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"I am the resurrection and the life; he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live . . . " John 11:25



Righteousness By Faith Is A Relationship

"For when we were still helpless, Christ died for the wicked at the time that God chose. It is a difficult thing for someone to die for a righteous person. It may even be that someone might dare to die for a good person. But God has shown us how much He loves us—it was while we were still sinners that Christ died for us! By His death we are now put right with God; how much more, then, will we be saved by Him from God's anger! *We were God's enemies, but He made us His friends through the death of His Son.* Now that we are God's friends, how much more will we be saved by Christ's life! But that is not all; we rejoice because of what God has done through our Lord Jesus Christ, who has now made us God's friends." (Romans 5:6-11, *Today's English Version*)

"God's friends" rather than enemies! What a beautiful thought! A friend of God. You and I are invited to be a friend of God! We, if we choose, can join the illustrious company of Abraham whom the Bible says was the friend of God. Notice the words of James 2:23, "And the Scripture was fulfilled which saith, Abraham believed God, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness; and he was called the Friend of God." (KJV). Being a friend of God is what righteousness by faith is all about.

A little over two years ago I came face to

face with the practical side of the theological issue of righteousness by faith. I was in an intensive care unit dying of a rare blood disease.

There had been no warning except some tiredness. But all of a sudden I had been quickly taken to the emergency room of Huguley Hospital, diagnosed first as having hepatitis. Later they realized they didn't know what I had. They only knew that it was deadly.

Flat on your back with all kinds of tubes in you, having been anointed, you begin to realize what's of value and what's superficial. At that crucial time in my life, the most important thing was a relationship—a relationship with a personal Friend, Jesus Christ. I have never felt Him any closer than at that time. I sensed His loving presence, His calming assurance that He would see me through this crisis. He would take care of my family. To me this is the essence of righteousness by faith.

At a time when all the externals are stripped, when you have to trust beyond what the eye can see and humanity can grasp, you come face to face with righteousness by faith. He is able to lead me through the shadow of the valley of death. He is able to deliver me from an unseen enemy that is destroying the very life-producing cells of my body. He is able to comfort when all hope is gone. He is able—when no one else is.

Righteousness by faith. A relationship—day to day with a personal Friend named Jesus Christ. What a friend we have in Jesus!

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April: While he was principal of Campion Academy, Richard Duerksen and his family waited for an Easter Lily to bloom and for a Tiger Swallowtail Butterfly to emerge from its cocoon. Both events took place close together and they let the Swallowtail dry its wings on the lily. Duerksen is now vice president for enrollment services at Pacific Union College.

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“Winning Back the Church: II. The Liberals”

BY ALDEN THOMPSON

In the last issue of the *Outlook* we talked to the conservatives. Now it's the liberals' turn. But first some hasty generalizations.

As far as the church is concerned, conservatives have the reputation of being more bombastic than liberals. They contend for the faith. And if they leave, they go out with a bang.

By contrast—with exceptions, to be sure—liberals struggle along more quietly, finally slipping away into the dark night. Later, the church wakes up and suddenly remembers, “Whatever happened to . . . ?” But they are already gone.

Right here, however, we should clarify what we mean by “Adventist liberal,” certainly a contradiction in terms in the broader religious world. A typical sociologist, for example, would see any Adventist willing to carry the name as hopelessly conservative. After all, Adventists believe in a God who hears and answers prayers. We believe that God became man and lived among us, that He has spoken to us through prophets and apostles, and that He is coming again. Outside the church—at a typical state university, for example—all that marks us as thorough-going conservatives, regardless of how we label each other inside.

Under that very conservative umbrella, however, some differences between Adventist liberals and conservatives are worth noting. A liberal, for example, finds the creation at least as interesting as the Creator, much prefers a probing question to a revealed answer, and is tempted to spend more time with human beings than with God.

So if you consider yourself an Adventist of liberal stripe—not wild, just liberal—concerned about the shallowness of the church's preaching and writing, alienated because you have ventured thoughtful questions when the saints wanted clear-cut answers, and feeling condemned because your love of beauty stands in a certain tension over against the church's call for simplicity, sacrifice, and practicality, then this piece is for you. Read on. These are issues for an Adventist liberal.

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Issues for the Liberal

1. Intellect, curiosity, a love of beauty and excellence. If you're hungry for a thought-provoking sermon, and the church seems austere, without aesthetic qualities, don't give up. The church needs you more than ever right now, both because you recognize its weakness, and because you have the sensitivity to help bring it to maturity.

