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“Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.” Luke 2:15



A Church On Fire



W. D. Wampler

Do we really believe that Jesus is coming soon? We give lip service to this idea, but do our actions show that we are sincere in this belief?

The village church caught fire one night and the flames lighted the countryside. People from all around gathered and formed a bucket brigade to douse the fire. One of the church members in the bucket line suddenly realized that the village agnostic was there helping and commented, "Well, this is the first time I've seen you out to church!" The man kept passing the buckets of water but responded wryly, "This is the first time I've seen the church on fire!"

Our churches need to come alive and get on fire for the Lord. This is no time for "business as usual." Can we be satisfied to

see only "the faithful few" gathering from week to week in our churches? Should we not have visitors and guests, "interests," coming regularly?

We need to gear our services to accommodate visitors and make them feel welcome. The Sabbath School program should be prepared with this in mind. The Sabbath School teachers should certainly be aware of guests that might be in their classes. The church worship hour should also be prepared with the visitors in mind. It's true that we don't have many visitors in some of our churches, but let's prepare the services as if there were guests coming and the Lord just might send more to worship with us.

Sometimes we don't show a very caring attitude when visitors come to our services. We really don't make them feel welcome. It would be possible to attend some of our churches as a guest and never be recognized, never receive an invitation to the fellowship dinner at the church, or in someone's home, and never be invited back. That would be tragic! But I know that it happens sometimes.

This is a time for us to break out of our cliquishness and show a genuine love and concern for those around us. If we develop this kind of a program and this kind of a caring concern, I feel confident the Lord will send many folk to worship with us, and some of them will become a part of our church family. Let's make a special effort to fill up our churches with worshippers as well as our own members. This is an exciting time to share the message with those about us!

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Emotionalism And Religion

BY BETTY JOCHMANS

A PTL (Praise the Lord) member recently said on television that "PTL without Jim Bakker is like heaven without Jesus." This shocking statement is an example of the degree to which well-meaning Christians have allowed themselves to be swayed by some television evangelists. Blind adulation of a man—in spite of the shocking revelations about Bakker's life—is sinful self-deception. It is also stubbornness, reminiscent of the Israelites who built and adored a golden

calf to take the place of God.

The woman who made this statement has obviously forgiven Bakker for his sins. God, too, has undoubtedly forgiven this man *if* he is truly sorry and repentant for his misdeeds. But that is between God and Jim Bakker. While it is Christian for man to follow God's example of forgiveness, it is *not* Christian to elevate any man—one who has sinned or one who has not—to the Godhead.

Those who put their faith in men and not in God are doomed to disillusionment from the start.

There is nothing wrong with television

evangelism, *per se*. Many would agree that any way of getting people to learn about God is good. But are many of these television audiences *learning* about God—or are they experiencing emotional orgies that have nothing to do with God's Holy Word?

The question has been asked, "Would Jesus have used the medium of television if He were alive today?" This question brings a smile, because it seems facetious. However, considering the vast population of the world today and the life span of Christ, the man, the answer is probably *yes*. What we can be sure of is that Jesus would not have multi-million dollar edifices, professional choirs of expensively robed singers and an orchestra for "back-up." Nor would He have owned several luxury homes in various parts of the country, complete with twelve foot walls and security systems to protect Him and His wealth from the world.

Many television evangelists are in show business—not God's business. Their major ingredient is emotionalism—the curse of the modern world. Americans in particular are glutted with entertainment for many hours every day. They have become emotional junkies, experiencing highs and lows from the cheap thrills that melodrama and tempestuous music provide. Some television preachers carefully build their sermons dramatically to give their audiences the same kind of emotional range from fear (of damnation) to ecstasy (the belief that they are saved) that soap operas wallow in.

There is nothing wrong with emotion, and an emotional feeling of love for God is a precious feeling for Christians after they understand the meaning of His sacrifice and love for us. In a true relationship with God, understanding and knowledge comes first; emotionalism follows.

The responsibility of men is to use their God-given minds to analyze what they hear. The responsibility of teachers and preachers is even greater. Those who take on the responsibility of instructing people about their souls should not reflect their own personalities—their *charisma*—in their message, but rather, reflect God's character and dominion. If they do not, no matter if they are the simplest preacher of the smallest church, or a highly regarded world religious leader, they are placing themselves above God.

"Religion has received a black eye" cry the journalists and television commentators! But God-centered religion can never receive a black eye. The character of God can never let anyone down.

We live in the time of the end. Having been forewarned by the messengers of God, it is of the utmost importance for the Christian to be extremely careful not to be swayed by anyone who does not represent God and reflect His Word.

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Dr. Beatrice Neall: Minister

BY LINDA DICK

The Seventh-day Adventist Church desperately needs the ministry of women today," Dr. Beatrice Neall, Associate Professor of Religion at Union College, speaks from experience, as a woman and as a teacher, a writer, and a well-respected religious scholar.

"Women in the church today have special needs," she says, "problems juggling career and family, the problems of single parenthood, the problems of abuse to themselves or their children, problems with alcohol or drug abuse. They need women to minister to them, to understand and help them deal with these problems in ways that men can't. The church needs women involved in ministerial roles now; these needs can't wait for the ordination issue to be resolved."

In 1982, Dr. Neall became one of the few Adventist women to hold a Ph.D. in religion. She has been called to serve on several denominational committees, including a forum on the ordination of women in the Adventist Church. This commission reviewed doctrinal studies and current attitudes in the world field on the issue of ordination and formulated recommendations to be made to the General Conference session in New Orleans in 1985.

Many people were hopeful that ordination of women would be approved by the church in 1985. At the 1975 Vienna General Conference, the decision to ordain women as local church elders set the stage for full ordination to follow. But ten years

later, despite strong support for the issue from both women and men in attendance, the committee concluded that the world church in 1985 was not ready for women to be ordained as ministers. A few months later the world church voted the same.

Dr. Neall is not bitter or condemnatory. She is worried, however. "I see less involvement of women in the church today than ever before," she says, "at a time when the ministry of women is needed more than ever. There are so many important ways that women can minister in the church—now," Dr. Beatrice Neall, or Bea as she is known, in one way or another has been ministering in the church all her adult life.

As a young girl in New York, Bea felt a call to full time service for God. Her plan? To follow the "traditional" woman's path to ministry—as a minister's wife. She enrolled at La Sierra College as a religion major. In many of her classes she was the only woman. But her main concern was not to "catch a man"—she found her studies fascinating. And instead of marrying a California pastor, she married her childhood sweetheart from New York, Ralph Neall, who had finished his theology degree at Atlantic Union College.

The couple spent their first eight years of marriage in the New York Conference where Ralph pastored several churches. Bea, the pastor's wife, became Bea the busy mother for their two children, Cheryl and Randy. One exciting year they spent doing evangelistic work in Bermuda, a foretaste of seventeen years they would spend in the mission field.

Cambodia was a beautiful peaceful nation when the Nealls arrived there in 1957. But making an impact with the Christian gospel proved very difficult

among the largely Buddhist Cambodians. The Nealls did manage to build a church and a mission home, and produced some publications in the native language. Bea started her educational career in Cambodia, teaching Cheryl and Randy through the Home Study Institute.

The political situation in the country was tense. Cambodia was ruled by a prince, but across the border in Vietnam was a rebel broadcasting propaganda to oust the prince. The political tension between the two sides gave Bea an idea—she would cast the Great Controversy story in the local political setting. The idea became her first book, *The Prince and the Rebel*, about the conflict between Christ and Satan.

This short message book has since been used in twelve countries in Asia, translated into ten eastern languages plus English. Recently some 50,000 copies of *The Prince and the Rebel* were printed to be used in the Cambodian refugee camps in Thailand.

General anti-American sentiments had been growing in Cambodia, and in 1964, the government refused to renew missionaries' visas. So the Nealls transferred to Vietnam. The political scene there was chaotic—eight attempted coups within as many months, the American embassy blown up, the numbers of United States military personnel growing monthly. The Nealls often entertained G.I.s in their Vietnam home.

Ralph started a ministerial training course and Bea stepped into actual classroom teaching. She taught English and some Bible courses to the ministerial and nursing students. She loved teaching and put her ideas into writing. The Bible course she wrote on the life of Christ, called *Living Light* has been used by the Voice of Prophecy in the Southeast Asia Union and in the U.S. She also wrote a series of doctrinal lessons, *Hallmarks of Faith*, which were used extensively in the Seventh-day Adventist English language schools all over the Far Eastern Division.

After five years in Vietnam, Ralph Neall was called to head the religion department of Southeast Asia Union College in Singapore. Bea taught Bible classes in the department. "It was satisfying work," Bea remembers. "The young people in Singapore were very receptive to the gospel. And we have watched our students there go on to become leaders in the Southeast Asia Union."

Bea had teaching in her blood by now. When the Nealls came to Michigan on furlough so Ralph could work on his Master of Divinity at Andrews University, Bea earned her masters degree in religious education. And when they came back to the States on permanent return in 1974, they moved to Michigan so both of them could continue graduate work in theology at Andrews.

Bea Neall also continued her writing. *Outside the Gate*, a Week of Prayer series

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for juniors which she had written in Singapore, was published first in *The Adventist Review* and later as a book. A fantasy/allegory about the plan of salvation, *Outside the Gate* created a bit of controversy within the church. Dr. Neall published other articles as well, in *The Adventist Review*, *Ministry*, and the *Collegiate Quarterly*.

By now people recognized the uniqueness of Dr. Bea Neall's qualifications and experience. When Ralph Neall received a call to teach religion at Union College in 1977, an equal call came to Bea. The Nealls moved to Lincoln as a teaching team and have been at Union since. Bea has taught a variety of religion classes at Union, including Greek, Daniel and Revelation, Life and Teachings of Jesus, and Salvation and Sanctuary. Drawing on her lifetime of ministerial experience as wife and missionary, she has also taught Courtship and Marriage and Introduction to Overseas Service, a preparatory course for Student Missionaries. Presently she is teaching only part time, leaving more time for writing and scholarly research. Her doctoral dissertation, *The Concept of Character in The Apocalypse*, was published in 1983.

Since 1980, Dr. Neall has been asked to serve on several denominational consultation committees on a wide variety of topics. The first was the controversial Sanctuary Review Committee at Glacier View. She was the only woman invited to attend; Ralph came only as her husband. In preparation for the Glacier View meeting, committee members read over 2000 pages of documents: 1000 pages of Dr. Desmond Ford's conclusions about the sanctuary doctrine and another 1000 pages of other members' views.

"The meeting itself was a deeply emotional confrontation," Dr. Neall remembers. "I respected Dr. Ford very

much as a person, a minister, and a scholar even though I couldn't agree with his views on the sanctuary. But I believe the scholarly work that came about as a result of that conference has strengthened the church for the most part. I felt at the time that we were seeing history in the making."

Dr. Neall is also a member of BRICOM (Biblical Research Institute Committee), which meets two times yearly to produce resource materials on issues of relevance to the Seventh-day Adventist Church: issues regarding Ellen White, exorcism, the church's relationship to human sexuality and related problems like incest, abuse, divorce, and homosexuality. Presently the BRICOM members are working on an eleventh volume for the Seventh-day Adventist Bible Commentaries, and an in-depth study on the twenty-six points of doctrine of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Dr. Neall is also writing two chapters about the book of Revelation as a part of a scholarly work to be put out by the Daniel and Revelation Committee of which she is a member. This committee studies four main books of the Bible (Daniel, Revelation, Leviticus, and Hebrews) and has already published three books on Daniel and Hebrews.

Dr. Neall has been called to serve on several ad hoc committees, discussing such topics as how the church should relate to Biblical criticism, or to polygamous marriages in non-Christian cultures.

"I have no illusions about my abilities as a Biblical scholar," says Dr. Neall. "I am called to serve on committees because I am one of the few women in the denomination who is considered to be a religion scholar. If more women had theological qualifications, I'm not sure I'd be the one called, though I am glad to serve."

At the Study Commission on the

Ordination of Women, four times as many men as women attended. "The women in the church who have done post-graduate study in theology I can count on my fingers," says Dr. Neall sadly. "This situation is changing, but slowly, because women see little future for themselves in church leadership."

