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O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant.

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This picture of the Morris Chapel was taken by Richard Dower near Niles, MI. The *Lake Union Herald* staff's wish is for your Christmas to be filled with joy, peace and cherished memories.

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EDITORIAL



A Gift of Love

by Robert H. Carter, president
Lake Union Conference

I can still see their faces. I wish you could have seen them. I refer to the faces of 100 children crowded into two small dilapidated classrooms in San Francisco de Macoris, Dominican Republic.

These were friendly, happy faces. They were intelligent faces which expressed a desire to continue the Christian education that they have been receiving at the local Seventh-day Adventist school. That privilege is being threatened, however, because the Dominican Republic government says that our church will no longer be permitted to operate a school in such an unsafe structure.

The government cannot be blamed for its decision. I am an eye witness to the terrible state of this school building. Education officials have been tolerant in giving our members time to find acceptable quarters.

Those of us who inspected that school left united in our resolve to help build a new school for these wonderful children. The members of the San Francisco de Macoris Church have already raised money and purchased a spacious lot in a very nice location of the community upon which to build their new school. But their funds are limited. They need a helping hand.

As you no doubt know, the Lake Union Conference has adopted the Dominican Republic as a sister union. On May 29 of this year an appeal for a special offering was made. We appreciate the giving of those who responded. However, we fell far short of the amount needed. The local and union conference officers are supporting that a special gift of love be received in all of our churches on December 11 for this project (see pages 8-17).

A number of our Lake Union constituents are planning to go to the Dominican Republic during December and January to help in the construction of this new school. This special issue of the *Lake Union Herald* includes a copy of the school building plans (pages 16-17). It should be a representative building when completed.

Those who cannot physically go to our sister union can assist by your liberal financial gifts. These funds, given on December 11, will be used exclusively for the completion of the school project. I can think of no better gift you or I could give during this Christmas season.

"I have shewed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive' " (Acts 20:35).



Court Decisions Necessitate Congressional Action

*Vernon Alger, public affairs/religious liberty director
Lake Union Conference*

In a society which increasingly demands uniformity, the price of individuality rises. Such is the current situation in the United States labor force. Employers seek to offset falling revenues or rising production costs by extracting the maximum benefit for their labor dollars. This labor efficiency often requires uniform treatment of employees without variance and at times with the use of non-standard schedules. For example, some employers have gone to eight-day work weeks with six days of work and two days for a weekend. This obviously results in a conflict with Sabbath observance based on a seven-day week cycle.

As our church members face increasing numbers of Sabbath/work schedule conflicts, the courts have continued their decline in support for religious accommodation. Some courts have said that by the employer entering into a contract with a labor union containing a seniority provision, the employer has satisfied its statutory obligation to accommodate its employees' exercise of religion and other rights. Other courts have held that the employers' duty is also fulfilled by the posting of a notice that an individual needs a swap of shifts to accommodate religion, even though no swap is available.

With little, if any, effective recourse to the federal courts available to protect religious diversity, the Lake Union Conference Department of Public Affairs and Religious Liberty requested the North American Division of Seventh-day Adventists to study the possibility of new legislation to provide by statute the necessary safeguards for employees facing this problem. In 1964, the Civil Rights Act was passed, mandating a quality of treatment. The problem of discrimination was not solved. In 1972, Congress passed an amendment to the Civil Rights Act called the Equal Employment Opportunity Act, requiring, as it relates to religion, that employers reasonably accommodate the

religious observances of their employees, unless to do so would cause undue hardship. With a few exceptions, and until about five or six years ago, the application of the Equal Employment Opportunity Act worked. However, because of several factors, including the ripple effect of an unfortunate 1977 U.S. Supreme Court decision, the federal courts have moved away from the intended effect of the Equal Employment Opportunity Act. Congressional action is again needed to reestablish the rights of an employee to observe Sabbath unless the "hardship" on the employer is real and significant.

The North American Division has established a committee to study the possibility of remedial legislation. The church has also discovered that some Jewish organizations with members facing the same problems, have also formed a study committee. The two committees have now joined efforts, have had joint meetings and have drafted a proposed amendment to Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, which, if enacted, would substantially reduce the loss of jobs by Sabbatharians due to their work schedules.

The proposed language has been given to a committee of the U.S. House of Representatives which will rewrite it in the appropriate legislative format. A member of the House of Representatives is very supportive of these objectives and has agreed to introduce the legislation into Congress. While getting this bill through two committees and both houses of Congress will be difficult, the present situation is unacceptable and all possible measures must be used to assist our members facing a Sabbath/work schedule conflict. At such time as this legislation is being considered in Congress, members in the Lake Union will be notified and requested to convey their opinions on this issue to their representatives and senators in Washington.

Teaching Service and Subjects

Wisconsin — “I wish academies were like that when my kids were in school.” This was one parent’s comment after hearing about the 1993-94 school year at Wisconsin Academy (WA) in Columbus.

Academy chaplain and Bible teacher Neil Richmund calls the program “Putting the Good News in Shoes.” He says, “We want to give students a chance to put theory into practice.”

To do this, two Fridays each month are devoted to community service — one week for freshmen and seniors, the next for sophomores and juniors. For three hours, classes are canceled while students and teachers work together in the community.

The first Friday, several groups made up of students and staff loaded into vans and headed for downtown Columbus. With one stoplight and a population of under 5,000, Columbus is a town where Christian young people can make a big impact.



Two academy groups visited residents in local nursing homes, where they will regularly volunteer throughout the year. Four young people worked as teacher assistants at Petersen SDA Elementary school in Columbus. Preparing trim for a new paint job at an elderly woman’s home was the job of 11 students (pictured from left is Crystal Stauffer and boys’ dean Dallas Buchholz). Lastly, at the city’s request, 10 students took a survey of

town trees by measuring trunk widths and recording each tree’s species and condition.

Richmund feels this type of outreach is especially important. “We’re trying to build up a rapport [with the community],” he says. In planning the year’s projects, Columbus mayor, Joe Marks, met with the academy outreach committee.

Heidi Poser, downtown manager of Columbus, wrote a letter thanking the students for their work. “I’m so impressed with all of them,” she said. “Their efforts are making a big difference in Columbus!”

How do students feel about a school that teaches service as well as subjects? Great, apparently. “It was a lot of fun!” one freshman reported after the first outing.

In fact, many WA students are eager to serve in a wider field. Currently three mission trips both in and out of the United States are being planned. In addition, the seniors have voted to make their spring class trip one of service.

WA faculty say they’re excited about the strong spiritual atmosphere pervading the campus — evidenced not only in the outreach program, but also in the growing number of voluntary prayer bands which meet early each morning.

“This year the students seem more committed than ever,” Richmund observes. “It’s by far our best year yet.”

Laurie Herr, Wisconsin Conference communication director

Training Members to Witness

Lake Union — Having the *Power to Witness* can now be found in this book by Jim Zackrisson, Southern California Conference church ministries director. His book integrates spiritual preparation, practical skills from pre-evangelism to getting decisions, and an approach to teaching Adventist doctrines. It is available at ABC book centers in both Spanish and English.

Assisting India’s Earthquake Victims

Lake Union — On Thursday, Sept. 30, at 4 a.m., I felt my bed in the Holiday Inn Hotel of Bangalore, India, shake for no known reason. I was wide awake at this early hour because my body was still trying to adjust to the time change in this faraway land. Later that morning when I tuned in to the morning news, I realized that I had felt the shock waves of the worst earthquake to hit India in 50 years.

In just a few seconds, over 30,000 people perished under the debris of falling buildings. Many thousands more were injured. Millions of dollars worth of damage was done to structures that remained standing.

Delegates to the General Conference Annual Council in Bangalore were deeply moved by this tragedy. Regular business was delayed as the attendees knelt for a season of prayer in behalf of the earthquake victims.

After a report on the devastation by M. E. Cherian, president of the Southern Asia Division, the General Conference treasurer, D. F. Gilbert, announced that the Church was making a substantial contribution to assist victims. The Adventist Disaster and Relief Agency joined the General Conference in making a cash contribution as well as dispatching a team of relief workers to the scene of the earthquake.

I pledged a \$5,000 contribution from the Lake Union Conference. It is my hope that Lake Union constituents approve this small gesture. While the Church is to be commended for its liberal response, it is very little compared to the tremendous needs of those who have lost so much.

Robert H. Carter, Lake Union Conference president

NEW MEMBERS

INDIANA



Tina (left) and Steve (right) Martin, of Cicero, were baptized Aug. 7 at Timber Ridge Camp by Elder Lyle Davis (center); reports Dianna Charron, Noblesville Church

assistant communication secretary. We are proud and happy to welcome them as new members.

LAKE REGION

On Aug. 14 the Waukegan (IL) Spanish Church baptized 15



people; reports Eileen Briseno, Waukegan communication secretary. More than half of these individuals decided to give their lives to Jesus after the tragic death of our local elder, Louis Panchi, on July 18. Panchi touched many hearts, and he will be remembered as a man with a heart for the Lord.

MICHIGAN

Burlington (MI) Church baptized 16 people following meet-



ings by Evangelist Ron Feely and Pastor Harold DeWitt; reports Winona Fiebelkorn. Three new members did not miss any of the 23 meetings, and one couple postponed their Florida vacation so they could complete the series and be baptized. Two sisters were baptized along with their 88-year-old mother. One woman, a Methodist for 60 years, also joined the Church.

On Sept. 25 Green Bay Church celebrated the baptisms of



(from left) **Dana Johnson, David Scheel**, (Pastor Marvin Clark), **Mary Babcock and Janet Giesler**; reports Francine Messinger, Green Bay member. All studied for six months with either the pastor or other church members. We praise God for the love and guidance brought to these four new members.

Amazing Facts Brings Amazing Results

Indiana — North Vernon (IN) Church sponsored an Amazing Facts Prophecy Crusade by Evangelist Steve Wohlberg, Aug. 20-Sept. 25. For several weeks prior, Pastor Scott Tyman and other church members notified Bible study interests, initiated a mass mailing, and made newspaper and radio contacts.

Ann Calkins of Amazing Facts reports: "Opening night was conducted at the Jennings County Fairgrounds auditorium with nearly 300 people in attendance. Weekday attendance was a consistent 200-225 people, swelling to 300 or more on the weekends." All were thrilled because North Vernon's population is only 6,000.

On Sept. 25, 11 people were baptized. Of them, three drove from Kentucky and two from Indianapolis (90 minutes away). Two were from *Signs Digest* interest and one from the county fair booth last year. Larry and Debbie Russell of North Vernon were among the first to be baptized. "We've been waiting for this all our lives!" exclaimed an appreciative Mrs. Russell.

Let's never give up in giving witness to our message. *Mary Ellen Perkins, North Vernon communication secretary*



North Vernon pastor, Scott Tyman (far right) and Evangelist Steve Wohlberg (fourth from right) proudly stand with 11 new members who attended the Amazing Facts Prophecy Crusade in North Vernon, IN, and were baptized. They are, from left: **Lizzie Ann Troyer (back), Ruth Troyer (front), Bobbi Jo House, Craig McGilurey, Tami McGilurey, Larry Russell, Debbie Russell, Bill Moore, Judy Lewis, Linda Gamble and Darlene Malone.**



The Carols and Hymns of Christmas

BY ELSIE LANDON BUCK

Elsie Landon Buck is president of the International Adventist Musicians Association.

