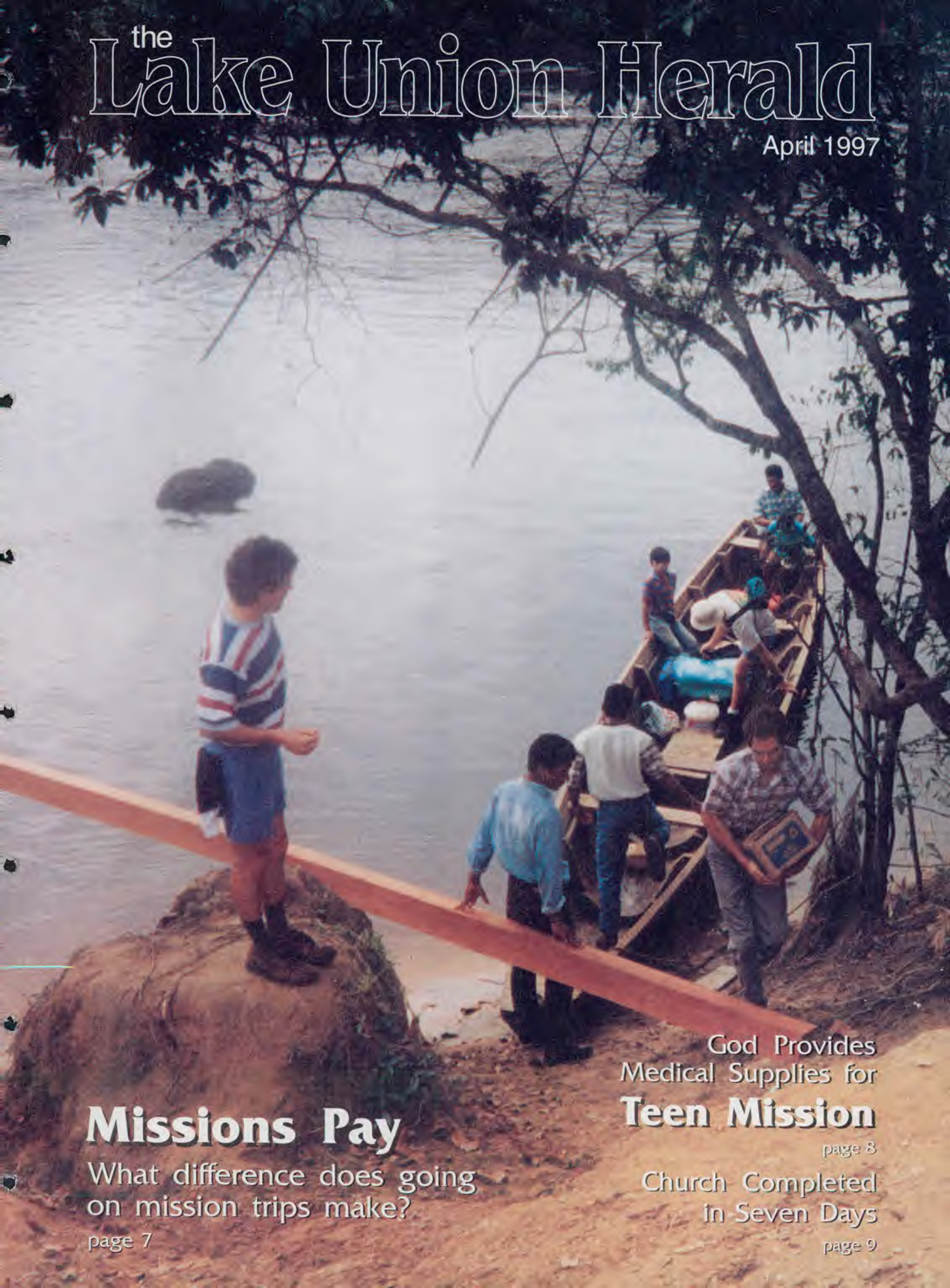


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Dottie Davidson shot the cover picture. The building party, primarily from the Stevensville (MI) Church, carried all of their building supplies, bedding, and food stores in by dugout canoe to the island of Casiba in the La Paragua River in Venezuela. But they look forward to doing it again soon!

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## EDITORIAL

# It Sounds Crazy, But . . .

BY DON SCHNEIDER, PRESIDENT  
LAKE UNION CONFERENCE

It sounds crazy to say that a 90-year-old woman will have a baby or that an already-buried dead man is only sleeping. We'd call an army general crazy if he came up with the idea of walking around a city as the strategy for its defeat. And it would really seem crazy to try to feed 5,000 people with a kid's lunch. We could expect to find these stories in Ripley's *Believe It or Not* perhaps.

But it is *all* true. Sarah and Abraham did have the baby, just as Jesus promised. Although he was dead and buried, Lazarus came out of the grave alive at Jesus' call. When Joshua followed the Lord's instructions, he was able to capture Jericho. Never mind that it didn't *sound* like a good strategic plan. And when Jesus asked for the kid's lunch, although it sounded crazy, the 5,000 were fed.

Some other stories are even more difficult to believe. For instance, that a person can be forgiven again for the very same thing, even though (s)he was just forgiven only days or hours or even minutes before, sounds crazy. But it is true! Jesus really does that.

Another thing that *sounds* crazy is the judgment. The judgment is not at all about how much good a person has done weighed against how much bad he or she has done. It is all about letting Jesus take our place in the judgment. Then the bad, the sin, is just dumped into the bottom of the ocean. Jesus says, "Don't look at those sins. Look at My record, not his, not hers." This judgment is not like any judgment you have ever heard of before.

It *does* sound crazy, too, to think that a person who has been sinning and who asks forgiveness *is* forgiven—no questions asked, even if it is murder, stealing, lying, pride . . . anything. But it is true. Jesus forgives! Then follows the almost unbelievable thought, "There is now therefore no condemnation to them that are in Christ Jesus" *Romans 8:1*. A most reverent "Wow!" escapes my lips. Do I understand it? No, I don't. But do I believe it? Yes! And I praise God for it and thank Him for salvation, for forgiveness.

The craziest thought of all, however, is that Jesus would be interested enough in *me* to forgive me and to come back to get me. But it is true. And He is interested in you.

Are you sometimes tempted to doubt God's ability or His loving desire to forgive—to save you? Do you wonder if it is really true? Read again God's own words offering forgiveness and salvation, "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life" *John 3:16*. Believe them and claim them as His promise to you.

## Treasurer Tries New Hat

BY NORMAN W. KLAM

*The North American Division union treasures were invited by the General Conference and ADRA (Adventist Development and Relief Agency) to participate in a tour of Adventist mission work in Thailand, Cambodia, Vietnam, Hong Kong, and Nepal. The trip, which took place from January 5-21, 1997, was designed to provide the treasurers with a first-hand view of the needs in the world field. As part of this group of treasurers, the Klams stopped in Yap on their return trip.*

I was both excited and apprehensive as our Boeing 727 braked to a stop at the end of the runway, turned, and taxied to the small terminal on the beautiful island of Yap—one of the island states in the Federated States of Micronesia. Excited, because our student-missionary daughter would be there to meet my wife and me, and apprehensive, because I had accepted the challenge to present a Week of Prayer for the elementary- and academy-age youth at the Adventist mission school.

The Adventist school on Yap is one of 24 mission schools operated by the Guam-Micronesia Mission, an attached field to the Asia-Pacific Division. Approximately 3,000 students are taught in these mission schools by dedicated student-missionary teachers.

It had been a difficult year for the students and faculty at Yap Seventh-day Adventist School. On Christmas eve, Yap had been hit with the second typhoon of the season, destroying the high school building and causing considerable damage to the elementary school. The school staff, along with some help from mission head-

quarters in Guam, had done a magnificent job cleaning up after the typhoon—repairing the roof on the elementary school, putting up classroom partitions, and consolidating the school to operate in much tighter temporary quarters. In spite of the difficulties, the newly arrived principal and his wife, Verlin and Joy Leer, Miss Wendy Wallen, the only experienced teacher on campus, and the student missionaries were all in good spirits.

The Week of Prayer meetings began on Monday. By Thursday, I was noticing a difference in the students' behavior. It was obvious that the Holy Spirit was working. As the students sang to begin the meeting, I sat with my eyes closed, praying that God would be with me as I talked to the students about the great sacrifice Jesus made for each one of us.

While I had been talking to the students about Jesus, my wife Marlene, who is a nurse, had also been ministering to the students. As the word got out, teachers began bringing their students with unhealed wounds or infections for her to treat. In her kind, gentle way, she washed and bandaged them to help rid the wounds of infection.

On Thursday evening, I had difficulty falling asleep. As I rehearsed the stories I planned to tell the students at our last meeting together, I prayed that God and His Spirit would work so that students would accept Him. In the elementary school chapel, I was overwhelmed with the hugs and smiles of the children who had truly become my friends. As I talked to them that morning, I told them that I



Student missionaries make it possible to run 24 schools in the far flung islands of the Guam-Micronesia Mission.



By the end of his Week of Prayer Norm Klam, Lake Union Conference treasurer, had made friends of the children in his student missionary daughter's school.

wanted them to be Jesus' friends too. Their response was unanimous.

The last meeting was with the high school students. At the end of the talk, which centered on heaven, I asked those who wanted to have Jesus as a better friend to raise their hands. Every hand went up. Then I asked those who were interested in learning more about the Seventh-day Adventist Church to stay behind after the closing prayer. After the prayer when the students were dismissed not one student got up to leave. The principal came to the front and announced that he would work with the pastor to arrange for follow-up Bible classes.

As the week ended and we headed for the airport, my heart was singing. I knew that Jesus had been with me in Yap.

*Norm Klam is Lake Union Conference treasurer.*

# NEW MEMBERS

## INDIANA



Mary Perkins

Ernest Jones, age 82, with his pastor, Scott Tyman.

**Ernest Jones** responded to one of the *Signs* cards sent out to all North Vernon boxholders in 1991, reports Mary Ellen Perkins, communication leader. A lay member followed up that response with *Message for Today* Bible lessons. However, due to illness in the family and the need to consider some of the new ideas he was learning, nothing happened at that time.

In the spring of 1996, Scott Tyman, North Vernon pastor, began studies with Ernest in his home. He has been faithful in church and Sabbath school attendance and now rejoices in church membership. Ernest was baptized in October, 1996, and proudly reports he still subscribes to *Signs of the Times* magazine.

## ILLINOIS

Five baptisms in the Bolingbrook Church resulted from church members sharing their love for the Lord with their co-workers in the workplace, reports Richard Cook, Bolingbrook Church communication leader.

Ben McCash, a member of the Hinsdale Church, loves to witness for his Lord. In early 1995, Ben invited a co-worker, **John Tomlinson**, to three separate meetings at the Hinsdale Church. Then a brochure came to the

Tomlinsons inviting them to attend the NET '95 meetings. During the rest of NET '95 and until NET '96, the Tomlinsons attended church at Bolingbrook. At the end of the NET '96 meetings, John and **Barbara** signed the baptismal card signifying that they wanted to become Seventh-day Adventists.

The Spanish-speaking members hold some of their meetings in the Bolingbrook Church fellowship hall and some in members' homes until they can afford a church of their own. Liduvina Meza invited her co-worker **Rafael Contreras** to Sabbath school in her home. Rafael then attended Spanish evangelistic meetings held by Pastor Gilberto Velasquez at the Bolingbrook Church's fellowship hall. He then attended the majority of the NET '96 meetings at Bolingbrook and was baptized.

In 1977 **Jose and Guadalupe Dorado** attended an Adventist church for three years, but were not baptized at that time. In 1980 they joined a Pentecostal church. In 1996, while living in California, they joined a Mormon church, still seeking biblical truth. Maricela and Humberto Resendez invited the couple to NET '96. Humberto is the worship leader for the Spanish company. Jose and Guadalupe at last embraced the biblical truths of the Adventist Church and were baptized January 18.

