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## EDITORIAL



## You Better Mind

by Robert H. Carter, president  
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The Negro spiritual "You Better Mind" urges seekers of righteousness to be careful how they walk and talk on their journey through life. The manner in which one engages in these activities can have a direct bearing on one's final destiny. With so much at stake then, certainly the caution "you better mind" is wise counsel.

The message of the spiritual appears to agree with the admonition given in Psalm 1:1, which says: "Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful."

This verse points out three successive steps that lead to a person's spiritual downfall and eventual separation from God. They are as follows:

*Step One:* "Walking in the counsel of the ungodly." A child of God who seeks a closer walk with God should not regard the advice of ungodly companions. "The word used in the original for 'ungodly' signifies the 'loose man, the man loose from God'" (by Delitzack, *Preacher's Homiletic Commentary*, volume 22, page 1).

*Step Two:* "Standing in the way of sinners." Frequenting the places where the ungodly go eventually lead one into agreement with or taking a stand with breakers of the law.

*Step Three:* "Sitting in the seat of the scornful." The scornful are those who deride and scoff at religion. It will not be long before one who accepts the counsel of the ungodly, and spends his time in the hangouts of sinners, will fully identify with those who scoff at and reject the word of God.

In *Testimonies for the Church*, volume 4, page 587, Ellen G. White cautions: "He who associates with the skeptic will soon become skeptical; he who chooses the companionship of the vile will most assuredly become vile. To walk in the counsel of the ungodly is the first step toward standing in the way of sinners and sitting in the seat of the scornful."

The fate of the ungodly and sinners is clearly spelled out in Psalms 1:5-6, which says: "Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous. For the Lord knoweth the way of the righteous: but the way of the ungodly shall perish."

The words of the spiritual linger more forcibly in my heart than ever before. Do you mind if I repeat them in making an appeal to your heart?

"You better mind where you walk.  
You better mind what you're walking about  
You've got to give an account in the judgment,  
You better mind.

"You better mind how you talk.  
You better mind what you're talking about.  
You've got to give an account in the judgment,  
You better mind."



## Indiana Goes to the Dominican

*Thirty people from Indiana were the first group to build a church in the Dominican Republic under the Lake Union “Operation Amigo” project. About 200 people were in attendance for the first worship service in the newly built Sabaneta Church.*

**J**anuary 1, 1994, is the 10th Sabbath that the Sabaneta congregation has worshipped in their new church; reports Archie Moore, Indiana Conference secretary.

It makes me feel warm inside every time I think of this beautiful church that was built to the glory of God in the Dominican Republic. This church is a gift from God and the Indiana Conference constituency — made possible by the overwhelming response to the 1993 camp meeting offering.

Since October 1992, when “Operation Amigo” was launched, Indiana is the first group to go on a building project. This group of 30 met Sunday, October 24, 1993, at the Indianapolis International Airport, carrying luggage and 25 boxes of food, cooking utensils and tools. Members came from Logansport, Lafayette and Kokomo to the North; Tell City, North Vernon, Martinsville, New Albany and Evansville to the South; and Cicero, Noblesville and the Indianapolis Spanish Company from central Indiana.

We arrived at the compound in Santo Domingo around 2 a.m. Monday morning. A few hours later, the same day, we started building the Sabaneta Church.

It was hard work, but it was also thrilling to work side by side with several Dominican brothers and sisters. Men, women, children and non-Adventists all pitched in. Then, 39.5 working hours later — and just a short time before sundown on Friday — we moved the church pews in. Our project was complete!

What a sense of joy and satisfaction we felt while preparing for the Sabbath. The highlight came during worship together in this new church. Attendance totaled about 200 with the local congregation and guests. It was a wonderful, fulfilling mission experience, as some individuals express below.

**Ron Smith** says: “This is an experience I shall never forget! When there was a singleness of purpose all petty differences were put aside.”

**Gary Robertson** reports: “Seeing such abject pov-

erty caused me to reflect on the advantages I have, and the air of complacency I have developed. I pray the Lord will humble me and use me to serve Him according to His will, and not mine.”

**Harold Campbell** states: “Worshipping in their new church was just a foretaste of heaven. These people love the Lord with all their hearts, and I believe they will fill their church within six months. It’s my prayer that we will do the same.

**Summer Campbell** reports: “I learned from this experience that it doesn’t matter if you’re rich or poor, but that you want to love and serve the Lord.”

**Dave Neuhauser** explains: “I was surprised by the desire of the local members to help us in finishing the church project and their appreciation of our efforts. They told us the new church was as much ours as it was theirs. All the members in the Lake Union can feel they’ve had a part because of their support and offerings to ‘Operation Amigo.’”

**Eric Neuhauser** says: “The worst thing was the heat, mosquitoes, frogs and two-inch cockroaches.”

**Jeff Deming** reports: “Over the course of drilling holes in the roof, carrying blocks, and sometimes splattering mud on an unsuspecting fellow worker, relationships began and friendships deepened. For me the church began to feel less like a building and more like a house for our Father.”

**Luciana Whitlow** explains: “If I had the chance to do it all over again, the work, the fun, and the learning, I would go in a heartbeat.”

**Heidi Cooper** says, “I was most impressed with how committed the Adventists in the Dominican Republic are to each other and their faith. They had so much love and kindness to give. Even though we couldn’t speak the same language, many smiles and a lot of laughter was shared — that was the best part. It was amazing to see God’s presence at work. I can’t wait to return in April with the rest of my class.

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(Indiana comments continued from page 3)

**Pete Byers** says: "Anyone who takes part in a missionary trip like this will never be the same again. It has to be experienced to fully appreciate the life-changing aspects of it. The academy students who participated made us very proud by their excellent behavior, hard work and spiritual contribution. It would be greatly beneficial if a large number of our youth could participate in such a project — it could change the direction of many lives to live for Christ."

**Rozella Moore** states, "The cultural shock was worth it, just to experience the happy smiles and hugs we received on Sabbath when we all worshipped in the new church."

**Betty Kurtz** reports: "Sabbath was the highlight of the trip, to worship together with our newfound brothers and sisters even on a dirt floor in an uncompleted building was a joyous occasion. Our church members in the Dominican have so little, yet they love Jesus and are waiting anxiously for Him to come."

**Pastor Marlyn Kurtz** states: "All who went to give were inspired by the gracious and joyful spirit of God's people, whom we went to serve. The Sabbath walk from the old church, and the songs and the inviting of the neighbors to the new church some three to five blocks away, was a most inspiring event. About 80 people came to church and Sabbath school who had never been in an SDA church before."

**Andrew Korzyniowski** says: "It gave me a blessing to be part of 'Operation Amigo' and help build the church. I really

enjoyed this trip, and it made me appreciate the things I have."

**Reginald L. Taylor** states, "On Sabbath we went to the Botanical Garden where we saw many plants and trees."

**Nivia Ross** reports: "I am so happy the Lord answered my prayers and impressed upon me to go, as I have learned much from this experience. I hope and pray everyone continues to do everything asked of them, so that our time on earth will be shorter and we will soon be home with our Lord."

**David W. Wolkwitz**, Indiana Conference president, comments: "As you read these experiences surely your heart was touched, as was mine. Can you imagine 30 members of the Indiana Conference together in the mission field working hand in hand with Dominicans to build a new place for them to worship! Amen and Amen!"

"It is my dream for our conference to have several trips like this each year and enable our people to get a real picture of the needs in this mission field. Such a dream fulfilled depends on very special offerings at the climax of campmeeting each year. Praise the Lord for what the wonderful people here in Indiana have done for Him, especially over the past two years."

"As your president, I urge you to begin planning even now for the special appeal this year. Remember, God's servant passes on His promise that according to our burden and sacrifice to God's work in the foreign field will be God's blessing on the home front!"



*Dominican Republic church school children eagerly look on as ASI volunteer workers begin building the new school walls. Prior to this, Maranatha Volunteers had laid the foundation. Photos by William E. Jones.*



## Construction Begins on the New San Francisco de Macoris School

**Lake Union** — When members of the Adventist-Laymen's Services and Industries (ASI) went to the Dominican Republic in November they were met with many friendly faces.

Watch our February issue for more building updates and the December 11 offering total.



## NEW MEMBERS

### ANDREWS UNIVERSITY

The Andrews Academy Week of Prayer, Sept. 13-17, 1993, ended on a high spiritual note with the baptism of 15 students Sept. 18, in Pioneer Memorial Church (PMC) on the university campus in Berrien Springs, MI; reports Lori Engel, newswriter. Dwight K. Nelson, senior pastor at PMC, was the Week of Prayer speaker and chose "Friendship with Christ" as his topic. Two of the students were baptized by their fathers, after which Nelson baptized the remainder giving each a personal word of advice and encouragement.

### INDIANA



Pastor Paul Wasmer (right) was glad to add to his Vincennes (IN) Church two new members; reports Ruby Devries. **Kathy Evans** and **John Wasmer** were baptized Sept. 11, 1993. The pastor was very pleased to baptize his father, John, of Olympia, WA, who had been greatly influenced by his son and family.



On July 24, 1993, **Ceola Barnhill** and **Sue Perkheiser** were baptized in the Evansville (IN) Church, and **Summer Campbell** (pictured left) and **Aimee Roesel** (right) were baptized in the lake at Audubon Park; reports Barbara Purdue, Evansville communication secretary. Marlyn Kurtz (left) and Dan Hall are the pastors in the water.

### WISCONSIN



Lifeguards look on from observation chairs at the baptism held Oct. 30, 1993, in Milwaukee's indoor Pulaski Pool. Eighteen people were baptized following last year's crusades held during the summer and fall months by the four Milwaukee-area Spanish churches.

A poolside concert opened the evening. Performing the baptisms were Elder Luis E. Leonor, Lake Union Conference vice president; Pastor Orlando Vasquez, of the Milwaukee area; Richard Habenicht, Wisconsin Conference trust services director; Evangelist Miguel Aldonia, Nicaragua Mission president; and pastors Elias Correa and Winston Simpson, also from Nicaragua. These three men from Nicaragua led out in the evangelistic crusades. More baptisms are expected from these meetings, Vasquez stated.

"When asked why he had chosen to be baptized, nine-year-old Isaac Mercado of the Racine (WI) Spanish Church, states simply, "Because I know Jesus."



**Rebekah Arthurs** was baptized on Sept. 11, 1993, in the Milwaukee Northwest Church; reports Leone Psket, Northwest communication leader. Pastor Paul Matacio, a close relative of the family, performed the baptism. Special music was provided by co-workers of Rebekah's father, Steve.



# Religion and Aging:

## *Can we uplift the spirit as the body slows down?*

BY JAN L. MCGILLIARD

Being a church mouse, I have spent serious time observing the folks who come here to worship, and I have to tell you in all honesty there are a few problems.

Some older folks seem to be set in their ways, always having to sit in the same pew with the same view and the like. I know that not all of them are like that, but I still hear the rumblings when some sing in frustration mostly new hymns or familiar hymns whose words have been changed.