It's time for the singing of carols in celebration of Christ's birth. Many familiar carols and hymns have been handed down through the centuries, sung in every tongue and by every nation.

Nearly two thousand years ago, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men" was caroled over the fields of Bethlehem. Not until centuries later, in Italy, was this Christmas carol to be sung again. From Italy the carol spread to Spain, France, England and Germany.

On the heels of the Protestant Reformation in the early 18th century, this folk carol was transformed into a more dignified and solemn Christmas hymn. But during this century the church hymn went through much development and acceptance, for metrical psalms and scriptural texts were considered the only truly sacred source of hymns for congregational singing.

The inspired output of hymn writers such as Isaac Watts, the Wesley brothers and others, began to make a difference; thus hymn-tunes appropriate for these hymns brought them into the church service.

It is fitting to remember that hymns had been sung in the Christian Church from the time of Christ, and in earlier times any act of praise to God was called a hymn, providing it was sung. Afterwards, the use of the term became more restricted. It was in the latter part of the fourth century that the immense importance of the hymn, as an element of Christian worship, became fully understood.

Sacred poems were set to music, sung mostly by the clergy until the Protestant Reformation. Martin Luther brought the singing of hymns into the domain of the people. Hymns were then sung in worship to praise God, and to express faith, trust and joy.

The Christmas hymns comprise some of our finest music. They speak with great conviction and beauty about the birth of Christ — the meaning of God's gift (His only Son) to mankind.

This season as you sing the carols, do so with the knowledge that:

"O Come, O Come, Immanuel" began more than a thousand years ago. It is one of the oldest of all Christmas hymns. In a series of seven vesper services preceding Christmas, church choirs traditionally sang a different verse each night. Three hundred years later these separate verses were united, a refrain was added, and the result we sing today. The tune used is a French processional of the 15th century.

"Joy to the World," written in 1719 by Isaac Watts, is one of the most joyous Christmas hymns. Lowell Mason, born in 1792, borrowed from Handel's *Messiah* for the tune of this now familiar hymn.

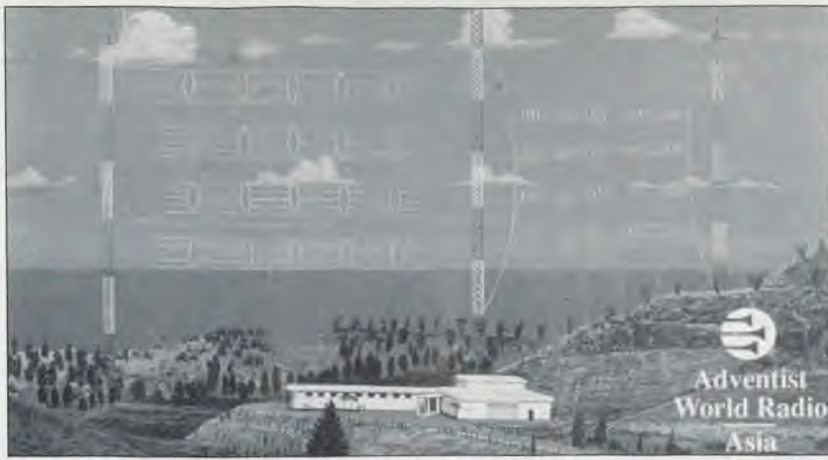
"O Little Town of Bethlehem" was written by Phillips Brooks. During a trip to the Holy Land in 1865, Brooks attended a service in the Church of the Nativity on Christmas Eve and was deeply moved. Wishing to share the experience with the children of his church for a Sunday school Christmas program, he wrote this hymn's familiar words in one evening. He gave the words to the church organist, Lewis R. Redner, who, in turn, awakened the following night and wrote the hymn-tune we use today.

And so it is, these gifts of Christmas and the Christian faith are indelibly pressed into our hearts and minds through the singing of carols and hymns.

For all Christians, the hymnal holds a most precious treasure of Christian thought and praise to God outside of the Bible. In our churches and homes, may we all enlarge our devotion with the singing of hymns, telling the story of salvation, until that day when in heaven we can join the heavenly choirs in joyous celebration.

"I will sing to the Lord all my life;
I will sing praise to my God
as long as I live.

May my meditation be pleasing to Him,
As I rejoice in the Lord"
Psalm 104:33-34 (NIV).



Adventist World Radio-Asia in Agat, Guam, has a target audience of 2.5 billion people. This station is on the air 235 hours a week in 19 languages, with plans to add a third transmitter in 1994, allowing one transmitter to be dedicated solely to broadcasting the gospel to the one billion people in China.

Adventists Celebrate 70 Years in Radio

BY DR. ADRIAN M. PETERSON

Dr. Adrian M. Peterson is special projects coordinator for Adventist World Radio and pastor of the Indianapolis Irvington Church.

It was Sunday evening, April 29, 1923, when the late John Fetzer, then a young man fresh from Indiana, went on the air with the first broadcast from the radio station KFGZ at Emmanuel Missionary College in Berrien Springs, Michigan.

The equipment used was quite primitive by today's standards. But nevertheless, this inaugural broadcast was heard locally by a large number of listeners.

As time went by, and the equipment upgraded, this station was heard in Europe, Canada, Mexico, Australia and New Zealand. During one period, KFGZ was even listed as being one of the top 10 radio stations in the United States. Fetzer later changed the call sign to the more familiar WEMC.

However, during the difficult days following the financial crash of 1929, the college sold its pioneer radio station. Fetzer bought it and transferred it to Kalamazoo where it is still on the air today as WKZO. Fetzer's station became the key station in a large regional network.

During the years of World War II, the Adventist denomination penetrated spasmodically into the arena of international broadcasting with shortwave programming. The "Voice of Prophecy" and other Adventist programs of this era were broadcast by the Armed Forces Radio Service from Los Angeles, as well as by Radio

Australia in Melbourne, Australia.

Then in 1950, a concerted effort in shortwave broadcasting began when Adventist programs were aired on radio stations located in Asia and in Africa.

It was not until October 1, 1971, that SDA shortwave broadcasting went on the air as Adventist World Radio (AWR). This new and enlarged venture was from a powerful station in Sines, Portugal. This venture was under the leadership of Allen and Andrea Steele. The Steeles later served at the Andrews University radio station WAUS and in the Lake Union Conference office.

This year's 70th anniversary celebrations honor the early work of Fetzer. Worldwide news coverage in radio magazines and on specialty radio programs worldwide has drawn attention to our Adventist anniversary and Adventist World Radio. Broadcasting in many languages, millions of listeners have heard about the Adventist anniversary in radio.

Located in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, is the small but significant Adventist shortwave station of Radio Amanacer International. As a result of the Lake Union "Operation Amigo" project, this station has come under attention. Already a large consignment of music discs and tapes has been delivered to the station to assist in upgrading its programming.

Radio Amanacer International is ready, as soon as finances become available, to increase its power output fivefold. Programming from this station is directed at listeners in the Dominican Republic, Cuba and the wide areas of the Caribbean.

Our Church is in the process of building up a large international network of shortwave stations so that anyone anywhere on our planet can hear SDA programming. Currently, Adventist World Radio is on the air with 1,000 programming hours per week in 31 languages over 15 shortwave transmitters located in seven different countries.

What "Operation Amigo" Means

Illinois Conference



*James L. Brauer,
Illinois president*

During Thanksgiving break, more than 50 students and adult sponsors from Broadview Academy in La Fox, IL, and Hinsdale (IL) Junior Academy traveled to the city of La Romana in the East Dominican Mission. They went to build two Maranatha churches for congregations there.

The Dominican Republic people are very anxious to further the Lord's work. They take every opportunity to share God's love with everyone they meet. It is because of such commitment that the Seventh-day Adventist Church is growing in this country and the Lord is blessing.

On December 11, we all will have an opportunity to participate in our union project of "Operation Amigo." When we consider the blessings the Lord has given us here in this country in comparison to the needs that exist in the Dominican Republic, I am sure that each of us will want to find a way to help with this special project.

James L. Brauer, president

"It is a privilege to be working together to advance God's work in the beautiful Caribbean area."



*David
Wolkwitz,
Indiana
president*

Indiana Conference

The members of the Indiana Conference believe in putting their hearts and their treasures together. From the special camp meeting offering this past summer to the additional, personal dollars spent on plane tickets and accommodations — Indiana members are on the frontline of commitment to "Operation Amigo."

In late October, approximately 30 members helped build a church in the city of Santo Domingo (Central Dominican Conference). They did this in 10 days, under the auspices of Maranatha Volunteers International. Elder Archie Moore, Indiana Conference secretary, led out in this inspiring and exciting building experience.

In addition, Indiana Academy is planning an inspirational senior class building trip in the spring of 1994.

On Sabbath, December 11, Indiana members will again be invited to give sacrificially for this mission project. Praise the Lord for these financial appeals. Let's give from our hearts a special Christmas offering for this very needy and worthy work in the Dominican Republic, for "Working Together Is Everything."

David Wolkwitz, president

to Us in the Lake Union Territory



*R. C. Brown,
Lake
Region
president*

Lake Region Conference

"Cast thy bread upon the waters: for thou shalt find it after many days" (Ecclesiastes 11:1).

"Operation Amigo" has given us an opportunity to focus our attention upon the blessings of belonging to a worldwide church, and it has caused us to stop and count our blessings. When we look at our meager assets and yet focus our attention upon the need to help others, we can see that God has certainly been good to us.

We have adopted the Central Dominican Conference and its need for church buildings. Their schools are shells, yet our dear people believe that "all Thy children shall be taught of the Lord."

We are also dedicated to furnishing medical equipment and supplies for their clinic, and have joined hands with Hinsdale (IL) Health System.

During the coming months, we will be joining hands with the Central Dominican Conference for evangelism. Yes, we will "cast our bread upon the waters" and will not be any poorer as the result of it.

We encourage members to join hands and give the needed funds for the erection of our school in San Francisco de Macoris.

R. C. Brown, president

Michigan Conference

We, along with Indiana Conference, have chosen South Dominican Mission as our sister conference. Also, we have added the Dominican Adventist University. Here are some of our activities.

Many Michigan ASI members went in November to begin construction of the new school in San Francisco de Macoris. Then, later this month the Michigan Pathfinder Teen Mission will be assisting medical personnel in San Juan (South Mission) with clinics.



Jay Gallimore, Michigan president

Right now the Dominican University needs equipment to upgrade its bakery. The university is also interested in people who have expertise in nutrition and other seminars to come and give training to the students. This school is doing such a fine work that the government is planning to send many of their own teachers there for training.

We are also anxious to see another new school in Auza where the conference office is located.

We are happy to give our church family in the Dominican Republic help and encouragement. In return we have been blessed by their enthusiastic love.