"The church is losing capable women to careers outside the denomination because positions worthy of their leadership abilities are not offered to them within the church. Most Adventist women, including pastors' wives, have redirected their energies outside of the church. When a conference treasurership or presidency or other leadership positions become available, women—well qualified women—are often not even considered."

Change will come. Dr. Neall wants to encourage women in three ways. First, she urges bright high school and college age women to take theology in college, to go on to graduate school and make themselves qualified scholars in the field. But she is also realistic about present openings and cautions such women to be patient, to be willing to economize and work at other jobs for a few years if need be.

"I believe church leadership positions will open up for women more and more in the years to come," she says. "Women must be ready educationally to step into such positions and show themselves capable."

Meanwhile, Dr. Neall encourages women to minister where they are. "I'd like to see more women teaching Bible in our Seventh-day Adventist academies and colleges, serving as counseling pastors in our churches, and working into conference leadership. I believe ordination will come for women in the Seventh-day Adventist Church. But don't wait for it. The church needs the ministry of women now." ★

Jesus and The Role of Women

BY CHARLES SCRIVEN

No one at my church ever asked how the story of Mary and Martha should affect our play at recess time. Having no physical education program, we organized ourselves for a game of whatever sport was in season—leaving the girls on the sidelines while we boys hoarded the fun to ourselves.

This idea—that women are for the sidelines and men for the playing field—lies in the background of the story in Luke 10. Mary is sitting at Jesus' feet listening

to his teaching. Martha, "distracted with much serving," is in the kitchen—and boiling with resentment. "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone?" she finally blurts out. "Tell her then to help me."

Women were then considered to be little more than servants and property. They were seen as inferior to men, so much so, indeed, that it seemed useless to instruct them in Israel's religious heritage. Schools were solely for boys. Women were not even allowed in the part of the synagogue where the scribes did their teaching. One rabbi wrote: "If a man gives his daughter a knowledge of the Law it is as though he taught her lechery."

No wonder Martha was annoyed at Mary's behavior. The good Jewish woman was someone who stayed in the kitchen. Mary was out of place and needed to be

told to resume her proper role.

The surprise is that Jesus disagreed with all this. "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things," he said. "One thing is needful. Mary has chosen the good portion, which shall not be taken away from her."

Even though the conventional wisdom precisely forbade women to be part of any circle of disciples, Jesus affirmed Mary in her discipleship. Even though the conventional wisdom said women should not listen to a rabbi's teaching, He affirmed her right to do so.

From Luke's point of view, this is simply the gospel—lived out. Jesus came (as Luke 4 suggests) to take everyone off the sidelines and put everyone on the playing field. In Luke 10 he does this, freeing women to be the full partners of men in the life of those who follow Him. ★

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Pacific Press Book Chapter of the Month

Leaving

BY NANCY BECK IRLAND

Gale awoke with a start, the blood rushing in her head, her heart thrashing inside her chest like a trapped animal. She had no idea where she was or what had awakened her, what day it was or the time. The heavy drapes at the windows were drawn shut. It was dark. Had she missed the show? Heather wasn't there! "Why didn't she wake me? Where is she? It's so quiet! Am I supposed to be somewhere?"

Gale leaped out of bed, threw the blankets back with a quick toss, and feverishly pulled on her robe. Her hands trembled as she fumbled with the sash.

"My hair! Gotta find a brush. There. That'll do. My slippers." She opened the door and stepped into the hall. "Where is everybody? Raptured? The halls are so quiet, my footsteps seem to echo. But there is no sound from my footsteps—the carpet is so thick."

She ran to the elevator and pushed the button. "Someone will be downstairs. They can help me. Where am I, anyway? Come on, elevator! I don't like being lost!"

The elevator door opened. She ran an anguished hand through her hair and stepped inside. A moment later the elevator opened silently in the lobby and Gale dashed out, not caring that she was in a bathrobe. Nobody else was around. Just the clerk, busy with mail at the counter. He had his back to her as she approached. Gale gripped the counter with both hands in desperation.

"Excuse me," she pleaded. "I don't know where I am."

He smiled complacently. "You're in the lobby of the hotel."

No! I mean, what town is this?"

"Grand Rapids, Michigan," he replied patiently. His eyes regarded her strangely, but he had been trained to be polite.

"OK," Gale nodded, feeling more calm. Do you know what day it is?"

"Yes ma'am, it's Saturday."

"Thank you. And—one more thing,"



Gale gulped for air. She swallowed and looked around the lobby. "Could you tell me what time it is?"

The clerk nodded and smiled as he glanced at the golden clock on the far wall. "It's eleven o'clock in the morning, ma'am."

Gale smiled. "Thank you," she said.

"Sorry to bother you. I just woke up suddenly, and there's no clock in my room."

"No problem," the clerk said, smiling. He raised one hand as though to silence her. "You don't have to explain."

Gale turned and walked more sedately to the elevator. "Eleven o'clock on a Saturday morning. Mom's in church with Lori. And me? I'm going to break the Sabbath by eating out and then skating this afternoon. Wrong. It's so very wrong!"

Gale took her books with her that afternoon to read between shows. She sat with Heather at the pre-show meeting. Nothing was said about Garth's speaking in tongues, but he did seem radiant and happy. And Heather wore her soft, sweet smile as she listened to Mel explain who was sick and who would be taking whose place that afternoon. Gale looked back to Garth. In his hands he held her book—*The Great Controversy*!

When the meeting broke up, she hurried over to him.

"What are you doing with my book?" she accused him good-naturedly.

"Your book? What do you mean?"

Gale pointed to the book in his hands. "That one. *The Great Controversy*. I had my Mom bring it down to me when we were in Sacramento."

"Not this one, she didn't," Garth replied. "I got this one from Frank."

"Frank?"

Yeah." Garth chuckled. "He was downtown when a little old lady pressed it into his hands and said, 'Here. Take this.' He leafed through it and discovered it was religious stuff, so he didn't want it. But he gave it to me, since he knows I've been doing a lot of searching since I was reborn."

"Enjoying it?"

"It's one of the most interesting books I've ever read," Garth said, looking down at the book as he turned it in his hands.

"I've been enjoying mine too. Would you like to talk about it together when you've finished it?"

"Sure!" Garth agreed. "I'd like that."

Gale bent over to pick up her tote, but unzipped it first and looked inside. "Just wanted to make sure I had mine," she explained with a laugh. "And there it is!"

"I told you this one wasn't yours," Garth chided.

"I think God has had His eye on me for a lot longer than I've known about it," Gale confessed.

"You're lucky," Gale said with a chuckle as she picked up her tote and hurried to the dressing rooms to change.

A light snow clung to their heads and coats as they boarded the bus for the hotel that night. Gale would never forget Grand Rapids. Just two more nights to sleep in luxury, and then head for Wisconsin. Heather said that really was a cheese-lover's haven, and Gale looked forward to tasting all the different varieties!

In Wisconsin Mel and Cheryl set up appointments with each of the skaters to determine their plans for Christmas

Nancy Beck Irland's new book Silver Skates tells the true story of an Ice Capades skater who became an Adventist. This chapter is reprinted by permission of the Pacific Press Publishing Association. The book is available in your local Adventist Book Center.

vacation and for the rest of the season following Christmas break.

"I mentioned to Alex, at the Thanksgiving party, that I was thinking of leaving for good," Gale confided to Heather one evening as they were discussing the appointments. "Do you think Alex keeps secrets well?"

"I don't know. He is one of the principal skaters, and Mel and Cheryl spend quite a lot of time with him because of it. Mel said something to me the other day that hinted that he knew we were thinking of leaving."

"He did?"

"Yeah. I can't remember exactly what he said, but he seemed to be getting around to making me say we weren't coming back after Christmas."

"Well, have you decided yet?" Gale asked.

"I think so."

"And?"

"Well, I'm not going to hang out in motels over Christmas vacation, that's for

sure. I've decided to go home to Houston for Christmas and make my decision then."

"I'm quite sure I'm leaving," Gale said, "but I don't want to tell them for sure yet."

"Me, either."

"So what do we say when they ask?"

"Just say you're undecided, but you'll let them know," Heather replied. "Lots of skaters drop out over Christmas vacation, but they have two weeks to train in new ones, so it's not that hard on the company."

"I know. That's what Alex told me too."

"But I'd buy a round-trip airline ticket, even though you think you aren't coming back, because it's less money than two one-ways," Heather suggested.

"I know. I've already got it," Gale said.

"Can you believe we have just one week and then we leave? I don't know where the time has gone!"

"Me, either."

"It's been fun. And I'm really glad I got to know you."

"I prayed that God would lead me to the

right roommate, remember?" Heather said with a smile. "And even though you interpret the Bible a little differently from the way I do, at least you're on God's side for sure now."

"If I weren't, I'd be coming back after Christmas vacation," Gale replied. "But I can't keep the Sabbath and be a professional skater too."

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"Sometimes it's hard to know which to choose," Heather said. "But God never takes something away without giving something even better in its place."

"I think God has had His eye on me for a lot longer than I've known about it," Gale confessed. "It almost seems as though He allowed me to injure my leg last spring so I wouldn't be able to be an understudy. It would be a lot harder to give it up if I had a larger part in the show!"

"And isn't it something—it has to be more than coincidence—that of all the Ice Capades Companies, ours is the only one with Christians in it. And we have more than must one—we have eight!"

"I think God had a hand in that too," Gale said. "I wanted to join West Company and go to Hawaii. But if I had, I might never have decided to become a Christian."

"Oh, God would have found some way to impress you," Heather put in.

"I'm going to miss you," Gale said. "Me too. Let's keep in touch."

The interview went off without incident. Gale told them that she was undecided as to whether or not she would leave the show, but that she would let them know. The contract was evidently not as binding as she had feared! Slowly, one by one, the burdens that had been weighing her down had begun to lift. Only one Sabbath remained that she must skate. Soon she would be home. Independence was sure not all it was cracked up to be!

The Christian skaters had a Christmas party the week before they all left. Margie, flashing her new engagement ring, cuddled up to Alex with stars in her eyes. In one corner of the room, the Christmas tree, pungent with the smells of Christmas, flickered silently in red, gold, and green lights, which reflected off the silver and gold garlands that spiraled up to the topmost branches. Christmas. Of what benefit was God's gift of His Son if nobody obeyed His teachings or followed His example? Gale realized she had known all along what she must do. She would follow Jesus. ★



Members of the Winona, Minnesota Seventh-day Adventist Church got more than they bargained for when they asked fellow member Barbara Savage for her artistic opinion about painting the church's interior walls.

In addition to the color scheme for the high-ceilinged rooms housing congregation pews and Sabbath School classes, Savage suggested a 10- by 10-foot mural depicting the Biblical predictions of Christ's Second Coming. The mural would fit nicely on the wall behind the pulpit, she told them.

Members now find it understandably difficult to keep their eyes from the imposing white-robed figure with arms outstretched as He strides through the rolled back clouds, surrounded by trumpeting angels. The upper portion of the nearly triangular-shaped painting is completed with a rainbow radiated by rays of pure white light emanating from Christ's body.

But as he preached the sermon that first morning, Pastor Jeffrey Wehr was unfazed by the rows of church members gazing over his head to the mural behind him. When asked about it, Wehr laughed noting his sermon that day was the last lesson over a period of three Sabbaths based on the Second Coming.

During the month or so that the upper church was filled with paint cans and

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Minnesota Artist Paints Second Coming Mural For Sanctuary

BY LUCY CHOATE ECKBERG



Artist Barbara Savage works on the Second Coming mural in the Winona church. Barbara says she serves the Lord with her art because He gave her the ability.

But when the idea was suggested, there were a few apprehensive voices, she adds. "They were concerned about the quality because they'd never seen my work," she explains.

Before approving the project and getting the consent of the church as a whole, the church board viewed slides of her work and her portfolio of paintings, drawings, sculpture and pottery.

To complete the mural, Savage worked from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., six days a week, for four weeks. With the exception of the figure of Christ, which was drawn freehand, the skyscape was drawn from a projected image, she says.

The going wasn't always smooth, says Savage, noting she "was praying for help" while painting. She had done the rainbow unsatisfactorily three times and was "ready to quit," she noted. At that point, she asked the advice of a Twin Cities artist who suggested Savage attach a long string to a pencil and also helped Savage manipulate the make-shift compass to outline the rainbow's arch.