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The South and Cicero Hispanic churches of the Illinois Conference celebrated the baptism on November 30, 1996, of seven new members as a result of NET '96, reports Gilberto Velásquez, pastor of the South and Cicero Hispanic churches.

The baptism was held at the South Hispanic Church (in Chicago) where the members of both congregations



Luis E. Leonor

Hermes and Andrea González were among the seven new members who gave public testimony of their new found faith on November 30.

gathered to participate in this spiritual feast. During 1996, 27 new members were added to the membership of these two churches.

## MICHIGAN

**Faye Craven** had attended Sabbath services and midweek prayer meetings for several months before the Prophecy Countdown crusade with Evangelist Ron and Yvonne Feely in the Mt. Pleasant Church, says Cheryl Davis, church evangelism reporter. Faye enjoyed the Christian fellowship but made it clear she didn't plan to ever join the church. She was just going to be a good Christian. Her husband, **Emery**, had been reared in a very strict religious environment. Although he expressed an understanding of the Bible, he also felt no need to join a church. Faye's father was the pastor of another church for many years, but when the Prophecy Countdown handbill came to her mailbox, she came and was thrilled with the messages. She didn't miss one meeting, and when the invitation was given, she came forward to surrender her life to Jesus and be baptized. Then before the baptism took place, Emery decided to be baptized with her.

**Mary Ann Dugan** had attended Sabbath services in the Mt. Pleasant Church for several years. She said she understood and believed the biblical teachings of the Adventist Church. However, she was not sure that it was necessary to remove her jewelry as



Cheryl Davis

From left, front: Faye Craven, Mary Ann Dugan, Cindi Sponseller, Mark Magnusson, Robert Alfalah; back: Pastor Philip Colburn, Emery Craven, Bob Sponseller, Yvonne and Ron Feely, evangelistic team.

long as it was "in moderation and good taste." As she attended each crusade meeting and the topics were clearly and lovingly presented, she followed the Spirit's leading. The first time she went to work without her jewelry, she wondered what the ladies' comments would be. They looked at her and said, "Mary Ann, you look different. What did you do?" Her response was, "I am not going to tell you. You tell me!" She never did tell them, but she believes that her new relationship with Jesus is "shining through."

**Bob and Cindi Sponseller** had drifted away from Christ and the church. Although they watched NET '95 on their home satellite system and recorded them at the request of Bob's parents, they did not make a full commitment at that time. When NET '96 began, they began watching and recording the new satellite series. During the final week of NET '96, the Prophecy Countdown Crusade started at the Mt. Pleasant Church and they began to attend. Near the end of these meetings, they both came forward and requested baptism. They have now experienced a genuine new birth. When tactfully asked how long this decision would hold, Bob smilingly answered, "This one is for life! We've tried to make it outside the church, and it just doesn't work. We've come back for good!"

**Mark Magnusson and Rob Alfalah**, students at Central Michigan University, chose to attend the series even though their class assignments were intense at the time. They gave their lives to Christ in baptism. Rob, by birth a Chaldean, remarked, "Remember those bad guys in Daniel 2:2? Well, today I am one of the good guys—maybe the only Chaldean Adventist in America!"

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Beginning with the Thanksgiving holiday weekend when **Emily Gardner** was baptized, the Holly Church's best gifts were eleven young people who gave their hearts to God in a series of four separate baptisms conducted by Alvaro Sauza, Holly



Gordon Evans

With his baptism Jamie Hall, age 10, became a fifth generation Adventist. His great-grandfather, Harry Wohler, 97, Holly Church patriarch, presented him with a beautiful Bible.

Church pastor, and Danny Velez, associate pastor, reports Gordon F. Evans, communications leader.

On December 7, **Angella Szykowski, Brad Kirk, Melanie Kirk, Nathan York, and Amber York**, were baptized. Then on December 21, the Sabbath before Christmas, Pastor Sauza baptized his daughter **Stevi Shepherd**, as well as **Devon Freeman, Bethany Loafman, and Jamie Hall**. The series culminated with the baptism of **Melissa DiLernia** as the result of her attending Great Lakes Adventist Academy and going on their mission trip to Panama. Those very rewarding experiences led her to seriously consider her relationship to Christ, and her decision to be a member of His church through baptism.

## Heard a Good Story Lately?

*We'd like to print stories here about people who have joined your church, but we can't print what we don't receive.*

*We are looking for inspiring stories about how new members found the Lord and who helped them toward that decision. What made them decide to seek out the Adventist Church? What unique story do they have to tell?*

*Of course many stories will be linked to NET '96, but what can you tell that's unique? There's not room for relating everyone's story here.*

*Think about it. Would telling your story help to inspire other members to think about sharing the love of Jesus in their workplace or neighborhood? Let us hear about it.*

*Send brief stories to your conference communication director. And don't forget to include a close-up photo of the person(s) baptized—taken in some other location than the baptismal tank.*

*Each story should be complete by itself. Please do not send multiple stories all in one article.*



The Operation Amigo group, mostly from Stevensville, Michigan, loaded all their gear and climbed into an open truck for the three-hour trip to the village of La Paragua. All of their supplies had to be carried with them including hammocks, bedding, food, and water.

*What difference does going on mission trips make in the life of a church?*

## Missions Pay

PHOTOGRAPHED BY THE AUTHOR



The supply canoe, with three national workers, went ahead to prepare for the Stevensville group. Hammocks are piled up in the dugout canoe.



Supplies and heavy hardwood posts for the building had to be hauled up a steep bank from the river, then carried a half-mile to the building site.

BY DOTTIE DAVIDSON

There is no way you could convince the Stevensville (Michigan) Church that missions do not pay. Since their members have made a covenant with the Lord to support projects in the mission field with their money, time, and hard work, their tithe has increased on a yearly average of 10 percent. Now that is a profitable gain for any business, but especially for the business of the Lord.

This year during the last part of

January and the first part of February, the Stevensville group, along with some members from surrounding churches, went to one of the most primitive spots you could imagine—the island of Casiba in the La Paragua River. This project was conducted under the umbrella of *Operation Amigo*. Casiba Island is south of Ciudad Bolivar, Venezuela, three and a half hours by truck and then another three hours by dugout canoe. The village nearest the building site is on the other side of the island—a rugged

45-minute walk.

Approximately two months before the group was to leave the States, a donation was sent to Bonanza Institute, a member of Outpost Centers, Inc.,\* to pay for nationals to cut and plane the boards for a new school. The nationals were also to build simple shelters for the group that was to come, so they could be shielded from the strong winds and rain during the night.

Some of the lumber had been stored at the back of the church site, but the heaviest lumber, six by six inch



Starting "from scratch" the site had to be prepared. Stevensville members, Randy Dowell and Jim Hippler begin digging the post holes.



Sleeping accommodations amounted to hammocks hung up in a thatched roof pavilion.



In spite of the primitive conditions the cooks provided wonderful meals for the crew of hungry workers.



Larry Dalson

The children who will be students in the new school sat so very still all during the church services.

hardwood timbers 14 feet long for the supporting posts, had to each be carried by four men. Perspiration, sore necks, and aching shoulders were the result of a mile walk, carrying them on their shoulders, out of the forest to the river where a dugout canoe waited, then carrying them another half mile from the canoe to the building site on the island.

The goal of the Seventh-day Adventist Indians living in the La Paragua area is to have an Adventist center on the island to meet the

spiritual and educational needs of the people. They desire to eliminate the sometimes up to three hours travel in a dugout canoe just to come to church.

The settlement is called Bethel, a place where the Lord will meet with them. Our *Operation Amigo* group built a school for the 54 children now coming to church. They are excited about the possibility of more children being attracted to the school which will afford them the opportunity of sharing the gospel with them.

Even though the group worked

under very primitive conditions, they are anxious to go back to a similar place another year, for they all know that missions pay.

\* Outpost Centers, Inc. is a brotherhood of supporting ministries of the Seventh-day Adventist Church and a member of Adventist Laymen's Services and Industries (ASI) International.

*Dottie Davidson is a short-term missionary living in Berrien Springs, Michigan.*

# God Provides Medical Supplies for Teen Mission

BY MAXINE DODGE

This year's Pathfinder Teen Mission Impact trip to the Dominican Republic began with several miracles. There was a real shortage of medications for this year's trip, but the Lord provided Frank Harrell, a physician from Kalamazoo, Michigan, who supplied us with the names of several companies that would supply the needed medications. One pharmaceutical company provided between five and seven thousand dollars of medicines for a small handling fee—medicines they did not even have in stock just a week earlier. A second company shipped medications to us overnight from California, while a third company delivered medications through Doctor Frank to the home of Terry Dodge Sr., Michigan Conference Pathfinder director, on the night before Christmas. This allowed the team to take about 150,000 pills and other medications,

dental supplies, 3,000 pairs of glasses, and toys to meet the needs of those who would come to the nine clinics scheduled for this year's mission trip.

Four weeks before the trip was to begin, Pastor Terry was informed by the airline that the usual boxes of supplies for the mission trip would not be permitted on the planes during the holidays when they would be flying. With a prayer for a change in the airline's policy, a letter was faxed to the shipping director. The Holy Spirit intervened, and the director responded with permission to allow the Teen Mission Impact team to take the 80 boxes they would need. However, each team member would be limited to one check-in suitcase and one carry-on bag.

The chain of answered prayers continued. Tim Arnott, a physician in Knoxville, Iowa, had been praying for the possibility of going on a mission trip, but he was unable to locate a group that was scheduled for one. As Pastor Terry was telephoning to locate

physicians who might volunteer for a mission trip, Doctor Tim's name was suggested. When he was contacted, he was thrilled he could say "yes" and asked to also bring his father, Doctor Gordon Arnott. What a blessing these two physicians were.

On December 26, 1996, 25 Pathfinders and 12 staff left for a two-week mission experience that would change their lives while they served the medical needs of hundreds of people under the supervision of the dentists, physicians, and optometrists.

A highlight of the trip came on Sunday evening when the East Dominican Mission youth leaders invited our teens and staff to a special youth banquet they were having to close their local youth rally for more than 250 participants. It was a wonderful experience to fellowship with the Dominican youth.

Each Pathfinder Teen Mission Impact trip not only influences the people receiving aid but also impacts

the lives of the teens and staff as they pull teeth, take blood pressures, give shots, fit glasses, and clean wounds.

Maxine Dodge served as Michigan's Teen Mission Impact communication coordinator.



Jonathan Tamm (foreground) examines a little girl's throat, while Tim Arnott, MD, (beyond him) gives medication to a patient. Dennis Case, a physician's assistant from Cedar Lake, Michigan, can be seen in the top right examining a patient. Pathfinder teens actively participated in patient care under the doctors' supervision.



The teens enjoyed sharing with the children the toys they had taken along for that purpose. Robert Couchman here holds a little girl who had just received a stuffed animal.



# New Church Completed in Seven Days

BY JIM NASH

Just think of it—32 academy students, two children, and 14 adults built a brand new church in just seven days! It's hard to believe if you were not there, but that's what actually happened. Construction on the Agua Prieta Puebla Nueva Seventh-day Adventist Church began Monday morning, December 30, 1996, and continued for five days that week, plus Sunday and Monday of the following week, so that on January 6, 1997, the church was completed.

During the construction, nightly evangelistic meetings for approximately 260 persons were being conducted in a tent pitched next door. One-hundred fifty of these were excited children participating in a Bible school organized by Pastor Manuel Vitug, academy Bible teacher and project chaplain. Academy students assisted as the children rotated through four stations:

storytelling, singing, crafts, and family values videos, while Pastor Manny taught a class in English as a second language and preached the gospel to the children and adults present. The interest was so strong that despite snow and a heavy freeze 100 people

continued to come and hear Bible truths. With the completion of the church and crusade, and amid the very festive experience of the group's final Sabbath, six new believers were baptized in the new sanctuary.