Jay Gallimore, president



*Arnold Swanson,
Wisconsin
president*

Wisconsin Conference

Wisconsin members are happy to give of their talents and means to support this union-wide project of building a new school in San Francisco de Macoris.

Approximately six people are going to the Dominican Republic for 15 days in December to join with other Lake Union members in helping to construct this new school.

Another group plans to go in February 1994 to help construct churches in the outlying areas of Santiago, a city in the North Dominican Conference.

The Wisconsin Conference has accepted the challenge of building several churches in the Santiago area, as funds are given by our members. An annual camp meeting offering will be received for "Operation Amigo," and members will be invited to give throughout the year to this worthy cause as well as personally becoming involved in the actual construction of these buildings.

It is a privilege to be working together with other members of the Lake Union and the Dominican Republic to advance God's work in the beautiful Caribbean area. "Working Together Is Everything."

Arnold Swanson, president

What "Operation Amigo" Means

Central Dominican Conference



*Andres Castillo,
Central Dominican
Conference
president*

"This program has become the answer in 'due season' to the prayers of His people."

A vote of thanks! The greatest blessing that God has given to man is the ability to share. It is one of the gifts of the Spirit because he that gives receives. "It is more blessed to give than to receive," God's Word tells us.

The Central Dominican Conference is thankful to the Lake Union Conference for its initiative in the "Operation Amigo" plan, and to the Lake Region Conference for its adoption of us as a sister conference. This action on their part has allowed us to become better acquainted and to share and receive blessings from this friendship. It was this Jesus spoke about when He said: "A new commandment I give unto you, that ye love one another."

We know that in these last days the spirit of the pioneers shall be rekindled.

We are grateful to God, and in a special way to our friends and brothers of the Lake Union Conference. We send our Christian greetings to the brotherhood of the Lake Region Conference, and to all our friends in the Lake Union. In particular, we want to thank Elder Robert H. Carter, who initiated "Operation Amigo."

May God bless you all is our prayer!

*Andres Castillo, president
Cesario Acevedo, secretary
German Lorenzo, treasurer*



*Feliberto
Martinez,
East
Dominican
Mission
president*

East Dominican Mission

"Operation Amigo" has become the answer in "due season" to the prayers of His people in the East Dominican Mission.

Eighty-six years ago God sent messengers from abroad that made it possible for the beginning of His work here. It is significant to note that today, as God's work is about to finish, He is sending support, backing, collaboration and assistance by means of our brethren in the Lake Union.

This marvelous plan has inspired and strengthened our brethren's faith, and has increased our people's enthusiasm toward greater evangelistic efforts in the field. "Operation Amigo" makes us feel a part of the great family of God. It reminds us that united, we will finish His work.

"Operation Amigo" presents us with the challenge of Christian service: allowing those who can help to do so in favor of those who least can. "Operation Amigo" has encouraged us to push forward in the true missionary spirit that is the heritage of our country.

We thank you God because you still answer our prayers. Thank you for "Operation Amigo."

Feliberto Martinez, president

to Us in the Dominican Republic

North Dominican Conference

Dear brethren, Christian greetings in the name of our Lord! We want to express our deepest appreciation for the love and care you have shown us through "Operation Amigo."

This program is a channel through



Wilfredo Ruiz, North Dominican Conference president

which God has chosen to direct His blessings to us for the growth and development of His work here. We are so happy to see our

dreams being realized not only in the construction of a new school building in the city of San Francisco de Macoris, so we can continue to offer Christian education, but also in the many church projects. Thanks for your generosity and love shown by the officers and brethren of the Lake Union. This will promote not only physical but also spiritual growth in our territory.

We want to thank you again and again. Brothers and sisters in the faith, may you receive God's richest blessings from on High is our prayer.

*with fraternal love,
your brother in Christ,
Wilfredo Ruiz, president*



*Silvestre Gonzalez,
South Dominican Mission president*

South Dominican Mission

Dear brothers and sisters of the Lake Union, may our Lord's richest blessings be with you all. The "Operation Amigo" project is, and will continue to be, a great blessing for our South Dominican Mission.

We cannot forget the morning when the bus arrived at our offices bringing a delegation of cheerful officers and laypeople from the Lake Union and its conferences. They came to hear and see our needs, offering us a helping hand to attain our goals. Their presence brought us encouragement and stimulated us in our mission to evangelize our region.

"Operation Amigo" has become the bridge of friendship, cooperation and love that unites our brethren of the Dominican Union with the brethren of the Lake Union Conference, and in particular the Michigan and Indiana conferences who have adopted us.

"Operation Amigo" is a divinely inspired project through which we feel a friendly and brotherly outstretched hand, under the wise guidance of God, that we might together finish His work on earth. God will bless us today and will keep us united throughout eternity.

*with Christian love,
your brother and friend,
Silvestre Gonzalez, president*

"This plan has increased our enthusiasm toward greater evangelistic efforts.

It reminds us that united, we will finish His work."



The Quita Sueno Church near Santo Domingo was built during the "Santo Domingo '92" project by Maranatha Volunteers International. It is a standard exterior church look in the Dominican Republic.



"Operation Amigo" Building

Typical comments from a new breed of volunteers are: "I want my life to count." "It's important to me to join a cause that is more than just rhetoric and is really doing something to help the world." "I've finally found my place in the Church in spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ." "Vacations with a purpose is the only way to go!"

These findings come from Maranatha Volunteers International, a short-term mission organization based in Sacramento, California.

What exactly does Maranatha do? According to Don Noble, president, nearly 2,500 volunteers annually construct urgently-needed buildings throughout the world — all for the purpose of advancing the cause of Jesus Christ. In the last few years, Maranatha's main focus has been to build churches in countries where Adventist Christianity is exploding.

One undertaking that brought Maranatha a lot of notoriety was their 1992 project in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, where they built 25 churches in 70 days with the help of

1,200 volunteers. Why so many churches in one place, people asked? The answer was simple. With over 1,500 baptisms each month in the Dominican Republic, there was no room for the new believers in their existing humble structures.

Since then, Maranatha has established a model of doing mega-projects where numerous churches are built in one country. The country receiving special attention from Maranatha this year is Guatemala, where 50 churches and three schools have been constructed. Because of the remote locations, many local people have completed the churches which helped infuse the local economy with outside funds. In addition, increased ownership of each church is an added benefit because the locals participated in building their own church.

Another country that has experienced major church growth is Mexico. Maranatha is planning its largest church-building project yet. According to Noble, Maranatha will build 100 new churches in the North Mexican Union and South Mexican Union

BY DEBBIE P. CASE

Debbie P. Case is vice president of Maranatha Volunteers International in Sacramento, California.



The interior of the Quita Sueno Church is also common among the Maranatha-built churches.

Joins Hands with Maranatha **for a Purpose**

during 1994. Named "Mexico '94," this project will also encompass the completion of 100 additional churches that have been started by locals and have not been completed due to finances. Opportunities for hundreds of volunteers to participate are available for this project.

But what happens in these countries after Maranatha volunteers have come and constructed their churches and they return home? The Dominican Republic is a good place to look for this answer. With disbelief that so much could be accomplished in such a short time, the Dominican Church leadership were inspired that they could continue the program to build churches.

With the Maranatha organizational infrastructure in place for the "Santo Domingo '92" project, the board of directors of Maranatha voted that work should continue in this beautiful, but needy country. Today Maranatha provides for groups and includes on-site leadership as well as arranging for building materials and the laying of the foundations at each site.

After several site visits, Maranatha and Dominican conference leadership selected 35 additional communities which are to receive new churches during 1993 and 1994. With the help of various North American Division volunteer conferences, churches and school groups, this dream will become a reality.

One such group is the Lake Union Conference. In partnership with Maranatha, the Lake Union's "Operation Amigo" program is committed to mobilizing hundreds of members in their union into meaningful service in the Dominican Republic. So far groups who have signed up to participate in "Operation Amigo" include:

Indiana Conference, who helped build a church in October in the Central Dominican Conference. Illinois Conference, who built churches in the Central Dominican Conference as well as in the East Mission during November. And, November through December, ASI (Adventist-Laymen's Services and Industries), the Lake Union youth department, and the Michigan Conference churches of

Berrien Springs Village and Pioneer Memorial will commence building the new San Francisco de Macoris school.

People of all ages, interests, talents, skill levels, gender and race sign up to "volunteer for adventure" with Maranatha. Steve Case, president of Piece of the Pie Ministries, and a frequent leader of the short-term mission experience says: "It is uncanny how on these trips there is so much unity within incredible diversity. People are not focused on the polarizing issues back at home such as theology, healthful living and discrimination. These people have arrived at their projects with a single purpose of helping someone in need."

For more information on how you can participate in "Operation Amigo" or Maranatha Volunteers International, please contact Luis Leonor at the Lake Union Conference, P.O. Box C, Berrien Springs, MI 49103; 616-473-8249. Or contact Karen at Maranatha by calling 916-920-1900, or sending your inquiries to: 1600 Sacramento Inn Way, Suite 116, Sacramento, CA 95815.



This current picture of the church school in San Francisco de Macoris depicts its dilapidated state. Photo by Hubert Moog.

The History of A Soul-Winner

BY LUIS E. LEONOR

The church school in San Francisco de Macoris, Dominican Republic, was founded in 1934 — the same year the San Francisco de Macoris Church was established.

For many years, classes were held in one of the church rooms without any comforts or equipment. Nevertheless, this member-operated school had a great vision of Christian education. It has since prepared both young and old people to

meet their Lord and Savior in the clouds of Heaven.

SCHOOL'S NAME BRINGS CURIOSITY

This school once carried the name of pioneer missionary Pastor Juan Evangelista Rivera. Hailing from Puerto Rico, Pastor Rivera worked for many years in the San Francisco de Macoris area.

Later, the school's name was changed to "Colegio Adventista Maranatha." This change created a lot of interest among the neighborhood people who wanted to know what

"Maranatha" meant. This name change allowed more people to know about Christ's second coming.

WITNESSING TO CURIOSITY

One reason this school is able to win both its children and their parents to Christ, is that every Tuesday a baptismal class is held and every child is required to attend as part of his or her school curriculum. Also, every Wednesday there is a meeting of the Society for Minors. This is comparable to "Adventist Youth," only it is for the children in elementary school. All activities are planned and executed by the children with guidance from their teachers. How sacrificial these teachers are to accept a salary far from adequate to supply their basic needs.

WINNING SOULS FOR CHRIST

This school's uniqueness lies in seeking to evangelize its student body and the adults. Once, the school administration developed an evening adult literacy program. One day, a timid young lady who could not read requested she be given private lessons at her home, since she could not attend during the regularly scheduled hours. Arrangements were made, and a teacher was sent to this young lady's home. Of course the teacher used every opportunity to help this young lady to read God's Word and other Adventist literature. As a result, she learned to read and write and accepted Jesus as her personal Savior. Today, she and all her family are members of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.



