle to convey its better-living message to young people in secular society. Gary B. Swanson, former associate editor of Listen, has now assumed the role of editor.

- The Africa-Indian Ocean Division took an action at its midyear committee in Abidjan, Ivory Coast "that every local field and union attempt by God's power to increase their percentage of self-support by 10 percent each year, keeping in mind the following division objectives: by 1990, 70 percent average of self-support for local fields and unions; by 1995, 100 percent of self-support for local fields and unions."

- Adventists in Poland recently dedicated new churches in four cities—Siedlce (East Polish Con-

ference), Andrychow and Kalwaria Zebrzydowska (South Polish Conference), and Przemysl (near the Russian border; this church was built largely from funds donated by a Polish-Canadian Adventist). The Kalwaria Church is of special note because the town is the site of Catholic pilgrimages. Pope John Paul II, who was born in nearby Wadowice, often visited the monastery there. The Adventist Church is the only non-Catholic church in Kalwaria.

- During a recent three-week tour of South Africa, Adventist Sabbath scholar Samuele Bacchiocchi conducted four Sabbath seminars—in Cape Town, Port Elizabeth, Durban, and Johannesburg—attended by a total of 5,000 people. Another 1,500 heard Dr. Bacchiocchi when he spoke during church services at Helderberg College, Riverside, and East London. During his visit, Dr. Bacchiocchi was interviewed and featured two consecutive days on the popular nationwide radio program "Women's World." A 25-minute television interview on the change of the Sabbath was recorded for a future nationwide broadcast.

- Radio stations at five Seventh-day Adventist colleges, along with commercial stations in Blaine, Washington, and Bakersfield, California, premiered the Voice of Prophecy's weekly live call-in

broadcast, "Let's Talk," on Saturday, January 5, at 7 P.M. Pacific Time. Other outlets for the program are pending. Harold and Kenneth Richards host the one-hour program which features interviews with guests followed by phoned-in questions for listeners. Adventist college stations airing the "Let's Talk" program are: KSGN, Loma Linda University; WOCG, Oakwood College; KCDS, Pacific Union College; KJCR, Southwestern Adventist College; and KGTS, Walla Walla College. The program is available to any station without charge.

- Available for the 1985 camp meeting circuit will be a sample of the new half-hour television series that is currently being produced at Faith For Today, and will begin to be aired in the spring of 1985. The title for the series is "Christian Lifestyle Magazine." It is a health-oriented series hosted by Dan Matthews and co-hosted by a Seventh-day Adventist woman who is yet to be selected. This team will be on location across North America bringing television viewers stories about Adventists and other Christians whose lives have been changed by incorporating many unique Adventist health principles. Specifically targeted for the Sunday morning viewing audience, the series is designed to address the "whole" person—physically, mentally, socially, and spiritually.

Voice of Prophecy Features New Format

NEWBURY PARK, CALIF.—The Voice of Prophecy's daily broadcast features "Signs of Our Times" in 1985.

A series entitled "What Is Your Future?" begins this new format.

Besides prophecy and Bible doctrines, the year's programs include such subjects as healthful living, family relationships, dealing with stress, and scientific wonders of creation. Guest inter-

views are scheduled from time to time.

"We believe our listeners will find the variety of topics helpful in coping with the problems of daily life in an imperfect world," says H. M. S. Richards Jr.

More than 270 stations now air the "Voice of Prophecy" from Monday through Friday. Because a large percentage carry the broadcast during morning or

evening "drive time" or during the lunch hour, the new daily format is designed to appeal to a wide spectrum of listeners, including professional persons.

"As commuters and others turn their radio dials," says Bob Edwards, "we want to catch their ears with thought-provoking talks." Mr Edwards is researcher and producer for the daily broadcast.

General Conference Session To Include Dining Service

SHAWNEE MISSION, KAN.—The Physical Arrangements Committee of the 54th General Conference Session has made plans for meals to be served at the Superdome in New Orleans, Louisiana.

The limited seating capacities, high prices and inconvenient locations of New Orleans restaurants necessitate such a service.

Clinton A. Wall, corporate dietary consultant for Adventist Health System/Eastern and Middle America, has been asked to direct the meal service.