This was the academy's sixth biannual SOW (Service, Outreach, Witness) Safari. This time they went to Agua Prieta, a Mexican border town adjacent to Douglas, Arizona, with the church building in a developing subdivision, Puebla Nueva. The Adventists there desperately desired a church to worship God. Maranatha Volunteers International accepted the challenge and assigned it to the Andrews Academy SOW Safari group. Because the church construction was so rapid, the group began designing and building 150 new pews with the \$1,000 the SOW group had donated. The pews were completed and installed on the last Friday.

Meanwhile, the SOW group was distributing in three of the local

pastor's five church districts 4,000 copies of the Spanish translation of *Steps to Christ* that had been supplied by *Project Word* (described on page 16). They believe God will hear and answer their prayers in behalf of these spiritual seeds of truth that were sown and bring a wonderful harvest of new believers.

The dedicated volunteer Christian tradesmen, adult supervisors, and academy students, combined with the blessings of God on the preparatory and foundational work of Maranatha Volunteers International caused this trip to be an outstanding success. We pray for more opportunities for students, faculty, and supporters, as well as *Lake Union Herald* readers, to be continually involved in Service, Outreach, and Witnessing activities. Let's unite to take "this gospel of the kingdom to all the world."

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*Jim Nash, Andrews Academy vice principal is SOW project director*



*Jim Hippler, construction superintendent, teaches Andrews Academy students the art of block-laying their first day on the Puebla Nueva Church project in Agua Prieta, Mexico.*



*The academy students, though tired from their day's hard work, enjoyed leading out in a children's Bible school during the evening evangelistic meetings that were held for the adults. The new Sabbath school room was used for storytelling, singing, crafts, and family values videos.*

# Vision '96

BY RODOLFO ROSALES

More than 600 enthusiastic young people responded to the invitation and came to participate in "Vision 96," the second Festival of Hispanic Lake Union Youth, organized under the leadership of Luis Fernando Ortiz, Berrien Springs Spanish Church youth pastor, and Luis E. Leonor, Lake Union Conference vice president.

Approximately 3-400 people between the ages of 15 and 35 were expected to attend this Lake Union event which took place at Andrews University November 15-17, 1996. But young people came from hundreds, even thousands, of miles eager to share in the experiences of this weekend. Youth from the Lake Union were joined by large delegations from Minnesota, Tennessee, Massachusetts, Georgia, Ohio, California, and Canada.

All the activities had been carefully organized to challenge the attendees to live a genuine Christian

life and to share their faith and hope with their friends. "Reaching others through Friendship" was the central theme of the festival, and we had been encouraged to bring our non-Seventh-day Adventist friends as special guests to the festival.

Among the speakers was Danilo Gómez, a blind young man originally from the Dominican Republic and now living in Grand Rapids, who works as adviser for the Catholic Social Services in that city.

The special guest speaker was José Vicente Rojas, North American Division youth director. Beginning Friday evening he exalted Christ as THE answer for every young person who is searching for a better life in the midst of this turbulent modern society. Through his messages we could see Christ, what He has done for others in the past, and what He can do for each person who is earnestly looking for Him today. The message was clear—no matter where I come from, what I have done, who or what I am, I may come to Christ with the assurance that

He has the answer and the solution to my problems and dilemmas. More than 70 friends accompanied the attendees, and it was exciting to see both the attendees and their special guests coming forward and inviting Christ into their lives. More than 20 people requested baptism, and more than 30 requested Bible studies.

After the spiritual activities on Friday and Sabbath, the social activities on Saturday evening and Sunday gave us the opportunity to get to know each other better and to make new friends. We hope these can be long-lasting friendships!

We left feeling we had "recharged our batteries." We had accepted the challenge to new heights in our relationship with Jesus. We had been motivated to share Him more effectively with our friends. May God bless all those who did such an excellent job in putting this festival together!

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*Rodolfo Rosales is Illinois Hispanic Youth Confederation director.*

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José Vicente Rojas, North American Division youth director, was the main speaker at the second Hispanic Youth Festival.



Spiritual and social activities were well planned to bring the young people closer to each other and to God.

**H**ave you ever thought of your home satellite dish as a tool for evangelism? Have you ever wished that your neighbors would be willing to study the Bible with you? Did you know that your house could be the site for an evangelistic crusade? As you became involved in the NET '95 and NET '96 evangelistic crusades, as you welcomed the guests to the meetings, as you passed out the cards at the door, as you ministered to the children while their parents watched the satellite broadcasts, as you witnessed the baptisms of people who made decisions to join the Seventh-day Adventist Church, and as you observed the incredible changes in people's lives as the result of those meetings, was the flame of evangelism ignited in your heart? If so, this news is for you.

Coming to your home satellite dish from October 3 to November 1, 1997, will be one of the most amazing experiments in the history of modern evangelism. *Amazing Facts*, Three Angels Broadcasting Network (3ABN), and Seminars Unlimited will be joining hands to present a series of 22 dynamic satellite evangelistic seminars. The seminar speaker will be Evangelist Doug Batchelor, speaker-director for *Amazing Facts* and senior pastor of the Sacramento (California) Central Church. The seminar will originate from the large, new Bos Auditorium at 3ABN headquarters in Thompsonville, Illinois. The program will reach all churches and homes with satellite equipment, all 3ABN downlinks, and cable stations in North America. Some overseas countries will receive the broadcast also. Although this is not a North American Division sponsored project, it is being closely coordinated with the North American Division officers and has been approved by them.

This is a marvelous opportunity for you to invite your neighbors, friends, and relatives to your home to view these Bible seminars with you. Each



Doug Batchelor, *Amazing Facts* speaker-director, will be the speaker for the SatelliGHT Seminar, October 3 to November 1, on Three Angels Broadcasting Network.

Herald photo

# *Amazing Facts* SatelliGHT Seminar

message, though geared to the end-time, will begin with a gripping Bible story which will lead right into the prophetic subject of the evening. New Bible study guides are being written to fit each evening's subject. Meetings will be held five nights a week with Mondays and Thursdays off. The programs will begin at 7:30 p.m. ET with music, testimonies, and fellowship time. The sermon message will be presented from 8:00 to 9:00, and from 9:00 to 9:30 listeners will be able to call in live with their questions.

A very inexpensive approach has been structured for lay persons with satellite dishes or other access to 3ABN who would like to open their homes for the seminar. Everything is being done to keep costs to a minimum. All you'll need to participate will be the 22 lesson guides and

decision envelopes. The cost of these two items will average \$3.50 per person. Handbills, Bibles, and other supplementary materials will also be available for those who wish to use them. They can be ordered by calling Seminars Unlimited at (800) 982-3344. A price list of all supplies is available from *Amazing Facts*.

In order to participate in this satellite seminar, you must complete and return an enrollment form as soon as possible to *Amazing Facts*, P.O. Box 1058, Roseville, CA 95678-8058. To obtain the enrollment form and for answers to your additional questions, phone Bill May, seminar coordinator, at (916) 434-3880. For questions about satellite equipment, call the engineering department at 3ABN at (800) 752-3226.

## A Child Named Miracle Finds a Miracle at Hinsdale Hospital

Her name, Milagros Fortuna, which in Spanish means "miracle" and "fortune," couldn't be more fitting. Milagros is a 4-year-old girl who traveled from the Dominican Republic in search of a miracle. Fortunately, her path to healing led to Matthew J. Bueche, a pediatric orthopedic surgeon, and some other special folks at Hinsdale Hospital.

Milagros was born with spina bifida, a birth defect in which



On the morning of her surgery, Milagros Fortuna watches her doctor, Matthew J. Bueche, M.D., examine her feet.

the spinal column is not fully formed, which can result in serious complications. In Milagros' case, her spinal cord and its nerves exit from a hole in her back, and she is paralyzed

from the knees down. She also has deformed, or "club" feet. The soles of Milagros' feet point inward and towards her face, and her toes also point inward.

Due to her condition, Milagros has never walked unaided. She is only able to "cruise," or take steps while holding onto a supporting object—like babies do before taking their first solo steps. When Milagros takes a step, she walks on the outside of her feet instead of her soles.

Milagros' plight was brought to Bueche's attention by the *Healing the Children* organization, which has an office in the greater Chicago area. This organization brings together children from third-world countries in desperate need of medical care with doctors in the United States who are willing to donate their services. *Healing the Children* takes care of all the travel and temporary housing arrangements.

A lot of people at Hinsdale Hospital can take pride in the fact that they had a hand in Milagros' miracle. Not only did Bueche and Hinsdale Hospital agree to provide the needed surgery, nursing care, and physical therapy at no charge, but the anesthesiologist, radiologist, and orthotist also waived their professional fees.

"I took this case because I feel it's just a part of giving. It was an opportunity to help someone who probably wouldn't have the means to get this type of medical treatment where they

live," said Bueche. "I felt Milagros had the potential to walk, so I was hopeful about the outcome of the surgery."

The successful surgery improved the position of her feet, and the next step was wearing casts for about six weeks. "The casting process stretches out the rest of the tight muscles and lets things heal," said Bueche.

The true triumph came when Milagros took her first steps. She was fitted with special braces that assist with her walking. "Milagros will not be a runner, but with the special braces that are inside her shoes, walking is possible. I'm hoping this surgery will have a positive impact on the rest of her life," Bueche added.

## Local Kids Get Heart Smart

During American Heart Month in February, Hinsdale Hospital's Rooney Heart Institute, along with Hinsdale Adventist Academy, Hinsdale Elementary School District 181, and the Robert Crown Center in Hinsdale joined forces to educate students about prevention and early detection of heart disease.

The program, called "Start with the Heart," is in its fourth year. It is a three-phase curriculum for fourth graders that integrates health, science, and hands-on activities, all designed to stimulate students' interest and maximize learning.

The program's curriculum covers nutrition, anatomy, and a heart-healthy exercise program integrated into the school



Students visiting Hinsdale Hospital's Rooney Heart Institute observe a monitor tracing a classmate's heartbeat.

district's physical education program. The third phase, risk factors for heart disease, is taught by physicians and nurses from the Rooney Heart Institute.

The "Start with the Heart" program is designed to help children become adults who take responsibility for maintaining their health. The attitudes and actions of these students will, in turn, influence the next generation. At the program's completion, students and their families are able to identify heart disease risk factors and know how to better establish heart healthy lifestyles.

# ANDREWS UNIVERSITY

## Music Legend Donates Pianos

Craftsmanship and clarity of sound set grand pianos apart from lesser instruments. But two grand pianos, recently donated to Andrews, are noteworthy for more than just their tonal quality. The instruments are testimony to the life and generosity of composer Blythe Owen.

Owen, 98, emeritus professor of music, donated the two pianos and a cello to the Andrews department of music. A small ceremony in her Berrien Springs home on Jan. 27 marked the occasion.



Jack Stenger

Distinguished composer, Blythe Owen, with Peter Cooper, Andrews music chair.

Owen's lifetime of accomplishment garnered her a national reputation among 20th Century composers, and her renown as a pianist took her to sites around the world for both recitals and orchestra performances. A trailblazer in academia, Owen was one of the first women to receive a doctoral degree from the prestigious Eastman School of Music, Rochester, NY, where she graduated in 1953. She joined the Andrews faculty in 1963 and taught up to her 1981 retirement. "All my life I've had the fortune to do two things that I love: teach and play music," Owen said at the ceremony. And for years to come, two grand pianos at Andrews remind students of her love of both.

Jack Stenger, public information officer.

## Impressions: Drama With Meaning

For members of the Impressions drama troupe, strong acting skills are a must. But how about juggling skills? On top of practicing their extensive repertoire of spiritually-based skits, they also tackle school work, campus jobs, and travel to Lake Union churches for performances.

"Impressions of the Master" is a 12-member drama troupe of Andrews students. Their skits are short, parable-like tales that not only entertain but also make some spiritual point.

Since the group first started four years ago, they've become one of the campus' most creative sources of spiritual inspiration, said Andrews chaplain Patrick Morrison. "I'm always

amazed at the fresh ways that these young people retell the gospel truths," he said.

Alex Prouty, a senior history major from Ithaca, MI, leads Impressions. He said drama is particularly well-suited to convey biblical truths—particularly for GenXers. "It lets us give a new picture of Christ. And in the same way that He used parables, these seemingly simple skits can convey deeper meanings," he said.