Even the "willing to try" group feels frustrated because the print is too small or the lights are too dim for reading those new words.

### BEING A MOUSE OF THE CHURCH I HAVE A THEORY

My theory is that older folks want to feel that the church is a haven — a place where continuity is the hallmark of worship. It is a place where familiar prayers are repeated, where familiar hymns are sung, and where the sacraments are presented in an orderly and, here's that word again, familiar manner. Why such resistance to change?

My worldly mice friends, who visit me from time to time (after all, I am blessed with all this space and great places to hide), have told me how courageous older people are in their daily lives. Every day they open the newspaper to the obituary page and learn that another friend has died. Another has inoperable cancer.

Well-meaning friends and relatives persuade them to move away from old neighbors to be in a dwelling without stairs, or near caregivers. Medical bills arrive daily. Chronic conditions are the norm for these brave folks — but they seldom complain and simply adjust to

their limitations. What choice do they have?

From what my pals tell me, the list goes on and on. Older folks experience more change late in life than at any other time, and they live 20 years longer than their parents did. In some ways, I'm glad mice have a relatively short lifespan!

Anyway, from what my friends describe, it's no wonder some older folks want their place of worship to remain unchanged. After all, they have supported the church with their attendance, their service, and their pocketbooks for many, many years! They have a long-term investment in the life of the church. It is a link with their youth, about which they spend considerable time reminiscing in their spare time.

### THEY MIGHT SMILE MORE OFTEN AND CRITICIZE LESS

I have half a mind to sneak into the pastor's study and turn on the computer to leave a message. It would read: "Dear Pastor,

I have some advice for you that will make things go more smoothly. The church has been a secure home for me and my family over the years, and I'm grateful. I know you have observed us from time to time, but you have faithfully looked the other way, perhaps realizing everyone needs a home.

However, you have some folks in your flock who need your help, though they won't admit it to anyone. If you heed my advice, they'll never be the wiser, but they might smile more often and criticize less.

1. If you make changes in the order of worship or in your style of serving communion, explain what they are and why you are making a change.

2. Be sure one or two familiar hymns are included in the service. Have the choir director spend some time practicing new music with the congregation so it won't feel so awkward when it's time to sing.

3. Make the bulletin board a large-print one — then everyone is sure to read it!

4. Use higher-wattage bulbs throughout the church.

5. Within reason, make the church more accessible. One day, you may have trouble climbing the stairs to the pulpit.

6. Offer hearing devices that can be used anywhere in the church. A familiar seat helps soften the obvious need for help with hearing.

7. Try to speak distinctly and clearly, and not too fast. If you don't have an amplifier, get one! Even then, you're not allowed to use your "inside voice."

8. Treat older folks with respect and care; tomorrow it will be your turn.

9. Assume that older folks are competent. Include them in everything. Listen to them. You'll learn a lot!

*Sincerely, Church Mouse*

This year we will be featuring a series written by authors of different denominations focusing on the positive aspects of aging and religion. This article is offered for publication courtesy of the National Interfaith Coalition on Aging, a constituent unit of The National Council on the Aging Inc., 409 Third St. S.W., Washington, DC 20024.

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# The Adventist Prison Ministry

## *He did his time serving others*

BY CYNTHIA A. HARTKNOTT

**O**n June 24, 1993, Christopher "Pumpkin" Knott passed away. His memorial at the Lake Region Hyde Park Church in Chicago was attended by family, friends, his counselor, attorney, Bible study teacher, ordained ministers, members of the Illinois Adventist Prison Ministry Organization (IAPMO), and a host of others.

Pumpkin, as he was affectionately called, had decided to join Hyde Park and work with the young people in the fall of 1993. Why not sooner?

You see, Pumpkin was in the Stateville Correctional Institution in Joliet, Illinois. During his incarceration, he earned a bachelor's degree and read voraciously the writings of Sister Ellen G. White.

It was during this time that Pumpkin became convicted of the Lord Jesus. He began sharing Sister White's works with the other residents and witnessing to them about God's love. He also began to give Bible studies to the other residents.

Pumpkin had a very positive affect at Stateville. Pumpkin influenced not only his fellow inmates, but nearly everyone else there as well, from the warden on down.

So positively profound was Pumpkin's character and witness for Jesus, that most of the institution felt his passing as deeply as his family. The residents sent a multi-paged condolence card to his mother which contained hundreds of signatures.

It was because of Pumpkin that many Stateville residents attended our Prisoner of Hope Project church services.

Going to prisoners to witness about the Lord can change things for them. People with hope have a positive purpose in life; people without hope don't.

Pumpkin was only one man in a cast of thousands and thousands across the United States, and millions across the world. These individuals need to be embraced so they can embrace others.

God was Pumpkin's joy. God was Pumpkin's hope. Pumpkin had so much love for God that he couldn't keep it inside, he had to share it. We may never know how many people Pumpkin encouraged to choose Jesus, but as the song says, "each one can reach one." Pumpkin has done his share, are you doing yours?

*If prisoners  
never know our God,  
then we have not done as  
our Father commanded us.  
Matthew 28:19-20*

The SDA Church is the only church that has a "world-wide" prison ministry organization. IAPMO is a networking organization, which is a member of the Adventists Prison Ministry Association of the North American Division, recognized by the General Conference.

IAPMO has workers who are members of the Lake Union's Illinois and Lake Region conferences. Its president, Dolby Knott, is a member of Hyde Park, and its vice president, Mildred Tittle, is a member of the Illinois Conference South Suburban Church in Richton Park.

Strong supporters of IAPMO are: Elders Monte Sahlin, North American Division assistant to the president for ministries; Robert H. Carter, Lake Union Conference president; William Jones, Lake Union associate director of church ministries; R. C. Brown, Lake Region Conference president; John D.

Parker, Lake Region personal ministries director; and James Brauer, Illinois Conference president.

It doesn't matter what your conference affiliation is, you are welcomed as long as you submit to the guidelines. If you are seeking a particular conference in heaven, expect to stay here because conference affiliations will not exist.

Visiting the prisons is not the only way to be an IAPMO member. There is also a need for: home visitors to ascertain the needs of the families of the residents, pen pals to write residents, and Bible workers to bring a clearer understanding of God's love to the residents. IAPMO needs you.

No! Pumpkin wasn't perfect, but neither are we. Jesus will not come to get the perfect people, He will come to get us! Won't you help others to have the same joy and peace that Pumpkin felt? The kind of love for God that just can't be kept inside.

If you are interested in becoming an IAPMO member, speak with your local church prison ministry coordinator. If you don't have a prison ministry department, invite IAPMO to help you organize one. Contact IAPMO, P.O. Box 563, Brookfield, IL 60153; Attn: Becoming a new member.

Shortly after receiving your inquiry, IAPMO will telephone you and your pastor to set up a Prison Ministry Day at your church.

Please remember: If you come aboard, you are not making a commitment to IAPMO, you are making a commitment to the ministry of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ!

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# Youth Seeking Chur

*Show SDA young people where they can serve, and in all probability they will go serve.*

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**"I**'d better like this place because I'm going to be here for a year!" That's what Daryl Gungadoo was thinking as his plane touched down on Guam this past summer. Daryl, a student missionary from Andrews University, is one of many students from the Lake Union who went to work abroad.

Allen Carey and Peter Ramseier arrived in Guam a few months after Daryl to join him in working at Adventist World Radio-Asia (AWR-Asia).

Allen said that, in his mind, being a missionary meant "you are out in the boonies with a tribe somewhere," but he went to Guam to do construction work.

Peter went because he simply wanted to do something for someone else.

These students are volunteering their time and talents at AWR-Asia, the largest of four AWR stations. This station is on the air 235 hours a week in 19 languages, with plans to add a third transmitter in 1994. This third transmitter will make it possible to dedicate one transmitter solely to broadcasting the gospel to the one billion people in China.

Daryl has had a special interest in AWR-Asia because when he was 13 years old, his Sabbath school class raised around \$400 to help build this station on Guam. When Daryl learned of an opening for a student missionary engineer, he decided to go find out what was happening at the station he had helped to build.



H. M. S. Richards Jr. (center) rejoices with Joshua Lizarraga (left) and Philip Westerman, students at Andrews University, over the success of "Brazil '93," a daring program by the "Voice of Prophecy" of giving Bible studies in the slums of Salvador.

## College Students in the Mission Field

The "Voice of Prophecy" is offering without charge a 10-minute video showing highlights of the extensive "Brazil '93" evangelistic campaign that covered 11 cities. This video focuses especially on the work of 11 North American college students in Salvador, a seaport of Brazil's northeast coast. Among the students taking part in this project were two from Andrews University: Joshua Lizarraga and Philip Westerman. A free video may be obtained by writing: "Voice of Prophecy," Box 55, Los Angeles, CA 90053.



# ch Work

Daryl learned that since the station went on the air in 1987, nearly 76,000 letters from listeners have arrived in response to the broadcasts. His time with AWR-Asia has helped him clarify his plans for the future.

"I knew I wanted to work for the church in the engineering field," Daryl said, "but I didn't know where I could be used. Now I've seen some of the opportunities that are open to me."

Two other Andrews students who took a daring leap of faith are Joshua Lizarraga and Philip Westerman. Both are studying theology at Andrews University, and took part in "Brazil '93," sponsored by the "Voice of Prophecy" (VOP).

Side by side, 11 North American and 35 Brazilian students worked together in "Brazil '93," an outreach particularly aimed at the poor people living in the slums of Salvador.

"It took a lot of courage and faith in God's protection to conduct regular Bible studies in these areas," says Lonnie Melashenko, director-speaker of VOP.

"Brazil '93" was planned to coincide with the 50-year celebration of "A Voz da Profecia," the Brazilian VOP program. But Adventist members in Brazil do not merely celebrate an anniversary, they make it an occasion for evangelism.

"As a result of 'Brazil '93,' one million persons have enrolled in VOP Bible courses, a half million have graduated, and more than 20,000 are being baptized!" declares Elder Melashenko.



"I knew I wanted to work for the church, but I didn't know where I could be used."

*Daryl Gungadoo (pictured above), an engineering student at Andrews University*



*From left, Andrews University students Peter Ramseier, Daryl Gungadoo and Allen Carey went to serve abroad at Adventist World Radio-Asia in Guam.*

Regardless of the students' reasons for spending time in a mission field, one thing is clear — these students are helping to complete Christ's commission to spread the gospel to all the world!

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Around 500 began attending the evangelistic meetings recently held at the Rainbow Auditorium in Vinnitsa, Ukraine. Standing on stage (from left) are Evangelist Larry Lichtenwalter, Dr. John Swanson, health lecturer, and the translator Sergie.



## Why Have You Never Asked Me My Name?

BY LARRY LICHTENWALTER

For the first weeks of our evangelistic series, he was the little man without a name. He was the rumpled coat that moved unsteadily down the aisle each night, the bristly, weathered face that peered out from all the crowds, the hot vodka breath that hung by every hallway discussion.