"The idea of the mural, the Second Coming, is what the church is all about," Savage explains. "Adventist means looking forward to the Second Coming of Christ, in the near future. The mural was designed

scaffolding, members had worshipped in the church basement. It was only appropriate that during the final sermon in the series, they should be able to see the lesson fully

illustrated, Wehr noted.

Church members have expressed only positive feelings about the completed mural, Savage says.



Winona Dedication Depicts The Whole Gospel

BY BARBARA HUFF



Winona Adventists bought this church building from the Christian Scientists in 1981. They made the final payments earlier this year, and the church was dedicated September 26.

according to Bible prophecy which says He will come with His bow; that's why I put in the rainbow." The rainbow is also a reference to God's promise after the flood, a sign that he would never destroy the world by water again, she adds.

Savage deliberately deviated from Bible passages describing Jesus as sitting on a throne in the Second Coming, she says. Her reason: "It's going to be too exciting a time to be sitting. Instead I painted Him standing, with arms reaching out to us."

While growing up, Savage says she can't remember a time she wasn't interested in art. As a youngster, her Christmas and birthday presents were usually art supplies, she says.

Later she took classes at the Minneapolis College of Art and Design. Most of the artwork she's sold has been pottery, and she has sold some portraits.

Now it is difficult for Savage to separate her religious faith from her art, says Savage. "How can I serve the Lord? With my art. He gave me the ability; it's a real privilege to paint something to His glory." ★

*Behold, he
cometh with
clouds; and
every eye shall
see him . . . "*
Revelation 1:7

nearly half a million dollars. The church was originally built in 1900 as a German Methodist Church.

Although the flock was small, the students and staff of nearby Alpine Springs Academy in Wisconsin swelled their numbers and the old Adventist church building became inadequate. The Christian Scientists had diminished and they no longer needed, or could afford the upkeep on the larger building. In essence, the two congregations "swapped" buildings with the Adventists paying \$20,000 in addition to their old church building. The renovation of the church was completed, and the final payment was made just a few months before this dedication day, September 26, 1987.

As I looked at the beautiful stained glass windows, two of which depicted the tablets of the ten commandments and the cross, and then looked back at Barbara Savage's mural of the Second Coming, I thought, it's complete now, the story is all here. Previous inhabitants of the church talked about the commandments and the cross, but now we Adventists were here with the rest of the story. The commandments are important, but not the whole. A cross by itself is meaningless. This church was here to proclaim the whole gospel. This church would now preach how Jesus lived and died and that He is coming again. Its members would show to the city of Winona what the love of Jesus is all about. ★

The words of the opening song on dedication day seemed especially appropriate as I looked past the song leader to the gripping mural on the wall of the Winona church.

"I need Thee precious Jesus,
I hope to see Thee soon,
Encircled with the rainbow, and
seated on Thy throne . . ."

Less than seven years ago, in January of 1981, the Winona congregation of less than sixty members had purchased from the Christian Scientists this beautiful edifice which was valued at

*Barbara Huff, Outlook correspondent,
Minnesota Conference.*



Minnesota Conference Treasurer Ray Rouse burns the Winona mortgage as Pastor Jeff Wehr and church treasurer Mary Slater watch with satisfaction.



Enterprise Academy Chaplain Joe Watts gives directions to puppet team members during a rehearsal. The team has performed for churches, schools and nursing homes.

Adventist elementary schools, plus they're planning to branch out to public high schools with a substance abuse skit.

Last Christmas they did a program for a Methodist Sunday School class in Abilene. Composed of elderly adults, the class had been together since childhood and Watts really wondered whether they would be responsive or not.

"They were enamored with the puppets as we performed 'The Laughing Song' and the 'Twelve Days of Christmas.' They came up afterward and said they wanted to bring their grandchildren to another concert we were performing in town."

Besides performing on their own, the puppeteers often travel with the Enterprise Academy Band or Gymnastics team, providing entertainment during intermissions.

A special grant from Shawnee Mission Medical Center made it possible for Watts to start his puppet ministry at Enterprise. He purchased the scripts, cassette tapes and puppets from Puppet Productions Inc., a Christian group in California.

Watts says the puppet ministry seems to attract a number of students who would not otherwise join the public witnessing programs because of their shyness. As puppeteers they can hide behind the stage but still reach out to the audience through

Puppets Make Witnessing Fun For Enterprise Students

BY JAMES L. FLY

Skip and Herbie: I know that Jesus is with me, here or there or anywhere that I can be found. I will be good 'cuz I know I should 'cuz Jesus is always around.

Skip and Herbie are hardly your typical academy duet. They're two large-headed bug-eyed puppets who make you want to laugh just looking at their poker faces or listening to their "chipmunk" voices.

I met Skip and Herbie and their friends, Mr. Quimper, Priscilla, Bernie and Polly one cold night last winter in the basement of the Enterprise, Kansas church where a small group of Enterprise Academy students were rehearsing for an upcoming program.

I felt at once like I had stepped on to the set of the "Muppets" but I quickly discovered that while these puppets resembled the characters from Sesame Street, they were emphasizing spiritual values through their humorous skits instead of purely humanistic ones.

I peered behind the stage and found several girls kneeling on the floor and operating the puppets with their arms. Chaplain Joe Watts who doubles as the director of the puppeteers saw something he didn't like in the scene set in Mr.

Quimper's Soda Shop.

"Hold it! Cut! Stop the music," he said folding his arms together.

"You guys have got to get closer together back there."

Giggles twittered backstage and a smile crossed Joe Watt's jolly face. When all was quiet, he ordered, "Okay, let's try it again."

I couldn't help laughing at the funny finale, a number called "The Laughing Song" in which the characters move in rhythm to recorded laughing and music.

If it's true that "a merry heart doeth good like a medicine," I should have been cured of the nasty cold that had stuffed up my nose and scratched my throat.

The next morning I interviewed Chaplain Watts about this new unique ministry for academy kids. He told me it was something he had wanted to do ten years ago when he served as the area youth pastor in Kansas City, but at that time some members raised their eyebrows at the prospect of puppets in church.

"Now, there doesn't seem to be a problem," he said.

The puppets, in fact, seem to bridge all age groups. The puppet team has presented programs at churches, nursing homes and

their characters.

While they don't have to worry about overcoming their shyness, they do have to learn how to operate the puppets and that isn't as easy as it looks.

"When they first start, they can only hold the puppets up for two or three minutes before their arms get tired, but then they get used to it," he says.

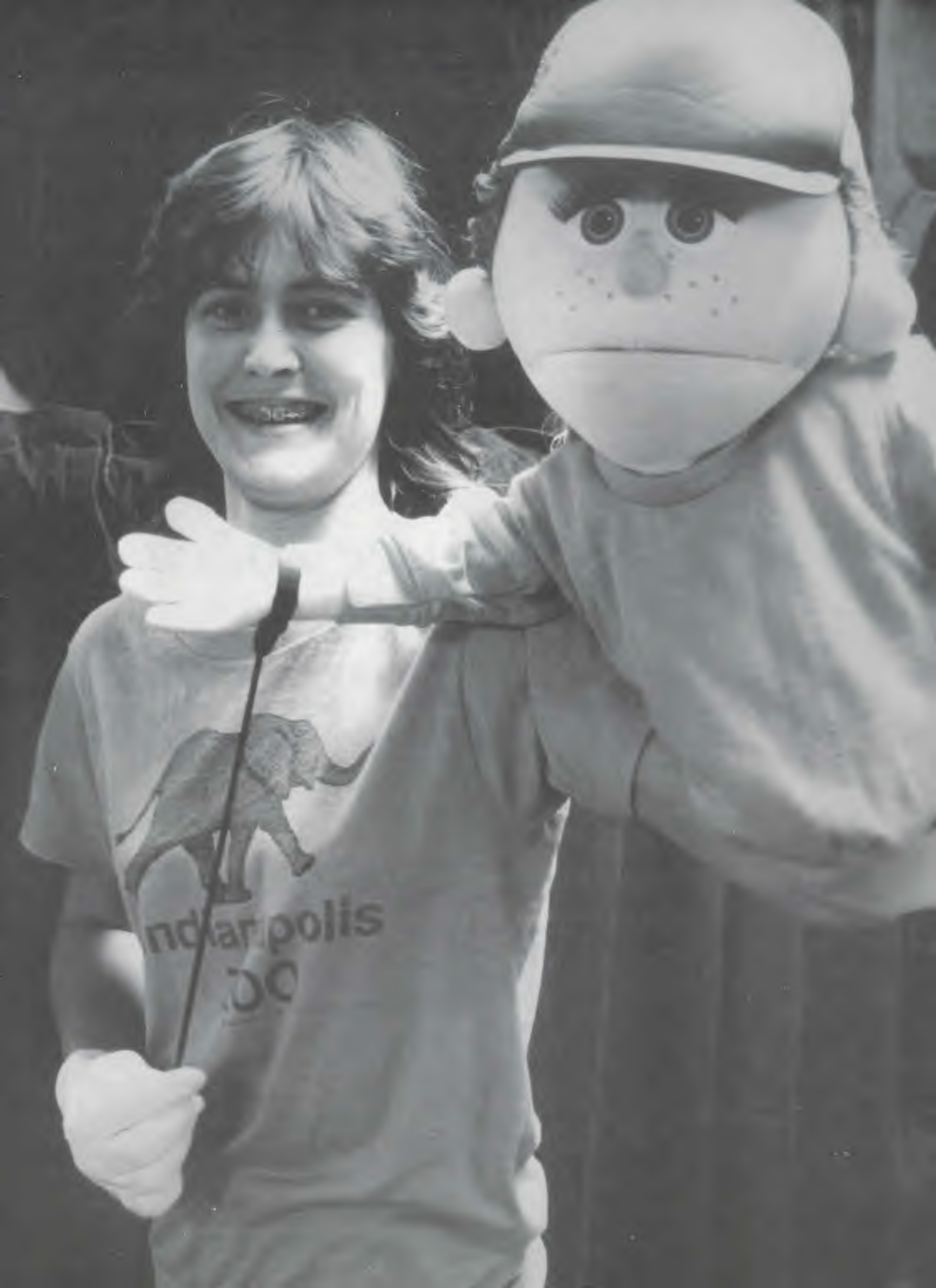
Right now the group is rehearsing a new skit on the life of David, Watts told me by telephone.

Watts' philosophy behind the puppet ministry is to help young people realize they can witness for the Lord in some fun and creative ways. He has even started a puppet team in the Enterprise elementary school.

Smiling wryly, he says, "I'm building a future puppet team."

Someone should write a script about Joe Watts and his students. You could call it, "Playful Pastor Picks a Pack of Perky Puppeteers." ★

Right: Carissa Duncan, a member of last year's puppet team, poses with "Polly." Carissa comes from Overland Park, Kansas, and is now a student at a junior college in Kansas City.



Midway through his first year of internship, on December 30, 1941, George Takeno, long-time Adventist physician in Denver, was informed he was no longer needed at the Los Angeles County Hospital. Fortunately, he was invited to join the staff at the White Memorial Hospital to complete what he could of the remaining year.

"When the inevitable letter arrived I knew I would not be allowed to finish my internship. There was no indication that I'd ever finish."

To have more than 25 percent Japanese blood meant you were marked for trauma. Life was uncertain. The *Los Angeles Times* and local radio stations shouted the news of the Japanese relocation centers. Takeno's father, a Japanese language teacher and martial arts instructor, was a prime suspect and was the first family member to be sent to a camp in Arizona. His mother was picked up next and sent to a camp in Tujunga, California.

Those were dark days for George and his friends. Each day his discussions with James Higa involved the inevitable. George sold his father's new '41 Dodge and made sure his own Model A Ford was ready to take him where he would have to go. Classmate John Whieldon provided George with a large screwdriver and a wrench—the basic tools needed to keep the car running. When the order from the War Department finally arrived, George was mentally ready. His recall of that April 10, 1942, remains vivid. He was instructed to report at the Tulare Race Track, now known at the Tulare Assembly Center. Upon his arrival he was relieved of his well-kept Model A Ford. It wasn't long before he met Herbert Hata and James Higa. Because of the dust from the race track there were many cases of pulmonary coccidioidomycosis. Hata, Higa, and Takeno operated the center's outpatient clinic.