A performance tour this spring will take them to churches in Chicago, Grand Rapids, and to Great Lakes Academy in Cedar Lake, MI. Past tours have taken them as far as Colorado and Washington, DC.

A busy life on top of travel means the acting life might not be so glamorous for these students. But Prouty said all the effort is worth it when they reach someone. "When people come up and say: 'That skit really blessed us,' it's all worthwhile."

Tonya Hippler, staff writer.



Elmer Mun, AU PR

The Impressions drama group from left (first row) Jennifer Minner, Jason Payne and Ebenezer Perez; (second row) Vivian Owusu, Kendra Banks, Daniel Kim and Elisabeth Hickok; (third row) Alexis Matthey, David Prouty, Alex Prouty and Laura Miyashiro.

## 'Till Midnight Café Warms up the Winter

Part cafe, part meeting place, the 'Till Midnight Café has become a winter quarter tradition on the Andrews campus. The Adventist equivalent of an English tea room, the café is located in the campus Alumni House.

On cold Friday evenings, hot chocolate, herbal tea, and hot cider are served up by volunteer student and staff workers. And while the café does not serve caffeinated drinks, there's plenty of spirited—and spiritual—conversation to keep things lively.

It first started in February 1995. Students wanted a place to go on Friday evenings, said Rebecca May, Alumni Affairs director. "It's become a great place for them to wind down, to laugh, and to get into a 'Sabbath mood,'" she said. "And an even better place for a hot chocolate, topped with whipped cream and a twist of cinnamon."



Elmer Mun, AU PR

Student Heidi Sabnani serves up hot drinks every Friday night at the 'Till Midnight Café.

## Student Experiences Urban Mission in Los Angeles

**Wisconsin Academy** — Lafe Sackett, a junior at Wisconsin Academy, experienced a unique Christmas vacation. Sackett, a country boy who loves horses and wide open spaces, was immersed in the hectic city life of Los Angeles. He, along with many other volunteers, joined the Service Station, a mission project sponsored by *Insight*, Worthington Foods, McKee Baking Company, and Loma Linda University. Sackett worked in two areas: the Los Angeles Lake Regional Bank where he sorted, packaged, cleaned, and stacked food and household items, and the L.A. Mission for the Homeless where he made sandwiches and sack lunches. He talked to many of the people who were working there, and they told him that they were once in the same situation as the people they are now serving.

Sackett says that his venture taught him that a mission trip doesn't necessarily have to involve building a church or school in a third world country. "You can serve in many other ways", explains Sackett, "and you get the same warm feeling." He also made about 85 new friends and will keep in touch with many of them. "If I have another chance to do a similar project, I'm ready for it."

*Sue Rappette, Wisconsin Academy administrative secretary.*

## Students Find Way to Help

**Indiana Academy** — The desire to help others has sparked exciting projects at Indiana Academy (IA), Cicero, IN, this year, reports Ramona Trubey, IA communication leader. With the assistance of the Salvation Army, Ron Krueger, academy chaplain, made contact with a young woman at a women's shelter who was going to have a baby and needed help. The girls of IA bought gifts and encouraged the faculty and the Cicero Church members to help this needy mother. The girls

drove to Indianapolis and conducted a surprise shower for mom and baby. When the mother walked into the room, she



Ramona Trubey

*The Indiana Academy girls gave a surprise baby shower at an Indianapolis women's shelter.*

was overcome by the generosity and burst into tears. She kept saying "and you don't even know me."

Happiness flooded the room as givers and receiver shared precious moments. For as Jesus said, "Inasmuch as you have done it unto the least of these my sisters, you have done it unto me."

## Students to Go to Kiribati

**Indiana** — Ten students from the Bloomington Adventist Christian Academy (BACA) were chosen to go to Christmas Island, Kiribati, in the Pacific Ocean, March 16-28, to build a school for the people of that area, reports Beverly Wesner-Hoehn.

The Republic of Kiribati is a group of 33 islands right on the equator halfway between the United States and Australia. Formerly known as the Gilbert Islands, this group of coral atolls is isolated from the usual tourist traffic of the South Pacific and remains relatively undeveloped. Wayne Wesner, a California building contractor, was the project supervisor, and Ted Hoehn, an emergency physician from Unity Healthcare, along with Beverly Wesner-Hoehn, Indiana University assistant professor of music and teacher at BACA, were the team leaders.

## Academy Hosts World Famous Conductor

**Battle Creek Academy** — Dr. K. G. Bloomquist, Michigan State University Director of Bands Emeritus was the guest conductor of the Battle Creek Academy (BCA) band Christmas concert that played to a standing room only audience. The concert was recorded by the local public television station so it could be aired two times during the following two weeks, reports Sallie Meyer, BCA band director.

Bloomquist is the past president of the American Bandmasters Association, former president of the National Band Association, and a board member of the Music Educators National Conference. He has appeared as guest conductor, clinician, and adjudicator throughout the United States, Europe, Scandinavia, Southeast Asia, Australia, and Mexico.

The students were thrilled that his schedule permitted him to spend two days of intense rehearsals with the BCA band. They felt it was an incredible experience to work with a director of such high musical caliber. He had spent many hours in Battle Creek in the past, having served as the full-time conductor of the BC Brass Band from 1991-94 and again in 1996.



*Dr. Kenneth Bloomquist with Sallie Meyer, BCA band conductor.*

Sallie Meyer

## YOUTH NEWS

### Church and Community Rally to Support Mission Trip

**Michigan**—“Multi-colored parrots, palm trees, and the lilting beat of calypso music welcomed visitors Sunday to the Vegetarian Extravaganza at the Seventh-day Adventist Church,” wrote Dee Drummond, reporter for the *Lansing State Journal*, on the front page of the “Local & State” section. Drummond’s January 27 article featured the Lansing Church Adventist youth’s effort to earn the additional \$20,000 they need for a mission trip in March to the Pan American orphanage in Peña Blanca, Honduras.

“Dee Drummond seemed to be having a good time,” commented Laurie Snyman, coordinator for the Honduras Mission trip. “She spent the full two hours of the first session talking,

laughing, tasting the food samples, and interviewing the hosting and attending participants. She also wrote up a great article on our fund-raising efforts, listing the upcoming events

and a telephone number people could call who would like to make donations. Actually the media—radio, television, and newspapers—gave us wonderful coverage. From the information we faxed to them, we received a total of 30 announcements free!”

The Lansing Church hosted this event in their school gymnasium. Patsy Towar, co-coordinator of the event, reports hearing such comments as, “I am just becoming a vegetarian, and it is so wonderful to come where I can taste and choose the recipes I want to cook at home. This is great!” and “This is so organized, and the food is delicious. Thank you for doing this. Please let me know when you present a cooking school.” “The latter comment spurred us on to plan another big event for the near future,” Towar concludes.

Other comments were positive. A community member questioned, “Are you sure this doesn’t have meat in it; it tastes so good?” “I hope you [we] do this again!” “This has been so much fun, having the opportunity to sit and talk with many of



Gary Riggs

Heidi Towar serves sample portions for Lansing’s Vegetarian Extravaganza fundraiser.

our neighbors and make new friends. The only thing I think we need next time is more chairs!”

The Vegetarian Food Tasting Extravaganza raised \$1,400 from the 200 people who attended, and more than 20 cookbooks were sold that contained the recipes from the 51 taste samples plus 100 more vegetarian favorites from the Lansing church members.

Snyman remarked, “It is so wonderful to see our teenagers involved in such an organized and healthful activity. I don’t believe success is measured just by how many attend an event but by how many read the announcement and become aware that Seventh-day Adventists are interested in health, mission projects, and trying to meet the needs of the community.”

Another fund-raiser—pancake breakfast and indoor garage sale—held two weeks after the extravaganza raised a total of \$1,800. “It was well attended, and everyone had fun,” said Diane Stephan, Lansing church secretary.

Snyman reported, “Many of our guests from the extravaganza returned, some just to say “hi” again and donate money for the project.” When the community knows about church projects like mission trips and community service events, the Holy Spirit brings about results we’ve never dreamed possible.

*Carole Bird, secretary to Michigan Conference communication director, Bruce Babienco*

### Cold Beaters

**Wisconsin**—The Wausau Crusader’s Pathfinder Club toughed out the cold when they went winter camping. For the past three years they have gone winter camping. This year the temperature was zero degrees. Some campers slept in tents. Some even slept in a snowcave! All the directors and the girls slept in tents, but it was warmer in the snowcave. It took a long time to get the tents up because no one wanted to do anything. Instead they all wanted to play.

After getting the tents up, the Pathfinders had their famous fire building contest. The Pathfinders are only allowed to use natural resources and can only use one match. Unfortunately, no one could keep the fires going.

Director, Jody Marsh, and his wife, Charlyn, made homemade vegetable soup and smores. The Pathfinders enjoyed a big fire when Pastor Mike Weakley came and helped them build one. Plans are already in the making for another winter campout.

*Lauren Smith and Brian Sachse, students at Hillside School (submitted by their teacher, Jody Marsh)*



Jody Marsh

From left, Brian Sachse, Luke Sachse, Jonathan Weakley, Samantha Gotchy and Brandon Thomas warm up around the campfire.

## What is Project Word?

Project Word is a non-profit organization dedicated to giving Bibles and such books as *Steps to Christ* to people who cannot afford to buy them for themselves. As a result of the Andrews University Gymnic's trip to the Philippines in December, 1995, a group of people became convicted that there indeed is a "famine in the land" for God's Word. They are committed to doing as much as they can to supply the need for Bibles and books wherever they go. How else can people receive God's love letter to them if they do not have His Word?

To date more than 75,000 Bibles and books have been given away in the Philippines, Romania, Venezuela, Guyana, Mexico,

Slavakia, New York City, and Benton Harbor, Michigan.

"Bibles for Guyana" is a current project being supported by the Michigan Conference. Anyone who has an extra Bible can get involved by bringing it to your local church. We ask that the Bibles be packed and labeled with your church name so the recipients can thank you for your gift. Then you can help by getting the boxes either to Troy Fitzgerald at Great Lakes Adventist Academy, the Michigan Conference office in Lansing, or the Gymnic's office at Andrews University, Berrien Springs, Michigan. More than 400 Bibles were recently delivered to very eager recipients in Guyana. For more information call Sylvia Kalua at (616) 428-4802.

### There's No Such Thing As a Seagull

*The wicked flee when no man pursueth.* Proverbs 28:1.

In 1848, 1849, and 1850, millions of black field-crickets were threatening the crops in Utah. And in all three years, thousands of California gulls suddenly appeared, devouring the insects. About 60 years later, during the growing-seasons of 1907 and 1908, mice were destroying Nevada's alfalfa fields. Again, California Gulls moved in, fed on the pestiferous rodents, and saved the crops. There have been no plagues of crickets in recent years, but gulls continue to help farmers. In the prairie and coastal states, flocks of gulls follow tractors. As the tractors scare up the insects and small mammals that chew on crops, the gulls pick them up and eat them.

Gulls get other types of fresh food by picking up lazy starfish or unprotected seabird eggs. And in the right season, gulls glut themselves on the eggs of the horseshoe crabs that breed along the Atlantic coastline.

But a gull isn't fussy about what it eats. In general, the gull is a scavenger. It eats dead, rotting fish and other

sea-creatures that wash up on the beach. It follows boats to pick up the scraps of fish-bait thrown overboard.

And it finds a feast at garbage dumps and landfills.

Calling all the big white birds at the beach "seagulls" is like calling all small brown birds in trees "sparrows." Lots of small birds aren't sparrows, and some sparrows aren't particularly small. By the same token, lots of white birds at the beach aren't gulls, and some gulls aren't white. To add to the confusion, many gulls are abundant inland. So should we call the birds watergulls? How about farmgulls? Or mallgulls? Our favorite is garbagegulls, because in general, gulls take the easy way out—and by doing so serve as part of Nature's clean-up crew.