If I didn't know his name, I could always pick him out of the crowd. He stuttered: "Sp-sp-sp-aciba!" (Thank You!) He smelled. And he kissed. I hardly could see anything else.

BLESSED ARE THE EYES  
THAT SEE THESE THINGS

In the spring of 1993, George Mikielski, a piano technician from Detroit who has frequently supported evangelism in his home country of Poland, approached me about joining a handful of Ukrainian Adventist pastors

in a five-week evangelistic effort during August and September. They wanted to plant a church in Vinnitsa, Ukraine (population 750,000). I was awed by the challenge, but I knew it was God's opportunity, not mine. And He had countless miracles He wanted us all to see.

Our official team was made up of: George, our sponsor; Dr. John Swanson of Loma Linda University, our health lecturer; Sergie, our translator; and myself, the evangelist. Our base was Pastor Yuri Swiatecki's home, and his generous family became ours for the seven weeks.

The work was grueling. Double sessions five nights a week in a semi-outdoor auditorium that held up to 800 people each meeting, and a Bible class sandwiched between sessions. On the two remaining days, we traveled to outlying towns to begin five more series for local pastors to carry on.

Our support team, though, was who I noticed the most. I saw church

members providing gas they'd quietly

stored so we could travel beyond Vinnitsa. I saw their ageless vehicles serve us under all conditions, and punctured tires hold pressure against all odds.

I saw teenagers walk, ride a trolley, and walk again for hours to set up the sound system for each meeting, only to retrace their path until midnight each night.

I saw pastors with less-than-meager resources and even less acclaim, work tirelessly, and their wives cry and pray for their husbands' efforts. I saw God intervene in our frustrations together, work through our unexpected trials, and bridge across the language and cultural barriers that might have separated us.







From left, Dr. Swanson, Russian Pastor and organizer Yuri Swigtek and Pastor Lichtenwalter, celebrate a sweet gift made by one of the women attending the evangelistic meetings. After being received, this tart was cut into 100 or more pieces and shared with the attendees as a symbol of the shared life and fellowship in Jesus.



Seventy-five Ukrainians, many of them young adults, committed their lives to Jesus during the second baptism at Vinnitsa's only SDA Church building. There are three SDA con-gregations in Vinnitsa, but only one has a building.

But for some reason I didn't see

what was happening to the little man; the scruffy alcoholic who had gripped Elder Swanson's shoulders with gnarled knuckles and planted him with a heavy, wet kiss. I seemed to notice more easily the sober, thinking people who crowded around me with questions — the promising interests responding to God's truth. Until the night the little man decided to reach out to me.

His question shot at me even before it passed through the translator: "Why have you never asked me my name?" he blurted. His name? I didn't realize I needed to know his name. We all knew who he was. We all wanted to avoid his kiss.

For a moment I could feel him search my face for a response. I looked down at him squarely, honestly. The old coat framed a sober, alert face. A thick smile spread across his olive complexion. The dark eyes sparkled.

Without my asking, he offered that his name was "Breese" (though he never told me how to spell it). I instantly knew he was being changed. I knew I deserved his gentle rebuke, too.

#### GOD HAD BEEN WORKING MIRACLES ALL AROUND US

God sent a searching woman three dreams even before the meetings began. God also honored a skeptical husband's demand for proof that He existed, and awarded a wife's prayer with a generous catch of fish.

God gave one woman courage to ask her Orthodox priest special permission to attend the meetings (while the priest stood outside our auditorium forbidding his members to

enter). Although she entered with his warning, "You'll know there's a difference," she came out with her response, "There sure is, and I think you're wrong!"

God brought an army colonel the conviction to ask for a demotion in order to observe the Sabbath.

God opened the heart of a television anchorwoman. "What do you have to say to the people of Vinnitsa?" she'd asked in our interview. As I spoke of Jesus, she put down her notes and listened so intently I was afraid she'd forgotten we were on the air.

God strengthened three young adults to belong to His family, and face beatings at home as a result.

God led 100 more precious souls into baptism, and hundreds more to a belief in His Sabbath.

With so many miracles surrounding me, I had been blind to one of the closest. That night following his baptism, Breese strode confidently toward me with two handfuls of fiery red roses. I threw my arms around him, unembarrassed to hug my brother. He stuttered in return, "Sp-sp-sp-asiba" and planted his customary kiss. But I didn't mind, because I knew I was *blessed* to be given eyes to see these things.

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# God's Calling to Russia

*You can feel like you were there through this first-hand account .*

BY MICHAEL NICKLESS

**B**elarus is one of the former USSR republics. In the fall last year an evangelistic series was conducted — the first since 1917!

A group from Michigan traveled to Brest, Belarus, to conduct this evangelistic series. They were: Elder and Mrs. Loren Nelson with their son, Loren, Dr. John Duge, Willi Wutzke and myself.

I kept a diary during the trip. What follows are some edited excerpts from my diary.

### **9-3-93, Friday evening:**

Loren is preaching the first sermon of the series. There are 650 seats. Conservatively I estimate 95 percent of them are filled. Thirteen or more are standing along the wall. I stood outside while the people came in. There is a real cross section of people, old and young. How can these people understand? All of the participants have been introduced. In spite of the difficulties of using a translator, the people listen carefully. Every one of these individuals has a story.

### **9-4-93, Sabbath evening:**

We have just started our second meeting tonight. The auditorium was about two-thirds full in the first meeting and over half full in the second. Earlier, about 7:15 p.m., there were 609 people registered — there must be a lot of people not signing in.

I enjoyed the Sabbath afternoon here. For lunch at 2:30 p.m. we had borscht, followed by some vegetables wrapped in cabbage leaves (I made a mistake and stopped her from giving me two; they were really good!), also

“buckwheat” with a gravy over it. We drank a type of natural drink (compote) made from peaches, I think. More often the drink is made from cherries.

During the first meeting I met Valentina. She is one of the girls that is helping to register people. She has studied English for five months. She wants to learn more English and will teach me some Russian.

Between meetings, I met Stephen and his son Daniel, who will be six years old tomorrow. I slipped him some gum and taught him how to give me “five.” He enjoyed that. The children over here have not learned that yet.

### **9-5-93, Sunday evening:**

It will be difficult to describe my feelings tonight. The people started arriving at least one hour before the time to begin. The main transportation, electric trolley, was not running. Somehow they found other transportation.

The children keep coming. Last night Willi provided some Bible Story tapes in Russian for the children.

I have seen evangelism in the United States. I have heard others describe things like I saw tonight. But I must admit, I never really thought they were completely true. The auditorium seats about 650 — it was almost full, in spite of 100 kids who left for their meeting in another room!

As the people were coming, I kept mingling among them. I cannot communicate except to smile. All I can think about is here are honest people who have never had a chance to hear the Word of God read and preached in



*Buz, pastor of the Brest Church in Belarus, shows his gratitude for the communion cups donated by Waterford (MI) Church.*



this building which has been dedicated to the Communist philosophy. It was promised that Communism would bury religion; now who is dead, NOT MY GOD!

**9-14-93, Tuesday morning:**

Last night we handed out Bibles for the first time to some of the people attending the meetings. Loren asked for those people who have never held a Bible before tonight, to hold their Bibles up. Bibles went up everywhere! Before the night was over, we had given out over 380 Bibles!

**9-18-93, Sabbath morning:**

In a little while some people will be coming to their first Sabbath morning church service. How many will come? They have been taught about the Sabbath; they have been invited.

**9-19-93, Sunday morning:**

Between 200-300 people showed up for church at the Palace yesterday morning at 11 a.m. I taught the Sabbath school lesson. Can you imagine teaching the first Sabbath school lesson to over 200 people who have never been in a Sabbath school before, never seen a quarterly before, and have had a Bible in their hands for less than a week?

**9-29-93, Wednesday evening:**

I began the baptismal class. We had about 100 people total in both classes. It was neat to watch them raise their hands in agreement after each section was read.

During the last meeting, the local committee of the Brest church met and questioned some of the procedures we feel are necessary. We explained our position to the pastor, and he is in complete agreement with the program.

**10-1-93, Friday evening:**

The president of the Belarus Conference has come to bring the baptismal robes for our baptism. We showed him the computer we brought over as a gift from a lay person in Michigan. He was pleased with the Russian WordPerfect software program, and especially with the Ellen G. White software and CD-ROM drive.

**10-3-93, Sunday afternoon:**

During the actual baptismal service yesterday, the candidates lined up. Four of us baptized them as Loren declared the baptismal statement. Here, the Amen is given after the candidate is raised from the water. With the beautiful sounds of the choir music in the background, it was a very moving experience. We baptized 51 people.

**10-10-93, Sunday morning:**

Yesterday, we once more went to the swimming pool. The conference president, Elder Ostrowsky, along with Pastor Buz baptized 15 people. With the choir singing in the background, the service again brought joy to those assembled. I am sure it brought joy in heaven as well.

There are wolves ready to devour these new lambs. The president told us of problems which exist that could destroy this church. Almost immediately, these new members face problems that could discourage even seasoned Christians.

We are on our way home now. I wonder, why did we come here? I came to help them find Jesus, yet I have been led to a greater faith for myself. I came to instruct them in better ways to serve Jesus, yet I have found that I know so little. I came to love these people in Jesus, yet I have found so much love from these dear souls.

"Will I come back?" I was asked by a young minister. And I answered, if God calls I will return. He responded by saying that he would pray God would call.

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*Michael Nickless is pastor of the Kalamazoo (Michigan) Church, he resides in Waterford, Michigan.*



*Michael Nickless from Waterford, MI, sang for the evangelistic meetings with Yonna, an SDA member in Brest, Belarus.*



## Lake Region Conference

# Out of the Racine



Elder Robert H. Carter, Lake Union president

BY IVAN VAN LANGE

**W**e salute our president, Elder R. C. Brown, as a man of vision, tenacity, persuasion and great faith. The Lord has allowed him to be the leader we needed to guide us through the Racine quagmire.

Elder Brown was able to negotiate the Lake Region Conference's portion of the Racine debt from 9.2 to 2.8 million.

Then with the assistance of our union president, Elder Robert H. Carter, and his officers, the Lake Region Conference gained a sympathetic ear from our North American Division leaders, who persuaded the General Conference to loan the Lake Region Conference the needed 2.8 million dollars.

The Lake Region Conference was in financial jeopardy from outstanding loans. These loans amounted to 9.2 million dollars to develop the Racine Shopping Plaza in Chicago.

Since the plaza was not generating enough funds to keep up the interest payments plus principal, the banks went to court and obtained judgments against the conference. They (the banks) wanted all of their money immediately. Consequently, the courts granted approval for the auction of the plaza. But the Lake Union Conference would have been liable for any shortage after the sale, up to the original loan.