The church school to be rebuilt in San Francisco de Macoris (right) stands next to the SDA Church (left). Photo by Hubert Moog.

ng School

One spring evening after school, a young man versed in many languages stopped by the school. He asked if he could use a classroom during the evening to teach English. He was told that his request required a decision from the school and church boards, and that they would get back with him as to their decision. After the boards met and prayed about this request, they allowed him to offer English classes in one of the classrooms. Because of his contact with others at the church school, this young man is a Christian lawyer and writer who performs faithfully his duties as elder and uses his talents as a laypreacher. He, his wife, and three children are faithful missionary members of the San Francisco de Macoris Church. They have been instrumental in winning many people to the kingdom of God.

RESULTS OF INFLUENCE

From the humble halls of this institution have come Church leaders, doctors, teachers, civil servants, business men and women in both the private and public sector.

Many ministers who serve the Church today, not only in the Dominican Republic but in North America, received their first teaching about Christ in the elementary school at San Francisco de Macoris.

Some are: Pastor Dionisio Olivo, ministerial secretary for the Greater New York Conference; Pastor Samuel Leonor, president of the Walker Memorial Hospital in Avon Park; and Pastor Luis Leonor, vice president of the Lake Union Conference.



This is the library currently being used by students of the San Francisco de Macoris school.

The San Francisco de Macoris elementary school is a missionary school — it's a school that wins souls for Jesus Christ.

Today there are four churches where there was only one, thanks to the influence of this school on the city. Many local church members had their first contact with Adventism through the San Francisco de Macoris elementary school.

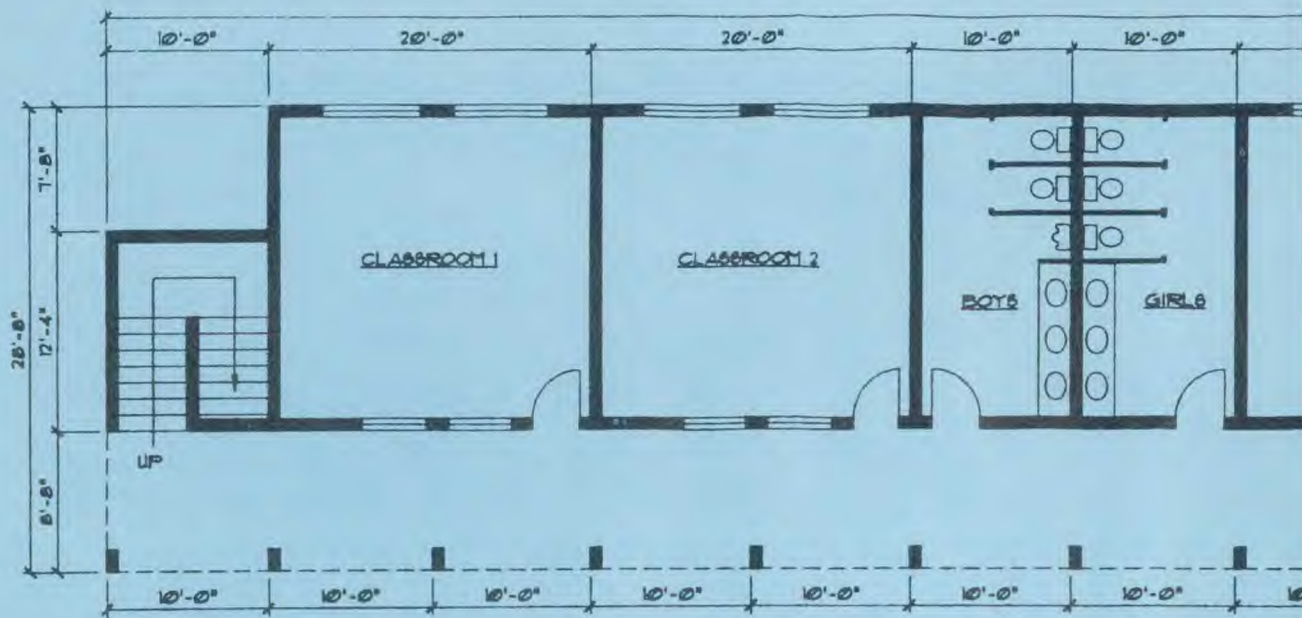
The story would be far different today if this church school did not exist. Many youngsters would not have learned about Jesus. Many workers, today serving the Church, would not be doing so if they were not inspired by the dedicated Christian teachers at this school.

The Lake Union has taken up the project to help the San Francisco de Macoris Seventh-day Adventist Church in constructing a new building to house their school. The place from

which they operate today is very inadequate. So inadequate, that the Dominican government has threatened to close its doors.

We trust that members of the Lake Union territory will answer the call for help to build a representative building for this missionary school in San Francisco de Macoris.

Luis E. Leonor is vice president of the Lake Union Conference in Berrien Springs, Michigan.



LOWER FLOOR PLAN

Scale: $\frac{1}{8}'' = 1'-0''$

This floor plan of the new San Francisco de Macoris church school will soon be a reality with your help.



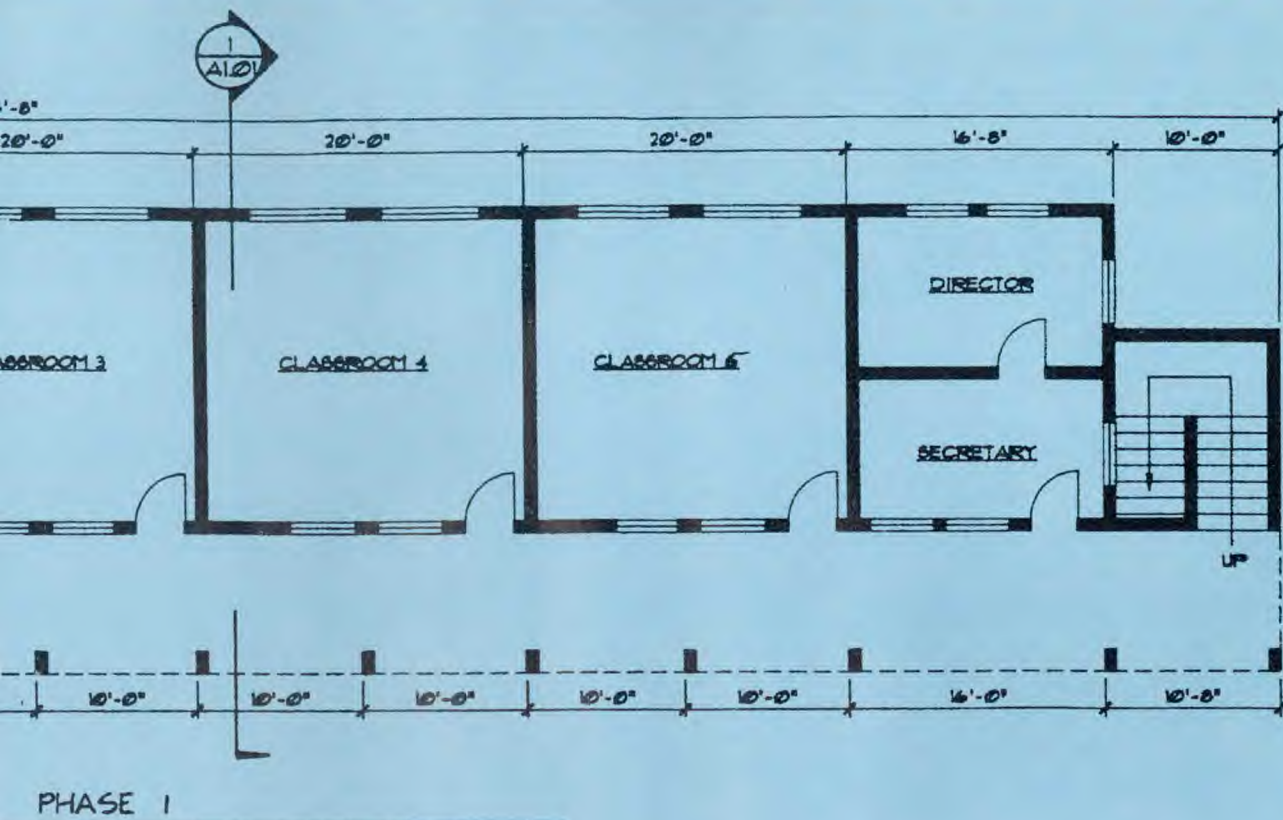
Students of the San Francisco de Macoris school stand with their teacher.

Dear Lake Union Family,

My name is Maria. I am 13 years old and in the 7th grade. I am writing to you because before my mother died she always said to me, "Maria, be sure to thank God for your blessings and have a grateful heart toward those who help you."

So I want you to know how grateful I am to you, because you are my family in Christ, and because you are helping us build our new school here in San Francisco de Macoris.

I should tell you a little bit about what our school is like now. Really, it is great! We have wonderful teachers who love us a lot and who teach us many things. Only our buildings are not very good. We have big cracks between the boards in the wall and the bugs come in sometimes. So does the rain — when the wind blows, the rain comes right through the cracks. Also, we don't have a playground, and sometimes it's so noisy inside from the trucks and

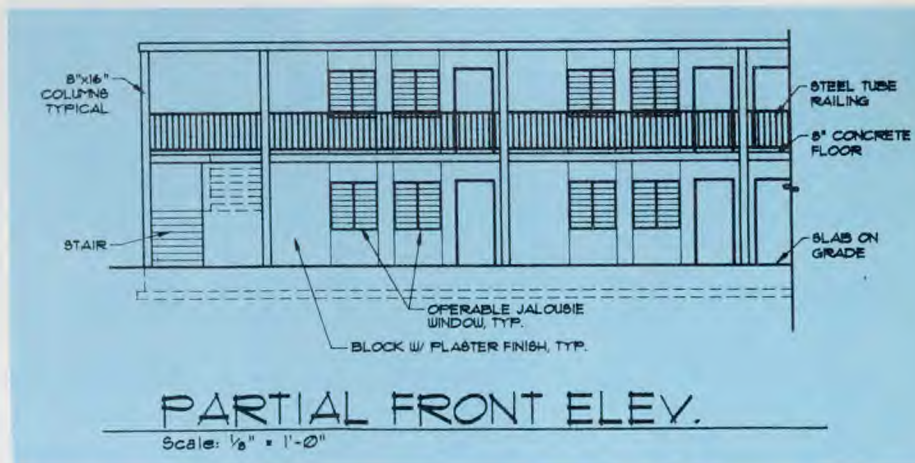


motorcycles on the street that we can't hear what the teacher is saying.

So you can understand why we are so excited about the new school. Right now we have more than 90 students and only three tiny classrooms, plus one in the church. Our teacher told us that in the new school we will have five classrooms! This is almost too good to be true. And she said that there will be roll-out windows in all the rooms, and the walls will be cement! No more rainstorms inside our school! She said that we'll have plenty of room for a playground, too.

Really, you can't imagine how happy we all are. I just wanted you to know, because, like I said, we are family now. And we love you very much. Thank you from my heart for helping us.

Love, Maria



A rendering of the new school's exterior.