"This type of project is not new to him. At the 1970 General Conference Session in Atlantic City, New Jersey, he and his brother William served 5,000 meals per day for 10 days.

At the 1985 session, it is expected that 144,000 meals will be served in 13 days, making this the largest vegetarian dining service in history. Approximately 140 tons of food will be served.

The main dining service will have eight fast-serve lines and will provide a nonselect menu for noon and evening meals in minimum time.

Each meal will consist of one each of entree, side dish (vegetables, rice, et cetera), salad, specialty bread, fresh fruit and/or a simple dessert and beverage.

A limited service cafeteria and quick food stands with a la carte pricing will also function throughout the day.

Mr. Wall and his staff of selected leadership personnel from Adventist institutions across the United States are arranging to provide attractive, nourishing

meals that will satisfy Adventists' tastes at a reasonable price.

Young people, 17 years of age or older, planning to accompany their parents to the conference, are invited to apply for general food service work opportunities.

Inquiries for work should be addressed to: Millie M. Kurtz, R.D., Associate Director, General Conference Food Service, Adventist Health System/EMA, 8800 West 75th Street, Shawnee Mission, KS 66204. Individuals with food service experience may be given preference.

Since special food supplies will be ordered well in advance of the conference, and in some instances shipped from distant locations, it will be necessary to presell tickets to establish quantities of food required.

Meal order forms should be requested from Adventist Health System/Eastern and Middle America offices and returned no later than May 1 to insure participation in the meal service at precession prices.

Delegates and their spouses will receive tickets in the registration packet for the noon meals without ordering. They will still need to indicate the date of their first noon meal and also order evening meal tickets.

Every effort is being made to provide adequate, appropriate service throughout the conference. This includes educating the New Orleans Restaurant Association membership, delegate hotels, and selected restaurants on the unique dietary principles of the Adventist Church.

Adventist Communicator Distributes Essay In Tokyo

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The relationship between the mass media and religion calls for two-way communication that leads to credibility and social responsibility for both religion and the media, according to Robert W. Nixon.

Mr. Nixon is communication director of the world headquarters of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Mr. Nixon's essay, "Religion and Media: Social Responsibility Is a Two-Way Street," was distributed to 600 participants at the recent Seventh World Media Conference in Tokyo.

The essay stated that the media "have full right and responsibility to report the news—bad news and, hopefully, even the good news—about religion."

Mr. Nixon said, "religious groups in many instances are too sensitive to how they appear in the mass media.

"Apparently many are so used to preaching the 'good news' of their particular belief system that they become nervous, sometimes even downright resentful, if the news they read about themselves is less than what they wish.

"Most religious groups," he said, "are used to solving problems and tensions behind closed

doors, out of the public eye.

"When the public eye focuses on a problem or tension within a particular religious group, that group often retreats from the public forum to lick the supposed wounds it has received from what it considers hostile media.

"That retreat from the public forum may be the best response at times. At other times such retreat may be the worst response. At still other times, the situation may be a toss-up."

Mr. Nixon said a religious group involved in the news should first analyze media reports to determine whether they are basically true. If they are, the group must face the consequences of its acts.

If they are false, the group should be prepared to explain its position. The media then should give the religious group involved an opportunity to present its position.

"And after the facts... are reported by the media," Mr. Nixon concluded, "public opinion will form. If both church and media have been socially responsible, both church and media will be credible in the eyes of the people, which should be the goal of both."

Television Ministries

(Continued from page one)

Mary was the only Adventist in the La Salle/Peru area of central Illinois. Through her almost single-handed efforts, first a company and then a church was organized in her community.

And so through Mary's witness Estelle decided she would go all the way with Jesus and join the church.

Estelle was baptized by Milton Fish, pastor of the Ottawa, Illinois, Church, on July 7, 1984. She has since moved to Joliet, Illinois, where she was warmly received by her new church family.

Today Estelle Ceja says, "I am so grateful for all of the 'Faith For Today' staff and their caring programs. They cared enough to send a personal representative to be my spiritual guide, friend, and sister in Christ."

Her testimony summarizes what Adventist Television Ministries is all about.