In August, 1942, the trio were taken by train to Minidoka, Idaho, 20 miles from Twin Falls, one of ten permanent internment sites in the United States, home to 10,000 Japanese-Americans. Takeno was one of seven physicians who ran the small relocation center hospital.

A few Seventh-day Adventists met every Sabbath. Among the baptisms during this time at the center was mother Takeno.

The nightmare ended after 18 months of internment. In the fall of 1943, now free to resume his life, Takeno was accepted at Philadelphia's Episcopal Hospital to complete his internship. He was also given a check for \$50 for his Model A Ford.

"Recently an offer was made by the Los Angeles County Auditor and Controller's

office to give each individual who lost his job in December, 1941, \$5,000 as reparation money," Takeno said. "The thought came to me that although \$5,000 is not a great deal of money, it could, nevertheless, help some worthy medical student with his tuition expenses at Loma Linda University Medical Center."

Takeno looks away when asked directly about the emotional impact of that deeply traumatic internment experience. Then he offers the poignant but positive comment, "I had no resentment then; I have no resentment now. It's all in the past. We must live in the present and for the future."

In November, 1986, Takeno packed up his office books and mementos to move

into retirement, after completing 40 years of practice and 30 years in general surgery as a staff member at Denver's St. Luke's and Porter Memorial Hospitals. Denver is where he met and married Setsuko Hatanaka, then an employee of Porter Memorial Hospital, with whom he has shared his life for 35 years.

Now that he has more time, Takeno intends to further his already well-developed nature photography skills and gardening abilities.

One of his oldest patients said just prior to his retirement, "Nagai aida O se wa ni nari mashita," loosely translated, "I have been under your loving care for a long time."

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The Gentle Spirit of George Takeno

BY ROBERT L. HORNER



Robert Horner, a hand and upper extremity surgeon, practices in Denver, Colorado.

Health-Wise

NATURAL VS. REFINED SUGAR

J.A. Scharffenberg, M.D., M.P.H.

Sugar is sugar biochemically. Therefore there should be no difference whether I get my sugar from apples or a banana split. True or false?

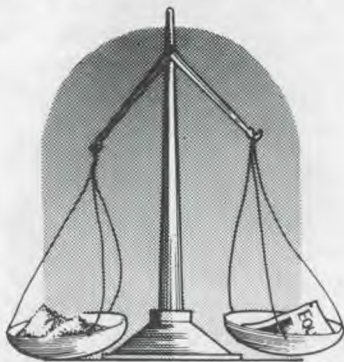
Biochemically sugar is termed sucrose. It is actually two simple sugars hooked together and therefore called a disaccharide, consisting of 50 percent glucose and 50 percent fructose. Once it reaches the intestines it is broken down into its two component parts. You could then call it honey, because that is what honey is to start with—50 percent glucose and 50 percent fructose. It is hooked together in honey as it is in table sugar.

If there were no differences between the natural sugar and table sugar one could eat the banana split just as well as apples. So, why do nutritionists tell you to avoid the banana splits in favor of the apples?

Yes, sugar is sugar biochemically. But there are three major differences between the sugar in a natural product and that in refined table sugar.

In five apples you will have 25 teaspoons of sugar. In one banana split you have 25 teaspoons of sugar.

Which of us sits down and eats five apples at one time? But many people will sit down and eat a whole banana split. In its natural form, you usually eat a lot less sugar than in its refined state.



Another difference between natural and refined sugar is the speed at which the sugar is absorbed. Sugar from the apple is absorbed more slowly because of the fiber in the apple. The blood sugar level rises more gradually and does not go as high as when one eats the refined sugar products. With a banana split the sugar will be absorbed

rapidly and the blood sugar levels will go up quite high.

When one has a high blood sugar level the pancreas must excrete insulin quickly to reduce the blood sugar rapidly. This causes a severe drop in blood sugar causing more of a hypoglycemic response. With the apple the pancreas doesn't have to lower the blood sugar level quickly, by pouring out a lot of insulin. Therefore, in eating an apple there would not be a hypoglycemic response.

A third difference is in the packaging. There is cholesterol with the banana split. In the apple there is no cholesterol. That is a major difference considering that heart attacks are at epidemic levels in this country. The banana split has a combination of milk, sugar and eggs, or saturated fat, sugar and cholesterol. This combination readily increases the levels of blood fats and cholesterol. The apple has no cholesterol and not much fat. Also, it contains the type of soluble fiber which is effective in lowering blood fat and cholesterol levels.

If you have a sweet tooth there are good reasons for getting your taste buds used to the good sweets from natural sources!

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The Lord Will Back You, Too!

BY GEORGE WOODRUFF

Stewardship Sabbath, December 19, offers you another wonderful opportunity to test God and prove His promises.

In old west Texas, a country preacher collected a meager income. Visiting Baptist businessman, H. Z. Duke, urged the congregation to try God's promise to bless them with material things when they gave tithes and offerings to the church. As the pastor and his guest rode to the next appointment, Mr. Duke asked, "Brother pastor, do you believe in tithing?"

"I certainly do, and I preach it too!"

The next question elicited a long silence. "Do you practice tithing?"

Sadly the pastor answered, "No, I do not. You see, I have thirteen children, and \$125 a month just isn't enough. I do believe, but I cannot practice tithing."

"Brother pastor, would you tithe if I backed you up financially, so you couldn't lose by it?"

"Nothing would please me more," the pastor replied.

"Mr. Duke proposed: 'You give God at least \$12.50 a month as soon as you get your salary. But if you miss the money at any time during this year, just write me, and I promise to send a check by return mail. Are you willing to try tithing on that basis?'"

"Yes, my friend, I'll do it." And the two shook hands.

Now strange things began to happen. Here came two dozen eggs for the family, and a bag of flour. Then a bushel of apples—even a load of hay for the cow. The children's clothes seemed to wear longer, and he had no doctor bills.

One day toward the end of the year's test, reality hit the pastor full force. He had trusted all along that Mr. Duke would send a check if he came up short. But he had not written! Actually, his heavenly Father had made the same promise and had seen him through. Now he wanted to trust God fully.

Economic changes since those "good old days" have not altered God's ability or desire to provide for His faithful children.

—Adapted from the book *50 Years of Soul-Stirring Illustrations* by John R. Rice. *Sword of the Lord Publishers, Murfreesboro, Tennessee 37130. (Used with permission.)*

Leave The Miracle To Him

"Whatsoever He bids you, do it!"
Though you may not understand,
Yield to Him complete obedience,
Then you'll see His mighty hand.
"Fill the waterpots with water"
Fill them to the very brim;
He will honor all your trusting—
Leave the miracle to Him.

Oh, ye Christians, learn the lesson;
Are you struggling all the way?
Cease your trying, change to trusting,
Then you'll triumph every day.
"Whatsoe'r He bids you, do it!"
Fill the waterpots to the brim,
But remember, 'tis His battle—
Leave the miracle to Him.

Bring to Christ your loaves and fishes
Though they be both few and small,
He will use the weakest vessels—
Give to Him your little all.
Do you ask how many thousands
Can be fed with food so slim?
Listen to the Master's blessing—
Leave the miracle to Him.

Christian worker, looking forward
To the ripened harvest field,
Does the task seem great before you?
Think how rich will be the yield,
Bravely labor with your Master,
Though the prospect may seem dim,
Preach the Word with holy fervor—
Leave the miracle to Him.

—Author Unknown

George Woodruff is trust services director of the Mid-America Union.



Cathy Kissner and Ben Liebelt discuss the *Disaster Relief Guide*.

Fall Federation Meetings

BY JOHN TREOLO

Involvement was stressed during the nine Community Service Federation meetings conducted throughout the Conference.

According to Cathy Kissner, president of the Conference Community Services, the purpose of the meetings was to discuss the *Disaster Relief Guide*, the "Caring Church" approach via Community Services, methods used by Christ in relating to the poor and how to get more members involved with Community Services.

Special guest was Ben J. Liebelt, Mid-America Union church

ministries director, who shared helpful methods of reaching out to our neighbors and showing them that Seventh-day Adventists are indeed caring people.

"We need more involvement," Liebelt emphasized. "The needs are great. All we have to do is reach out and help solve some of these needs."

The churches in the conference operate eighteen Community Service Centers.

John Treolo, communication director, Kansas-Nebraska Conference.

Fort Scott School Reunion

BY OPAL L. LEWIS

The Fort Scott, Kansas school has been closed since 1984 but that didn't reduce the enthusiasm of former teachers and students who were reunited during a reunion in Fort Scott.

Eight who attended were students in 1927, the first year of operating. The largest family group represented was the Dickerson family with eight members present.

There were former students from Tennessee, Texas, Arkansas, Nebraska, Missouri and Kansas. A good time of reminiscing was enjoyed by all who attended.

Opal L. Lewis, member, Ft. Scott church.



Herbert and Bea Schmidt

Anniversary

Herbert and Bea Schmidt celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at the Hoisington Heritage House. The Schmidts are members of the Great Bend church.

More than two hundred relatives and friends were on hand, including their children, Gerald Schmidt of Vail, Colorado and Ro Jean Dianne Tulk of Portland, Maine.

Spiritual Convocations

The two boarding academy campuses served as host locations for Spiritual Convocation mini-camp meeting weekends sponsored by the Conference.



Gordon Bietz

Special guests at Enterprise Academy included Gordon Bietz, senior pastor at Southern College in Collegedale, Tennessee, and Erwin Sicher, professor at Southwestern Adventist College.



Erwin Sicher

Sicher presented a one-man dramatization on the life of Martin Luther.



Richard Duerksen

Richard Duerksen, vice president at Pacific Union College,

was guest speaker at Platte Valley Academy. Max Martinez, vice president of Southwestern Union, presented his personal testimony, "Three Angels Over Rancho Grande," highlighting his conversion experience.



Max Martinez

Meade Receives Honor

BY JANELLE MEADE PYATT



Dr. Jeffrey G. Meade

Jeffrey G. Meade, son of Roy and Darlene Meade of Alliance, Nebraska, received the Fay Smith Award for outstanding performance in family practice medicine during the University of Nebraska College of Medicine Honors Convocation.

One of ten recipients of special awards, Dr. Meade is beginning a three-year residency at the University of Nebraska Affiliated Hospitals, specializing in family practice medicine.

Janelle Meade Pyatt, communication secretary, Alliance church.



Pleasanton Church Dedicated

BY JANICE LINSON



The Pleasanton Church was dedicated recently with more than 125 past and present pastors and members in attendance.

Gordon Retzer, Conference president, presented the dedicatory sermon and prayer. A fellowship dinner followed the worship services.

In the afternoon a special program of remembrance and music was held. Organized in Febru-

ary, 1964, there are now twenty-three members attending the church.

Former pastors shown are: Gordon Retzer, conference president, Ed Jumper, Curtiss Dale, Terry Dodge, Roland Rogers (current pastor), Bobby Potter and Paul Kemper.

Janice Linson, communication secretary, Pleasanton church.

Rices Go To South Dakota

BY PHIL MARINO



Larry Rhodes presents a "spoof" on the courtship of Judy and Randall Rice during their farewell program.

A farewell dinner was held for Randall and Judy Rice who have accepted positions with the Black Hills Missionary College in Hermosa, South Dakota.

Randall will serve as business manager and teacher, and Judy will be dean of girls and teach health courses. The Rices have been members at Capitol View since 1984.

Participating during the farewell were Viola Welch, Dutton Solomon, Larry Rhodes, Emily Rodriguez, Claire Marino and Lowell Welch. The program closed with the singing of "God Be With You."

Phil Marino, communication secretary, Capitol View church, Lincoln.



Investment Project At LaCrosse

BY EDITH L. JAMES

A toy train device has the primary class of the LaCrosse church excited about reaching their investment goal for 1987.

Each child is building a train with the various sections representing dollars earned. A locomotive is \$5.00, while the caboose, coal car and end units are \$2.50 each.

The class members are working hard to make their trains as

long as possible by Christmas when they will take their trains home. Thus far \$85.00 has been raised by the six class members and their teachers.

Pictured with the primary class members are teachers Dennis Frick, Betty Huenergardt and Evelyn Avey. Maurice Huenergardt built the trains.

Edith L. James, communication secretary, LaCrosse church.