LOCAL CHURCH NEWS

Racine Shopping Plaza Update

Lake Union — We are happy to announce that the Lake Region Conference has been successful in negotiating a settlement which frees it from all obligations connected with the Racine Shopping Plaza in Chicago. Members of all of the conferences in the Lake Union join Lake Region constituents in rejoicing over this accomplishment.

A more detailed report will follow in the January *Lake Union Herald*.

Robert H. Carter, Lake Union Conference president

One renovation project was the erection of partitions in the upstairs of the Greenland (MI) Company church for Sabbath school rooms.



Churches Helping Another Church

Michigan — The Sutton family from the Manton (MI) Church and Ewald Lassel from the Cadillac (MI) Church spent their Fourth of July weekend in the Upper Peninsula assisting with construction projects for the Greenland Company.

Volunteers helped build a platform and assembled pews for the church sanctuary. They also brought along a pulpit and a new church sign. Workers partitioned off a large upstairs room to provide needed Sabbath School classrooms.

Greenland Company members helped with the construction work and provided meals and housing for the volunteers.

It's not only a bridge that links Michigan's Upper and Lower Peninsulas. There is also a warm spirit of fellowship linking our church congregations.

Bill Horvath, Cadillac member



Patti Gatward (left) and Tammi Milligan, Michigan members in the Orion/Oxford Church, help host the cooking program, "Let's Eat Deliciously Vegetarian." Photo by The Lake Orion Review.

Promoting Health on Cable

Michigan — Orion/Oxford Church members, located in Lake Orion, MI, are witnessing weekly through a cooking program called "Let's Eat Deliciously Vegetarian" on cable Channel 65.

This program is an outgrowth of a cooking school the church held in May. Approximately 40 people attended the five classes and 115 non-Adventists enjoyed a banquet at the series' end. One person attending was employed at a local cable television company, and asked if the church would be interested in doing a similar cooking demonstration on the air!

Taping for the cooking programs began in August. Eight videos were produced and aired two times a week in September. Tammi Milligan, Patti Gatward, Ginny Kneller and Jennifer Heil demonstrated recipes. They emphasized foods that are reported to increase life span, decrease weight and blood pressure, and lower the incidence of cancer and heart disease.

Channel 65 provides air time for the program free of charge. Church members provided funds for the initial food expenses. However, Milligan, the pastor's wife, reports that a meeting she had with cable company personnel and city officials resulted in a quarterly grant being issued to the church to fund the programs. Milligan was told that the program provided a valued service to the public and was asked to continue it. She was also told that if the original grant was not enough, they will talk with her again in January to discuss an increase.

The Orion/Oxford Church has not had to work too hard on publicity. The cable company is so enthusiastic about the program that they called two newspapers to do a report on the show. Milligan said the program videos can be sent to other cable stations in the Lapeer and Detroit areas. There are plans to use these videos in evangelism efforts to the Utica, MI, area.

*Carol J. Grossman, secretary,
Michigan Conference communication department*



The recently dedicated Janesville (WI) Church.

A Year of Accomplishments

Wisconsin — Janesville (WI) Church members dedicated their newly acquired facility to the Lord Oct. 2.

Wisconsin Conference President Arnold Swanson spoke for the worship service and afternoon dedication, with conference Secretary-Treasurer Ken Wright conducting the act of dedication. William Schneider, city council representative, expressed good wishes from the city of Janesville.

Also participating were: Pastor Glenn Lewis, newly appointed to the Janesville district; church clerk Berniece Jorgensen; head elder Truman Lamson; Wisconsin Academy music teacher Ed Pelto; and a student quartet from the academy. Retired church clerk Inez Bartlett wrote the church history.

The Janesville congregation began searching several years ago for an existing church with adequate facilities. They purchased the present building, located at 1805 Foster Ave. in Janesville, Jan. 12 from the Jehovah's Witnesses.

Members went to work painting the exterior, carpeting the fellowship hall, installing a steeple, and adding a mothers' room to the church, which had undergone extensive remodeling two years earlier.

We are truly thankful to be able to dedicate this church debt free — the Lord has led all the way.

Louise Legreid, Janesville communication leader

Beneficial "Relationships Weekend"

Indiana — Cicero (IN) Church held a "Relationships Weekend" Sept. 24-25. Adults watched and then discussed a video series by Gary Smalley on loving relationships. Youth attended workshops by Judy Jordan, learning "How to Introduce Yourself and Start Conversations," "How to Handle Peer-Pressure," "How to Handle Conflict With People in Authority," and "How to Understand Your Way of Dealing With Conflict."

Ramona Trubey, Cicero communication secretary



Women from three generations attended the Lake Union Women's Retreat. They are from left (seated): Laurie DePas, Donna DePas, Barbara Holt, Beverly Grimes; (standing) Claribel Dorgelo, Phyllis Garrow and Courtney Grimes.

This Fall's Women's Retreats

Lake Union — A record 461 women (including 87 teenagers) registered for the **Lake Union Conference Women's Retreat**, held Oct. 15-17 in Battle Creek, MI; reports Marjorie Snyder.

The theme, "Invitation to the Winners Circle" was chosen to help women see that they are valued. According to Cynthia Prime, weekend coordinator and Lake Union women's ministries director, "During His years among us, Jesus sought in His interaction with women, to establish their preciousness and their value."

Teenagers had their own meetings under the guidance of Susan Zork from Andrews University. Other weekend speakers were: Dr. Rosa Taylor Banks, General Conference human relations director; Ramona Perez Greek, North American Division women's ministries chair; and Kay Rizzo of California.

Fifty-two women attended the first **Upper Peninsula Women's Retreat**, Sept. 11, at Camp Sagola; reports Alice Fahrback and Carrie Haus, Michigan members.

Keynote speaker Nancy Johnson, of the Michigan Conference Women's Commission, counseled those who minister to the suffering to, "listen, listen, listen — don't judge; just love."

A ripple effect from this weekend has already reached into the churches of the Upper Peninsula. "The influence of that weekend didn't stop at Sagola," commented one woman. "It's going to go on and on."

"Fellowship" was the reason most often cited for attending the fifth annual **Wisconsin Women's Retreat**; reports Laurie Herr, Wisconsin Conference communication director. Held Oct. 15-17 at the Chula Vista Resort in Wisconsin Dells, this weekend drew 251 women from as far away as Washington state and Florida.

Guest speaker Barbara Nelson, Portland (OR) Hospital community services director, encouraged her listeners with personal stories of mission service in the Far East. Her experiences often involved her son Dwight, who pastors the Pioneer Memorial Church at Andrews University.

Nelson, who described herself as an ordinary woman with no "stained glass voice," stressed the importance of genuine faith. "So often we talk about faith in God, but we don't really have it in our lives," she said.

Retreat planning committee member Aileen Patton of Columbus, WI, shared some of the miracles that took place before and during the retreat. "It was obviously the work of God," she said, that brought several women there.

"It was most meaningful," said one woman. "I needed the inspiration."

June Commencement Moved Up

Andrews University — The Administrative Council has voted to move the date for June commencement weekend from June 10-12, 1994, to June 3-5, 1994.

As a result, Andrews will follow the academic calendar used in previous years and school will be ending one week earlier than originally scheduled in the 1993-1994 *Bulletin*.

Michele Jacobsen, Andrews University correspondent

Safety Poster Contest Winners

Lake Union — In 1991 the General Conference Risk Management Services held its first Safety Poster Contest for SDA schools in North America. This first year 910 students in kindergarten through 12th grade entered the contest.

In 1993, over 1,900 entries were received. The contest is divided by grade level into four categories, with \$100 awarded for first place, \$75 for second, and \$50 for third in each category. Judges this year included a Disney Studios commercial artist, a sculptor, and the chairman of a college art department.

Winners were chosen for creative concept and something "eye catching" in a poster format. In the Lake Union, 125 students submitted entries. Those receiving awards were: Krista Burnett, second place in the fourth through sixth grade category; and honorable mention was given to Carmen Richards.

Burnett is a fourth grader at Grand Haven Elementary school in Nunica, MI. Her teacher is Claudia Gene Philo. Burnett's poster (left) reads: "There was a boy from Mt. Ziggies, who mowed the lawn of Sue Wiggies. Remember what mom said, 'Shoes go on feet not head. Then you won't lose all your piggies.'"



Richards is a fifth grader in Owosso (MI) Elementary school. Her teacher is Lanette Brandow. Richards' poster (left) cautions: "Don't Jump Off Slides!"



This poster contest was created to promote safety throughout the church by active participation of youth, resulting in communication between teachers, families and friends. The feedback has been positive.

For more details call the Lake Union Risk Management Services at 616-473-2008.



Students Learn Witnessing Skills

Michigan — Youth from 18 Michigan schools attended the L.I.F.T. retreat, directed by Elder Terry Dodge, at Camp Au Sable in Grayling, MI, Oct. 3-6. This year L.I.F.T. (Lifestyle Improvement for Teens) had a theme of choices, centering on decisions teenagers must make for a healthy Christian lifestyle.

This program is designed for students in grades seven through 10. The thrust of L.I.F.T. is not only to help youth make right decisions in their own lives, but they are encouraged to return to their schools and share what they have learned with their peers. Areas covered include drugs, alcohol, tobacco, and what they read and watch on television. The retreat presents these issues with a spiritual emphasis that helps youth see their lifestyle choices in light of their relationship to God.

Guest speaker was Dr. Winston Ferris, a former school teacher and principal who is now a drug education consultant. Steve Bagget, Michigan Conference *Listen* representative, gave a presentation on the effects resulting from alcohol and tobacco use.

Pastors Gary Burns, Roy Castlebuono and David Yeagley conducted a drama workshop. They taught the youth how to create a skit/drama that would present a message to their school, church or youth groups. Tuesday afternoon the young people auditioned their skits, and six groups were chosen to present their programs during Talent Airlift, Tuesday evening.

During the visual media workshop, participants learned how to make posters to use as props for skits. They also made posters to enter in the weekend's poster contest.

L.I.F.T. not only helps our youth reaffirm their commitment to a healthy, drug-free lifestyle, but it helps them develop skills to share their lifestyle with others.

News Notes

- **La Nita Beth Watts**, a youth from the Rockford (IL) Church, was selected in October to attend the National Young Leaders Conference in Washington, D.C.; reports L. D. Knight, Rockford communication secretary. This conference is for outstanding high school students who have demonstrated leadership potential and scholastic merit. According to John Hines, council executive director, "The conference provides the opportunity for students, like La Nita Beth, to distinguish themselves as tomorrow's leaders."



- **Lori Ann Herrick**, age 14, of Bristol, IN, qualified for the YMCA National Gymnastics Competition in Tampa, FL, July 5. Herrick attends the Elkhart (IN) Church and missed every qualifying meet held on Saturday. But in the Sunday qualifying sessions, she received several awards that qualified her for national competition. Herrick is recognized for her vault and floor routines.

- **Madison (WI) Mustang Pathfinder Club** held a pancake breakfast July 11 to raise funds for the club's participation in the "Dare to Care" International Pathfinder Camporee being held near Denver, Aug. 2-6, 1994; reports Kitty Crary, Madison East Church communication secretary. Connie Wing is the Pathfinder director.