If it were important for Adventists to reach out through television in the 1950's when only nine percent of Americans had access to the new medium, how much more in 1985 when 98.2 percent are watching as much as seven hours of television per day?

Evangelism is essentially reaching out to people where they are. Jesus touched people's lives not only in the synagogue but also in the marketplace, by the shores of the Sea of Galilee, in towns and villages, and in private homes.

Today Adventist Television Ministries, which includes "Breath of Life," "Faith For Today," and "It Is Written," has the opportunity to bring the unique three angels' messages to more people in their own homes than ever before.

What contribution does Adventist Television Ministries make to the spread of the Gospel in the Lake Union?

"It Is Written," with George Vandeman's warm teaching style, is seen every week in Detroit, Michigan; Fort Wayne, Indianapolis, and South Bend/Elkhart, Indiana; Quincy, Illinois, and Rhinelander, Wisconsin.

"Faith For Today," using a story format with host Dan Matthews, is seen weekly in Champaign/Danville, Peoria, Springfield and Decatur, Illinois; New Albany, Terre Haute and La Crosse, Indiana; Madison, Milwaukee, Wausau, and West Bend, Wisconsin.

"Breath of Life," with the straight-forward preaching of Charles D. Brooks and singing of Walter Arties, is seen in Terre Haute, Indiana.

For satellite subscribers, all three telecasts are available on a number of networks, including PTL, CBN, EWTN, WTBS, and SPN.

As a follow-up on interested people, hundreds in Michigan, Illinois, Indiana, and Wisconsin have attended one-day "It Is Written" Bible seminars with George Vandeman and Roland Lenhoff.

Many others have been baptized through "Breath of Life" evangelistic crusades in Detroit and South Bend. Still more have completed Bible courses from the "Faith For Today" Bible correspondence school in preparation for church membership.

A young man from Indiana recently wrote to "It Is Written": "Thanks to you, my whole life is changed. I have gone from a worthless wretch to a man on the right track. I owe it all to you. Your ministry is an important part of my life. If you went off the air I don't know what I would do."

Another man wrote: "I have been watching 'Breath of Life' a while now every Sunday. . . . Send me your lessons. . . . It's good to see your program spreading the Word through TV."

From Michigan a viewer wrote "Faith For Today": "Your program [Westbrook Hospital's 'Hear the Sunrise'] is a good way to spread God's Word to those who need to hear it. . . . These days good programs are hard to come by. Please keep up God's good witnessing programs. We need more inspirational programs like yours."

It takes all of us, "Breath of Life," "Faith For Today," "It Is Written," and you to finish the Lord's work. That's why Adventist Television Ministries will benefit from the offering on Sabbath, February 9.

Although this offering covers only a small percent of actual yearly need, it will help the ministries do more. The goal this year of \$1.2 million will help the three ministries reach out into new cities. Contributions will purchase air time in cities where none of the three are represented at the present time.

Millions of people watching television have not yet been reached. They must be.

Although it often costs thousands of dollars to purchase a half hour of air time, the cost is very reasonable when divided by the number of viewers. As low as 2 to 20 cents per home. That's less than mailing a letter, and we get to talk with viewers for a half hour, illustrate Bible truth, and then invite them back next week.

How much will your gift accomplish?

Costs vary, but here are some suggestions: \$10 will mail lessons to 230 Bible school students; \$25 will place a program so 500 people can view it; \$50 will cover expenses for one person to graduate from a Bible correspondence course, and \$1,000 will purchase one Sunday's air time in a city like Boise, Idaho, or Knoxville, Tennessee.

Please plan a liberal gift on Adventist Television Ministries Day, Sabbath, February 9. Just place your gift in an offering envelope and mark it Adventist Television Ministries.

Mary Virgo, Estelle Ceja and tens of thousands of other converts to the church thank you for caring enough to beam the message of Jesus to their homes.

Announcements

Announcements for publication in the Herald should be received by YOUR LOCAL CONFERENCE office at least FIVE weeks before the scheduled event.