The world is populated by mostly average folks. So is the church. That spells a lonely life for exceptional people. They are seeking answers to questions most have never asked, and conversation partners are rare.

If you are one of the lonely bright ones, you need to know that there are others like you in the church. Somehow you need to find each other. And together you need to help us shape a believing community for all the people. When guided by the Spirit, the depth of your insight and your insatiable curiosity can bless the household of faith.

And then there is your love of beauty and excellence. Adventism's Puritan heritage has woven a thread of intense practicality into our souls. Aesthetics are easily ignored. Recently I overheard someone remark that if it were left to Adventists, there would be no museums and no art galleries anywhere in the world.

Sensitive and creative people with God-given talents for enriching the world are burdened with a sense of guilt because they have been taught—or at least given the distinct impression—that time spent on art is time wasted.

Adventism was born with an urgent message: the Lord is coming soon! That urgency tended to cheat us out of aesthetics and to overshadow the kind of deep piety which inspired godly craftsmen to beautify both the wilderness sanctuary and Solomon's temple. During medieval times, artisans were believers who dedicated their lives to building and adorning cathedrals in honor of their God. We haven't done much of that.

You can begin to reach us about the beautiful. In this bitter world, we have attempted to maintain our sanity by looking to the future. And we must cherish that hope. But we also live in God's creation now. If He has granted you the gift of sensing the beauty in creation, accept His gift and use it to bless His world. You can help us catch glimpses of God's goodness, even in the midst of chaos.

Cry For Help

2. Patience. This is a hard one. When your outstretched gift finds no receptive hand, and your cry for help no listening ear, you would be excused for looking elsewhere. Because we have so far to go, the church will often appear barren and austere. But it needs your talents.

Pray that you might find in the church the receptive hand and the listening ear. And pray that the Lord of Creation will grant you patience to endure both the average and the mediocre while the church struggles to appreciate your gifts.

You will also need patience to understand those who are so overwhelmed by the divine presence that they obey without questioning. You may feel that you can challenge God, like Abraham or Moses. Don't neglect that previous right—just remember that others simply melt in His presence.

Ponder, for example, what it means when the whole church stands for the benediction, but in the middle of all the standing saints, one family kneels out of deep reverence for God. Pray for patience to understand the intensity of that devotion.

Sacrificial Giving

3. Gifts. In recent months I've heard educators discuss the demise of philanthropy in American culture. The younger set of wealthy industrialists and businesspeople are not nearly so inclined to give their money to worthy causes as their predecessors have been. Is the church afflicted by the same disease? You may need to ponder 1 Corinthians 16:1-2 and decide what it means to give as God has prospered you. Or, if you really want a sobering thought, consider what “sacrificial giving” might mean.

Conservative causes prosper because conservatives are gripped by their convictions and give accordingly. The church would be healthier and more vibrant if liberals would do the same. Our schools, in particular, could do exciting things if they really enjoyed the wholehearted support of the church. Think about it. Then do something about it.

4. Worship. Liberals tend to be better at probing and exploring than they are at worshipping. And by worship, I don't mean just sitting in church. I'm thinking of an attitude toward God, an attitude of submission and acceptance.

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Minneapolis Junior Academy teacher Donna Cox poses with four of her "chiming" students. Each of her 15 students plays the chimes. Donna's students raised the money for the chimes through a fun festival and auction.

Maplewood Academy and Union College.

"Everyone thought I should be a nurse," Donna says, "and I took the nursing course for two years but I didn't like it!" Between her sophomore and junior year at Union, the educational superintendent in Minnesota asked her to come teach the eight-grade school in Maple Plain. Donna had decided to change her major to education, but she hadn't as yet taken any education courses. After a lot of persuasion, she decided to give teaching a try and she loved it. After teaching the year in Maple Plain, she went back to Union, graduated in 1965 and then she returned to Maple Plain to teach for two more years. Donna took a vacation from full-time teaching to raise her family (she and her husband, Charles, have three children). For several years she did substitute teaching at MJA, and then resumed full-time teaching first at Maple Plain again and then in 1977 at MJA where she has taught ever since.

Donna is pleased with the "Bible Lab" concept in Adventist education, but says that she and her students have always done this type of thing. At least once a month she takes her students somewhere to witness and share. Before the days of the hand chimes, they would sing, make cards and banners, bake cookies, et cetera. Now they add the chime concerts to their activities.