Students Learn From Nature

Some 157 sixth and seventh graders received a firsthand lesson about God's second book by spending four days attending an Environmental School at Broken Arrow Ranch in Kansas.

According to Lyndon G. Furst, Conference education superintendent, the purpose of the outdoor school was "to make students more aware and appreciative of the environment in which we live."

Activities ranged from orienteering to wildlife identification, from pioneer games and crafts to wilderness survival.

Usually just for sixth graders, this year's Environmental School included seventh graders due to the cancellation of last year's Environmental School because of heavy rains.

Students are shown working on nature art, a form of sand sculpturing.





Senior Citizens Honored In Their Churches

In Mankato

BY DEBBIE THROLD AHL



Adolph and Amy Amundson of Mankato celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on September 1, 1987 and their children and grandchildren held a private family gathering in their honor.

Brother Adolph taught church school for many years in Dodge Center, Brainerd and Mankato, Minnesota as well as in Wisconsin, Illinois, Tennessee and Florida. Both continue to be active in the Mankato church.

Debbie Throldahl, communication secretary, Mankato church.

In Windom

BY BECKY ANDERSON



Birthdays are special and so is Otto Hensel. Born April 4, 1893, he recently turned 94 years old. Otto was baptized into the SDA church in 1935 and attended camp meeting in Anoka that year. He has been active in the church since, holding the offices of Sabbath School superintendent and elder of both the Heron Lake and Windom churches.

Otto was married to Lydia (Eilts) from 1934 until 1975 when she passed away. He married Mary (Berth) in 1982. Otto farmed in Jackson and Cottonwood Counties in partnership with his brother, Walter, until retirement in 1966. Character and conviction would describe his personality. He still enjoys driving, likes to play his violin, and sings daily with his wife, Mary accompanying him on the piano. He ran a sawmill until 1985 for friends and neighbors.

Becky Anderson, communication secretary, Windom church.

In Duluth

BY JOYCE SCHILLINGER



Mrs. Olga (Eyeberg) Caster, who was born in Aalborg, Denmark on August 25, 1888, recently celebrated her 99th birthday with her fellow members of the Duluth church. She came to Minnesota when she was two years old, and the family settled on a farm near Mahtowa, Minnesota where she was raised. She now lives in Mahtowa with her daughter, Irene, only three miles from her childhood home.

When she was about 20 years old, Olga visited her parents' farm on a Sunday and found her mother scrubbing the floor. She said to her mother, "It's Sunday, you shouldn't be scrubbing."

Her mother's response was, "We don't keep Sunday any longer." Then her mother proceeded to tell her that she had attended meetings that two ministers were holding in a school. She had been baptized and was keeping the true Sabbath. Olga

began studying the Bible, too, and was soon baptized in nearby Park Lake. At first the new converts met in a home, as there was no church, but in a few years they began attending the Duluth church.

For 79 years Olga has been an active member, holding positions as head deaconess, working with Dorcas, and sharing her talents playing the steel guitar in trios and solos.

Joyce Schillinger, communication secretary, Duluth church.

In Artichoke

BY CINDY OLSON



Special honor was recently given to long-time and active member, Clara Hanson, at the Artichoke church. Clara, at age 87, is still the church pianist and faithful in her attendance and support of all church activities. She taught piano in this rural area for about 20 years. Friends and former students from the community were in attendance, also.

As a part of the program, Clara's violin which had not been played in over 50 years, once again ministered to the worshippers as Ellen Thompson played this beautifully restored instrument. Other special music was given by Dennis Lund and Jan, Loren and Cindy Olson. Pastor Don Thompson presented a plaque to Clara with appropriate words of appreciation for her many years of devoted service.

Cindy Olson, communication secretary, Artichoke church.

Historic Church Installs Sign

BY NELLIE HARRIS

Finally, sixty years after it was dedicated, the Minneapolis First Seventh-day Adventist Church has a free-standing sign which gives the times of the services. Through all these years, there has been a name above the front door but no other identification for the community.

This new sign was procured by one of the deacons, Mr. Daniel Lee, when the company he works for put up a new sign. He asked permission to take the old sign and then donated it to the church. The church board voted on the wording for the sign and then took it to Mr. Elvert (Al) Martinson, long-time member and elder who has a sign painting business. Mr. Martinson did the lettering, and he and Daniel Lee, Don Wissmiller and Bruce Berlin installed it.



Some of the members who lived in the area earlier in their lives before they joined the church, remember wondering about the church, what went on in there, and why it wasn't open Sunday mornings. This new sign should help similar community people with some of their questions.

The church was organized February 19, 1882 as the First English Seventh-day Adventist Church. A building on Fourth Avenue and Lake Street was dedicated January 9, 1887 with Elder Farnsworth preaching the dedicatory sermon. It was in this Fourth Avenue church in 1888 that the famous General Conference session was held. The present church building at Stevens Avenue and 27th was completed in the fall of 1915 and dedicated on March 9, 1918. The pastor at that time was P. G. Stanley, the



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sermon was by A.G. Daniels, General Conference President, and the dedicatory prayer was offered by Charles Thompson, Northern Union Conference President. Music was presented by the Maplewood Academy orchestra. It was still called the First English SDA Church because there was also in the area a Danish-Norwegian and a Swedish church. It has also been called the Stevens Avenue church. The church has been the mother church of the Glendale, Minnetonka and Southview churches.

The membership before these divisions was around 500, and is now just under 200. More recently it has become host of the Korean church. Membership in the Minneapolis First Seventh-day Adventist Church has changed much over the years, but is still serving the community where it stands. The new sign will serve as a new witness and welcome in the community.

Nellie Harris, communication secretary, Minneapolis First church.



Historic Minneapolis First Church.

Pastor Baptizes Own Son



Showing that evangelism begins at home, Pastor John Kehr of the Faribault church recently conducted his first baptism, and included in the sacred ceremony was his eldest son, Jacyn. Pictured with Pastor Kehr are those whom he recently baptized: Theresa Green, Tiffany Pforr, Cole Dasheur, Leslie Rogers, Mary Geyer, Heather Dasheur, and Jacyn Kehr.

*Faith makes all things possible;
Love makes all things easy;
Hope makes all things work.*



Outlook On Dakota



New President Elected



Don Shelton, Conference President

The Executive Committee of the Dakota Conference elected Elder Don Shelton as the president to succeed Elder John Thurber. Shelton has served the Dakota Conference as Ministerial Director and Conference Evangelist since November 1986.

One of 23 names on a list of candidates submitted by union and local conference leaders, pastors and lay people, Shelton's name counted very strongly in

the balloting from the beginning.

Former president John Thurber accepted a call to the Southern Union Conference to serve as Director of Nurturing Ministries. Thurber had served the Dakota Conference since August 1986.

Elder Shelton is a 1969 graduate of Southern College. He has served in a number of conferences in the Southern Union and Mid-America Union as a pastor and evangelist. Elder Shelton and his wife, Anita have two children: Todd, 14; and Angela, 9.

New Youth-Education Director

Barry Mahorney has recently come to the Dakota Conference to take up the departments of youth and education along with Religious Liberty and National Servicemens Organization. Elder Mahorney has come from the Georgia-Cumberland Conference where he was pastoring. He also

pastored in the Carolina Conference besides teaching there for six years.

Elder Mahorney's wife, Sharyn, has a degree in Elementary Education and is her husband's office secretary. The Mahorneys have two children. Jonathan is attending Little Creek Academy in Tennessee and Chana is in the local church school.



Elder Barry Mahorney

Weidell Joins Pastoral Staff



The Weidell Family

Larry Weidell graduated from PUC in 1972 and began his denominational work in the area of youth ministry in Southern California. He has worked in Kansas and the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference also.

The Weidell's have recently joined the Dakota Conference pastoral staff to labor in the Bowdon-Carrington-New Home district in North Dakota. The Weidells have three children: Larry, 17; Annie, 15; and Leslie, 5.

**SIGNS
CHANGES LIVES**



New Vehicle Dedicated

BY WILBUR MAUK



Pastor Wilbur Mauk, Mission director, and his wife, Janice Mauk, Mission school teacher, stand by new 1987 Chevrolet Suburban—a gift from 150 SDA's across North America.

On Sabbath, September 26, 1987 a special dedication service was held at the Pine Ridge Seventh-day Adventist Mission for a new 1987 Chevrolet nine-passenger Suburban.

Elder John Thurber, president of the Dakota Conference, was the speaker for the afternoon church services. He took as his text Titus 2:11. Elder Thurber exhorted the believers that every thing in the Christian life is basic to God's grace.

Orville Poore, former pastor of the Pine Ridge-Martin district, gave a brief history of Pine Ridge Mission.

Pastor Wilbur Mauk, Pine Ridge Mission director, gave a report of how suitable transportation had been provided by gifts from Seventh-day Adventist Christians all across North America. Over 150 individuals contributed to the purchase of this new vehicle in just eight months time. This vehicle replaces a 1972 Chevrolet van with over 300,000 miles accumulated on it. Because the old vehicle was no longer safe

to transport passengers to and from the mission, the purchase of a new vehicle was imperative. Many thanks to those who made this gift a reality. Your contributions are already at work right here at the mission.

Following the report given by Pastor Wilbur Mauk, Elder Thurber gave a dedication prayer, asking God to accept this gift for His work here on the Pine Ridge Reservation.

Next came the cutting of the ribbon. Elder Bill Brown, Dakota conference treasurer, and his wife, Reba, were invited to do the honors. Pansy Weasle Bear and a friend assisted in the removal of the ribbon. Pansy was baptized two years ago this past November. Approximately 150 members and friends were in attendance.

May God add His blessings to the work and workers here at Pine Ridge Mission on the reservation of the Oglala Sioux Tribe.

Wilbur Mauk, Pastor-Mission Director, Pine Ridge.

Thrash, who is director of Yuchi Pines Institute spoke of immunity in an age of AIDS giving the following instructions to keep the immune system working: 1. Keep the mind free by not overworking the brain. Do not work mentally after a heavy meal. 2. Keep the spirits elevated. 3. Keep the attitude shaped by truth. 4. Keep the circulatory system in excellent shape. The respiratory system should be kept functioning below 80. 5. The white blood cell count should be kept below 5,000. 6. Cleanse the blood by the use of water—drink water frequently until the urine is pale in color.

Thrash spoke of the causes of osteoporosis (decrease of bone substance in the skeleton). She listed use of alcohol, tobacco, coffee, steroids, birth control pills, thyroid supplements, lack

of exercise, use of high protein foods and sugar as causes of osteoporosis.

Also traveling with the team are Bela Kobor who acts as master of ceremonies and Yvonne Carley who does cooking demonstrations and is secretary to the medical team.



Left to right: Bela Kobor, Dr. Mary Ann McNeilus, Yvonne Carley, Dr. Agatha Thrash.

Berneice Lunday, communication secretary, Bismarck church.

DAA Alumni

BY BERNEICE LUNDAY

Bismarck, October 5, 1987. "We are met here on a great battlefield. The Lord Jesus Christ has consecrated this ground," thundered Harold Kostenko at Dakota Adventist Alumni reunion October 3. Kostenko, graduate of the class of 1948, delivered the message at the Sabbath worship service paraphrasing the Gettysburg Address.

Kostenko referred to Ephesians 6:12, Romans 7:23 and 1 Peter 5:8. "We are dealing with a power that is working in high places, working against the law of the mind. As a man thinketh, so is he," Kostenko said to the

near 1,000 former students and friends gathered at Dakota Adventist Academy, recently temporarily closed.

A concert by Leslie Lemke, blind and severely retarded, from Aprin, Wisconsin, touched the souls of the large crowd at the afternoon meeting.

At the Alumni Association Business meeting held on Saturday night, Patsy Jones Wagner from Lark, North Dakota, was named president and Berneice Schield Lunday, Bismarck, was elected as vice-president. Alumni also collected and contributed \$1,422 at the meeting to be given towards a past project, the purchase of six new typewriters for the school.



Back row: Lemke's stepsister, Mary Parker Larsen, alumni president Kurby Bechthold, and his wife, Elaine, Leslie Lemke at piano.

Yuchi Pines Doctors Lecture

BY BERNEICE LUNDAY

Doctors Mary Ann McNeilus and Agatha Thrash from Yuchi Pines Institute, Seale, Alabama recently included the Bismarck Seventh-day Adventist Church in their itinerary across the United States. They stressed the role that diet plays in cause or prevention of disease.