ANDREWS UNIVERSITY

Adventist Engaged Encounter, a weekend designed to help engaged couples prepare for their marriage relationship, will be held February 15 to 17 and May 3 to 5 on the Andrews University campus. The weekend program is open to any engaged couple committed to growth in their relationship. For further information or to make reservations, contact the Campus Ministries Office, Andrews University, Berrien Springs, MI 49104, or call 616-471-3211.

A Marriage Commitment Seminar will be held February 8 and 9 on the Andrews University campus. It will be conducted by Drs. John and Millie Youngberg. The weekend provides time for romance, communication, spiritual growth and commitment. The program begins at 6:15 Friday evening and closes at 9:30 P.M. Saturday evening. For reservations, cost and information, contact Lifelong Learning, Andrews University, Berrien Springs, MI 49104; 616-471-3286.

Marriage Commitment Leadership Training will be held February 10 through 12 on the Andrews University campus. Couples or individuals who have attended a Marriage Commitment Seminar can become leaders or team couples helping others by attending this leadership seminar. The seminar will be conducted on Sunday from 9:30 A.M. to 12 noon and 1:30 to 5:30 P.M.; Monday and Tuesday, 6:30 to 9:30 P.M. The seminar can be taken as non-credit or for one credit. For further information, cost and registration, contact Lifelong Learning, Andrews University, Berrien Springs, MI 49104; 616-471-3286.

WISCONSIN

Lay Rally, March 15 to 16, 1985, at the Madison, Wisconsin, Church. This Lay Rally is for Wisconsin laity. For information contact Elder Bill Wilson, P.O. Box 7310, Madison, WI 53707, or phone 608-241-5235.

Winter Youth Retreat: February 8 to 10, 1985, for ages 18 to 35. Enjoy a weekend of Christian fellowship and winter sports at Whispering Pines, Frederic, Wisconsin. For reservations and cost write to Mrs. Ken Nelson, Box 67, Lewis, WI 54851; 715-653-2286.

OUTSIDE LAKE UNION

Volunteers Wanted to help in hundreds of areas for the North American Pathfinder Camporee July 29 to August 7, 1985, in Colorado. If interested in helping, contact your local conference youth director; 1,500 volunteers are needed. Don't wait; sign up now and enjoy the week with the Pathfinders.

The Palmetto Church, Palmetto, Florida, invites you to help celebrate its being the oldest and first to be organized Adventist church in Florida during the weekend of March 8. Elder A. McClure, president of the Southern Union, will speak Friday, March 8. Elder Chester Damron, chaplain at Andrews University, will speak on Sabbath, March 9. A Sabbath afternoon program will cover the history of the church. Join the celebration at the church, 3307 10th Street W., Palmetto, FL 33561.

Loma Linda University's third annual study tour of the Middle East offers a three-phased tour this year; a visit to Israel and Greece, concluding with an optional excursion to Italy. Called Experience '85, the tour leaves Los Angeles on July 21, 1985. Tour directors of Experience '85 are Bailey Gillespie, professor of theology and Christianity, and Richard Rice, associate professor of theology. Tour members may receive four hours of college credit in either religion or history, and tuition is included in the tour price. For information and cost write Experience '85, Division of Religion, Loma Linda University, Riverside, CA 92515, or tele-

phone 714-785-2042.

"**The Telltale Connection**," a seven-part miniseries presented by George Vandeman and "It Is Written," is being televised through February 17. The miniseries deals with the psychic and the occult. Check local listings for time and channel. Church members are encouraged to invite interested friends to join them in viewing this series. Pastor Vandeman's new book, *The Telltale Connection*, will be offered with the Signs of the Times throughout the series.

Two "Voice of Prophecy" daily broadcasts in Michigan have been moved to new times. New times are: WWJQ-1260, Monday through Friday in Holland, 12:45 P.M. and WMUZ(FM)-103.5, Monday through Friday in Detroit, 9:15 P.M.

Classified Ads

All advertisements must be approved by your local conference office. Ads should be sent to the local conference office at least five weeks before the desired issue date. No phoned ads will be accepted. Final ad deadline at the Lake Union Herald office is Monday, 9 A.M., 16 days before the date of issue; 50 words maximum. Limit of four insertions.