Elder Brown spent much time in prayer and planning. He sought every legal avenue to avert and delay action by the banks.

There were many floating rumors about the Lake Region Conference office and campground, as well as some churches being seized by the banks. We advised our members to continue trusting the Lord and the leadership of Elder Brown.

Elder Brown sat through untold hours of negotiations with and between lawyers and their clients.

Finally, we signed all of the documents; the borrowed money was released and the following were achieved:

1. The claims from Cole-Taylor and Daiwa Banks have been dismissed with prejudice against Full Life and the Lake Region Conference. The court order vacated all judgments that were entered against Lake Region Conference and rendered them null.

2. Lake Region Conference is indemnified from any further liability connected with the Racine Shopping Plaza.

3. Loyola University released Lake Region Conference from any contingent liability connected with the shopping plaza partnership.

4. The city of Chicago canceled the liabilities of Full Life and the Lake Region Conference, and transferred these liabilities to the new Continental Commercial Partners Limited.

5. Daiwa Bank has marked all notes, covenants and bonds paid in full; and therefore no liability of the land trust acquisition, construction or development fees of the shopping plaza remain on Lake Region Conference.

6. Cole-Taylor Bank has canceled all liabilities against Full Life and Lake Region Conference in connection with this project.

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*Robert H. Carter*



# Predicament

7. Full Life is being legally dissolved and the process should be completed by this time.

8. The Lake Region Conference maintains 49.5 percent equity in the shopping plaza as a limited partner to be sold as soon as a buyer is found.

Now that the Lake Region is out of the Racine predicament, Elder Carter says: "My appeal to the members of the Lake Region Conference is that the members now join hands and be faithful in their stewardship so that there will be adequate funds for their conference to operate, and to provide the workers and the programs that will make for a very strong conference.

"I believe that this conference can recover and become one of the outstanding regional conferences in North America. But it will take coming together, putting the past behind them, moving forward, and looking to the future," he concludes.

Elder Brown comments: "I am calling upon our members to pull together in unity to strengthen the work. As a result of our unity, I'm sure that God will continue to bless our field.

"We must continue building our finances so that souls, as a result of our labors, will experience the blessings of heaven. Together we stand to fight the devil, and pull our conference together," he says.

Praise be to God. We thank you, our constituents, for your prayers, support and trust. Please continue to pray for the leadership of our great conference.

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*Ivan Van Lange is executive secretary and education superintendent for the Lake Region Conference.*



*Elder R. C. Brown, Lake Region Conference president*

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*R. C. Brown*





Siegfried H. Horn

## Horn Leaves Many Memories

**Andrews University** — Siegfried H. Horn passed away on Sunday, Nov. 28, 1993, in Deer Park, CA. He was 85 years of age.

Horn was professor emeritus of archaeology and history of antiquity at Andrews, a former dean of the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary, and a world-renowned archaeologist and

biblical scholar. He founded the Siegfried H. Horn Archaeological Museum, located on the campus of Andrews University.

*Michele Jacobsen, Andrews correspondent*



Judy and Steve Jordan are the guest speakers for Parent Weekend. Their emphasis: "How to Talk So Others Will Listen."

## Offering Parents and Teens a Communication Class

**Wisconsin Academy, Columbus** — Sabbath services Nov. 6, 1993, took on a different format as parents, students and church members focused on an important aspect of living together as Christians. "How To Talk So Others Will Listen" was the emphasis for this special Parent Weekend at the academy.

Steve and Judy Jordan from Indianapolis, were the guest speakers. They are the parents of art teacher Heather Richmond. For 10 years Judy was girls' dean at several academies, playing "mother" to over 500 teenage girls. During these years, Steve was also actively involved in working with teenagers.

Part of the morning program involved students role-playing situations that dealt with peer pressure. Those present learned ways to reverse peer pressure. They also studied the influence of personality traits in handling conflicts



and peer pressure. In the afternoon, adults and teens separated to discuss unconditional love and barriers to communication.

The program ended with a rededication service. Families gathered together to commit themselves to each other and to the Lord.

"Our goal for this weekend was to help strengthen families," says Principal Steve Brown. "We hope to have more programs like this where parents and students can learn together how to communicate and handle the everyday problems of life, in a Christian way."

*Sue Rappette, academy administrative secretary*

## Earn Dollars While Serving Shoppers

**Indiana Academy, Cicero** — It is not often that one earns money while serving the community, but the juniors and seniors of Indiana Academy recently had just such an opportunity.

Needing to raise \$16,000 for their class trip to the Dominican Republic, the Class of '94 has been looking for every possible way to raise funds. A call from the personnel department of the Lazarus department store in a nearby mall has opened up an exciting opportunity.

The seniors were invited to help with an annual sale at the store. Having only 21 members in the class, the juniors were invited to also participate. While at the store, students performed many different jobs. Some monitored dressing rooms and returned clothing to the appropriate racks; others helped in the shipping area, while still others worked at the registers bagging customers' merchandise. Some students folded towels and rugs while others worked in the men's department folding sweaters and shirts.

The response from store personnel is exciting. They were impressed with the integrity, diligence and enthusiasm of the students. This experience was so positive that Lazarus has invited the students back to help with another sale this spring.

Over \$3,000 was raised.

*Ben Purvis, academy music and religion teacher*



## Actively Promoting Better Living

**Indiana Academy, Cicero** — At a four-way stop in downtown Cicero, over 1,000 contacts were made by 33 academy sophomores and seniors. This Adventist Youth for Better Living (AYBL) group was participating in the national "Red Ribbon Week" campaign.

On Oct. 24, students asked passersby to help support a drug-free lifestyle by wearing the red ribbons they were given. Though no donations were solicited the students were given \$300, which will be used in future anti-drug campaigns.

Other events promoting healthful living are being scheduled. One such activity is the annual walk-a-thon. This year students and staff will compete to see who can accumulate enough miles to get from Washington, DC, to Cicero.

Another program being sponsored by AYBL participants is a "Drug-Free and Proud" program to be performed at local elementary and middle schools. This 20-minute program will focus around a skit performed by some of the academy's gymnastics team.

*Deanna Inman, Adventist Youth for Better Living president*

## News Notes

• **Wisconsin Academy, Columbus:** For the first time in our school history, we received the ALL-KEMPA Award for the 1993 yearbook, *The Badger*; reports Sue Rappette, academy administrative secretary. This contest is sponsored by the Kettle Moraine Press Association at the University of Wisconsin, Whitewater. Public and private schools from Wisconsin and Illinois, who are members of KEMPA, may enter this competition. Yearbook editor, Micky Messersmith, is now a student at Kettering School of Medical Arts pursuing a degree in nursing. She is the daughter of Leroy and Nancy Messersmith of Sturgeon Bay, WI.

• **Evansville (IN) Southwestern Junior Academy:** Judy Shull, head teacher and principal, was presented on June 19, 1993, the Zapara Award for excellence in teaching by Archie Moore, Indiana Conference education director; reports Barb Purdue.



• **Indiana Academy, Cicero:** Highlighting the annual Bible camp, Oct. 22-23, 1993, was the play "Catacombs" presented by Visions, the academy drama team; reports Rebecca Bandel. This play of Christian persecution, made each one stop and realize how important following God is — no matter what the cost. Featured speaker was Elder Rick Johnson, Indiana Conference youth director. He focused on the role that self-esteem plays in the lives of young people.

## Russian student enjoys Indiana

**Indiana Academy, Cicero** — It began for Vladimir Komarovskiy in June 1993 in Volzhskiy, Russia, when a fellow worker of his father's suggested that he fill out an application to go to school in America. In July, Vlad took a test and by Aug. 4, 1993, he was flying out of Moscow and two days later landed in New York City.

It began for us with a call about the first week of August from Kathy Griffin, also a member in the Cicero (IN) Church. Griffin works for Adventures in Real Communication, which places exchange students. She said she had a boy from Russia who was requesting to attend a private school, and since we were faculty of Indiana Academy, it would be good for him to attend there and stay with us. We agreed.

We met the bus in Indianapolis; Vlad came swinging off it with a medium-sized duffel bag hanging from his side. This bag contained his entire possessions.

Vlad enrolled in Indiana Academy as a senior. Having heard of Seventh-day Adventists but never being in close contact with them, Vlad experienced not only culture shock, but diet shock and rule shock.

At first, his remark was, "I'm a sportsman and I need lots of meat to eat." So we made frequent trips to the local Dairy Queen, McDonald's and Wendy's.

But as he began living a different life style, his needs seemed to change. Soon he remarked that he felt better not eating any meat.

Vlad has meshed into Indiana Academy in a remarkable way. He is outgoing and sociable, happy and loves the school. He says the food is "beautiful."

Recently a Russian friend of his, exchanging nearby, came to visit and was recounting his problems with the host family and school.

Vlad commented: "I love it here. Everyone is so good to me. I think it is because of the church."

One Indiana Academy parent who has befriended Vlad said: "I think it's the best thing that has happened to Indiana Academy." Vlad plays on the basketball team and wishes they had soccer, which is his specialty.

Vlad plans to come back next year to attend business college. He is interested in studying business and trying to figure how to go back and help raise the economy of Russia to a higher standard.

*Ramona Trubey, Cicero Church communication secretary*



*Vladimir Komarovskiy*



Laurel Otto checks a card file of missing members to determine who he and Elwin Shull (background) will visit.



### Try This for Your Prayer Meeting

**Indiana** — Prayer meeting at the Cicero (IN) Church has taken on a new format and everyone is pleasantly surprised with the results. Members arrive at 6:45 p.m. There is a 15-minute Scripture and prayer time, then members go out two-by-two to visit missing members.

In the last two months of this new practice for prayer meeting, more than 50 missing members have been visited, and a number are returning to church. God is blessing.

*Ramona Trubey, Cicero communication secretary*

### Wisconsin Native Tells of Russia

**Wisconsin** — Evangelist Paul Johnson and his wife, Corleen, returned to Paul's native Wisconsin Oct. 30, 1993, to share stories of their six-week trip to Russia with members of the Bethel Church, near Arpin, WI.

With a team of five other volunteers from Oregon, the Johnsons held an evangelistic crusade in the city of Syktyvkyr. Over 200 people crowded into the Philharmonic Hall to hear the Word of God preached, and to receive free Bibles and other literature. Corleen taught 100 children who attended nightly.

At the meetings' close, 35 people were baptized in the icy waters of a nearby river, bringing church membership in Syktyvkyr to nearly 100.

This project was part of the Russian "Bear Hug," sponsored by the Pacific Union Conference, a program aimed to help spread the gospel and provide pastoral resources in Russia.

Johnson, a graduate of Bethel Junior Academy and Wisconsin Academy, is the son of Mrs. Alice Vineyard and the late Leonard Johnson of Arpin. Johnson currently lives in Sandy, OR, where he is pastor of a 350-member church.