With James and Priscilla Tucker

### Discovery

You may feel a little silly doing this, but it really works!

#### Procedure

1. Find a flock of gulls on the beach or on any other flat open area, such as a mudflat or field.
2. Stand far away from the flock, but in full view of it. If you can see them, they can see you.

3. Jump up and down. What happens?
4. If you've traveled in a car, honk the horn and slam the doors. What happens?
5. Now face the flock, stand up straight, and, while holding your arms straight out to your sides, begin to raise and lower them in slow, "stiff-winged" beats. Now what happens?
6. Within a short time, you'll see the results of your action. First one gull, then another, and finally the whole flock will take to the air. Theoretically, the faraway flock sees you as a distant flapping gull (gulls flap several times before taking off). And flapping means one of two things to gulls—food or foe. So the gulls take flight to see what *your* flapping's all about.

The Tuckers have written three daily devotional books and publish *Natural Learning*, a bimonthly newsletter to help parents, teachers, and youth leaders use the motivating forces of nature to integrate faith and learning. For further information, write to the Institute of Outdoor Ministry, 8771 University Blvd., Berrien Springs, MI 49103 (no phone calls, please.)



## LOCAL CHURCH NEWS



Hubert Moog

From left: Vernon Alger, Michigan conference attorney, Brian Stephen, association treasurer, Jay Gallimore, president, and Hubert Moog, conference treasurer, hold the check for the down payment of the sale of Adelpian Academy January 23, 1997.

### Adelpian Academy is Sold

**Michigan** — The news which Michigan has waited ten years to hear came on Jan. 23, reports Hubert Moog, Michigan Conference treasurer. Its exciting message read: Adelpian Academy was sold! Later Brian Stephen, Michigan Association treasurer, smiled all the way to the bank after Jay Gallimore, president, Hubert Moog, treasurer, and Vernon Alger, attorney, were handed a check to cover the down payment. It was purchased by Mr. Silverman, a highly successful real estate land developer. In the contract, the property is divided into several pieces, and the developer can sell or develop only the portion that he has paid for. He chose as his first release to purchase all the homes and their properties, giving him full financial and maintenance responsibilities for all those lands and buildings.

The sales agreement calls for the balance (plus interest) to be paid over four years. It also indicates the stated amount of each annual payment. The new owner cannot demolish or substantially change any property he has not paid for without consent from the Michigan Conference. He is also required to maintain the property in at least as good condition as it was when it was sold. If this is not done, the contract allows the Michigan Conference to go onto the property and maintain what needs to be done while collecting the cost for these corrections from the new owner. At Silverman's request, the sale price and payment schedule have not been released for publication.

Ten years ago when permission was given by secret ballot to sell the property, it was also voted how the funds were to be distributed. Those voted instructions will now be followed by the conference administration as the funds become available during the next four years. If he chooses, Silverman may pay the balance in less than four years.

### Church Honors Seniors

**Lake Region** — Six seniors were recently honored in a special service at the Southside Church, Pontiac, MI, reports Minnie Norman-Tiggs, communication leader. **Oscar and Mamie Rowls** were recognized for their role as grandparents, having accepted the job of parenting grandchildren and great-grandchildren after raising their own children. **Mary B. Cummings** was honored as the oldest member at 95. **Bessie Shorter** received the "Light of the World" award for "persons who have made special sacrifices, a willingness to share their wisdom, experience, and for their volunteer work in church and community." **Cora G. Bradshaw** not only received a plaque from the church for her historical research of the contributions made by African-Americans to the city, but also a tribute from the state of Michigan for her work as an author and historian. **Cornelius L. Crawford**, Senior of the Year, was honored for 28 years of untiring loyalty and outstanding service to the church, community, and family.

In addition to the honors from their church, the honorees were presented with resolutions from the mayor and city council of Pontiac by council president Elick Shorter. A special tribute was given to the pastor and church by Representative Price.



C. M. Willis

Seniors honored in Pontiac's Southside Church, from left: Mary B. Cummings, Bessie Shorter, Cornelius L. Crawford Jr., Oscar and Mamie Rowls. Not pictured: Cora G. Bradshaw.

### They Live to Serve

**Michigan** — Serving others has been a way of life for Harry and Evelyn Wohlers of Holly, MI, reports Evelyn Lutz. Now 97 and 85 respectively, they have worked a combined total of 63 years on the faculties of several Adventist boarding academies, and since their "retirement" have spent a combined total of 43 years doing volunteer work at the Holly (MI) Adventist Community Service Center.

They volunteered together at Holly's community service center. In 1979, when the director retired, Harry and Evelyn were asked to be co-directors. Since then, the Wohlers have each put in about 30 hours a week at the center along with the other faithful volunteers. Deciding it was time to "slow down a little" in the Spring of 1996, the Wohlers resigned as co-directors of the center.

The church has been greatly blessed by workers such as the Wohlers, who care so much about the Lord's work and devote their lives to its advancement.

## Indiana ACS Flood Assistance

**Indiana** — Several towns and communities were devastated by high waters of the Ohio River. Many homes were completely under water. As the water receded hundreds found their homes unlivable, reports Mike Edge, Indiana Conference community service director.

Indiana Adventist Community Services (ACS) has been working closely in New Albany with the Red Cross shelter set up in the Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church where 10-20 people have been staying each night. They have also set up their disaster relief semi-trailer next to the Salvation Army Center located in a vacant warehouse. New Albany church members have helped in distribution of more than 300 blankets and sheet sets, as well as pillows, comfort kits, and clothing at the Adventist disaster van.

The Columbus Adventist Church has served as a collection center for furniture and has taken a large truck load of furniture to the people of Jefferson County.

The Evansville Church was asked by the Red Cross to serve as a collection/distribution center for clothing.

In addition to the hands-on volunteers, on Sabbath, Mar. 8, the churches of Indiana contributed to a special offering of funds and blankets to help in the relief effort. Many thanks go to all who have helped our neighbors in need.

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## Michigan Disaster Team Responds

**Michigan** — As county after county in Ohio, Indiana, and Kentucky were declared flood disaster areas, volunteer groups began responding to assist those in need.



Royce Snyman

*The Michigan Disaster Response Team, along with members of the Chillicothe Church Pathfinder and Adventurer Clubs, packed cleaning kits and helped load the truck with supplies needed in the disaster*

Royce Snyman. Working together with Chillicothe Church members, Pathfinders, Adventurers, and their pastor, Frank Steyn, the team established a receiving depot for gifts of needed supplies. Most of the goods received were supplies for cleaning kits to be shipped to the disaster sites. The kits were used by the flood victims as they returned to their homes and began the work of cleaning. The receiving site was established at the request of the state of Ohio and FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) and served the needs of a five-county area of southern Ohio.

The Michigan Conference sent their Disaster Response Team of nine members to Chillicothe, OH, on Mar. 9, reports Royce Snyman, Michigan Conference disaster response coordinator. Team members included Esther Lucas, Gaylord and Derri Hanson, Dick Holcomb, Bill Jones, Richard and Berry Harris, Franklin Horne, and

## WORLD CHURCH NEWS

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### ADRA/ACS Assists Flood Survivors in Kentucky and Ohio

**Silver Spring, MD** — Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) and Adventist Community Services (ACS) teams began Sunday, Mar. 3, to provide assistance to families in Kentucky, Ohio, and Tennessee whose homes were flooded after heavy rains in the region.

In Kentucky, an inter-agency reception center for incoming truckloads of donated goods has been set up. ADRA/ACS volunteers supplemented the regular staff in the operation.

Emergency distribution centers were set up in Shepherdsville, KY, where more than 1,000 blankets were distributed in this area to more than 800 families; Oak Grove, KY, where they received two semi-loads of supplies solicited by a local radio station; Thornville, OH, where their depot was well-stocked with shoes and clothing; the Chillicothe Adventist School; Lancaster and Zanesville, OH; and Cincinnati Junior Academy. Seventh-day Adventist churches throughout the Ohio Conference collected supplies to be sent to Cincinnati. One donor in Akron shipped 16 clean-up kits to the Cincinnati distribution center.

Kettering Medical Center in Kettering, OH, committed three trucks to transfer donated goods from the staging area in Dayton to distribution centers in Cincinnati and Chillicothe. The Good Neighbor House, the ADRA affiliate agency in Dayton, drove the first truckload of supplies to Cincinnati. Volunteers from Spring Valley Academy, Centerville, OH, loaded the trucks.

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### Relief Efforts for Victims of Arkansas Tornadoes

**Silver Spring, MD** [ANN] — In the aftermath of 20 tornadoes which hit over the first weekend in March in the state of Arkansas, disaster response teams from Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) and Adventist Community Services (ACS) are operational.

A warehouse in Little Rock, AR, was established as an ADRA/ACS reception center for incoming trucks of donated goods. Emergency distribution centers were teamed up with Seventh-day Adventist churches in Benton, Malvern, and Arkadelphia where families could get bottled water, grocery items, personal supplies, and clothing.

A clearinghouse for donated goods is staffed 24 hours a day. Those interested in volunteering or making a cash donation can call (800) 381-7171. Those items in most need are grocery items, work gloves, paper products, plastic ware, and hand tools.

## ACN Cross Training Seminars

### Sermon Preparation for Local Church Elders—Apr. 12

This uplink will focus on elders who often lead the worship service in the absence of pastors. Participate, get practical help, and call with your questions. Yes, you can prepare and deliver effective sermons, lead scripture readings, make attention-getting announcements, be a master storyteller, and use interesting sermon anecdotes.

Don't miss this opportunity. To register, call 800-ACN-1119, ext. 6. Handout materials are needed; order today!

### Especially for Adult Sabbath School Teachers—May 10

This workshop will take participants a step beyond teacher training and learning styles to discuss a new model for understanding learners—the people attending our classes. Get the latest information from top Sabbath school teachers. Register today and get a *free* resource with your handout guide. Call 800-ACN-1119, ext. 6.

## First College Alumni Uplink Planned

On Sabbath, Apr. 19, ACN will uplink Pacific Union College's (PUC) alumni homecoming church service live from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., PT, from Angwin, CA. It will be the first homecoming program aired and the first uplink from an Adventist college campus.

"Mission Realized" is the theme of the weekend that will highlight PUC alumni who have dedicated their lives to service. The program includes a video history of PUC and the years Ellen White spent there.

"In an effort to make it more convenient for people to participate, we decided to take homecoming and PUC to them," says Kellie Lind, alumni director for the college. "Thanks to ACN, homecoming can now come home."

For more information, call PUC at 707-965-6309.

## Dagestan Tragedy Not Linked to Church

**Dagestan, Russia** [ANN] — News has reached many Seventh-day Adventists around the world about an Adventist couple in Dagestan, an independent republic in the Caucasus Mountains, in Southern Russia, who reportedly died in a public execution. Following up on the initial reports from the region, which were sketchy and conflicting as to the motives of this tragic development, we were able to confirm the following with sources in the Euro-Asia Division (ESD), with headquarters in Moscow.

As reported in the press, and confirmed by the local police and government authorities, Gadzhimurat Gadzhiyev, 31, and his wife Tatyana, were accused of kidnaping and killing Shakhvazat Omarova, a 12-year-old girl. Gadzhimurat, who became an Adventist while serving a prison sentence, was put on a list of suspects to be investigated. However, his guilt was never proven through formal investigation or trial. Gadzhimurat was accused by a family member of the 12-year-old girl, and

together with his wife, they were condemned to die and were set on fire in a public square in Buinaksk, a town in the predominantly Muslim republic of Dagestan.

The local church members feel strongly that Gadzhimurat, and his wife Tatyana, who also became an Adventist after Gadzhimurat was baptized, are not guilty of the alleged crime for which they have been punished.

Widely distributed and largely unconfirmed information speculated on religious persecution of our believers in Dagestan itself, as well as in the city of Rostov-on-Don (500 miles away) where a series of public evangelistic meetings was to begin Sunday evening, Mar. 9.