Rates: \$12 per insertion for ads from Lake Union Conference church members; \$18.50 per insertion for all other advertisers. All ads must be paid in advance of printing. Money orders and checks should be made payable to the Lake Union Conference. There will be no refunds for cancellations.

The Herald cannot be responsible for advertisements appearing in its columns and reserves the right to edit classified ads in conformance with editorial policies. The Herald does not accept responsibility for categorical or typographical errors.

ERHARD FURNITURE, 2300 U.S. 31, Berrien Springs, MI 49103, phone: 616-471-2202. Quality furniture at discount prices. Moving? Save more! Special order ahead. America's finest bedding and water beds at low, low prices. Closed Saturday. —1008-10

STUDY MEDICINE IN GUADALAJARA. Write to Oficina de Estudiantes Extranjeros, Universidad Autonoma de Guadalajara, Apartado 1-440, Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico. —1052-2

ADVENTIST CASSETTE RESOURCES now has the Conflict of the Ages series on cassette. Now you can benefit from these beautifully packaged inspirational volumes while you work, drive or just relax. For more information call 800-533-5353 (in Michigan 616-471-3402) or write to Adventist Cassette Resources, Berrien Springs, MI 49104. —1054-2

PHYSICAL THERAPY DIRECTOR, Brighton, Colo. Platte Valley Medical Center, an AHS/EMA facility, seeks full-time P.T. director with previous management experience. Brighton is 30 minutes from Denver and Boulder, with major ski areas nearby. Excellent salary and benefits. Call Personnel, 303-659-1531, or send resume to P.O. Box 98, Brighton, CO 80601. —1060-2

REGISTERED NURSES needed for full-time positions in medical, surgical, C.C.U., OB and E.R.; evening and night shifts. New 118-bed hospital, rural environment, Adventist elementary school and academy nearby. Write: Personnel Office, Moberly Regional Medical Center, Box 300, Moberly, MO 65270, or call collect 816-263-8400. —1066-2

MARANATHA LIVING CENTER, for retirees, is now open for occupancy. Profits are for the advancement of Maranatha Flights International work around the world. 2-bedroom full-life lease apartments. Monthly rental studios. Adjacent to Adventist church and school. 575 E. County Road 518, New Port Richey, FL 33552; 813-847-2980. —1067-5

FOR SALE: Near Ozark Academy, country setting, 6/10 acre, large 3-bedroom, 1½ bath home, den with wood stove flue, built-ins, central heat, window air; within walking distance to store, \$39,500. Contact Dick Carlson, Master Key Realty, Box 676, Gentry, AR 72734; 501-736-8774 or 501-736-2625. —1068-2

LIVE-IN HELP needed for retired couple in Battle Creek, Mich. Board, room, salary and automobile furnished. Call collect: Richard Lane, 312-887-2423 (office) daily or 312-323-7568 (home) after 7 P.M. —1069-5

BED ASSIGNMENT COORDINATOR. Credentialed or accredited admitting manager. Experience required in supervision, physician contact, DRG's, and use of computers. Minimum 2 years experience in

an admitting office. Qualified applicants send resume, including salary history, to Personnel, Kettering Medical Center, 3535 Southern Blvd., Kettering, OH 45429. —1070-2

WANTED: Mature, responsible, ambitious couple (no children) needed immediately to help manage a 26-bed personal care home for brain disordered elderly clients. Requires flexibility in hours and duties. Experience in long-term care preferred. One-bedroom apartment provided; good salary and benefits. Rural Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. Write: Valenti's Personal Care, RD 3, Box 398, Columbia, PA 17512; 717-285-4004. —1071-2

A NEW DEAN is being sought for Walla Walla College's School of Nursing. Qualifications: B.S. and M.S. in nursing; doctorate in nursing or related discipline; teaching and managerial experience, and willingness to relocate in Portland, Ore. Send vita to Rodney Heisler, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Walla Walla College, College Place, WA 99324; or call collect 509-527-2431. —1072-4

Letters

Letters on nontheological topics are welcomed by the editors. We appreciate your thoughtful reaction to articles printed and your suggestions and questions. Right is reserved to edit for continuity and space limitations. Your name, address and the name of home church are required, but will not be published if you request anonymity.