- **South Bend (IN) Adventurer Club** met for its second annual campout, Sept. 18-19; reports Ann Charles, South Bend Church communication secretary. After the regular church service, campers deposited their gear into tents already erected behind the church. Following a lunch, the Adventurers traveled to Fernwood Nature Center and Botanical Gardens in Buchanan, MI. They were successful in spying some caterpillars (Rolund Lockwood, center, shows his) and spotting butterflies,



which was a requirement for their butterfly honor. On Sunday, Adventurers went to a nearby state park for a seven-mile bike hike to learn bicycle and road safety.

Religious Freedom Restoration Act Passed by Congress

Washington, D.C. — On Nov. 3, the Religious Freedom Restoration Act passed both houses of the U.S. Congress. The House passed this bill last May and the Senate passed it at the end of October. However, because of a word being added to the Senate version, both houses had to revote the legislation before it could be enacted and sent to the President for his signature. President Clinton supported the Religious Freedom Restoration Act, and on Nov. 16 signed it into law.

The Seventh-day Adventist Church and more than 50 other organizations have been actively promoting this legislation. Hopes are to reverse the effect of a 1990 Supreme Court decision, holding that a law not specifically directed at religious activity and applicable to all people similarly situated must be obeyed even though obedience would require a person to act contrary to his or her religious beliefs.

In the Smith decision, Justice Scalia, writing for the majority of the Court, stated that an individual being permitted to follow his or her conscience as to what law he or she can or cannot obey is a luxury this country cannot afford. Because of the April 1990, decision, many lower court decisions have ruled against the exercise of freedom of religion by individuals and church organizations. The new Act provides that government cannot compel an individual to violate his or her religious beliefs unless there is a compelling state interest involved and such state interest cannot be satisfied in any manner that would not conflict with the individual's religion. This balancing test was being applied by the courts prior to the Smith decision in 1990.

The coalition working for the passage of the Religious Freedom Restoration Act has expressed its gratitude for the many calls, faxes and letters of support for this legislation sent by Seventh-day Adventists to our elected representatives in Washington. Our voices were heard and heeded on this issue.

Vernon L. Alger, Lake Union public affairs/religious liberty director

MILESTONES

ANNIVERSARIES



Kenneth and Marilyn (Hammond) Armstrong celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Nov. 21, at a reception hosted by their children in Gobles, MI.

The Armstrongs were married Nov. 18, 1943, in Del Rio, TX. At the time, Kenneth was serving in the Army Air Force and Marilyn was employed by the A.A.F. Telegraph Office. After World War II, the couple lived in Kalamazoo, MI, until 1990 when they moved to Gobles.

The couple have five daughters: Sherry of Kalamazoo; Yvonne Crom of Bozeman, MT; Valorie Church of Bellbrook, OH; Robin Simpson of Reno, NV; and Marcia Boothby of Gobles. They have 10 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.



William and Sarah Small marked their 50th wedding anniversary by renewing their vows in Gary, IN. They were married Dec. 1, 1940, in Brooklyn, NY.

William is retired from USS Gary Works. Sarah still works as a literature evangelist in Gary.

The Smalls have three grandchildren by their son, Ronald, and daughter-in-law, Cynthia, who live in Michigan.

WEDDINGS

Michelle Lynn Coursey and John William Pahler were married March 21, 1993, in Grand Ledge, MI. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Terry Coursey.

Michelle is the daughter of Terry and Linda Coursey of Grand Ledge, and David Watts of Rockford, IL. John is the son of William Pahler of Oklahoma City, and Martha Jackson of Philadelphia.

The Pahlers are making their home in Fayetteville, NC.

Tonya Annette Di Biase and Douglas Joseph Miller were married July 25, 1993, in Berrien Springs, MI. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Lyndon Gorle.

Tonya is the daughter of Marco and Erika Di Biase of Berrien Springs, and Douglas is the son of Hal Miller and Maureen Campbell of Holland, MI.

The Millers are making their home in Hermosa Beach, CA.

Genibelle B. Genis and David Drapiza were married Oct. 10, 1993, in Chicago. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Ronald L. Peyton.

Genibelle is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ponciano P. Genis of Bacolod, Negros Occidental, Philippines, and David is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Salvador P. Drapiza of Chicago.

The Drapizas are making their home in Upper Marlboro, MD.

Denise Imperial and Brian Greenhaw were married July 25, 1993, in Benton Harbor, MI. The ceremony was by Glenn Russell.

Denise is the daughter of Dr. Ben Imperial of Michigan City, IN, and Betty Imperial of Bridgman, MI. Brian is the son of Jerry and Ramona Greenhaw of Berrien Center, MI.

The Greenhaws are making their home in Berrien Springs, MI.

Cheryl Dawn Kovalski and Jeffrey Dean Gilbert were married Oct. 3, 1993, in Dearborn, MI. The ceremony was by the Rev. William Foster.

Cheryl is the daughter of Emil and Patricia Kovalski of Florida, and Jeffrey is the son of Audrey Gilbert of Pennsylvania.

The Gilberts are making their home in West Bloomfield, MI.

Jennifer Pershing and Brian Neu were married Sept. 18, 1993, in Southfield, MI. The ceremony was by the Rev. Vahan H. Tootikian.

Jennifer is the daughter of Robert Pershing of Southgate, MI, and Brian is the son of William and Sylvia Neu of Canton, MI.

The Neus are making their home in Westland, MI.

Rhonda Price and Jonathan Shell were married Aug. 1, 1993, in Berrien Springs, MI. The ceremony was performed by Ken Schander.

Rhonda is the daughter of Dave and Louise Price of Ajax, Ontario, and Jonathan is the son of Jon and Carolyn Shell of Springport, IN.

The Shells are making their home in Berrien Springs.

Phemie Cheng PuiYin and Stanley Maxwell were married Aug. 8, 1993, in Benton Harbor, MI. The ceremony was performed by Mervyn and Lawrence Maxwell.

Phemie Cheng is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cheng Chung Man of China, and Stanley is the son of Dr. Mervyn and Pauline Maxwell of Berrien Springs, MI.

The Maxwells are making their home in Hong Kong.

Erika Adell Schultz and Bradley Howard Walker were married Aug. 29, 1993, in Fremont, MI. The ceremony was performed by Elder Don Williams.

Erika is the daughter of Harry and Joanna Schultz of Fremont, and Bradley is the son of Howard and Marie Walker of Boston.

The Walkers are making their home in Collegedale, TN.

Karen Thomas and Vincent Peterkin were married Sept. 5, 1993, in Ypsilanti, MI. The ceremony was performed by Dr. Newton Hoilette and Pastor Ralph Shelton.

Karen is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Cleveland Thomas of Jamaica, and Vincent is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Peterkin of Denver, CO.

The Peterkins are making their home in Ann Arbor, MI.

Tanna Marie Wright and Brian D. S. Allison were married Dec. 23, 1992, in Berrien Springs, MI. The ceremony was performed by Chaplain Harold M. Allison.

Tanna is the daughter of Darlene Y. Wright of Dayton, OH, and Brian is the son of Harold and Bonnie Allison of Exton, PA.

The Allison family has made their home in Berrien Springs.

OBITUARIES

BERGER, Karen M., age 44; born June 24, 1949, in Daggett, MI; died Sept. 8, 1993, in Wilson, MI. She was a member of the Wilson Church.

Survivors are: her husband, Russell Sr.; 2 sons, Russell Jr. and Aaron; her parents, Richard and Catherine Pavlat; 4 brothers, Richard, David, Joseph and Authur Pavlat; and five sisters, Sharon Thomas, Eunice Cervantes, Eileen Searce, Jean Stufflebean and Julie Weber.

Services were conducted by Pastors Bill Edsell and Bob Quillin, and interment was in Church Cemetery, Wilson.

BIDWELL, John B., age 92; born March 8, 1901, in Grand Marsh, WI; died July 31, 1993, in Arpin, WI. He was a member of the Bethel Church in Arpin.

Survivors are: his wife, Ruby; 2 sons, Robert and John R.; a daughter, Ruth M. Sackett; 20 grandchildren; and 33 great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastors Wendell Springer and Robert Stauffer, and interment was in Bethel SDA Cemetery, Arpin.

BLINCI, Cirila E., age 74; born Feb. 20, 1919, in Akron, OH; died Oct. 6, 1993, in Livonia, MI. She was a member of the Oakwood Church in Taylor, MI.

Survivors include: her husband, Frank; 2 sons, Robert and Arthur; a sister, Lorenza Rollins; and 3 grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastors Frank Haynes and Quinten Purvis, and interment was in Michigan Memorial Park, Flat Rock, MI.

CHAMBERLAIN, Bruce, age 81; born March 1, 1912, near Andersonville, MI; died Aug. 16, 1993, in Bellingham, WA. He was a member of the Holly (MI) Church.

Survivors are: son, Larry; daughter, Sally; and 2 grandchildren.

Services were by Pastor Earl J. Zager, and interment was in Crestwood Cemetery, Grand Blanc, MI.

CRANER, Lena M., age 64; born Dec. 22, 1928, in Churchill, TN; died Sept. 17, 1993, in Pontiac, MI. She was a member of the Waterford (MI) Riverside Church.

Survivors include: her husband, James R.; 3 sons, James, Robert and Cameron; a daughter, Marlene; 2 brothers, Hubert and Mack Christian; a sister, Bobbie Freer; 4 grandchildren; and a grandniece.

Services were conducted by Pas-

tor Frank Haynes, and interment was in Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens, Novi, MI.

DULL, Gregory S., age 39; born Nov. 2, 1953, in Canton, OH; died Sept. 3, 1993, in Detroit. He was a member of the Pioneer Memorial Church in Berrien Springs, MI.

Survivors include: his wife, Arlene; a son, Joseph; his mother, Arlene Albert; a brother, David; a sister, Pamela Marincio; and a stepfather, Paul Albert.

Memorial services were conducted by Pastor John Sherk.

FANCHER, Clayton H., age 73; born Oct. 9, 1919, in Lansing, MI; died Oct. 5, 1993, in Sunfield, MI. He was a member of Lansing Church.

Survivors are: his wife, Pansy; a son, Gerald; 2 daughters, Shirley Carroll and Dorothy Hoke; 2 brothers, Howard and Oscar; 8 grandchildren; and 3 great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastor Gary Thurber, and interment was in Sunfield Cemetery.

FORD, Leroy E., age 84; born Aug. 31, 1909, in Miami County, IN; died Oct. 15, 1993, in South Bend, IN. He was a member of Pioneer Memorial Church in Berrien Springs, MI.

Survivors include: his wife, Dorothy (Hyatt); a son, James; a half brother, Jack Jacoby; 2 half sisters, Florence Webster and Mildred Krueger; and 3 grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastor Don Dronen, and interment was in Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens, Osceola, IN.

GILLEN, Earl L., age 73; born March 26, 1920, in Pound, WI; died Aug. 24, 1993, in Gladstone, MI. He was a member of the Escanaba (MI) Church.

Survivors include: his wife, Mabyn L. "Mickey"; a son, Mark; 2 daughters, Glenda Mock and Sara Neuroth; and a brother, Roland.