*Ruth Zalabak, Bethel assistant communication leader*

### "Year of the Pastor"

**Michigan** — Pioneer Memorial Church (PMC) at Andrews University honored its pastors with a Sabbath evening vespers Nov. 6, 1993, organized by head elders Kathryn and Reger Smith. The service was PMC's way of participating in the denomination's "Year of the Pastor" program, which encourages local churches to find ways to express their appreciation for the good things pastors have brought in to the church.

Because the church has seven pastors, each presentation was only 10 minutes long; however, the teams that created the presentations for each pastor used slide presentations and dramatizations to express in a unique way the church's thankfulness for each pastor's skills.

The service ended with each pastor's family sharing a musical number.

"This means a great deal to each one of the pastoral staff," said senior pastor, Dwight K. Nelson, at the close of the service. "There is no greater reward than to know your ministry is appreciated."

*Kermit Netteburg, professor of journalism and chair of the communication department at Andrews University*

### Lemke, Mother of Musical Genius, Dies

**Wisconsin** — May Lemke, 93, of Pewaukee, WI, died Nov. 6, 1993, at the home of her daughter, Mary Parker, in Arpin, WI, where she lived with her famous savant son, Leslie Lemke. Leslie is known for his miraculous gift of music.

The last public appearance of May with Leslie was June 13, 1993, at the Fox Valley Church in Neenah, WI, and the St. John's Lutheran Church in Oshkosh (see page 4 of August *Lake Union Herald*).

A memorial service, conducted by Pastor Robert Stauffer, was held at the Bethel Church in Arpin, Sunday, Nov. 21.

*Pat Smith, Fox Valley Church*

### Telling Children Stories

**Lake Region** — Chicago New Life Church Adventist Youth (AY) leader, Sally Washington-Brown, and the AY committee, held a four-week story hour program in the church basement for neighborhood children last summer.

Fliers were passed out door-to-door and personal invitations were given. By the fourth week of this story hour program, more than 40 children overflowed the church basement.

This summer, again, the story hour will be offered. AY staff members include: Washington-Brown, Evelyn Coy, Bill Brown, Cassandra Thompson, and Sharone and Pete Bond.

*Sharone Bond, New Life communication secretary*





Auldwin Humphrey

## Humphrey Goes to the GC

**Lake Union** — Auldwin Humphrey, church ministries director of the Lake Union Conference accepted a call to the General Conference (GC) in Silver Spring, MD. Humphrey's new position is as the North American Division (NAD) adult ministries director. He begins in January.

The division nominating committee has decided to change the structure of the NAD church ministries department. There is now an assistant to the president for ministries, Monte Sahlin, with three departments under ministries. These department heads, instead of being associates in the church ministries department, will be departmental directors.

## Local Church News Notes

- **Gary L. Loster**, local elder of the Ephesus Church in Saginaw, MI, was elected Mayor of Saginaw, Nov. 8, 1993. Loster will preside over the eighth largest city in the state of Michigan; Saginaw's population is 69,512. Loster is the former chief of the Buena Vista (MI) Police Department. He holds a bachelor's in Criminal Justice from Saginaw Valley State University. He served in the United States Marine Corps and is a Vietnam veteran. Loster and his wife, Allene, have two daughters, Jennifer, age 23, and Jacqueline, age 16.



- **Milan Salek**, a member of the Broadview (IL) Church, enjoys photography and it shows. This picture of lavender hues over a mountain lake won first place in the category of light separated from darkness for *Creation Illustrated* magazine.



- **Cassandra Thompson**, Home and School leader for the Chicago New Life Church, didn't want personal gifts for her 40th birthday; reports Sharone Bond, New Life communication secretary. Instead, Thompson requested gifts to benefit the

church's young people attending Chicago Academy. She celebrated her birthday with a fund raiser attended by family and friends. As a result of her unselfish and generous spirit, over \$1,200 was raised for Christian education.

- **Tomah (WI) Church** set up a table and handed out roughly 150 pieces of free literature at the Cranberry Fest in Warrens, WI, last October; reports Pat Kuiper, Tomah communication leader. Among the items given away were stress and diet pamphlets, correspondence Bible studies, *The Ministry of Healing*, and a vegetarian cookbook put together by some of the women in Tomah Church. Members Dorothy and George Mattson, Irene (pictured) and Hugh Kenworthy tended the table.



- **Wisconsin Northwest District** held a mini-campmeeting, Oct. 8-9, 1993, at the Rice Lake (WI) Church and school; reports Laurie Herr, Wisconsin Conference communication director. This weekend was also a chance to show off the new Rice Lake Elementary School, located behind the church. "The dreaming, planning, fund raising and construction of the new building have been in process for nearly five years," comments Pastor Norm Yoder (pictured). The new school boasts a gym, two classrooms, a kitchen, offices and showers in each of the bathrooms. Presently 15 churches make up this district.



- **Michigan Conference holds a Pathfinder workshop** at Camp Au Sable in Grayling, MI, for leaders and staff. This workshop gives attendees a chance to sharpen old skills and learn new ones in working with Pathfinder youth. A special feature at a recent workshop was the induction service, during which candles are lit to represent the spirit of Pathfinding. Elder Terry Dodge (pictured right), Michigan Conference Pathfinder director, says, "Each Pathfinder club is encouraged to conduct this service for the Pathfinders, but during this special time it gives us an opportunity to induct the Pathfinder leaders officially into the Pathfinder ministry."





News Notes

- **Restructuring of the North American Division** staff means that there is no longer a church ministries department at the division level. All the functions of church ministries will continue to be covered, now by the four new departments of: adult ministries, children's ministries, youth ministries and stewardship. Sabbath school responsibilities will belong to the appropriate age-level department; adult, children and youth. Plans are being developed for an Office of Pathfinder and Camping Ministries, with Norm Middag as director.
- **Loma Linda (CA) University** now offers the only bachelor's degree in Emergency Medical Care taught in California. Health professionals are needed at all levels in the emergency medical service system, including federal, state and local governments agencies. Those holding prior certification or licensure as an EMT, EMT-P, RN or RCP are eligible to apply for this program. For details call Cindy at 909-824-4932.
- **The Euro-Africa Division**, seven years ago, began a gradual reduction of operating appropriations intended to move the Spain, Portugal and Italian unions to financial self-support. As a result, beginning in 1994, all three unions will not receive operating appropriations from the division. Today in the Spanish Union, which includes Andorra, the Canary Islands and Gibraltar, there are over 6,000 members meeting in 66 congregations. During 1993 a strong evangelistic program by the 47 pastors resulted in more than 300 baptisms. In Portugal there are 7,567 believers worshipping in 105 congregations cared for by 42 pastors.
- **Maranatha Volunteers International:** From March through December 1993, volunteers built in Guatemala 50 new churches, three new schools, 11 staff homes, an agricultural facility, and completed 75 church buildings started by their respective congregations. Maranatha also provided each congregation \$500 to assist with the expenses of holding an evangelistic crusade in each of the new churches. Resulting from these crusades in these new churches, more than 1,000 people have been baptized since Sept. 1, 1993.  
 During 1993, in addition to this Guatemala project, according to Maranatha President Don Noble, 1,716 Maranatha volunteers completed 34 projects valued at \$3.4 million.  
 This year Maranatha will implement "Mexico '94," which plans to build 100 new churches, complete an additional 100 churches that have been started, and build at least one school.

85 YEARS AGO

*Jan. 6, 1909:* Let us enter upon the new year with a clean record. Let faults be corrected. Let bitterness and malice be uprooted. Let right triumph over wrong. Let envy and jealousy between brethren be put away. Heartfelt, honest confession will heal grave difficulties. Then, with the love of God in the soul, there may flow from sincere lips the greeting, "I wish you a 'Happy New Year.'" *Mrs. E. G. White.*

*Jan. 6, 1909:* The church at Kalamazoo, Michigan, was dedicated on Sabbath, Dec. 19, 1908. The church has undergone extensive repairs and a loan which the church has been carrying for years has been paid off.

*Jan. 6, 1909:* Bethel Academy [in Wisconsin] has its school year corresponding with the agriculture year; that is, the school year opens in the spring, continues through the summer, and closes with the fall term in December.

45 YEARS AGO

*Jan. 11, 1949:* The Lake Region Conference committee voted that the believers in Fort Wayne [IN] be organized into a church. Our third largest church in this conference is in Indianapolis, the Capitol Avenue church.

*Jan. 18, 1949:* Re-districting the field in Lake Region has occurred in order to better husband the flock with the limited force of workers. Now there are 15 districts, including the conference church and 35 churches and companies. Shiloh Church in Chicago has the most members, 752. [In 1993 Shiloh's membership reached over 3,000.]

*Jan. 25, 1949:* The largest project in the Lake Region Conference is the boarding academy which is being built in Cassopolis, MI.

*Jan. 25, 1949:* We are facing a real challenge in the Wisconsin Conference. The Girls' Dormitory is enclosed and the plan is to use a portion of this building for temporary classrooms so as to move as soon as possible. It is estimated that in addi-

tion to funds on hand it will take \$140,000 to move.

25 YEARS AGO

*Jan. 14, 1969:* During 1968, cultural and academic life thrived on the campus of Andrews University, and several important additions were made to the physical plant of the campus. A new \$800,000 elementary school building was completed and ready for occupancy in September. A long-awaited swimming pool was completed and housed in a new \$600,000 three-floor addition to the Alvin Johnson gymnasium.

*Jan. 21, 1969:* A 476-year-old edict ordering all Jews to leave Spain "and not dare to return" was formally rescinded in ceremonies attending the opening of the first new synagogue built in Spain in six centuries. The expulsion order, originally issued by King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella in the year Columbus discovered America, has been legally a dead letter for almost a century.

FIVE YEARS AGO

*January 1989:* At a recent Lake Union Conference staff retreat the officers and departmental directors adopted the motto, "People With A Purpose." We believe that if we are to accomplish what the Master expects of us during this quinquennium we must be a people with a purpose.

*January 1989:* Due to her age and physical condition, Marjorie Graff, 92, was baptized in the physical therapy tub at the Sacred Heart Hospital in Eau Claire, WI. From this Catholic hospital she became a member of the Menomonie, Wisconsin, Church.

*January 1989:* The Illinois Conference Springfield First Church rejoices in 100 years of service.

*January 1989:* The Indiana Conference Greenfield Church celebrated its 100th anniversary Oct. 1, 1988.

*January 1989:* Eighteen Maranatha [Volunteers International] members came from several states to join Bay City, MI, members in erecting their new church.





# CREATIVE PARENTING

*The Christian perspective for a happier, healthier home life*

## Teaching Your Child Manners

*Nancy Gerard and Cari Haus*

Ask any elementary school teacher about the manners of their students, and you may very likely get the "straight scoop": there aren't too many polite children around these days! If you are wondering about this apparent shortage of civility, you are not alone.

One reason for this dearth of deportment is today's culture, which is dedicated to self-fulfillment. People are so absorbed with taking care of themselves that there isn't much time or energy left to look out for others. Children don't always have admirable role models in the area of good manners. In addition, many parents have less time to spend educating their children.