I want to thank you for the [Lake Union Herald] subscription when I became a new member to God's family in March [1984]. The Lake Union Herald is a blessing for me. It keeps me up-to-date with current events in Seventh-day Adventist circles.

Robert J. Magyar
Taylor, Michigan

Mileposts

Anniversaries

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jewell recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in Brule, Wisconsin. They were married in Marksville, Minnesota, by J. L. Tucker on November 25, 1934. Elder Tucker sent a letter of congratulations and a special poem which was presented to them during a surprise social given in their honor on July 28, 1984. Many relatives and friends were present for the occasion. The Jewells have served and been members of the Berg Park Church in Poplar, Wisconsin, for many years.

Wedding

Natalie Joy De Wind and Brent Kevin Cole were married Dec. 23, 1984, in Bauer, Mich. The ceremony was performed by Nels E. Thompson.

Natalie is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank De Wind of Hudsonville, Mich., and Brent is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Cole of Grand Rapids, Mich.

The Coles are making their home in Holly, Mich.

Obituaries

HOLLEY, Vivian A., 70, born Dec. 9, 1913, in Merrill, Wis., died Nov. 19, 1984, in Sun Prairie, Wis. She was a member of the Madison, Wis., Church.

Survivors include her husband, Sylvan, and a daughter, Dorothy Zollbrecht.

Services were conducted by Pastor Gary Oliver, and interment was in Merrill Memorial Park, Merrill.

MUELLER, Rose, 94, born May 7, 1890, in Battle Creek, Mich., died Nov. 28, 1984, in Oshkosh, Wis. She was a member of the Oshkosh Church.

Survivors include a brother, Daniel J. Hanson; one grandchild, and 3 great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastor Raymond J. Plummer, and interment was in Mountain Cemetery, Mountain, Wis.

SALINE, Thorsten S., 86, born Feb. 2, 1898, in Kristinastad, Finland, died Dec. 2, 1984, in Middle River, Wis. He was a member of the Superior, Wis., Church.

Survivors include 2 sisters, Mildred Waters and Vivian Bettes, and a brother, Walter.

Services were conducted by Pastor Kenneth Knutsen, and interment was in Greenwood Cemetery, Superior.

TUTTLE, Sadie, 92, born July 8, 1892, in Madison, Wis., died Nov. 18, 1984, in Madison. She was a member of the Madison Church.

Services were conducted by Gary Oliver, and interment was in Milton Junction, Wis.

Focus on the Advent

John Hayward
Secretary
Lake Union Conference



While the world recently gave attention to the first advent of Christ to this world, Seventh-day Adventists recognize their mission as focusing also on the second advent of our Lord.

Even though 140 years have passed since God raised up the Advent movement, we are still awaiting that grand and glorious day. Dramatic events of prophecy testify that the end is indeed at hand.

During this predicted "tarrying time," an attitude of "My lord delayeth his coming" (Matthew 24:48) has resulted in a lethargic lukewarmness among us. The reality of the

soon return of our Lord has grown dim at a time when we should be looking up, for our "redemption draweth nigh."

Why the delay in Christ's second advent? Here is Ellen White's inspired answer: "Because the time is apparently extended, many have become careless and indifferent . . . They do not realize their danger and do not see and understand the mercy of our God in lengthening their probation, . . . Time is granted them, not to be employed in studying their own ease and becoming dwellers on the earth, but to be used in the work of overcoming every defect in their own characters and in helping others, by example and personal effort, to see the beauty of holiness" (*Testimonies for the Church*, vol. 4, p. 306).

The winds of strife now evidenced in world conditions will soon be unleashed with fury, unrestrained by the angels who hold them in check at present (Revelation 7:1). In great love for His church, God's grace has permitted a delay of the advent until His people display the character of Christ and make haste to fulfill the gospel commission as a caring church. But time is almost gone! Will the church awaken, put on the garments of righteousness and finish the work?

Note this encouraging promise and earnest appeal: "I have been deeply impressed by scenes that have recently passed before me in the night season. There seemed to be a great movement—a work of revival—going forward in many places. Our people were moving into line, responding to God's call. My brethren, the Lord is speaking to us. Shall we not heed His voice? Shall we not trim our lamps, and act like men who look for their Lord to come? The time is one that calls for light-bearing, for action" (*Life Sketches*, p. 425).