McNeilus said that deaths from heart disease, the number one killer, are declining while deaths from cancer, the number two killer, are on the rise. Improper diet is the number one cause of cancer while smoking ranks as the second cause. McNeilus said Americans eat too much—too much meat, fat, cholesterol, sugar and salt. They should eat more fruit, vegetables and grains and decrease fat, sugar and salt consumption.



News From Agape Church

BY C. DANIELS JOHNSON

Agape Seventh-day Adventist Church in University City, Missouri, sponsored a "Community Health Fair" to promote good relations and to inform the residents that the Agape members are here to serve their physical and spiritual needs. This event was coordinated by Dianne Kelly.

The following doctors volunteered their services: Dr. Esther Beeks, Dentist, and Dr. Arthur Lee, Private Consultation, both from the Northside church. From the community were: Dr. Westbrook, Chiropractor; Dr. Green, Podiatrist; Dr. Tom Martin, heart examinations for adults and children.

The doctors displayed educational exhibits. We are happy for this successful beginning. Our goal is to help someone make a positive change in lifestyle.

We are offering follow-up services, also. A cooking class will be taught by Sandra Rice, and Dr. Lee is offering a Breathe Free clinic. A "Job Preparation" seminar will be given by Lucille Mitchell, and a seminar on "Stress and Exercise" will show the importance of exercise in relieving stress.

C. Daniels Johnson, communication secretary, Agape church.

Park Hill's Student Missionary

BY IVORY CHALMERS

Lisa Arnold has always wanted to be a missionary. She has stated this fact on many occasions, one of which was the farewell social in her honor. Lisa is the daughter of Maurice and Elizabeth Arnold. She has three brothers Martin, Marshall and Tony.

We, at Park Hill, miss Lisa but we share in her joy of finally being able to realize her dream of being a student missionary. Many of her friends gave their testimonials during a program

for Lisa. Some sang, some played musical instruments, but surely her greatest thrill was that of seeing and hearing her father sing just for her in his deep and rich bass voice.

Lisa is teaching at Ponapei Elementary School in Kolonia, Ponapei in the Eastern Caroline Islands. May God continue to bless you Lisa. Your family at Park Hill sends their love.



Maurice Arnold sang especially for his daughter Lisa.

Ivory Chalmers, communication secretary, Park Hill church.

Youth Day

BY GORDON B. SIMS, SR.



Theology major Luis Vasquez speaking during the divine worship hour at the Sharon church.

Omaha Sharon church celebrated Youth Day and had as its guest speaker, Mr. Luis Vasquez, a theology major from Oakwood College. He was born in Colima, Mexico and came to the United States in 1976, residing in Los Angeles, California. Luis was raised a Catholic, but in 1979 his life took a dramatic turn after he met Mr. George Smith, a public school teacher who planted the gospel seed in his heart. In 1981 Luis became a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church

and in 1984 was impressed by the Holy Spirit to leave the McAllister College, where he was majoring in engineering, and enroll at Oakwood.

Luis has received numerous achievement awards since enrolling at Oakwood, and is a part-time Spanish teacher at Oakwood Elementary School. Upon completion of his education at Oakwood, Luis plans to attend seminary at Andrews University.

Gordon B. Sims, Sr., communication secretary, Omaha Sharon Church.

Palace Of Peace On The Move

BY ROY G. MORGAN

On September 5 two young men were baptized, John McPherson and Mark Squires. Mark has been visiting with us since the start of Vacation Bible School and following this, with the help of his grandmother from California, has continued to attend, occasionally. During this time Pastor Roundtree has been working with both of them and it has borne fruit. Both young men took their stand for the Master. Mrs. Squires, not a member, and her mother were present, and joy was felt by all of us who witnessed this wonderful occasion.

September 19 came with a lot of excitement. This was the day that the "Sisters" and the "Sounds of Joy" had scheduled their musical concert. The concert was held at the Dean Fleishauer Center in Fountain, Colorado. There were many guests, visitors and friends on hand to lend support to this beautiful event, including some members from the Palace

of Peace, Claremont, and other churches. Brother Verrett and Sister Mann were host and narrator, respectively. Brother Rowe gave the Invitation to Discipleship. From the lead-in song "Come On Everybody Let Us Praise God," the groups conducted themselves like they were in the presence of the Master. The "Sisters" did not use any music except for the Invitation to Discipleship. This was a group effort and pastors present were invited to come forward as the appeal was made.

The two groups were different in their style of presentation, yet they blended harmoniously. It was this contrast that made it very exciting, and the groups had some music for each person to tune into. All in all, it was a very enjoyable and spiritually uplifting program.

Roy G. Morgan, communication secretary, Palace Of Peace Church.



The "Sounds of Joy" and the "Sisters" performing a joint selection.



Media Plays Important Role

BY R.A. McCUMBER

What happens to the 60 to 70 interest cards that arrive at the Communication Department in the conference office each week? They come from *It Is Written*, *Voice Of Prophecy*, *Search* and the *Quiet Hour*, and the *Adventist Information Ministry*—the 800 telephone number at Andrews University.

Do they gather dust in some storage closet? No indeed. They are carefully sorted for each district in our conference territory and mailed to the pastors on a weekly basis.

What happens next? Are the pastors too busy caring for their flocks to worry about adding more calls to already overcrowded schedules? It is true that our pastors are busy men—our church members see to that! However, the pastors sort the cards and return those marked SDA to the Communication Department. We are glad that our members watch and listen to the various programs and request the free offers—if they are not watching, chances are they will not invite non-members to watch and listen!

Most of the remaining interest cards are repeat viewers and listeners and have already been receiving pastoral care—looking forward to the time of harvest into church membership. Some of the interests, when they are visited will state they know

nothing of the request for literature—perhaps someone else sent in their name. Some are embarrassed by the attention their request has brought and will profess to know nothing of the program—hoping the visitor will go away. Our pastors and many well-trained laymen are “wise as serpents and harmless as doves” in these delicate situations and know just what the Holy Spirit would have them do.

We are happy to tell you that even though there are many “dead-end streets” in following the media interests, there are thousands of members of the Seventh-day Adventist Church today that our media-outreach programs have played an important part in leading to Christ. We thank God for faithful pastors and well-trained laymen who are an important link in reaching men and women with Gospel truth.

Pastor Sylvester Case is one of our faithful pastors who states boldly, “I follow up every interest name that comes my way.” The growth and weekly attendance of his district of three churches—Leadville, Salida and Fairplay—demonstrates his aggressive soulwinning program. Recently he received an interest card from the Department of Communication in the conference office. The interest came through the *Adventist Information Ministry* and indicated the individual had called the 800 number and requested an offer presented on the *It Is Written* telecast. The little town of Edwards, Colorado is more than 120 miles from the pastors home;

nevertheless, it was only a matter of hours and the pastor was knocking on the door of the Burrows home. We found a beautiful family who has been studying the Word of God with another church group but was now ready for Bible studies with a Seventh-day Adventist pastor.

John Burrows was baptized into the membership of the Leadville church August 15, and his wife Claire is planning to be baptized soon. John is an accomplished pianist and composer. He has earned a Masters degree in music and his talent has already proved a blessing to the Leadville congregation. John is available for gospel concerts and can be contacted through Pastor Case.

Wouldn't you like to know that the John Burrows family or some other family had watched the *It Is Written* telecast as the result of your invitation? How can they watch if you don't invite?

R. A. McCumber, Rocky Mountain conference communication director.

Pathfinders Labor To Earn

BY OPAL JOSEPH



Greeley, Colorado Pathfinders found themselves in a large picture on the front page of the local newspaper as they conducted car washes on hot summer afternoons. Bold signs saying, “Car Wash \$1.00” attracted the drivers in the heavy traffic bordering the church parking lot and kept 28 club members busy with hose, sponges and rags.

Four hundred dollars was earned, which helped defray the

club expenses to the Kansas Camporee. Their latest project is collecting, preparing and selling cotton rags for the furniture factory.

The Pathfinder leader, Sue Nelson, says they look forward to buying their own bus.

Opal Joseph, communication secretary, Greeley church.

Seminar On Prayer

BY THERESA PRICE



Diana Hartfield, an Adventist from Gentry, Arkansas, gave a seminar on prayer at the Canon City church on a recent weekend. She used quotations from the Bible and the Spirit of Prophecy. There were 80 adults and 20 children in attendance on Friday evening, and over 200 at the 11:00 o'clock service on Sabbath.

Theresa Price, communication secretary, Canon City church.

CORRECTION

2nd Annual Christian Women's Retreat Dates

Wednesday-Friday
April 6-8, 1988

Friday-Sunday
April 8-10, 1988



Pastor Sylvester Case followed up an *It Is Written* interest card and found John and Claire Burrows and their daughters. John is an accomplished pianist and composer.



New Churches Grow

BY GLENN ROARK



Colorado Springs South has been a church for less than three years, but has already seen an increase of its membership by greater than 55 percent. The church pastor, Sidney English, recently baptized four individuals, including a member of the new Woodland Park church. Pictured from left to right are: Pastor English, George and Everett Wikoff, Jennifer Tech and Jean Arsenault.

Glenn Roark, first elder, Colorado Springs South church.

Bicycles For Evangelism

BY BEVERLY KISINGER



A Sabbath School class in the Montrose church gave these three bicycles to the three evangelists pictured. Pastor Thein Shwe, Burma Union secretary (left), indicated that these bicycles would be of great assistance in proclaiming the Gospel. Several members of the Montrose church have also gone personally to the mission fields for extended periods of specialized service. "We wanted to do something special and tangible for the mission field besides our regular mission offerings," commented the Sabbath School teacher.

Beverly Kisinger, communication secretary, Montrose church.

ATTENTION

Do you have an old *Church Hymnal* (black cover)—one or more—that could fill the need in Korea? Please send to me and I will send them on to Korea. Thank you. Ruth Alt, Eden Valley Institute, 6263 N. County Road 29, Loveland, CO 80537.



Visit From A Centurion

BY GLENN ROARK

The Colorado Springs South church was startled to find a Centurion soldier from the Roman Army occupying the pulpit one Sabbath.

Chaplain Dick Stenbakken, a frequent speaker at Colorado Springs South, surprised the audience when he appeared in full costume as Peter's first gentile convert, Cornelius. He told about his life as a soldier in the

Roman army, his experimenting with many religions of his time, his comfort in finding the true God of the Jews, his vision and his meeting with Peter.

Chaplain Stenbakken is the Division Chaplain at Fort Carson, and an ordained Seventh-Day Adventist minister. Fort Carson is a large army post near Colorado Springs.

Colorado Springs South is the closest Adventist church to Fort Carson and the home church for several servicemen.

Glenn Roark, first elder, Colorado Springs South church.



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Golden Anniversary



Roy and Velma Gordon, members of the Douglas, Wyoming church, recently celebrated their golden wedding anniversary.

More than fifty friends and relatives gathered at the Douglas Senior Citizens' Center to witness the renewing of their marriage vows. The ceremony was conducted by Pastor Arnold Schnell of the Torrington District.

The Gordons have a son and daughter, six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Pictured left to right are: son, Roy Gordon, Jr., Roy and Velma Gordon; daughter, Midge Squires and Pastor Arnold Schnell.



Sanders Family Baptized

BY THURMAN C. PETTY, JR.

As I stood waist deep in the lake watching the ripples advance toward the shore, I thought of the ripples of influence that had led the Sanders family to baptism at this lovely spot. I remembered the proverb—"No man is an island"—and realized once again how accurately it describes Christian witness.

Mark and Barbara Sanders, and Barbara's son, Garry, had come to St. Charles from Kentucky to fulfill Barbara's dream to become a chiropractor. While she attended classes at Logan College of Chiropractic in Chesterfield, Mark supported the family as a finishing carpenter.

Back in Kentucky the Sanders had received spiritual guidance from their Pentecostal pastor-friend, and in Missouri they missed her regular visits and Christian fellowship. Then one day she wrote that she had attended a Revelation Seminar, and espoused several eye-opening Bible doctrines. She had begun to attend the Seventh-day Adventist Church and counseled Mark and Barbara to seek spiritual

refreshment there also.