### MANNERS ARE ABOUT KINDNESS

What makes manners so important? The most basic reason is that the Bible says to be kind to others (Ephesians 4:32) and to treat others the way you would like to be treated (Matthew 7:12). In a nutshell, the Golden Rule is the key to good manners.

In addition, children will experience more success in social interactions as they get older if they have learned to be kind and considerate during earlier years.

Don't expect your children to be polite and courteous if you aren't. Remember, children are like little mirrors of our behavior. Make sure you are modeling the good manners you want to see in your child.

In time your child will learn which fork to pick up when, as well as how to act in a variety of situations. But for now, teach the basics.



- Use the magic words of "please," "thank-you," "you're welcome" and "excuse me" and teach them to your child as soon as he or she learns to speak.
- Have your child walk his or her playmates to the door and say "thank-you for coming" or wave good-bye.
- Expect your child to help clean up toys when visiting a friend's house to play.
- Teach your child to look a person in the eye when conversing, and practice shaking hands so your child begins to feel comfortable being introduced to people.
- Continually remind your child why

manners are important: kind treatment of others shows consideration and respect.

- In time you can teach skills like table manners, how to make introductions, and phone manners.

If you aren't sure about some of the finer points of etiquette, pick up a current book on the subject or find a book of manners for children.

As you teach your child the lessons of courtesy, it might be helpful to ask yourself these questions:

- What are my strengths and weaknesses relative to modeling good manners to my child?
- What specific things can I start doing to encourage good manners in my child?
- How and when will I begin implementation of this plan?
- What does the Bible teach on the subject of kindness and consideration for others?

### PEOPLE MANNERS A POEM BY CARI HAUS

If I were a donkey, I'd gobble my hay,  
In donkey-like mouthfuls  
and chew as I bray.  
But since I'm a person,  
I eat with a spoon—  
In smaller-sized portions,  
and don't talk too soon.

If I were a parrot, I'd sing as I eat,  
Talk in-between mouthfuls  
and swing from my feet.  
But since I'm a person, I eat at the table.  
And after my dinner I sing (if I'm able).

If I were a bull moose, I'd thunder ahead,  
And not ask for pardon if on you I tread.  
But since I'm a person, I act mannerly,  
If I knock you over, I'll say "Pardon Me!"

If I were a pig, I wouldn't thank you,  
I'd wallow around and oink while I do,  
But since I'm a person,  
I'll thank-you and smile,  
And even invite you to stay for awhile.

If I were a monkey, I wouldn't say please,  
I'd be much too busy  
swinging through trees.  
But I am a person, my actions will show,  
Although I may like to swing to and fro...

My friends in the zoo may bellow or bite.  
But as for myself, I will be polite!



## A New Resource for Parents of Infants, Toddlers, and Preschoolers

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## Raising Readers

Parents have an important role to play in their children's literacy development. Dixie Lee Spiegel (*Young Children*, July 1993) shares some ideas to use to encourage children's learning.

Let your child see you reading magazines, books or the newspaper.

Laugh out loud when you read something funny. Comment about how sad or disturbing something is that you have read. Let your child see you reacting to written ideas.

Let your child see you using written material — such as the *TV Guide*, a recipe, a bus schedule, or a grocery list — to find information or solve a problem.

Get your own library card; use it often.

Read to your child from something that you are reading for your own pleasure or interest; for example, you might share a funny part of a story or joke from a magazine or an interesting news item.

Discuss with your child something you have read.

Let your child see you writing letters for both personal and business reasons.

Read some of your mail in front of your child, commenting on the news you have received.

When you are reading or writing, ask your child not to interrupt you for a few minutes; this is all right because you are doing something very important.

Reading from different versions of the Bible, commenting on devotional reading and studying the Sabbath school lessons will give double reinforcement — the love and value of reading as well as building your child's spiritual foundation.

## Monitoring Fetal Movements

Heidi Murkoff and Arlene Eisenberg, authors of *What To Expect When You're Expecting*, suggest you can feel more in control of your pregnancy if you monitor fetal movement from the 28th week on.

They say, "Monitoring is usually recommended twice a day; once in the morning, when fetal activity is generally light, and once in the evening, when it's heavier.

"Check the clock when you start counting. Count movements of any kind (kicks, flutters, swishes, and rolls). Stop counting when you reach 10, and make a note of the time.

"You may count up to 10 movements within 10 minutes, or it may take longer. If you haven't counted 10 by the end of an hour, have some milk or another snack, then lie down, relax, and start counting again.

"In most cases, you'll feel those reassuring movements before another hour goes by, and you can relax. If you don't, however, call your doctor promptly. Though lack of movement doesn't necessarily indicate that something is wrong, immediate action can make a big difference should there be a problem."

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**Editor's Note:** This feature page is designed as a resource that you are welcome to clip out. We at *Creative Parenting*, are committed to provide you with specific and helpful information that will be appropriate for various ages and developmental stages of family members. Your input is important — let us hear what you need!

## Desire to Listen

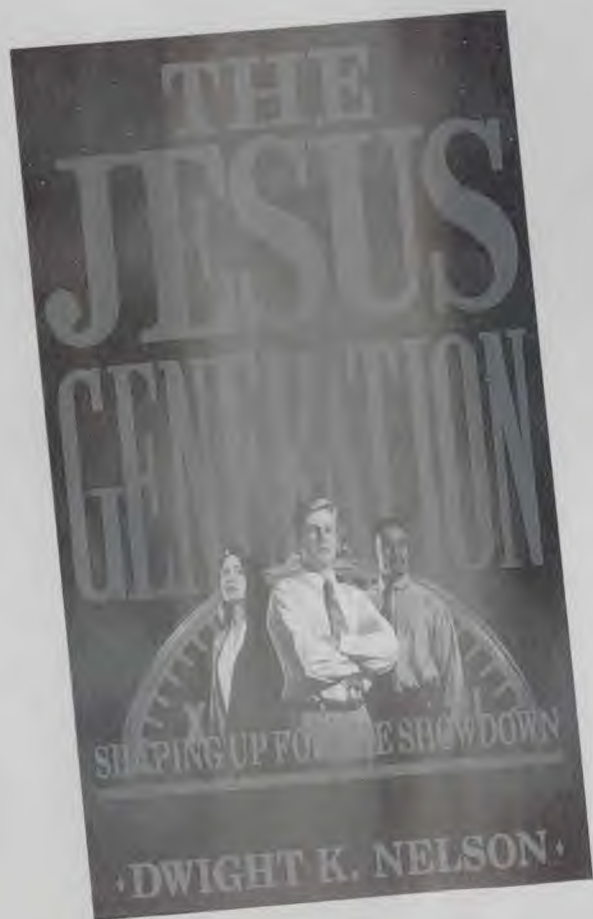
To be a good listener, you must want to hear what your child has to say. Understand that your youngster's thoughts and feelings are important, and that he or she gains tremendous benefits from your listening.

Author Bruce Larson tells of a church secretary who had a sign on her desk that read, "I love you enough to listen." Parents need to wear an invisible sign that conveys this message.

Start listening to a child when he or she is small; not when he or she is 16 years old and the communication barriers have become difficult to bridge.

"'Before they call I will answer; while they are still speaking I will hear. ...' says the Lord" (Isaiah 65:24, NIV).





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## MILESTONES

### BIRTHDAY



**Edith Mae (Menges) Morris** celebrated her 100th birthday Nov. 19, 1993, with her family. An only child, Edith was born in 1893 in Enid, OK, during the land rush.

She married William Morris, Nov. 25, 1915. Two of her daughters, Lois Fox and Ruth Mang live in Marcellus, MI; another daughter lives in Americus, GA; and her son lives in White Pigeon, MI. Edith has 10 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren. Edith is a member of the Dowagiac (MI) Church, and resides with Lois.

### WEDDINGS

**Denise Barney and Carl Wofford** were married Sept. 26, 1993, in Indianapolis. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Jerome Davis.

Denise is the daughter of the Rev. Joseph Barney Sr. and Mrs. Barney of Indianapolis. Carl is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wofford of Marion, IN.

The Woffords are making their home in Indianapolis.

**Cynthia D. Chilson and Kevin L. Shelley** were married Oct. 17, 1993, in Berrien Springs, MI. The ceremony was performed by Dwight Nelson.

Cyndy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bennett Chilson of Berrien Springs. Kevin is the son of Cloyd Shelly and Gloria Tapp of Lexington, KY.

The Shelleys are making their home in Kettering, OH.

**Julie Lynette Engel and Nicholas Beaumonte Jr.** were married Aug. 8, 1993, in Berrien Springs, MI. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Larry Engel.

Julie is the daughter of Elder and Mrs. Larry Engel of Lansing, MI. Nicholas is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Beaumonte Sr. of Milwaukee.

The Beaumontes are making their home in St. Joseph, MI.

**Traci Genette Fenner and Bradley Jay Hall** were married Oct. 23, 1993, in Cadillac, MI. The ceremony was performed by Elder James Micheff.

Traci is the daughter of Bryan Fenner of Harrietta, MI. Bradley is the son of Bryan Hall of Pontiac, MI, and Holly Roy of Cedar Lake, MI.

The Halls are making their home in Cadillac.

**Marcella Jenkins and Raymond Brainerd** were married Oct. 23, 1993, in Cadillac, MI. The ceremony was performed by Elder James Micheff. The Brainerds are making their home in Cadillac.

**Marisol Jimenez and James Miskiewicz** were married Oct. 8, 1993, in Orlando, FL.

Marisol is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Jimenez of Orlando. James is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Miskiewicz of Berrien Springs, MI.

The Miskiewiczz are making their home in Oviedo, FL.

**Michelle Ann Munson and Stephen McCorry** were married Oct. 30, 1993, in Williamston, MI. The ceremony was performed by Elder Charles J. Danforth.

Michelle is the daughter of Dale and Carolyn Munson of Williamston, MI. Stephen is the son of James McCorry of Rosarita, Mexico.

The McCorrys are making their home in Highland, CA.

**Janelle Lee Reichert and Stephen Phillip Helner** were married Oct. 6, 1993, in Battle Creek, MI. The ceremony was performed by Kenneth Wilson and Ken Schmidt.

Janelle is the daughter of Leonard and Doris Reichert of Battle Creek, MI. Stephen is the son of Paul and Janet Helner of Southfield, MI.

The Helners are making their home in Battle Creek.

**Dawn Givens and John Gifford** were married Oct. 16, 1993, in Benton Harbor, MI. The ceremony was performed by James Hoffer.

Dawn is the daughter of Susan Givens of Benton Harbor. John is the son of Darrell and Wanda Gifford of New Buffalo, MI.

The Giffords are making their home in Coloma, MI.

### OBITUARIES

**BAXTER, Eva M.**, age 76; born Jan. 1, 1917, in Detroit; died Nov. 15, 1993, in Madison Heights, MI. She was a member of the First Flint (MI) Church.