Services were by Elder Wayne D. Miller, and interment was in Fernwood Cemetery, Gladstone.

HARP, Nettie V., age 77; born April 15, 1916, in Hamtramck, MI; died Oct. 21, 1993, in Madison Heights, MI. She was a member of the Troy (MI) Church.

Survivors include: her husband, Ulas; a son, John; a daughter, Bernadine Cote; 2 brothers, Walter and Nicholas Rudnisky; and a sister, Sonya Melnik.

Memorial services were conducted by Pastor Don Williams.

HARTSUFF, Ruth (Harrington), age 88; born Aug. 9, 1905, in Illinois; died Oct. 10, 1993, in Battle Creek, MI. She was a member of the Battle Creek Tabernacle.

Graveside services were performed by Bachman-Hebble Funeral Services, and interment was in Oak Hill Cemetery, Battle Creek.

KNECHT, Margaret E., age 75; born Nov. 6, 1917, in Onaway, MI; died Sept. 3, 1993, in San Gabriel, CA. She was a member of the West Covina (CA) Hills Church.

Survivors include: 2 sons, William and Wayne; 2 daughters, Bonnie Wear and Betty Bernal; a brother, Kenneth Burgess; a sister, Mildred Butler; a half brother, Dale Porter; 2 half sisters, Shirley Pike and Marcella Lamberson; a stepbrother, Arthur Prough; 3 stepsisters, Julia LaCureux, Marian Senff and Mamiie Dunn; 9 grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Services were conducted by Pastor Bill Edsell, and interment was in Hillcrest Cemetery, Onaway.

KUHLMAN, Paul, age 85; born April 2, 1908, in Rosenburg, Russia; died June 26, 1993, in Berrien Springs, MI. He was a member of the Pioneer Memorial Church in Berrien Springs until he went to Shattuck, OK, in March 1981.

Survivors are: his former wife, Rebekah; 3 sons, Tom, Henry and Larry; a brother, Huldreich; a sister, Rosalee Brittain; 15 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Services were by Pastor James Danforth, and interment was in Rosehill Cemetery, Berrien Springs.

LANKHEET, Arlene J., age 58; born June 15, 1935, in Holland, MI; died Oct. 7, 1993, in Fennville, MI. She was a member of the Holland Church.

Survivors are: her husband, Roger Sr.; a son, Roger Jr.; 3 daughters, Kathy Wolters, Kris Potter and Karen Boersen; 3 brothers, Bruce, Dale and Jerry Ter Haar; a sister, Eleanor Race; and 15 grandchildren.

Memorial services were conducted by Pastor Eugene Amey.

MACK, Orlando W., age 82; born Oct. 15, 1910, in Rock Island, Quebec; died Oct. 2, 1993, in Bloomingdale, MI. He was a member of the South Haven (MI) Church.

Survivors include: 2 daughters, Fay Clapp and Betty Frank; a brother, Edwin; 2 sisters, Grace Gladden and Marquerite Fortin; 5 grandchildren; and 4 great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastors Robert C. Quillin and Paul Cameron, and interment was in Lakeview Cemetery, South Haven.

McDONALD, Lottie L., age 96; born April 6, 1897, in Emmet County, MI; died Oct. 11, 1993, in Harbor Springs, MI. She was a member of the Petoskey (MI) Church.

Survivors include: a son, Charles; a sister, Wanda Jachimowicz; 4 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastor Donald Siewert, and interment was in the Greenwood Cemetery, Petoskey.

MEDFORD, Ethel Mae, age 89; born May 1, 1903, in Detroit; died Feb. 17, 1993, in Berrien Springs, MI. She was a member of the Lakeview (MI) Church.

Survivors include: her husband, Harry C.; 4 sons, Foster, Robert, Lester and Ronald; 2 daughters, Dorothy Snow and Barbara Hamlin; 22 grandchildren; 45 great-grandchildren; and 8 great-great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastors Paul Pellandini and Hans Killius, and interment was in Cato Township Cemetery, Lakeview.

MOBLEY, Mary Ann, age 71; born April 22, 1922, in Genesee County, MI; died Sept. 19, 1993, in Decatur, IL. She was a member of the Mattoon (IL) Church.

Survivors include: a son, Don R. Stevens; 2 daughters, Betty Kettering and Linda Schmeling; 2 brothers, Edwin and Henry Adams; 2 sisters, Florence Blondie and Emily DiMaggio; 7 grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Services were conducted by Pastor Dale J. Barnhurst, and interment was in Resthaven Memorial Gardens, Mattoon.

NOODEL, Howard A., age 93; born Dec. 24, 1899, in Pontiac, MI; died Sept. 29, 1993, in Durand, MI. He was a member of the Holly (MI) Church.

He is survived by his 3 sons, Paul, Adin and Earl.

Services were conducted by Pastor Dan Towar, and interment was in Commerce (MI) Union Cemetery.

PHIPPS, Connie J., age 61; born March 7, 1932, in Kalamazoo, MI; died Sept. 12, 1993, in Kalamazoo. She was a member of the Kalamazoo Church.

Survivors include: her husband,

Gene; 2 sons, Richard L. Jeltema and John; her father, Vernell C. Evans; a brother, William Evans; 2 sisters, Carol Knight and Linda Ewaschuck; and 2 grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastor A. Royce Snyman, and interment was in Pine Grove Cemetery, Gobles, MI.

RANDALL, William G., age 85; born Jan. 14, 1908, in Lind, WI; died Oct. 26, 1993, in Berrien Center, MI. He was a member of the Pioneer Memorial Church in Berrien Springs, MI.

Survivors include: a daughter, Charlene Starlin; 3 grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Services were conducted by Pastors Steven Vitano and Al Bauer, and interment was in Rosehill Cemetery, Berrien Springs.

ROW, Effie M., age 77; born March 9, 1916, in Chicago; died Sept. 26, 1993, in Berrien Springs, MI. She was a member of the Pioneer Memorial Church in Berrien Springs.

Survivors include: her husband, John Wade; 3 sons, James, John and Wendell; a daughter, LuAnn Bermeo; a brother, John Klooster; a sister, Elizabeth Kidder; 14 grandchildren; and 5 great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastor Dwight K. Nelson, and interment was in Rosehill Cemetery, Berrien Springs.

ST. CLAIR, Pearl C., age 84; born Oct. 18, 1908, in Wells, MI; died Sept. 20, 1993, in Berrien Springs, MI. She was a member of the Pioneer Memorial Church in Berrien Springs.

Survivors include: 4 nephews Frank and Ray Olson, and Dale and Dick Embs; and 2 nieces, Helen May Binston and Jackie Embs.

Services were conducted by Pastor Don Dronen, and interment was in Rosehill Cemetery, Berrien Springs.

TRAVELBEE, Georgia, age 69; born Nov. 1, 1923, in Detroit; died Sept. 30, 1993, in Traverse City, MI. She was a member of the Houghton Lake (MI) Church.

Survivors include: her husband, Francis J.; 2 sons, Lavern and Richard; 4 daughters, Rosetta Garay, Linda Edwards, Sheri Krupinski and Louise; 21 grandchildren; and 28 great-grandchildren.

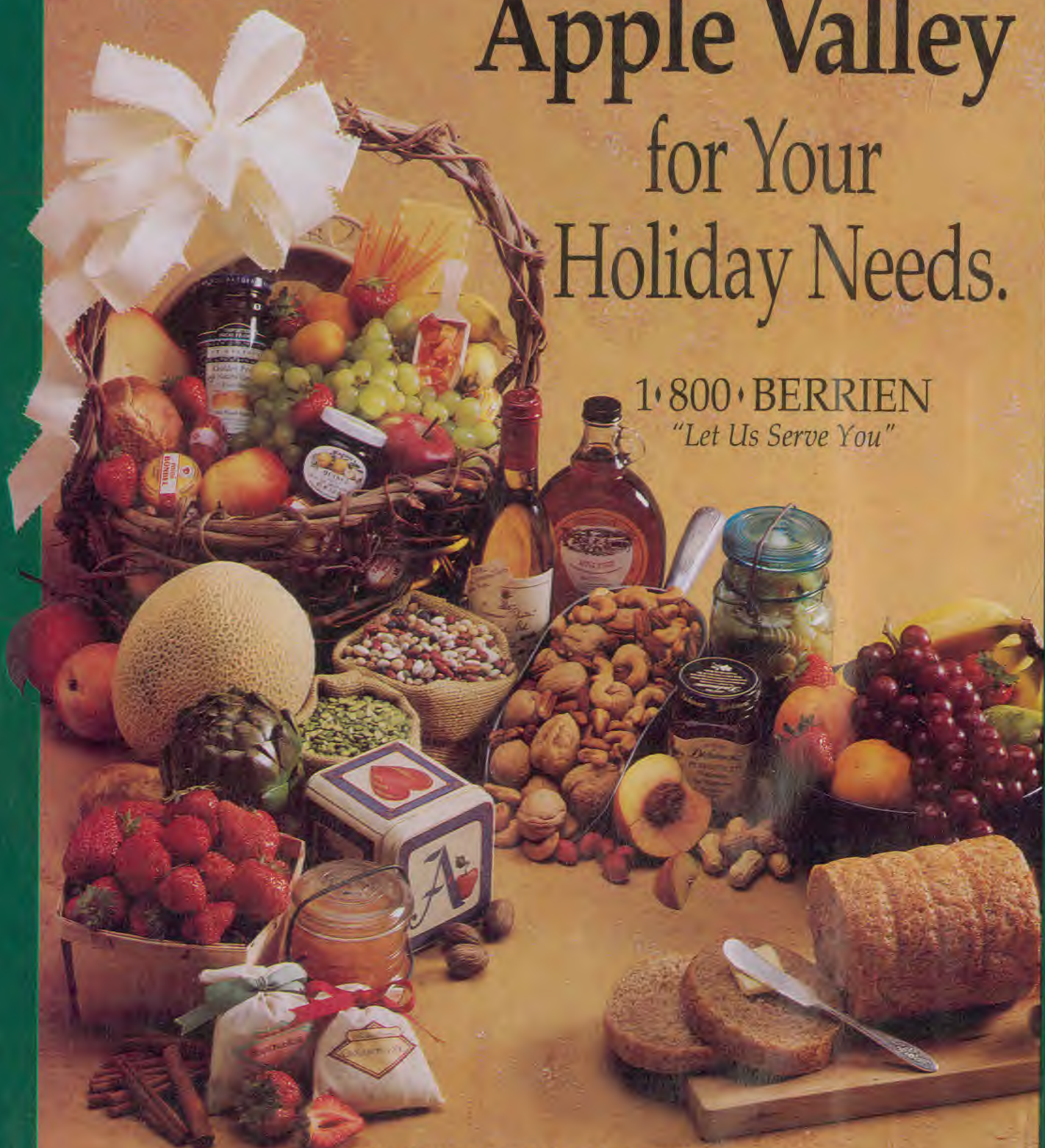
Services were conducted by Pastors David Stramel, Charles Danforth and James Wyckoff, and interment was in Star City (MI) Cemetery.