Pastor Lee Huff, president of ESD, reported that "as of Sabbath evening, Mar. 8, the situation surrounding the tragedy in Dagestan seems to be very calm. Our people in Makhachkala were in church today, and everything was quiet. Our people in the six churches in Rostov-on-Don were all in church today, and there were no problems."

The church's division personnel, as well as church leaders in Makhachkala, had been assured by government officials that they are well aware that the church is not involved in this tragic development, and that it is not viewed as a religious liberty issue. Also, the local Moslem leader in Dagestan stated he would do "everything possible not to link this event with the church."

In Dagestan, there are approximately 100 Seventh-day Adventists worshiping in several small church groups throughout this independent republic in Southern Russia.

## Adventist International Personnel Withdrawn from Albania

**Tirana, Albania** [ANN] — All international Seventh-day Adventist personnel are being temporarily withdrawn from Albania, according to Pat Swan, assistant secretary of the church's Trans-European Division office in St. Albans, England, which administers the church's affairs in Albania.

Recognizing the deteriorating situation in the country, on Thursday afternoon, Mar. 13, the church's international personnel were expected to leave, according to R. Martin Moores, the Albania Mission treasurer and associate treasurer of the Trans-European Division.

On Thursday morning, the Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) warehouse in Tirana was looted by armed robbers. The ADRA and mission vehicles and office equipment had been moved to other locations prior to the compound being entered.

Moores reported that telephone contact is maintained with Adventist believers in Tirana and Korca. He said that all reports indicate that our believers have not been affected more than other Albanians; however, tension remains as to what will happen in the country next.

The Adventist workers join several hundred other foreigners who are evacuating the country upon advice or directive from their respective foreign embassies.

*From reports by R. Martin Moores and Miroslav Pujic for Adventist News Review, St. Albans, England*

# MILEPOSTS

## ANNIVERSARIES



**Tye and Geri Bonter** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Aug. 4, 1996, with an open house given by their children and grandchildren at Mount Haley Township Hall, Merrill, MI. They were members of the Cheboygan (MI) Church for many years.

Tye Bonter and Geraldine Fobert were married on June 27, 1946, in Midland, MI. Tye has been an employee of the Dow Chemical Company. Geri served as Midland County deputy circuit court clerk.

The Bonter family includes Dawn and Pat Briggs, of Merrill, MI; Janet and Jack Garner, of Merrill, MI; David Bonter, of Midland, MI; and Susan and Loren Draves, of Merrill, MI; 13 grandchildren; and 7 great-grandchildren.

**Homer and Pauline Dobbins** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Oct. 17, 1996, at a dinner/reception with church friends at The Country Buffet in Clarksville, IN. Pauline has been a member of the Jeffersonville (IN) Church for 50 years; Homer for 42 years.

Homer Dobbins and Pauline Castetter were married on Oct. 19, 1946, in Jeffersonville by Pastor Elmer Harvey. Homer has been a retiree of Colgate Palmolive Company since Aug. 1980. Pauline is a homemaker.

The Dobbins family includes Cathy and Roger Nicholas of Gallatin, IN.

**John E. and Audrey Klooster** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Feb. 23, 1997, at

a reception hosted by their children at the LaPorte (IN) Church. They have been members of the LaPorte Church for 39 years.

John Klooster and Audrey VanBeukering were married Feb. 23, 1947, in Muskegon, MI, by Pastor Chester Holt. John, an orthodontist, retired in 1990. Audrey has been a nurse and a homemaker.

The Kloosters have two children: Janet of Orlando, FL; and John C. of Indianapolis; and 1 grandchild.



**Melvin and Margaret Lund** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary by inviting their children and grandchildren along on their March 1996 skiing trip to Colorado and at a dinner party with a few close friends on Nov. 17, 1996, in Indianapolis. They have been members of the Glendale (IN) Church for 25 years.

Melvin Lund and Margaret Reith were married Nov. 10, 1946, in Portland, OR, by Margaret's grandfather, Elder John Rippey. Melvin was the chair of operative dentistry at the Indiana University School of Dentistry. He also taught at the Loma Linda School of Dentistry for 17 years. Margaret is a homemaker with an extraordinary gift of hospitality uniquely expressed through the years by helping foreign students feel accepted and at home while studying dentistry in America.

The Lund family includes Mark and Debbie Lund of Indianapolis; Kris and Kelton Brandt of Fontana, CA; Kelly and Brad Grant of Merced, CA; and nine grandchildren.



**Elmer and Eunice Peterson** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Dec. 8, 1996, at an open house at the Tri-County Recreation Club in Rothbury, MI. They have been members of the Shelby (MI) Church for 13 years.

Elmer Peterson and Eunice Gibbs were married Dec. 8, 1946, in Muskegon, MI, by Rev. Lubke. Elmer was a brakeman and conductor for the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad. Eunice has been a homemaker.

The Peterson's family includes Carol and Patrick Perigard Sr., of New Era, MI; Dale and Connie Peterson, of New Era, MI; and 2 grandsons.

## BIRTHDAYS

**Pearl Arbuckle Howell** celebrated her 100th birthday with family and friends at an open house held in her honor on Sunday, Nov. 24, 1996, at Regency Place in Indianapolis, IN, where she resides. She has been a member of the Glendale Church for 34 years. Pearl was born on Nov. 22, 1896, in Seymour, IN, and was married to the late George Floyd Howell.



Pearl worked as a grocery store cashier and later did baby sitting in her home until her retirement in 1975.

Pearl has four children: Mardell Stebner of Eau Claire, MI; Glenn of Noblesville, IN; Darlene Poore of Indianapolis;

and Marvin of Poland, IN. Three other children, Marshall, Kenneth, and Wilma Haynes, are deceased. She has 13 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; and 5 great-great-grandchildren.

## WEDDINGS

**Flora Joachim and Igor Milosavljevic** were married Jan. 5, 1997, in Berrien Springs, MI. The ceremony was performed by Dr. Roland Joachim and Pastor Goran Anic.

Flora is the daughter of Roland and Solange Joachim of Loma Linda, CA, and Igor is the son of Radivoje and Zeljka Milosavljevic of Findlay, OH.

The Milosavljevics are making their home in Berrien Center, MI.

**Ruth Mgunyi and Reuben Mwangi** were married Dec. 29, 1996, in Berrien Springs, MI. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Lael Caesar.

Ruth is the daughter of Chrysostom and Elishifa Mgunyi of Nyeri, Kenya, Africa, and Reuben is the son of James and Sarah Mwangi of Murang'a, Kenya.

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

**Claudia Romero and Pedro Pérez** were married Dec. 22, 1996, in Berrien Springs, MI. The ceremony was performed by Pastors Armando Romero and Gary Thurber.

Claudia is the daughter of Armando and Ana Maria Romero of Berrien Springs, MI, and Pedro is the son of Pedro and Joan Pérez of Bucyrus, KS.

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

**Wendy Chapman and Harold L. Keller Jr.** were married May 19, 1996, in Bedford, IN. The ceremony was performed by Jerry Allen.

Wendy is the daughter of William and Portia Chapman of Bedford, and Harold is the son of Harold and Marjorie Keller of Jasonville, IN.

The Kellers are making their home in Bedford.

**Diane McDaniel and John E. Rainey** were married Dec. 19, 1996, in Jeffersonville, IN. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Brian Yensho.

Diane is the daughter of the late Walter and the late Norma Price of Charlestown, IN. John is the son Lois Rainey of Muncie, IN, and of the late Ernest Rainey.

The Rainey's are making their home in Seymour, IN.

## OBITUARIES

**BLOSSER, Donald W.**, age 79; born Mar. 25, 1917, in Bower, MI; died Dec. 28, 1996, in Shepherd, MI. He was a member of the Mt. Pleasant (MI) Church.

Survivors include his wife, Ruth; sons, Ronald and Jerry; daughter, Sharlet Mitchell; brother, Kenneth; sister, Imogene Sheffield; 5 grandchildren; and 1 great-grandchild.

Memorial services were conducted by Pastor Philip Colburn, and interment was in Cedar Lake Cemetery, Cedar Lake, MI.

**COOPER, James R.**, age 72; born Nov. 8, 1924, in Manchester, IN; died Jan. 5, 1997, in Jackson, MI. He was a member of the Jackson Church.

Survivors include his wife, Marlene; sons, Curt and Eric; brothers, John William and Clark; sister, Elsie Mae Ragland; and 3 grandchildren.

Memorial services were conducted by Pastor Don Siewert, with private interment.

**CROUSE, Helen M.**, age 71; born Nov. 20, 1925, in Cherryfield, Nova Scotia; died Jan. 14, 1997, in St. Louis, MI. She was a member of the Cedar Lake (MI) Church.

Survivors include her sisters, Elsie Conrad, Florence Crouse, and Beulah Hendrick.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor R. Peter Neri, and interment was in the Cedar Lake Cemetery.

**DANNEFFEL, Elsie B.**, age 87; born Mar. 8, 1909, in Watervliet, MI; died Nov. 4, 1996, in South Haven, MI. She was a member of the Hartford (MI) Church.

Survivors include her daughters, Shirley Boone and Jeannine Kerbs; 6 grandchildren; and 6 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Byron Hudson, and interment was in Watervliet Cemetery.

**DIAZ, Fernanda H.**, age 81; born June 18, 1915, in Puerto Rico; died Jan. 4, 1997, in St. Joseph, MI. She was a member of the Pioneer Memorial Church, Berrien Springs, MI.

Survivors include her daughter, Marie Steinbacher; stepdaughter, Helen Sherman; and 2 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Dwight Nelson, and interment was in Rose Hill Cemetery, Berrien Springs.

**FRANCIS, Charles T.**, age 85; born Feb. 13, 1911, in Kalamazoo, MI; died Mar. 25, 1996, in Lawton, MI. He was a member of the Gobles (MI) Church.

Survivors include his stepson, Joseph Miller; stepdaughters, Ardith Owen and Barbara Simmons; 21 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren; and many great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Byron Hudson, and interment was in Mt. Ever Rest Cemetery, Kalamazoo.

**FRANCIS, Ruth E. (Grath)**, age 89; born Dec. 12, 1907, in South Haven, MI; died May 8, 1996, in Paw Paw, MI. She was a member of the Paw Paw Church.

Survivors include her son, Joseph Miller; daughters, Ardith Owen and Barbara Simmons; 21 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren; and many great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Byron Hudson, and interment was in Mt. Ever Rest Cemetery, Kalamazoo, MI.

**FRAZIER, Geraldine M.**, age 66; born Dec. 15, 1929, in Sioux City, IA; died Dec. 7, 1996, in Benton Harbor, MI. She was a member of the Fairplain Church, Benton Harbor, MI.

Survivors include her sons, Dan, Don, Steve, and Curtis; daughters, Kathy Benson and Mary Spink; brother, Virgil Spaulding; sisters, Virginia Smith, Doris Underwood, Eva Ouelette, and Phyllis Johnson; 11 grandchildren; and 4 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor James Hoffer, and interment was in Hickory Bluff Cemetery, Lincoln Township, MI.

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**FRIEDLE, Russell D.**, age 72; born Mar. 17, 1924, in Midland, MI; died Dec. 18, 1996, in Midland. He was a member of the Estey (Rhodes) (MI) Church.

Survivors include his wife, Millie; sons, Russell and Robert; stepsons, Michael and David Duke; daughters, Delores Lefler, Darlene Love, and Kay Mapes; stepdaughters, Elaine McKee and Linda Case; brother, Merlin; sisters, Hazel Batter and Irene Schillear.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Dan Rachor, and interment was in Rhodes Cemetery.

**IDEN, Lyle C.**, age 90; born Aug. 17, 1906, in Lee Township; died Dec. 20, 1996, in Marshall, MI. He was a member of the Battle Creek (MI) Urbandale Church.

Survivors include his daughter, Joyce Wilson; brothers, Tom, Howard and Wendell; and sister, Leitha Lutz.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Kenneth Wilson, and interment was in Memorial Park Cemetery, Battle Creek.