Survivors include: a daughter, Manita Zimmerman; 2 brothers, Charles and Max Siegel; and 2 sisters, Ila Kohn and Rosie Beane.

Services were by Pastor James Simonds, and interment was in Flint Memorial Park Cemetery.

**BURKETT, Marvin H.**, age 84; born Jan. 29, 1909, in Clinton County, IN; died Oct. 24, 1993, in Greenwood, IN. He was a member of the Spencer (IN) Church.

Survivors include: his wife, Florence; a son, William; 3 grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren; two stepsons, Duane and Fred Wright; a stepdaughter, Daris Williams; and 8 stepgrand-children.

Services were conducted by Pastor Donald A. Short, and interment was in Park View Cemetery, Alexandria, IN.

**CRANK, Hazel**, age 102; born Aug. 28, 1891, in Baton Rouge, LA; died Oct. 25, 1993, in Chicago. She was a member of the Shiloh Church in Chicago.

Survivors include: 2 sons, Sandy and Carl; a sister, Lily Bias; 5 grandchildren; and 5 great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastor Mack Wilson and local elder Ronald Anderson, and interment was in Oakwoods Cemetery, Chicago.

**GORDON, Bobby A.**, age 46; born July 21, 1947, in Montgomery, AL; died Oct. 8, 1993, in Saint Joseph, MI. She was a member of the Covert (MI) Church.

Survivors include: her husband, Alexander Jr.; 2 daughters, Brenda L. McGee and Meril A. Goodwin; 3

brothers, John H., Eddie and Ross Toliver; 3 sisters, Dorothy Jean Tyson, Mary Francis Lloyd and Gloria Gord; and 5 grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastors Jason Prest, Robert Quillin, David Rand and Paul Cameron, and interment was in Covert Cemetery.

**GREER, Donald**, age 71; born March 27, 1922, in Norris City, IL; died Oct. 12, 1993, in Evansville, IN. He was a member of the Eldorado (IL) Church.

Survivors include: his wife, Elsie Mae Newcomb; a son, Stephen; 3 brothers, Charles, Scott and Howard; a sister, Avelyn Miller; and 3 grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastor Lamont Francisco.

**HENSLEY, Marian**, age 87; born Feb. 7, 1906, in Thornfield, MO; died Oct. 13, 1993. She was a member of the La Grange (IL) Church.

Survivors include: her son, Harry Hamann; a brother; a sister; 3 grandchildren; and 2 great-grandchildren.

**HUFF, Charlotte M. (Terwilliger)**, age 99; born Oct. 5, 1894, in Greenville, MI; died Nov. 8, 1993, in Battle Creek, MI. She was a member of the Battle Creek Tabernacle.

Survivors include: 2 sons, Robert Collins and Martin Smith; a daughter, Vivian Schoonard; 28 grandchildren; 35 great-grandchildren; a stepson, Alphonze; and 2 stepdaughters, Betty Etheridge and Wanda Mesle.

Services were conducted by Pastor Kenneth Wilson, and interment was in East Hickory Corners (MI) Cemetery.

**NEEDHAM, Norval M. (Connett)**, age 74; born June 26, 1919, in Watrous, Saskatchewan, Canada; died Nov. 12, 1993, in Flint, MI. She was a member of First Flint Church.

Survivors include: her husband, Albert; a daughter, Louise Ackerman; a brother, Gordon Findlay; 4 sisters, Grace Hamilton, Betty Dwyer, Winifred Rowat and Elsie Henderson; 6 grandchildren; 2 great-grandchildren; and a stepdaughter, Loretta Santa Cruz.

Services were conducted by Pastors Daniel Towar and James Simonds, and interment was in Sunset Hills Cemetery, Flint.

**ORTNER, William P.**, age 93; born April 4, 1900, in Hitchcock, OK; died Sept. 28, 1993, in Harrah, OK. He was a member of the Summit Ridge (OK) Church.



Survivors include: a daughter, Thelma Knutson; and son-in-law, Robert E. Knutson.

Services were conducted by Pastor Robert E. Knutson, and interment was in Spirit Land Cemetery, Almond, WI.

**OSGAN, Florence M.**, age 82; born May 30, 1911, in Gaylord, MI; died Oct. 17, 1993, in Gaylord. She was a member of the Gaylord Church.

Survivors include: a son, Donald Merry; a daughter, Donna Mansfield; a sister, Mabel Tracey; 10 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastor Ralph Williams, and interment was in Evergreen Hills Cemetery, Vanderbilt, MI.

**PAYNE, Christine M.**, age 73; born Dec. 20, 1919, in Indianapolis; died Oct. 11, 1993, in Indianapolis. She was a member of the Capitol City Church in Indianapolis.

Survivors include: 5 brothers, Glen, Overton, Smith, Morris and Raymond Mills; and 3 sisters, Lois Monroe, Earlene Albury and Anna Maycock.

Services were conducted by Pastor Ronald Bell, and interment was in Washington Park North Cemetery, Indianapolis.

**PLOUFFE, Margie B.**, age 94; born Jan. 15, 1899, in Sheldon, VT; died Nov. 7, 1993, in Berrien Springs, MI. She was a member of the Brattleboro (VT) Church.

Survivors include: 2 daughters, Martha Warden and Kathryn Myers; 6 grandchildren; 8 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

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

**RICKEL, Clyde K.**, age 93; born Dec. 17, 1899, in Burkett, IN; died May 25, 1993, in Glennie, MI. He was a member of Glennie Church.

Survivors include: 4 sons, Wilbur, Raymond, Claude and Kenneth; 3 daughters, Irene Kindell, Marcene and Laura Busch; a sister, Fern Spainhower; 20 grandchildren; 40 great-grandchildren; and 21 great-great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastor Charles Mackintosh, and interment was in Glennie Cemetery.

**ROBINSON, Maxine E.**, age 73; born Nov. 15, 1919, in Lawrenceville, IL; died Sept. 30, 1993, in Indianapolis. She was a member of Capi-

tol City Church in Indianapolis.

Survivors include: her husband, Erby; 8 sons, Anthony, Joseph, James, Thomas, Robert, Paul, William and Charles; 5 daughters, Henrietta Andrews, Beverly Benson, Phyllis Turnley; Christina and Lillian; 29 grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastor Jerome Davis, and interment was in Washington Park North Cemetery, Indianapolis.

**RYDENBARK, John L.**, age 58; born July 20, 1935, in Martin County, IN; died Nov. 8, 1993, in Bloomington, IN. He was a member of the Spencer (IN) Church.

Survivors include: his wife, Janice; a son, Carl; 3 daughters, Pamela Stewart, Linda Sheese and Pauline; 6 sisters, Bessie Ballengee, Lucille Walls, Bertha Fisher, Thelma Plummer, Helen Axsom and Geneva Michael; and 2 grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastor Don Short, and interment was in Scotland Cemetery, Bloomfield.

**SHERMAN, George C.**, age 81; born Jan. 1, 1912, in Onaway, MI; died Oct. 4, 1993, in Apopka, FL. Sherman was a pastor in Wisconsin from 1963-1983. After his retirement he became caretaker of Camp Wahdoon in Chetek, WI. Sherman was a member of the Forest Lake Church in Orlando, FL.

He is survived by his wife, Esther, and son, Clayton.

Services were conducted by Pastors David Prest and Carl Neill, and interment was in Highland Memory Gardens, Forest City, FL.

**SMITH, Alice I.**, age 92; born Nov. 14, 1900, in Wilson, MI; died Aug. 20, 1993, in Yucca Valley, CA. She held church membership in California.

Survivors include: 2 sons, Everett and Eldine; a daughter, Marcille Rogers; a brother, Levi Wery; 10 grandchildren; and 9 great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastor Robert C. Quillin, and interment was in Wilson Cemetery.

**STRICKLER, Stephan Louis II**, age 85; born March 12, 1908, in Boggstown, IN; died Oct. 19, 1993, in Shelbyville, IN. He was a member of the Boggstown Church.

He is survived by his wife, Lee Esther.

Services were conducted by Pastor Jerry Lastine, and interment was in Boggstown Cemetery.

**THRELKELD, Eva M. (Harrison)**, age 82; born Sept. 28, 1911, in Findlay, IL; died Oct. 27, 1993, in Flint, MI. She was a member of the First Flint Church.

Survivors include: a son, Edward Harrison; 2 brothers, Robert and Merle Voltenburg; 5 sisters, Nellie Tilley, Doris Frasier, Valetta Calder, Naomi Burleson and Jane Story; 6 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastor Bruce Babienco, and interment was in Crestwood Cemetery, Grand Blanc, MI.

**TOMLINSON, Juanita**, age 71; born Dec. 6, 1921, in Eldorado, IL; died Oct. 16, 1993, in Alton, IL. She was a member of the Oakhill Church in Caseyville, IL.

Survivors include: her husband, Darwin; a son, Donald; a daughter, Linda Knife; 2 brothers; a sister; 2 grandchildren; and 2 great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastors Lynn Winn and Malcolm Hutchinson, and interment was in Valhalla Memorial Park Cemetery, Godfrey, IL.

**TOWNSEND, Earl J.**, age 84; born Nov. 12, 1908, in Watauga County, NC; died Oct. 24, 1993, in Crossnore, NC. He was a member of the Lansing (MI) Church.

Survivors include: 3 sons, Garlin, Gary and Joe; 2 daughters, Shelby Stillwell and Joyce Perez; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastor Gary Thurber, and interment was in Deep Dale Memorial Park Cemetery, Lansing.

**TREMBLE, Carrie Marie**, age 79; born Dec. 2, 1913, in Twining, MI; died July 28, 1993, in Saginaw, MI. She was a member of the Saint Charles (MI) Church.

Survivors include: 4 daughters, Carolyn Fraser, Donna Myers, Audrey Burns and Ruth Helzerman; 11 grandchildren; and 5 great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastor Gary Bullard, and interment was in Riverside Cemetery, Saint Charles.

**WARNER, Elihu W.**, age 70; born Sept. 23, 1922, in Coldwater, MI; died Sept. 1, 1993, in Jackson, MI. He was a member of the Bunkerhill (MI) Church.

Survivors include: his wife, Lucille C. "Polly"; a son, Gene; 2 daughters, Chris Mobley and Thita

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Sullivan; 4 grandchildren; and 2 great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastor Don Siewert, and interment was in Hillcrest Memorial Park, Jackson.

**WASSENAAR, Howard J.**, age 84; born April 9, 1909, in Sioux City, IA; died Oct. 23, 1993, in Greenville, SC. He was a member of the Greenville Church.

Survivors include: his wife, Kathlyn; a son, David H.; a daughter, Judy K. White; a sister, Nell W. Sullivan; 5 grandchildren; and 2 great-grandchildren.

Interment was in the Woodlawn Memorial Park, Greenville.