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Announcements for publication in the *Herald* should be sent to your local conference office. Readers may want to verify dates and times of programs with the respective sources.

LAKE UNION

Thirteenth Sabbath offering, Dec. 18, to benefit the Africa-Indian Ocean Division.

The 1994 Christian Talent Search starts in January. It is sponsored by Chapel/Bridge Records, Turning Point Studios and North American Division youth ministries. Categories are: solo, duo/group and instrumental. Category winners receive \$1,000 worth of recording time. For details call 916-622-9369.

Adventist Day-Care Providers Network began Oct. 5 in the Potomac Conference. This group hopes to connect with Adventists who provide day care through church schools, ACS centers, local churches, preschools and in a home setting. Names and addresses of any day-care providers are requested to begin a newsletter. Call Nolene Johnson at 301-680-6424 or fax 301-680-6464.

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MICHIGAN

Battle Creek, MI, historical tours will not be conducted during the winter months of December, or January and February 1994. Also, the Health and Heritage museum will be closed during these same months. Historical tours can still be conducted, during the winter months, for large groups by special arrangements. To arrange a tour call the Battle Creek Tabernacle at 616-968-8101.

Second annual winter singles meeting, Feb. 11-13, 1994, at Camp Au Sable in Grayling, MI. This weekend is sponsored by Adventist

Singles Ministries and will include: horseback riding, snowmobiling and possibly skiing. A fee is charged. For more details and to register contact: ASM President Susan Manke, 6527 Deans Hill Road, Berrien Center, MI 49102; 616-471-1739.

Collegiate snow weekend, Feb. 18-21, 1994, at Camp Au Sable in Grayling, MI. All Andrews University students and faculty, and Michigan Conference college-age students are invited to this jointly-sponsored event by Michigan Conference and Andrews. Activities will include: sleigh rides, skiing, horseback riding. There is a fee. For more details and to register, call the Michigan youth department at 517-485-2226, extension 272.

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Amateur and professional photographers are encouraged to enter color slides for the Spring edition of *Creation Illustrated*. The available categories are: the Grand Canyon national park, wild flower scenes, wild flower close-ups, mother animals and birds with their young, and firmament shots. Deadline is Jan. 5, 1994. Entries must include a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Mail to: *Creation Illustrated*, P.O. Box 7955, Auburn, CA 95604.

"Voice of Prophecy": Dec. 5-10, "A Secret of Happiness" (Sunday), followed by "Sex: The Myth and the Magic." Dec. 12-17, "Light for a Dark World" (Sunday), followed by "All Nature Sings." Dec. 19-24, "The Christmas Yet to Come" (Sunday), followed by "Angels Unlimited." Dec. 26-31, "The Way of Love" (Sunday), followed by "Israel in Prophecy." For details and radio coverage in your area, call 805-373-7611.

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	1993	1992	Gain or Loss	% of Increase
Illinois	4,836,289.53	4,872,370.44	36,080.91 L	(.7%)
Indiana	2,831,912.01	2,783,081.58	48,830.43 G	1.8%
Lake Region	4,173,776.76	4,048,594.99	125,181.77 G	3.1%
Michigan	11,946,299.99	11,656,147.30	290,152.69 G	2.5%
Wisconsin	<u>2,602,197.25</u>	<u>2,500,457.52</u>	<u>101,739.73 G</u>	<u>4.1%</u>
TOTAL	26,390,475.54	25,860,651.83	529,823.71 G	2.1%

SUNSET CALENDAR

	Dec. 10	Dec. 17	Dec. 24	Dec. 31	Jan. 7	Jan. 14
Berrien Springs, MI	5:14	5:15	5:19	5:23	5:30	5:38
Chicago	4:20	4:21	4:25	4:30	4:36	4:44
Detroit	5:02	5:03	5:06	5:11	5:18	5:25
Indianapolis	5:21	5:22	5:25	5:30	5:37	5:44
La Crosse, WI	4:27	4:29	4:32	4:37	4:44	4:52
Lansing, MI	5:04	5:05	5:09	5:14	5:19	5:28
Madison, WI	4:22	4:23	4:27	4:32	4:39	4:46
Springfield, IL	4:34	4:35	4:39	4:44	4:50	4:57

A LOOK BACK

76 YEARS AGO

Dec. 12, 1917: There are 2057 SDA congregations in the United States and 80154 full members.

56 YEARS AGO

Dec. 7, 1937: There are only 130 regular colporteurs in the Lake Union Conference: 1 to every 180 of its members; 1 to every 1,598 square miles of its territory; 1 to every 142,000 of its people; and 1 to every 3 counties in its territory.

36 YEARS AGO

Dec. 24, 1957: Pathfinder directors have accepted the idea of a Camporee with great enthusiasm. So a Lake Union Pathfinder Camporee will be held May 9-11, at the Berrien County Youth Fair Grounds. All units from each conference will be in the same area—girls in one section and boys in another.

Dec. 31, 1957: One major question—on which side of the Marydale-Savage Farm should the entrance road be established for the new Broadview Academy, at LaFox, Illinois? The street has now been laid as a double curve. The location and size of the lots have been established. The 12 new homes for faculty members are located.

16 YEARS AGO

Dec. 13, 1977: Construction of the new Andrews Academy complex is proceeding. The 76,000-square-foot facility is expected to cost \$2.3 million and will be capable of housing 500 students.

Dec. 13, 1977: In 1976 the Lake Region Pontiac Southside Church created the Worthy Student Aid Organization for the purpose of helping Adventist students receive a Christian education.

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In spite of her gloomy prospects, Ruth decided to go with her mother-in-law. What could prompt her to make such an apparent self-defeating decision? The answer to this question is vital to young people today.

First, her prospects. Because of the deaths of her father-in-law, brother-in-law and husband, Ruth had to choose whether to return to her father's home or accompany her mother-in-law, Naomi, to Israel. Some choice! You see if she chose her father's house, she would be returning to her family and friends, familiar gods and religion, the chance of remarriage and a happy future. But if she chose instead to go with Naomi, she would be going to a strange land with strange people that had a strange God and a strange religion, with little hope of a future, much less remarriage.

Secondly, her choices. What would you choose if you were Ruth? Her decision was to go with Naomi! But why?

Because it was the right thing to do. Because Naomi needed her; she had no one else to help her. It was the Holy Spirit prompting Ruth to go for that very reason. Before Ruth made her decision, she recognized this, considered it and submitted to it, even at the apparent great loss to herself and her future. But God helps people and blesses them through other people.

As I travel around and meet with young people, I am shocked at how few consider the Lord's work as an option for their life. Many, unlike Ruth, covet worldly positions, possessions and honor as the real prize. But God is searching today for young men and women who, like Ruth, are willing to set self aside, follow the prompting of the Holy Spirit, and work for Jesus even at apparent loss to self. Is it easy? No way! Does the world encourage this? Absolutely not! Is it rewarding? Just watch!

Shortly after arriving in Israel, Ruth went to work gleaning in the fields to keep Naomi and herself alive. Some of the town's people recognized her as a woman of virtue and integrity. Next, the most sought-after, eligible bachelor in the area noticed her, courted her, and married her — and he was rich! Ruth became the mother of Obed, the father of Jesse, the father of David, the line of Jesus.

Is working for the Lord worth it? Ask Ruth, or Job, or Esther, or Joseph, or Mary, or Paul — or you could just ask me!!!!

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Community Services

All across the country, in both urban and rural communities, there are families that go to bed hungry. This situation isn't exclusive to the unemployed or homeless.

Many individuals who are employed do not have enough money to buy adequate food or clothing for their families, and often are ineligible for government programs. This is an area where we, as a church, have been admonished to lend our resources and use the opportunity to spread God's word.

As a professional social worker for a mental health center, I regularly refer clients to food and clothing pantries run by other denominations. When I see the number of people served by other denominations, it makes me wonder why our community services programs are not making their services more available to the community? It helps people to become more familiar with our Church.

First, we need to let the people who need the services know where to find us.

The easiest way to do this is through local social services agencies: community mental health centers, homeless shelters, community centers, senior citizen agencies, the welfare department and other similar organizations. Our community services programs

could send a letter to these agencies stating the services they provide, hours they are open, and the referral process.

Hopefully, each person who receives services, whether clothing or food, would also receive an invitation to church services as well as other witnessing literature.

Secondly, church members need to make a commitment to this program. Many churches have had little success with their community services programs because of a lack of volunteers. This is a wonderful area for young people to become involved.

Whether it is donating needed items, helping to sort and organize donations, or offering hours to distribute and give out services, everyone needs to be committed to making their community services program a success.

As church members, we need to unite together in prayer for the success of our community services program. Paul reminds us to "... pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests" (Philippians 6:18).

God will provide opportunities if we commit to him, and then pray for the success of our programs. This is an opportunity to be more than just a "church"; it is a chance to be a caring part of the community. Let us take this opportunity!

*Jo Anna Bement,
Indianapolis*

My Time With SDAs

Our company, Readak Educational Services, provides a reading and study skills course to private schools around the world. As one of the 25 instructors, I travel to different schools and call them home for four weeks.

My colleagues questioned my sanity when I selected Great Lakes Adventist Academy (GLAA) in Cedar Lake, MI. But the opportunity for someone outside the SDA Church to spend extended time in an Adventist community seemed highly unusual. And it was.

Although this was Readak's first course at GLAA, the company's past experiences with Adventist academies in the United States have been extremely positive: devoted and supportive faculty with positive, motivated students.

But I did not anticipate the remarkable individuals I would meet. Their actions, which seem wholly unremarkable to them, remain a source of inspiration to me.

A student named Debi was the first to touch my heart. She was selected by GLAA to receive financial assistance from Readak's scholarship fund. I was unprepared for her spontaneous reaction to this news.

"Well, that's an answer to a prayer. That's what that is," she said.

I blinked. Having taught at many other schools before GLAA, this was the first time a student had pointed

out the heavenly origin of the scholarship fund. I blinked again. I was not as surprised by her comment as I was by my reaction to it — overwhelming warmth. And insight into the unique environment I was soon to feel a part of.

My second opportunity to award a scholarship provided a different perspective to this academy.

After working hard all summer Eric had managed to finance attending GLAA. Perceiving the scholarship as welcome information, I was surprised by his reaction.

"I don't want it! That other person should take it," he said.

Eric's selfless reaction had rendered me speechless. I knew he needed the assistance. This was the first time, but certainly not the last, that I reflected on the world which brought me to Cedar Lake and something that world lacked.

Here I attended my first Sabbath service. During my stay I had many discussions with students about their faith.

Though the world may be quick to pass judgment on Adventists, it cannot argue with results of a community bonded by the desire to love unconditionally.

I witnessed acceptance, appreciation and concern at GLAA. They witnessed to me without words — I can pay no higher compliment.

How fortunate I was that life's path brought me here. The community deserves my thanks: for helping me reflect on my own spirituality; for remaining true to the most important elements of their lives; and for reaffirming the love that exists in our world.

Alisa Jenkins

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