Soon the Sanders family began to attend the St. Charles Church, and they enjoyed their new-found Christian friendships. Before long they too became involved in a home Revelation Seminar, taught by lay-woman Donna Pulley and her husband Bob. The subjects covered each night thrilled them as much as they had their Kentucky pastor-friend some months earlier.

Soon Mark and Barbara decided that they had found their church and began studying ahead of the seminar schedule. Not many weeks passed before they decided to be baptized, and since they already understood the doctrines well, I was pleased to grant their request.

And now on this quiet and beautiful day, I buried the three of them in Lincoln Lake of Cuivre River State Park near Troy, Missouri—another three monuments to the love of Christ, and to the influence of Christian friends.

Thurman C. Petty, Jr., pastor, St. Charles church.



Elder Dalles Carr, teacher, with the four students he recently had the privilege to baptize.

Teacher Baptizes Students

BY RUTH WILLIAMS

In late July and early August of 1987, the Sioux City, Iowa Seventh-day Adventist Church hosted Elder and Mrs. Bill Zima for a six-week crusade. Elder Zima inspired us with his trumpet music and visited many homes for Bible studies. Through his efforts nine people have been baptized and many Bible studies are continuing. The names of the adults baptized are: Ella Pannell, Raymond Hendricks, Eric and Lori Newburg and Richard James.

A very beautiful thing about this harvest of souls was the part Christian education played in inspiring four young members of the local church school. While their decisions were the work of the Holy Spirit, they all felt that

the instruction provided by their teacher, Dalles Carr, was very instrumental in helping them decide. They are so happy with Elder Carr's teaching that they asked him if he would baptize them. With tears of joy in his eyes, he consented. The names of these young people are: Anece Barrow, Alicia Quigley, Terri Richter and Michael Richter.

What a wonderful part this played in our summer-fall harvest! We must never underestimate the Lord's work in our Seventh-day Adventist schools. Eric and Lori plan to send their children to the local Adventist school as soon as they are ready.

Ruth Williams, communication secretary, Sioux City church.

Baptism At Keokuk

BY DAN MCGEE



Sharon Gray preparing for her baptism by Pastor McGee.

On a beautiful Sabbath afternoon in August, Sharon Gray was baptized in the Des Moines River by Pastor Dan McGee.

Sharon had attended the Gillette, Wyoming church as a child but had drifted out of the church.

When Sharon's family moved to Keokuk, Sharon decided to find a Seventh-day Adventist Church so her children could experience the church she was raised in. Sharon requested Bible studies from Pastor McGee.

The whole church met at the banks of the Des Moines River and sang hymns while Pastor McGee read from the Bible in Romans 6:3-5. The Keokuk SDA Church accepted Sharon into membership with a fellowship dinner in her honor. We rejoice with Sharon and her family as they prepare to meet their Lord.

Dan McGee, pastor, Keokuk church.



Elders And Deacons Seminar



About 60 local church elders and deacons from across Iowa gathered at Oak Park Academy for their annual seminar the weekend of October 23-25. Inspiration, instruction, reports and fellowship were the agenda.

Inspirational preaching and inspiring music permeated the weekend. Elder Jack Blanco, left, chairman of the Southern College Religion Department was the featured speaker.



Centennial And Dedication

BY NEIL DYE



When you think of July you think of fireworks, heat and watermelons. That is what the Poplar Bluff, Missouri church experienced during their Sabbath Centennial celebration. Along with celebrating the 100th year, the church was dedicated and the mortgage burned.

The activities began Friday evening with the Iowa-Missouri president, William Wampler, having the service. Sabbath services began with a program by Lorine Lucas and continued throughout the day with many recollections and reunions. A plaque was donated to the church from the family of Thomas Lane, the founder of the church. Six previous pastors were present along with the current pastor, Neil Dye, and Lee Huff, president of the Minnesota Conference.

Oh yes, you would not expect fireworks on Sabbath, but an overhead electric line burned in half causing sparks and pops



Brothers Ray and Lee Huff reminiscing about people and incidents in the church's history.

which damaged the hood of a car parked under it. Inside, the heat became apparent when the air conditioning would not work without electricity. And, the watermelons were a gift brought for anyone who wanted them. After 100 years, the Poplar Bluff church was on FIRE!

Neil Dye, pastor, Poplar Bluff church.



Officials "burning the mortgage" of the Poplar Bluff church.

Fair Booth



The Lamar, Missouri Seventh-day Adventist Church sponsored a fair booth as a community outreach. A computer health check was provided which numerous people took advantage of. Free literature was given and visitors could choose one of the following books: *Steps to Christ*, *Cosmic Conflict*, *The Desire of Ages*, *Can God Be Trusted*, *Happiness*

Digest, and *What I Like About . . .* Two large family Bibles were given away in a free drawing.

Another aspect of the booth was a smoking machine which showed the amounts of tar and nicotine from various brands of cigarettes.

Plans are being laid for next year's booth.



"Old timers" in front of the church.

Open House

BY SANDRA WINTERS

Though chilly and gray outside, the inside of the Clinton, Missouri church was warm and friendly as members welcomed guests at an Open House, October 10. The focus of the adult Sabbath School was friendship.

For the worship hour Pastor David Winters presented a sermon entitled "I am Thirsty," one in a series about the last sayings of Jesus. The deaconesses prepared a fruit juice reception that followed the services and visitors were invited to remain for the

vegetarian buffet. They each received a packet containing reading material describing the Seventh-day Adventist Church and its work, and a copy of *Happiness Digest*.

"The Holy Spirit working in the lives of our members is responsible for the success of our Open House," said David Winters. "Visitors made up about 25 percent of our attendance today." Many members had invited friends and relatives.

Sandra Winters, communication secretary, Clinton church.



Union Receives Near \$60,000 In Grants

Union College has been awarded two grants which total nearly \$60,000. The first is a three-year grant of \$46,470 from the Woods Charitable Fund of Lincoln, Nebraska. This grant will be used to expand the services offered by the Union College Teaching Learning Center. The Teaching Learning Center plans to establish a strong assistance program for learning-disabled students, particularly dyslexics and their families.

The Union College Nursing Division has received a \$13,104 grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. This grant money will help fund post-baccalaureate study for two nursing faculty members.

CROP Walk

Twenty Union College students and staff members were among the 1,064 people who participated in the 16th annual CROP walk October 11. The walkers raised a total of about \$25,000 in pledges toward this interdenominational effort to help alleviate world hunger.

Participants asked people to sponsor them for so many cents per mile walked; they could choose a three mile or a ten mile route. In addition to walking, Union students helped at registration tables, and the UC Band played several numbers.

One fourth of the money raised will return to Lincoln to be used by the People's City Mission and local food pantries. The rest goes to the Department of Overseas Ministries of the National Council of Churches.



College Days

Over 270 academy seniors and their sponsors visited the Union College campus for College Days, September 27-29. Approximately 80 of them turned in applications.



Dr. Ryan Wells and Dr. Arnold Schatz at their instruments.

Wells/Schatz Recital

Dr. Ryan Wells, associate professor of music at Union College, and Dr. Arnold Schatz, professor of music at the University of Nebraska/Lincoln, presented a special vespers recital at the College View Seventh-day Adventist Church on Friday night, October 23. The first half of the program featured Dr. Wells performing solo piano works—*Beethoven's Sonata in E Major, Op. 90* and *Nocturne No. 6* by Gabriel Faure. The final piece was Brahms' *Sonata in A Major, Op. 100* for violin and piano, performed by Dr. Schatz and Dr. Wells.

50th Senior Recognition

This year's senior class was formally accepted by the administration and faculty at the 50th Union College Senior Recognition service, November 3. Ninety-one students plan to graduate in December, 1987 or in May or August, 1988. Thirty different majors are represented. Commencement exercises will be held May 15, 1988.

Guest speaker for the Senior Recognition service was Dr. Leroy Moore, director of Exertec, a health organization in Napa, California. Exertec has branches in several cities and serves approximately 5,000 people. Dr. Moore's topic was "Living Fit—The New Corporate Lifestyle." Following the service, Dr. Moore also met and talked with students interested in careers in health services.

The recognition service also honored twenty-three Union College students who have been chosen to be in *Who's Who Among American Universities and Colleges*. Congratulations to: Jill Anderson, James Arkusinski, Debra Binder, Trent Boyko, Carol Browning, Edwin Cabrera, Bee Leng Choo, Kerrie Clouton, Cathi Cox, Sandra Dickhaut, Jill Downey, Blaine Fults, David Huffman, George Kerr, Alice Martin, Robert Nobuhara, Harley Peterson, Edward Sharon, Philip Simmons, Sarah Uffindell, Karen Vietz, Frank Wijma, and Joseph Young.

Farris Wins Competition



Michael Farris, concert organist and winner of the 1986 Young Artists Competition of the American Guild of Organists, performed October 11 in the College View Church as part of the Lincoln Organ Showcase series.

Mrs. Ogden Named Emeritus



Mrs. Virginia Rees Ogden has been named Emeritus Alumni Secretary. Mrs. Ogden served as Executive Secretary for the Union College Alumni Association from 1948 to 1971. Her husband, Dr. Ed Ogden, is Professor Emeritus of Mathematics.

ATTENTION UNION COLLEGE ALUMNI!

Union College Alumni Homecoming Weekend will be April 7-9, 1988.

Come one, come all!



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Ask-A-Nurse, Valuable Service To Communities



The Ask-A-Nurse health information and referral hot line is proving to be a much-used resource in communities served by some AHS hospitals in Mid-America. Registered nurses stand by around the clock to answer general health care questions, make referrals to physicians, and provide information about health classes the hospitals offer.

In the Denver area, Ask-A-Nurse was implemented in July, 1987. In that beginning month Porter Memorial Hospital recorded 1,300 calls. And in two months calls to Porter's Ask-A-Nurse line doubled. More than 2,600 calls were recorded in September. Some 620 referrals were made to Porter-affiliated physicians, and the emergency department saw 115 patients referred through the call-in service.

In August, Denver radio station KDEN aired an interview with Nancy Wallace, Porter's Ask-A-Nurse manager, in five-minute segments each evening for a week. The interview was part of a medical series, and dealt with Porter's health care and information services which also includes Babyline and the Center For Sight information line.

"It is hoped the Ask-A-Nurse program will help position Porter as the information center on health care for the Denver community," says Ron Coffin, director of Corporate Communications.

Memorial Hospital of Boulder, Boulder, Colorado shares the Ask-A-Nurse technology and staff with Porter. In August, Memorial Hospital's first full month offering the telephone

service to Boulder residents, saw nearly 600 calls.

Shawnee Mission Medical Center in Greater Kansas City implemented Ask-A-Nurse in August, 1986. In October, 1987, 5,436 calls lighted up the Ask-A-Nurse switchboard. Almost 800 patients were referred to the emergency room and over 800 Shawnee Mission-affiliated physicians were referred. Since implementation over a year ago, the Shawnee Mission Ask-A-Nurse telephone service has taken 64,071 calls, and in May the hospital expects to hit the 100,000 mark.

Young And Old United At Child Care Center



Leona Hensler recently visited Matt Fowler, age 3, at SMMC's Child Care Center and is shown helping him with a puzzle.

Children at Shawnee Mission Medical Center's Child Care Center have a wide variety of playmates—some of them are old enough to be their grandparents.

Once a month for over a year, children at the center and residents of Overland Park Place, a local Adventist Health System retirement center, have been taking part in a variety of activities together. The activities range from an ice cream social and caroling to carving pumpkins.

According to Candy Seltman, director of the Child Care Center, the children and older adults both benefit from the acceptance and love they experience. The attention they receive from someone other than family or friends helps build self-esteem.

Maternity Care At SMMC Keeps Mother And Baby Together

BY BRYAN YEAGLEY

The most striking change in maternity care today has been the simple realization that the mother and baby are a natural unit and should be cared for in that manner.

Shawnee Mission Medical Center has made a major commitment to the concept of mother-baby care, as part of its Special Addition maternity program. This means that the mother and baby are both cared for in the mother's room by one nurse.

"Mother-baby care is provided 24 hours a day by nurses who have been trained in the special needs of the mother-baby combination," says Jeanine Hummell, assistant director of nursing for maternal child services at the medical center.