**WATERS, Roy L.**, age 82; born Feb. 11, 1911, in Fremont, MI; died Oct. 18, 1993, in Eaton Rapids, MI. He was a member of the Lansing (MI) Church.

Survivors include: 2 sons, Richard and Donald; a daughter, Marilyn Ward; and 3 grandchildren.

Services were by Pastor Gary Thurber, and interment was in Evergreen Cemetery, Lansing.

**WILLIAMS, Edna M.**, age 83; born Sept. 15, 1910, in Crawford, MS; died Nov. 11, 1993, in Joliet, IL. She was a member of the Joliet Church in Lockport, IL.

Survivors include: a son, Samuel; a sister, Alice Johnson; and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastor Larry W. Clonch, and interment was in Elmhurst Cemetery, Joliet.



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## LAKE UNION

### Inner City offering, Jan. 8.

**Field school, Feb. 13-20**, for Bible teachers, campus chaplains, Sabbath school leaders, principals, and all youth workers. The Oregon Conference and the North American Division are co-hosting this event in Portland, OR. Emphasis will be on Revelation seminars, Bible labs, VBS follow-up, Magabook evangelism, and youth giving Bible studies. Housing and Sabbath meals provided. For details call Cindy Tutsch, 503-652-2225, or Ted Wick, 301-680-6434.

## ANDREWS UNIVERSITY

**Adventist Engaged Encounter, Feb. 11-13**, on the campus. Sponsored by campus ministries, this weekend is designed for engaged or newly married couples who want to improve their relationship and communication. The program offers a way of strengthening commitment, teaching skills, and encouraging the spiritual bonding necessary for a successful marriage. To register,

please call 616-471-3211 by Friday, Jan. 28. There is a fee.

**June Commencement Week-end is June 3-5**, not June 10-12. Resulting from this change, 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*.

**Applications** are now being accepted for this summer's Adventist Colleges Abroad program. This program allows students to qualify for either high-school or college-level credits through a summer of travel and study. For more information, write: Adventist Colleges Abroad, 12501 Old Columbia Pike, Silver Spring, MD 20904-6600; or call 301-680-6444.

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## WORLD CHURCH

**Maplewood Academy/Hutchinson Theological Seminary West Coast Chapter reunion on Feb. 6**, 10 a.m., Loma Linda University campus cafeteria. For details and luncheon reservations call Ruth Purdy before Jan. 28, 909-799-3723.

**Blue Mountain Academy homecoming, March 25-26**, in Hamburg, PA. For details call 215-562-2291.

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Conference. This group hopes to connect with Adventists who provide day care through church schools, ACS centers, local churches, pre-schools 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.

**"It Is Written"** speaker, Pastor Mark Finley presents: *Jan. 9*, "A Gift in Grief." *Jan. 16*, "I Can't Talk to my Teenager." *Jan. 23*, "And the Walls Came Tumbling Down." Michael and Amber Harris share *Jan. 30*, "Crashing on Crack." *Feb. 6*, Pastor Finley goes to "Earth's Strangest City." For programming details call 805-373-7733.

**"Voice of Prophecy":** *Jan. 3-7*, "Peter Wagner on Prayer." *Jan. 9-14*, "The Faith of Jesus" (Sunday), followed by "Winning Those You Love to Christ." *Jan. 16-21*, "Are You Fulfilling Christ's Commission?" (Sunday), followed by "Making Marriage Fun." *Jan. 23-28*, "Heaven and How to Get There" (Sunday), followed by "Television Time Bomb 2." *Jan. 30-Feb. 4*, "If Only Jesus Were Here" (Sunday), followed by "Mission Adventures." For details and area coverage call 805-373-7611.

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	1993	1992	Gain or Loss	% of Increase
Illinois	5,414,384.67	5,344,303.94	70,080.73 G	1.3%
Indiana	3,140,565.04	3,063,546.33	77,018.71 G	2.5%
Lake Region	4,584,363.52	4,419,353.45	165,010.07 G	3.7%
Michigan	13,516,689.88	13,205,375.63	311,314.25 G	2.4%
Wisconsin	<u>2,949,248.86</u>	<u>2,859,551.74</u>	<u>89,697.12 G</u>	<u>3.1%</u>
TOTAL	29,605,251.97	28,892,131.09	713,120.88 G	2.5%

## SUNSET CALENDAR

	Jan. 7	Jan. 14	Jan. 21	Jan. 28	Feb. 4	Feb. 11
Berrien Springs, MI	5:30	5:38	5:46	5:55	6:04	6:13
Chicago	4:36	4:44	4:52	5:01	5:10	5:19
Detroit	5:18	5:25	5:33	5:42	5:51	6:01
Indianapolis	5:37	5:44	5:52	6:00	6:08	6:16
La Crosse, WI	4:44	4:52	5:01	5:10	5:19	5:29
Lansing, MI	5:19	5:28	5:37	5:46	5:55	6:04
Madison, WI	4:39	4:46	4:55	5:04	5:13	5:23
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Peter Neri

## The Angels in Heaven Marvel!

The cause? Perhaps it was what Jesus said, "I tell you the truth, I have not found anyone in Israel with such great faith" (Matthew 8:10, NIV).

This was an incredible statement, for indeed, if anyone knew who had faith it was Jesus. Imagine identifying someone who had more faith than any other Israelite — this surely would make the angels in Heaven marvel! Perhaps.

Perhaps it was who Jesus was referring to. After all, He was referring to a heathen, an outsider, and a Roman centurion to boot. Born and raised an idolater, he was part of the occupying forces which despised the Israelites. There was no love lost between the two countries. For Jesus to make such a statement about such a person would cause the angels in Heaven to marvel! Perhaps.

Perhaps it was not so much what Jesus said, or who He said it about, but instead what the Centurion did. As Jesus was proceeding to the Centurion's house to heal his dying servant, the Centurion himself appeared and admitted: "Lord, I do not deserve to have you come under my roof. But just say the word, and my servant will be healed" (Matthew 8:8, NIV).

If this was not enough faith, he then continues in verse nine: "For I myself am a man under authority, with soldiers under me." So I therefore recognize authority and you Jesus, are the authority. You are the Messiah. For this heathen soldier to publicly acknowledge Jesus as the Messiah would certainly cause the angels of Heaven to marvel! Perhaps.

Incredible as it seems, perhaps the real reason the angels marveled was because the Roman Centurion did not wait to see whether the Israelites were going to accept Jesus as the Messiah! Imagine, it did not matter to the Centurion what either the majority or his friends were going to do about Jesus. Instead, this despised heathen was true to his convictions and without hesitation stepped out on the side of Christ.

Young person, in this new year, make your decision to be like the Centurion! Don't wait to see what others (whether it's the majority or your friends) are going to do about Jesus. Be true to your convictions and stand for Him now. This truly would be an admirable resolution. Oh, and by the way, if you do this I guarantee that not only the angels will marvel, but Jesus himself will marvel! See Matthew 8:5-13.

*Pastor Peter Neri, Cedar Lake, MI*

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## Seek and Ye Shall Find

Dennis is serving a five-year sentence at the Green Bay (WI) Correctional Institution, a maximum security prison.

He began studying his Bible in his cell, using only a King James version and a Strong's concordance. He studied three hours a day for two years — developing a list of beliefs that he had discovered from his studies.

Then, Dennis went to the prison chaplain and asked if there was any group on the outside who believed and taught the teachings he had found?

The chaplain responded, "Yes, you have described the beliefs of the Seventh-day Adventist Church."

Dennis wanted to continue his studies with someone who believed like he does. So he asked if he could get in touch with a minister from the SDA Church. The chaplain then called me.

I went to visit Dennis and found a young man who really knows the Bible. His knowledge exceeds that of most lifelong Adventists. He understands Bible symbols as well as the Sabbath.

I see Dennis once a week now, and he always makes sure that I am going to return the next week. He has a few

"rough edges," but he is a growing Christian who wants to do God's will and is eager to learn more truth.

*Marvin Clark  
Green Bay pastor*

Please continue to pray for those incarcerated and the prison ministry program.

## Baraboo Thanks You

On July 17, 1993, 13 inches of rain caused a flood in the Baraboo, WI, area. As a result the Baraboo Church basement became flooded with 51 inches of water, ruining books, supplies, a piano, paneled walls and insulation.

Many friends and former members rallied to restore the basement to an attractive children's classroom and fellowship room. Books, Sabbath school supplies and an electric piano provided by friends replaced what was lost in the flood.

Members working together have now finished remodeling the church basement with new paneling and carpet.

The congregation wishes to thank those who provided funds and supplies as well as those who offered their labor. It is wonderful to belong to a family of Christians who care. Next time you are in Baraboo, you are invited to stop by the church and visit!

*Wendell Springer  
Baraboo pastor*



## The Bright Side of Faith

What constitutes the bright side of faith? I would like to suggest seven aspects of the bright side of faith although I recognize, as you will too, that there are many more.

The following aspects are to me a spiritual antidote to fear and uncertainty during the difficult times in which we live.

1) Believing that we have the great good news of the gospel to present to the world in spite of our imperfect church community.

We cannot afford to be silenced by the imperfections we see among ourselves, or by those who have broken off from us. Yes, flaws do disfigure our church and we should be the first to admit it and try, with God's help, to correct it — but this doesn't mean we have no reason to address the world and tell them that God still transforms lives.

If we succumb to silence, as I believe Satan would like us to, we will be left with the leadership of the David Koreshes, the blind clerics, the Hollywood producers, and all their counterparts across our land.

If we think it's risky to raise our witnessing voices in these challenging times, we should think it's an outrage to be silent.

2) Knowing that the Holy Spirit has been given to help guide us into all truth and to help us learn how to speak the truth in love (2 Timothy 3:16).

I'm reminded of an 11-year-old girl in Scotland who had written several letters to God. She had read the Bible through and decided He was a very nice person. This letter was her favorite:

"Dear God, Thank you for making me and for the 66 books so we can find out about You. Your friend, Leilani. PS: We all know it's true."

3) Discovering the seemingly simple answer to the question in Micah 6:6-8, "What does the Lord require of us?" But to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with our God.

4) Taking seriously the new commandment Christ gave to his disciples in the upper room (John 13:34, 35): "That you love one another as I have loved you ... By this will all know that you are my disciples." What a bright side of faith this would be if we would demonstrate love more fully in our church and to the world!

5) Celebrating the Sabbath with joy and thanksgiving (Isaiah 58: 13, 14). It's a time to come together as a community of believers to worship and remember God as our Creator and Redeemer.

6) Awaiting the second coming with joy and hope, not with sadness, fear or disappointment. Paul was anxiously awaiting the soon return of Christ in the first century A.D. (1 Timothy 6:15).

7) Remembering that the Church is NOT just any group of people. It's a special group with a special mission and message. This group is, as expressed in Zechariah 2:8, the apple of God's eye and I'm glad to be a part of it.

*Barbara Bryant, Carmel, IN.*

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