**KILLEY, Evelyn M.**, age 55; born June 20, 1941, in Ludington, MI; died Dec. 13, 1996, in Grand Rapids, MI. She was a member of the Shelby (MI) Church.

Survivors include her daughters, Debbie Conklin and Peggy Slagter; mother, Marian Appleton; and sisters, Carmen Knochel and Barbara Helterline.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastors Monte Landis and Don Williams, and interment was in the Mears (MI) Cemetery.

**KIMMEL, Robert W.**, age 68; born July 20, 1927, in Lawrence County, IN; died May 28, 1996, in Indianapolis. He was a member of the Bedford (IN) Church.

Survivors include his wife, Sharon; sons, Clinton and Robert Kimmel, and Kevin Elliott; daughter, Oneita Lowers; mother, Bessie Wolfinger Kimmel; brothers, Charles, George, Lloyd, Jim, and Jack; sisters, Marie Koziak and Jenny Armstrong; 11 grandchildren; and 3 great-grandchildren.

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brother, Dale Wright; 6 grandchildren; and 5 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Ron Kelly, and interment was in Spencer Cemetery, Sheridan.

**PATTERSON, Robert W.**, age 84; born Oct. 6, 1912, in Powell Butte, OR; died Jan. 5, 1997, in Berrien Springs, MI. He was a member of the Pioneer Memorial Church, Berrien Springs, MI.

Survivors include his son, Leroy Patterson; daughters, Joyce Koch, Patricia Bechkam, Alberta Munroe; Betty Spalding, and Julianne Vandever; brother, Clifford; sisters, Sadie Brown and Eileen Willinger; 17 grandchildren; and 5 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Elder Clifford Patterson, and interment was in the Rose Hill Cemetery, Berrien Springs, MI.

**PETERSON, Alfred L.**, age 89; born Aug. 3, 1907, in Coopersville, MI; died Jan. 9, 1997, in Alma, MI. He was a member of the Cedar Lake (MI) Church.

Survivors include his wife Alvada (Voss); sons, Kenneth, David, Alvin, and Norman; daughters, Joyce Harner, Judy Sherwin, Beverly Diller, Marilyn Staton, Kathryn Myers, and Janice Wolfer; 29 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and 4 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor R. Peter Neri, and interment was in Richland Township Cemetery, Vestaburg, MI.

**SCHAUMBURG, Jerry L.**, age 60; born Oct. 21, 1936, in Poy Sippi, WI; died Dec. 15, 1996, in Greeneville, TN. He was a member of the New Albany (IN) Church.

Survivors include his wife, Carolyn; daughters, Valerie Jungck, Melodie Sprecher, Diane Palmer, and Donna Conde; mother, Fern Schaumburg Morgan; brothers, Richard and Roger; sisters, Jean Baker and Louise Bogan; and 6 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by his children and grandchildren with Chaplain Dave Smith, and interment was in Greenelawn Memory Gardens, Greeneville, TN.

**SMITH, Eric**, age 38; born Oct. 28, 1958, in Beech Grove, IN; died Nov. 9, 1996, in Greenwood, IN. He was a member of the Indianapolis Southside Church.

Survivors include his wife, Nancy; son, Booker; mother, Shirley; and brothers, Philip, Kevin and Brian.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor C. L. Nicholas, and interment was in Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Greenwood.

**SMITH, Felbert**, age 82; born Sept. 20, 1914, in Sunnydale, KY; died Dec. 4, 1996, in Spencer, IN. He was a member of the Bedford (IN) Church.

Survivors include his sons, Tim, Locke, and Mack; 5 brothers; 8 grandchildren; and 2 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Bob Helm, and interment was in Fayetteville Church of Christ Cemetery, Fayetteville, IN.

**SMITH, Jessie F.**, age 95; born May 24, 1901, in South Branch, MI; died July 21, 1996, in Saginaw, MI. She was a member of the Saginaw Church.

She is survived by her sister, Elsie Proper.

Funeral services were conducted by Scott Blodgett and Pastor Bob Stewart, and interment was in Roselawn Cemetery, Saginaw.

**SUNDERMAN, Belva M.**, age 87; born Mar. 3, 1909, in Anderson, IN; died Dec. 22, 1996, in Noblesville, IN. She was a member of the Cicero (IN) Church.

Survivors include her daughters, Marsha Barrett and Shirley Meeks; sister, Lois Elliott; 5 grandchildren; and 2 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Ron Kelly, and interment was in Cicero Cemetery.

**TRUITT, Mildred S.**, age 96; born Apr. 14, 1900, in Sedalia, MO; died Dec. 26, 1996, in Livonia, MI. She was a member of the Metropolitan Church.

Survivors include her sons, Richard and Robert; daughters, Elaine Thompson and Nancy Foresman; 13 grandchildren; and 23 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Frank Haynes, with private inurnment.

**VESTAL, Phyllis J.**, age 49; born Feb. 16, 1947, in Lawrence County, IN; died Sept. 10, 1996, in Bloomington, IN. She was a member of the Bedford (IN) Church.

Survivors include her husband, Stephen; sons, Brian and Bradley; daughter, Jamie Lynn; father, Charles Kimmel; mother, Roberta Kimmel; grandmother, Bessie Kimmel; brother, David Kimmel; sisters Marian Brazell and Vicki Harris.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastors Robert Helm and Robert Short, and interment was in Springville (IN) Cemetery.

**WITT, Laura H.**, age 100; born Feb. 3, 1896, in Milwaukee, WI; died Nov. 29, 1996, in Midland, MI. She was a member of the Midland (MI) Church.

Survivors include her daughters, Marjorie Chraska and Faith Gray; 2 grandchildren; and 3 great-grandchildren.

Memorial services were conducted by Elder Don Siewert, and interment was in White Chapel Cemetery, Detroit, MI.

**WOLF, Harold E.**, age 88; born Oct. 19, 1908, in Prattville, MI; died Nov. 28, 1996, in Portland, TN. He was a member of the Prattville Church.

Survivors include his son, Herbert; daughter, Nancy Curry; brothers, Clifford, Paul, and Rex; sisters, Leona Hoffman and Thelma Laser; 5 grandchildren; and 3 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Elder Don Siewert, and interment was in Prattville Cemetery.

**YAZELL, Edith V.**, age 79; born Aug. 4, 1917, in Cincinnati; died Sept. 17, 1996, in Indianapolis. She was a member of the Irvington (IN) Church.

Survivors include her husband, Harry; son, Lloyd McNeal; and daughter, Vivian Hoffmann.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastors Gary Case and Adrian M. Peterson, and interment was in Rest Haven Memorial Park, Cincinnati, OH.

ducted by Pastor Robert Helm, and interment was in Judah Church of Christ Cemetery, Judah, IN.

**MOSHER, Wynonia I.**, age 79; born Dec. 23, 1917, in Battle Creek, MI; died Jan. 21, 1997, in Battle Creek. She was a member of the Marshall (MI) Church.

Survivors include her son, Bernard; daughters, Jeannette Hayes, Norma Heckman, and Barbara Herman; brother, Kenneth Caswell; 19 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren; and 1 great-great-grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Larry Yeagley, and interment was in Floral Lawn Memorial Gardens, Battle Creek.

**PADGETT, Ruby G.**, age 84; born Nov. 4, 1912, in Sheridan, IN; died Jan. 15, 1997, in Lebanon, IN. She was a member of the Noblesville (IN) Church.

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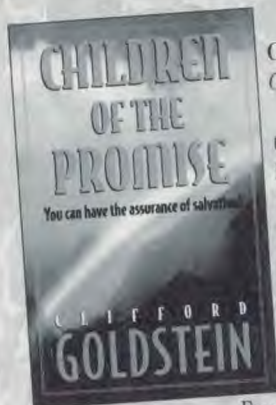
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### ANDREWS UNIVERSITY

**April Special Events:** 12—**Pioneer Memorial Church (PMC) Handbells Sacred Concert**, 4:00 p.m., PMC; 12—**Gymnics Home Show**, 9:00 p.m., Johnson Auditorium; 13—**Gymnics Home Show**, 7:00 p.m., Johnson Auditorium; 13—**Piano at Andrews Series** featuring Peter Cooper, 7:30 p.m., Price Hall Amphitheater; 20—**Chamber Orchestra**, Young Artist Concert, 7:30 p.m., PMC; 27—**International Food Fair**, 12-7:00 p.m., Johnson Auditorium.

**Andrews University Alumni Homecoming** will be Apr. 24-27. The annual meeting of the association will convene Thursday evening, in conjunction with the Gala Banquet. Special reunions are planned for the classes of '37, '47, '57, '67, '72, '77, and '87. The weekend theme is "A Legacy of Teaching: The Andrews Faculty." For more information, please contact the Alumni House, Andrews University, Berrien Springs, MI 49104; (616) 471-3591; fax (616) 471-3690; e-mail alumni@andrews.edu.

**May Musical Events:** 16—**Choirs at Andrews** with Jean Berger, Friday Festival of Faith, 8:00 p.m., PMC; 18—**Wind Symphony**, Spring Concert, 3:00 p.m., Johnson Auditorium; 30—**Chamber Orchestra**, Friday Festival of Faith, 8:00 p.m., PMC. Call (616) 471-3600, then press 2, for the most up-to-date concert information.

**Adventist Engaged Encounter (AEE)** at Andrews University has served more than 1,300 people. Now in its 17th year, the event helps engaged and newly married couples learn the tools that will make marriages succeed. Next seminar is May 2-4. Register for AEE through Andrews Campus Ministries (616) 471-3211. Seminar is conducted by Donald and Susan Murray, family life educators.

**A Vegetarian Cuisine Instructors course** will be held at Andrews University, June 26-29. The course is sponsored by the Andrews Department of Nutrition. Attendees who complete the course will receive a VCI certificate from the General Conference Health Department. The course will include updates on nutrition and food safety, along with exciting new demonstrations of low-fat and vegetarian cooking. Registration for the event is \$45. For registration or other information call: (616) 471-3370; fax: (616) 471-3485; mail: Dept. of Nutrition, Andrews University, Berrien Springs, Mich. 49104; or e-mail wcraft@andrews.edu.

### LAKE UNION

**Special Days, April:** 12—Literature Evangelism Sabbath; 19—Education Sabbath; **May 3**—Community Services Sabbath; 17—Youth Sabbath.

**Offerings:** Apr. 12—Loma Linda University/World Budget; 19—Church Budget; 26—Local Conference Advance; **May 3**—Disaster and Famine Relief/World Budget; 17—Church Budget.

### ILLINOIS

**Broadview Academy** is honoring the classes of '47, '72, '82, and '87 at homecoming weekend, Apr. 18-19. Plan to renew friendships at this marvelous weekend. For details contact the alumni office, BVA, P.O. Box 307, LaFox, IL; (630) 232-7441; fax (630) 232-7443.

**Raymond and Dorothy Moore** will present a seminar on parenting on Friday, Apr. 18, 9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. at the Christian Assembly of God at 2929 Bethel Blvd., Zion, IL. For information and directions call Janett at (847) 249-8043, Michelle at (847) 548-6804, or Therese at (847) 662-6993.

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**Legal Notice:** Notice is hereby given that a special session of the Michigan Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held at the Cedar Lake Church in Cedar Lake, Michigan, April 13, 1997, at 9:30 a.m. The purpose of this special session is to discuss and make decisions regarding the development of campgrounds for campmeeting and the new fitness center at Great Lakes Adventist Academy, and any other such business as may properly come before this special session. Delegates are those duly elected by the various churches of the conference and delegates-at-large as provided by the bylaws. Each church in the Michigan Conference is entitled to one delegate for its organization, and one additional delegate for each 100 members or extended major fraction thereof, determined by the membership as of December 31, 1996.

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**Great Lakes Adventist Academy** invites all Michigan Con-

ference 8th graders and academy-age students to attend our annual Academy Days program on Sunday and Monday, April 27 and 28, 1997. Please notify your church pastor or elementary school principal of your desire to attend. You may also contact the academy for more detailed information at (517) 427-5181. See you in April!