Mother-baby care tends to produce more consistent care since the same quality instruction is given to each mother and because the baby's care takes place in the mother's room. This approach allows the mother to learn how to pace her activities with those of her baby, making it easier to establish a comfortable routine at home. And importantly, it helps to strengthen the bond between mother and baby.

One tool that the mother-baby concept at SMMC is known for is breast-feeding. Every nurse is trained about breast-feeding and can provide direction to mothers. A lactation specialist is available on an inpatient and outpatient basis for those mothers having special problems.

"The overall benefits of mother-baby care can be summed up in one word—wellness," says Karen Harris, head nurse of the maternity unit. "Providing the mother with the necessary tools to keep her and her child healthy is the ultimate test for any maternity unit."

Shawnee Mission Medical Center's commitment to mother-baby care has made the maternity unit one of the most responsive in the Kansas City area to the many needs of the mother and baby. Feedback supports that fact.

To find out more about mother-baby care and the Special Addition Maternity Club, contact Shawnee Mission Medical Center, (913) 676-2300.

Bryan Yeagley, Assistant Director of Public Relations, Shawnee Mission Medical Center.



The new mother and baby receive care by the same nurse at Shawnee Mission Medical Center. This mother-baby care concept provides consistency, education, confidence, pacing and bonding.



Nondiscrimination Policy of Seventh-day Adventist Schools

The Seventh-day Adventist Church in all of its church-operated schools, admits students of any race to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at its schools, and makes no discrimination on the basis of race in administration of education policies, applications for admission, scholarship or loan programs, and extracurricular programs.

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Madagascar, the 1,000-mile long mini-continent off the southeastern coast of Africa, and Rwanda, the tiny land-locked Switzerland of Africa, will be featured in Sabbath Schools during first quarter, 1988. Madagascar is home to 11 million people

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Obituaries

BARKER, Joy W., a member of the Pittsburg church, KS, died Oct. 2 in Riviera, AZ. He was 92. Survivors include daughters Charlotte Walberg, Helen Dean, Dora Lutz, Peggy Chavez and sons Merle, Lyle, Duane, David, Max and Theodore, along with 25 grandchildren, 36 great-grandchildren and 3 great-great-grandchildren. Barker attended Campion Academy with H.M.S. Richards Sr. He served on the Colorado Conference Executive Committee for a number of years.

BLOOMGREN, Mae C., born Mar. 23, 1903, died May 5, 1987. She was a member of the Minneapolis Northbrook church. She is survived by her husband, Paul, 1 daughter, Mrs. C. S. (Carolyn) Nelson from St. Louis Park, MN, and 4 granddaughters.

BOWLBY, Benton, was born Sept. 11, 1901 and passed away Apr. 12, 1987 at Phoenix, AZ. He had been a member of the St. Louis Central church for 32 years.

CAMPBELL, Beverly Iona Surface, was born in Lake City, IA, Mar. 19, 1927 and passed away Oct. 12, 1987, in Denver, CO. She is survived by her husband, Bob; 2 sons, Dave and Randy, both of Denver; daughter-in-law, Jane; 2 grandchildren: Tadd and Tangie; 4 sisters: Delores, Margie, Jeanine and Mary Ann, as well as many nieces and nephews.

CARLSON, Roy A., was born Jan. 16, 1903 at Cleveland, ND and passed away Oct. 19, 1987 at Lodi, CA. Survivors are his wife, Lydia Pfaff Carlson of Lodi; daughters, Mrs. Vernon (Carol) Seibold and Mrs. Ivan (Delaine) Morford both of Clovis, CA; sons, Wallace of Denver, CO and Ronald of Jamestown, ND; sisters, Mrs. Lillian Lysing and Mrs. Mabel Crooks; brothers Clarence and Wallace; 11 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren.

CONGRAM, Matilda, was born Dec. 14, 1895 in Alvira, NM and died Oct. 5, 1987, Aurora, CO. Survivors include a daughter, Erleen Congram, Aurora, CO; 2 sons: Merle Congram, Littleton, CO and Harold S. Congram, Aurora, CO; and 2 sisters: Blanche Purtzer and Elizabeth Birns.

DONNELLY, James, was born June 9, 1889 at Philadelphia, PA and passed away Oct. 14, 1987 at Kansas City, MO. He was a member of the Kansas City Central church. He received training as a masseur at Battle Creek Sanitarium and continued with the profession until retirement. He served as a church elder and Sabbath School teacher and helped at the Better Living Center.

HAY, Royal Edgar, was born July 17, 1911, Denver, CO and died Oct. 18, 1987, Greeley, CO. From 1913 to 1921 his parents, Roy E. and Edith Lillian (Dransfield) Hay, served in the Philippine Islands as missionaries. In Nov. 1922 the family moved to Greeley, CO where Royal's father became the first pastor of the Greeley SDA Church. In 1936 he married Ella Wonenberg. He served as principal of the Lynwood, CA church school from 1951 to 1957 and later taught in the Lynwood High School. In 1979 he retired and moved back to Greeley, CO. Survivors include his wife, Ella; 2 granddaughters, a grandson; a sister, Eleanor Klein, 2 brothers, Donald Hay and Conrad Hay, and 2 great-grandchildren.

HOWES, Eugene Cochrane, born April 5, 1907 at Manistique, MI, died Sept. 29, 1987 in Thief River Falls, MN. He was a member of the Thief River Falls church. He is survived by his wife, Mae; a daughter, Ilene Ventrella of Hoyt Lakes, MN; 2 sons, Marland of Anoka and Donald of Hoyt Lakes, MN; a brother, 2 half-sisters, 2 half-brothers, 11 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

LANG, John, was born June 20, 1907 at Cleveland, ND and passed away Oct. 22, 1987 at Cleveland. Survivors are his wife, Sophia of Cleveland, ND; daughters Mrs. Ernie (Corinne) Johnson of Breckenridge, MN and Mrs. Ed (Charlotte) Van Eperen of Lincoln, NE; sons Jerome and Arnold of Lincoln, NE, and John R. of Cleburne, TX; sisters, Leah Lang and Mrs. Al (Kathryn) Bay of Moscow, ID; 10 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

LONG, Grace Peterson, was born July 28, 1895, Sedan, KS and died July 31, Lusk, WY. She is survived by 2 sons: Dean Long, of Buffalo, WY and Frank Long, of Douglas, WY; 1 daughter, Fern Lewis, of

Lusk, WY; 7 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren; and 1 great-great-granddaughter.

MCDONALD, Shirley, was born June 25, 1923 at St. Louis, MO, and passed away Sept. 10, 1987 at St. Louis. She was a member of the St. Louis Central church. Survivors are her husband, Lee A. McDonald of Vandalia, MO; daughter, Georgia K. McDonald, New Orleans, LA; sons, Gary Lane Kloppner, Redding Beach, FL, and Lee A. McDonald, Jr. of St. Louis, MO.

STEFFEN, Alfred A., born Aug. 20, 1897 in Fergus Falls, MN, died Sept. 28, 1987 in Detroit Lakes. On June 26, 1920 he married Hazel Christenson in Moorehead. He is survived by his wife; a son, Wayne of Fargo; a daughter, Phyllis Manselle of Detroit Lakes; 2 brothers and 4 sisters; 6 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

THOMAS, Mabel M., born May 10, 1903, was laid to rest Oct. 6, 1987. She was a member of the Omaha Memorial church. Survivors include a daughter, Shirley Armstrong, 4 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren.

TRUAX, Frank, born Feb. 1, 1899 in Douglas County, MN, died Sept. 8, 1987 in Roseville, MN. On Nov. 17, 1920 he married Nettie Charlotte Russell and they raised 8 children who all survive him. The sons are Melvin of Moberg, SD; Maurice of La Grande, OR; Oliver of Deer Creek, MN, and Allen of Lincoln, NE. The daughters are Charlotte (Mrs. Henry) Mickelson or Alexandria, MN; Laura (Mrs. Burdette) Barnhardt of Escondido, CA; Loma (Mrs. Myron) Snell of Hugo, MN; and Norma (Mrs. Norman) Snell of White Bear Lake, MN. He is also survived by 28 grandchildren, 54 great-grandchildren, 5 great-great-grandchildren, a sister, Islea Farber, and a brother, Alvin Truax.

Weddings

Preston - McAfee

Julie Kay Preston and Robert Dale McAfee were united in marriage on July 26, 1987 by Elder Ward A. Scriven, uncle of the bride. Elder Henry E. Preston, grandfather of the bride, assisted in the

ceremony. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Preston of Arvada, CO and a graduate of Union College. The groom is the son of Mrs. Diane Jones of Des Moines, IA and Mr. Robert McAfee of Ankeny, IA, and is completing his degree in Bio-Med at Kettering College of Medical Arts, Kettering, OH.

Parks - Jensen

Donita Parks and Daniel Jensen were united in marriage August 16, 1987 in Madison, TN and left the following day for Korea where they will serve as student missionaries for one year. Donita just graduated from Southern College with a degree in nursing and Dan completed his junior year there with a major in accounting. Both will be teaching English and Bible to adult Koreans. Daniel is the son of Vern and Arlene Jensen of St. Paul, MN. Donita, who grew up in Africa, is the daughter of Elder and Mrs. Parks. Elder Parks serves as president of the Maritime Provinces Conference in New Brunswick, Canada.

Jarnes - Cothran

Carolyn Jean (Jeanie) Jarnes and Randall Cothran, Jr. were united in marriage August 2 at the Anoka, MN SDA Church. The wedding homily was presented by the bride's uncle and aunt, Dr. and Mrs. Delmer Holbrook, and the charge was made and vows given by the bride's father. Parents of the bride are Elder and Mrs. Haakon Jarnes of Anoka and parents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Randall Cothran of Gentry, AK. The couple are living at Ozark Adventist Academy in Gentry where Ron is the boys' dean. Jeanie is employed as an R.N. in a nearby hospital.

Notices

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	Dec. 4	Dec. 11	Dec. 18	Dec. 25	Jan. 1
Denver, CO	4:36	4:36	4:37	4:41	4:46
Grand Junc., CO	4:51	4:52	4:53	4:57	5:02
Pueblo, CO	4:38	4:38	4:40	4:43	4:48
Cedar Rapids, IA	4:36	4:35	4:37	4:40	4:46
Davenport, IA	4:33	4:32	4:34	4:38	4:43
Des Moines, IA	4:45	4:44	4:46	4:50	4:55
Sioux City, IA	4:53	4:53	4:54	4:58	5:03
Dodge City, KS	5:21	5:21	5:23	5:27	5:32
Goodland, KS	4:23	4:23	4:25	4:29	4:34
Topeka, KS	5:00	5:00	5:02	5:05	5:11
Wichita, KS	5:11	5:11	5:13	5:17	5:22
Duluth, MN	4:21	4:20	4:21	4:25	4:31
Internl. Falls, MN	4:19	4:18	4:19	4:23	4:29
Minneapolis, MN	4:32	4:32	4:33	4:37	4:42
Rochester, MN	4:32	4:32	4:34	4:37	4:42
Columbia, MO	4:47	4:47	4:49	4:53	4:58
Kansas City, MO	4:56	4:56	4:58	5:01	5:06
Springfield, MO	4:56	4:56	4:58	5:02	5:07
St. Louis, MO	4:39	4:40	4:42	4:45	4:50
Grand Island, NE	5:05	5:05	5:07	5:10	5:16
Lincoln, NE	4:59	4:59	5:01	5:04	5:10
North Platte, NE	5:14	5:14	5:16	5:19	5:25
Omaha, NE	4:55	4:54	4:56	5:00	5:05
Scottsbluff, NE	4:24	4:23	4:25	4:29	4:34
Bismarck, ND	4:56	4:55	4:56	5:00	5:05
Fargo, ND	4:39	4:38	4:40	4:43	4:49
Williston, ND	5:02	5:01	5:02	5:05	5:11
Pierre, SD	5:03	5:02	5:03	5:07	5:13
Rapid City, SD	4:15	4:14	4:16	4:19	4:25
Sioux Falls, SD	4:51	4:50	4:52	4:55	5:01
Casper, WY	4:32	4:31	4:33	4:37	4:42
Cheyenne, WY	4:31	4:31	4:32	4:36	4:41
Sheridan, WY	4:28	4:27	4:29	4:32	4:38

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