During 1985 may we here in the Lake Union grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ so that the earth can be enlightened with His glory, and we can usher in the long awaited coming of our Saviour.

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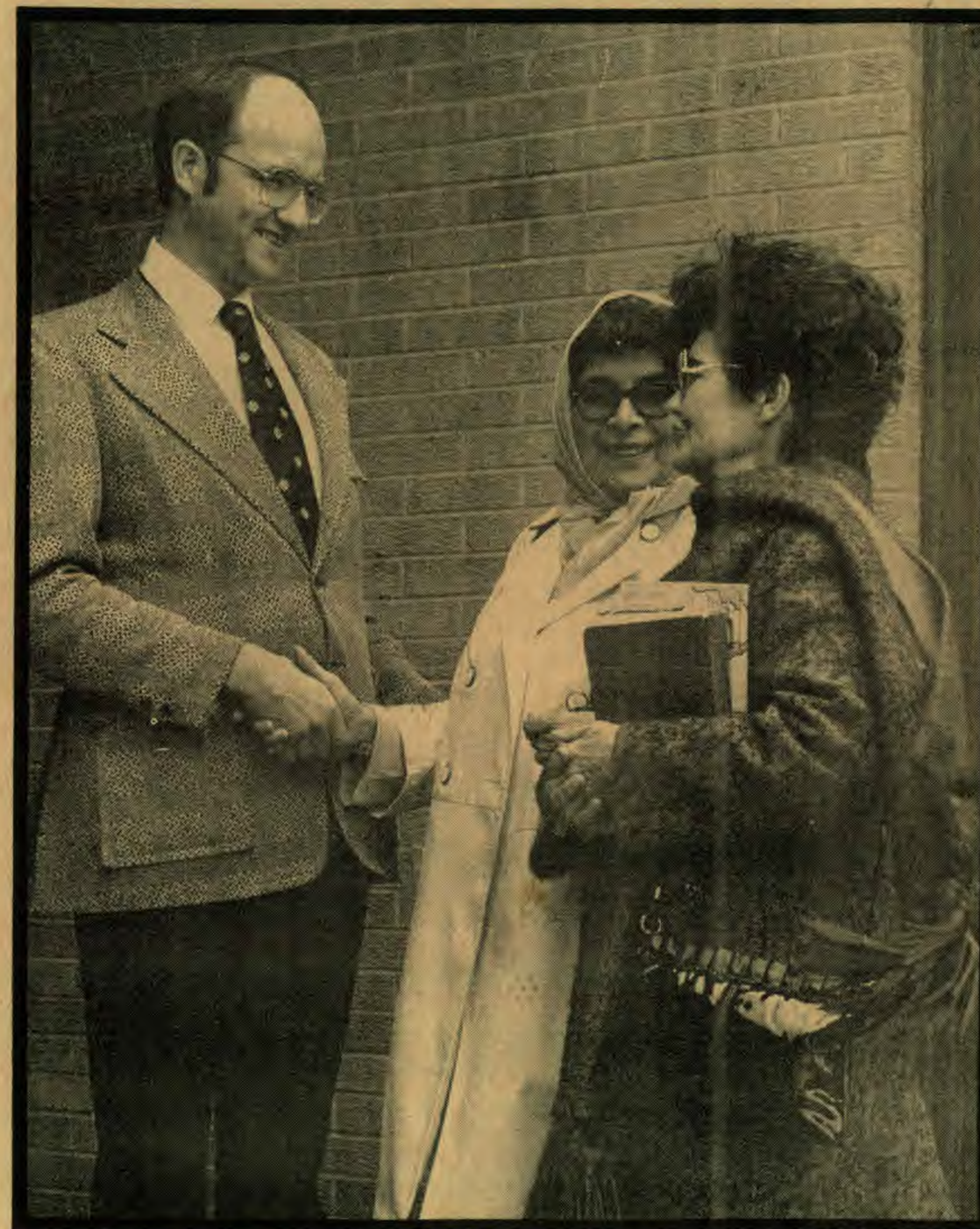
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