**Adelphian Academy Alumni Homecoming** will be June 13-14. The classes of '47, '57, and '72 will participate in services and are planning reunions. Friday evening vespers at 7:30 p.m. and Sabbath afternoon music and meditation at 4:00 p.m. will both be at the Holly Church, 16180 Fish Lake Road. Sabbath school at 9:15 a.m., with the worship service following, will be in the Holly High School Auditorium. The entrance is in the 900 block of East Maple Street. Please use north doors. The potluck dinner (following church) and the Sabbath evening vespers at 8:00 p.m., will be followed by fellowship and recreation at Adelphian Junior Academy gymnasium, 740 Academy Road. All are welcome!

## WISCONSIN

**Wisconsin Adventist Book Center's April Bookmobile Schedule:** **18**—Menomonie, 12-12:45 p.m.; **18**—Frederic, 3-4:00; **19**—Superior, after vespers; **20**—Rice Lake, 10-11:00 a.m.; **20**—Clear Lake, 2-3:00 p.m.; **20**—Eau Claire, 5-6:00; **27**—Racine Spanish, 10-11:00 a.m.; **27**—Milwaukee Span. Central, 12-1:00 p.m.; **27**—Milwaukee Span. N.W., 1:30-2:15; **27**—Milwaukee Span. S.E., 3-4:00. Toll free order line (pre-orders accepted) (888) BOOKS-4-U [(888) 266-5748].

**Wisconsin Academy (WA)** will be hosting **Youth Rally '97** beginning at 4:30 p.m., Friday, May 2. This event will be a fun-filled weekend of music, activities, praise, and worship with the teenagers of the Wisconsin area. This year's theme, "Plug Into the Power," will focus on the urgent need for a vibrant and closely connected relationship with Jesus Christ, the source of all power. Don Schneider, Lake Union president, will be the inspirational speaker. But wait, that's not all! Youth Rally '97 is scheduled on the same weekend as WA's Academy Day, which will be on Sunday, May 4. Youth can stay for the entire

weekend, enjoy Youth Rally '97, and check out WA all in one trip. To top it all off, the WA tumbling team will have their Home Show that Saturday night. Rooming accommodations are free (bring your own bedding or a sleeping bag). However you will need to pay for food if you choose to eat in the cafeteria. There is also a small registration fee of \$3 for each teenager, to help cover our costs. An entire group can come from your church and enjoy this experience together. All they need to do is have one adult sponsor come with them and send in their registration forms as soon as possible. Registration forms are available at your church or call WA at (414) 623-3300.

## WORLD CHURCH

**Guatemalan Orphanage in Need.** Many Christians and non-Christians alike feel impressed to help those less fortunate in today's world. Maybe a service trip isn't within reach right at this moment, but you want to get involved with something now. The Service Station, in conjunction with International Children's Care, is dedicated to building and expanding orphanages, schools, and medical clinics around the world. Currently, our Guatemala project, where we

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**Columbia Union College Alumni Homecoming, Apr. 11-12,** will honor the classes of '47, '72, '37, '57, '67, '77, and '87, beginning with vespers on Friday in Sligo Church. Tom Knoll ('67) will speak at the 11:15 church service on Sabbath. Lunch will be served following church. A 7:00 p.m. banquet in the campus dining hall will complete the day. Tickets for the banquet and luncheon must be purchased in advance. Weekend registration begins Apr. 11, 3-5:00 p.m. at the alumni office, Wilkinson Hall 305; 7-7:30 p.m. in the Sligo Church atrium, and on Sabbath, 8:30-11:00 a.m. in the atrium. For more information call the alumni office at (301) 891-4132.

**Pacific Union College Alumni Homecoming, Apr. 17-20,** will be the first Adventist college homecoming to be broadcast via satellite. See World Church News page. Call PUC at (707) 965-6309 for more information.

**National Singles Adult Memorial Day Retreat, May 23-26,** will celebrate springtime in the Rockies at scenic Glacier View Ranch, Ward, CO. Especially for singles—enjoy a weekend of spiritual renewal, Christian fellowship, recreation, and exciting activities. For information contact Adventist Singles Ministries, 4467 King Springs Rd., Smyrna, GA 30082; (770) 434-5111; fax (770) 434-2177.

**National Singles Adult Convention, June 30-July 6,** will be at Rio Lindo Academy, Healdsburg, CA. Join an exciting group of singles from across North America and "Experience the Connection" through spiritual enrichment, personal growth, and Christian fellowship. Participate in worship, seminars, recreation, and tours. For more information contact Adventist Singles Ministries, 4467 King Springs Rd., Smyrna, GA 30082; (770) 434-5111; fax (770) 434-2177.

**Join Adventist Singles Ministries** in evangelism, July 4-19, with Glen Ferris and *Quiet Hour* in Quito, Ecuador. People are needed for these specific jobs: leading out in a Vacation Bible School; doctor or nurse to give health lectures; leading out in a health clinic, doing blood pressures, etc.; a vocalist; a sound/projector coordinator who can fill in where needed. Contact Lorraine Hansen at (704) 697-2409 or Doris Durrell at (209) 583-1259 for more information.

**Join Adventist Singles Ministries** to work with ADRA in a construction project at Colegio Adventista de Este Paraguay in Ciudad del Este, July 13-27. Construction workers and helpers are needed. There is interest in teacher exchange in the classroom during the project. Contact Doris Durrell at (209) 583-1259 or Lorraine Hansen at (704) 697-2409 for more information.

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Michigan	1,176,730	1,167,945	8,785	0.75%	50.31	50.62
Wisconsin	<u>272,022</u>	<u>233,404</u>	<u>38,618</u>	<u>16.55%</u>	<u>44.02</u>	<u>38.21</u>
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## SUNSET CALENDAR

	Apr. 11	Apr. 18	Apr. 25	May 2	May 9	May 16
Berrien Springs, MI	8:21	8:29	8:37	8:45	8:52	8:59
Chicago	7:27	7:34	7:42	7:49	7:57	8:04
Detroit	8:10	8:18	8:26	8:33	8:41	8:48
Indianapolis	7:19	7:26	7:33	7:40	7:47	7:53
La Crosse, WI	7:44	7:52	8:00	8:09	8:17	8:25
Lansing, MI	8:15	8:23	8:31	8:39	8:47	8:54
Madison, WI	7:35	7:43	7:51	7:59	8:07	8:15
Springfield, IL	7:33	7:40	7:47	7:54	8:01	8:07

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**Kilmarnock Adventist Church.** of Kilmarnock, VA will be celebrating its centennial Aug. 1-2, 1997, and are looking forward to seeing past members and pastors. Please contact Mary Frances Brown, (804) 435-2456 for information.

**SDA Jews Sought.** The Office of Global Mission is seeking all Adventists who have a Jewish name, heritage, or family connections by marriage. We believe there is a much larger community of those with Jewish background or close relationship in our midst than may appear on the surface. The North American Division is planning an organized approach to reaching our Hebrew friends and neighbors and wants to find all Adventist members who are willing to identify with and support a fel-

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**Maranatha Volunteers International Annual National Convention** will be held July 10-12, at Sunnysdale Academy in Centralia, MO. There will be two convention projects held June 25-July 9. One is renovation and upkeep on the Sunnysdale Academy campus, and the second is building the new Moberly (MO) Church. The project coordinator is Charlie Henkelmann of Nebraska. The convention will feature special presentations from several of the countries where Maranatha is currently working, and our featured guest speaker will be Elder Israel Leito, president of the Inter-American Division, where Maranatha has been working for

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### ADVENTIST MEDIA CENTER SCHEDULE

#### WEEK OF APRIL 13

**Faith for Today's Lifestyle Magazine:** "Grandparents Raising Grandchildren." **It Is Written:** To be announced. **Voice of Prophecy, Sun:** "Finding God at McDonalds." **Mon-Fri:** "A Bride Makes Herself Ready."

#### WEEK OF APRIL 20

**Faith for Today's Lifestyle Magazine:** "Old Remedies Doctors Use Themselves." **It Is Written:** "A Name to Remember." Marilyn Cotton sings "The Cornerstone/Rock of Ages." **Voice of Prophecy, Sun:** "Plugging in Before Going Out." **Mon-Fri:** "A Book to Ignore."

#### WEEK OF APRIL 27

**Faith for Today's Lifestyle Magazine:** "Hair Loss: Is Baldness the Only Option?" **It Is Written:** To be announced. **Voice of Prophecy, Sun:** "Before the News, Traffic, and Weather." **Mon-Fri:** "Waiting by the Phone."

#### WEEK OF MAY 4

**Faith for Today's Lifestyle Magazine:** "Prozak: Friend or Foe?" **It Is Written:** "Born to Fly." Merrilou Luthas sings "My Little World." **Voice of Prophecy, Sun:** "When Life Gets Rearranged"; **Mon-Fri:** "Why Does It Have to Hurt So Bad?"

#### WEEK OF MAY 11

**Faith for Today's Lifestyle Magazine:** "Home Schooling." **It Is Written:** "What Trevor Left Behind." Sandy Wyman Richert sings. **Voice of Prophecy, Sun:** "The Most Favored Woman"; **Mon-Fri:** "What Is It About That Name?"

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# Youth who dare care?

## My View

The *Youth Summit* at the Aurora Church near Chicago was really neat. The theme was communication, and I think the speakers did a good job getting their point across. To show us how to communicate, they showed us the results of poor communication. They had some activities which showed how we cannot function without communicating with one another and ultimately with God.

One of the activities I participated in was the "Spice Drop Structure." Each group of three or four kids had to build a building out of uncooked spaghetti and spice drops (similar to gummy bears) without communicating to each other in any way. The obvious moral to this particular event was simple: you can't build an architecturally sound building if you can't communicate with your fellow "builders." The result is basically an "amoeba-like" structure with absolutely no organization to it.

This was just one of many activities by which the speakers would show us how vital it is to communicate—with God and with others. I think this is the way youth of a "visual generation" will truly learn the best.

*Scott Bennett, 14, CYE Volunteer*

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*Sam Leonor, CYE Youth Summit Director*



*These pictures are from a recent Youth Summit held in the Aurora (IL) Church.*

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# PROFILES OF YOUTH



Claudia McLaughlin

**Claudia Marie McLaughlin**, age 21, is the daughter of John McLaughlin and Pauline and David Tomeski of Matteson, IL. She is a senior at Loyola University. She attended Indiana Academy and Great Lakes Adventist Academy before attending Andrews University for her first two years of college. She loves to help people, which is a great asset in her part-time job in Loyola's student aid office. Named to the College of Arts and Sciences' Dean's List, she was designated "one of Loyola's best."

Claudia has been a member of the South Suburban Church, now located in Richton Park, IL, since she was a child. She was baptized there when she was eight years old. Terry Perkins, current South Suburban pastor knew her then; he was a Bible worker there at the time of her baptism. Now many years later he is her pastor and calls her "a dedicated, committed young woman." He continues, "In this day and age when so many young people have no goals, I'm very proud of her commitment both to the Lord and to the completion of her education."

Claudia hopes to combine her love for helping people (both physically and spiritually) with her love for travel when she has completed medical school by doing some overseas mission service. She plans to specialize in emergency medicine.

## Web Sites of Interest to Christian Youth

### National Christian College Athletic Association (SCCAA)

<http://www.bright.net/~nccaa/index.html>

This site is loaded with information, including upcoming events, results, Student Athletes of the Week, and a listing of member schools.

### Alcoholics Victorious

<http://www.iugm.org/iugm/av.html>

In existence for almost 50 years, it offers support groups, an e-mail discussion group, and a newsletter to Christians recovering from substance abuse.

### Crisis Pregnancy Helpline

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Andres Johnson (pictured) and Chuck Davisson were voted Literature Evangelists of the Year for 1996. Chuck has since gone into pastoral ministry.



Billy Lucas, (center) a student at Great Lakes Adventist Academy, sold more "magabooks" than anyone else in 1996.



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