All witnessing activities and outings are woven into the school day's activities. The class will often play a few songs on the

The Chimes That Charm

BY BARBARA HUFF

Teachers of multigrade rooms in Adventist schools usually have to wear many hats and for Donna Cox of Minneapolis Junior Academy (MJA), those hats include a chauffeur's hat as well as a clown's! And on the serious side, she wears the hats of friend, musician and role model. Last school year, Donna's third and fourth grade class put on a fund raiser in the form of a fun festival and auction and raised \$1,400 to purchase a three-octave set of Suzuki Hand Chimes. Donna hosted the affair wearing a clown suit and now she drives the 15 students in the school's minibus to nursing homes and hospitals so the children can witness and bring cheer to shut-ins as they sing and play their chimes.

Each of her 15 students plays the chimes although many of them cannot read music.

Barbara Huff is the Outlook correspondent for the Minnesota Conference.

The children who are more proficient in music are given more notes to play, but each chime is melodious in itself and she says that an occasional mistake isn't noticed. Donna highlights their notes on their music and the children carefully count, many of them tapping their foot as the music progresses. All of them concentrate intently. "They love to perform," Donna says.

Why did she choose hand chimes? "They are a wonderful teaching aid," says Donna. Hand chimes were recommended to her for elementary students because they are very durable and very portable. There isn't as much care involved with hand chimes as there would be with hand bells or other instruments.

Donna Nielson Cox was born in Spicer, Minnesota, and her aunt, the late Oleana Houston of Albert Lea, Minnesota, encouraged Donna in her Christian experience and supported her emotionally as well as financially as she went to

chimes for morning worship instead of singing. They might make tray favors for shut-ins during their art class and then perhaps make cards during a Bible class. At the end of the day, or any time she feels the kids need a change of pace, they might play a song or two on the chimes. She says the students are always eagerly anticipating what's coming next.

In early December last year, Donna brought her class to the Minnesota Conference office because she wanted the children to see what the church's headquarters was all about. They gave a concert for the employee's worship and then were given a tour of the office. After the tour, they loaded into their bus again and Donna drove them to a nursing home. After playing a number of Christmas songs on their chimes, the children mingled comfortably with the residents. It was obvious that they felt at home with these elderly people as they touched them and

talked with them. Then the children moved on to other floors in the nursing home for the highlight of this particular day was the visit they were going to make to five strangers. Previously Donna had asked the nurses to choose patients for them who didn't get visitors and who wouldn't be having a special Christmas. She found out specifics about the people so the students could buy meaningful gifts for them. These people became the children's Christmas project, and this was the day the kids would meet them, bring them gifts and wish them a Merry Christmas. The youngsters filed into each room, stood around the bed and asked the surprised patients what their favorite Christmas songs were. Then they sang that song for the residents and gave them their gifts. The oldsters were flabbergasted. The children reluctantly left each room and then eagerly approached the next, radiant with the joy that comes from ministering to others.

Donna Cox attributed her Christian experience first of all to her beloved Aunt Oleana who encouraged her and sent her to Adventist schools, and then to her teachers and associates at the Adventist school. And now she is passing the torch. The mother of one of Donna's students says that to be with Donna is exciting. She says that it is an honor to have her daughter, Jenny, in

Donna's classroom. "Many adults have never experienced the joy of service that these little kids have experienced," she says. This mother also went on to explain the amazement of watching rough and tumble boys on the playground one day and then the next day seeing the same boys in a nursing home take a frail little hand in theirs and ask, "How are you today?" She says that although the children are working as a group, Donna makes them each feel special as individuals. She says that Donna explains to the children that although some of the old people may not seem to know what is going on, God can still work through them to bring some joy to these people.

Recently, during a Week of Prayer at MJA, the students were asked to think about and then write about what they wanted to be when they were older. Jenny came home thoughtful and told her mom about the project. She told her mother that what she really wanted to be when she grew up was just like Mrs. Cox. Probing further the mother asked her why that was. Jenny replied, "She makes learning fun and she helps us to share Christ with the old people. She makes me feel important and special."

What more reward could a church school teacher ask for?



Donna Cox shows Rebecca Swanson and Erik Grimm a Bible memory verse device.



Donna Cox's students frequently visit hospitals and nursing homes to bring cheer to bedridden patients. Cox has a special talent for weaving witnessing activities and outings into the school day.



Thoughts At A Schoolhouse Door

BY GEORGE H. AKERS

It was an unassuming little one-room school. It could have passed as a sod house frontier restoration, so modest and un presupposing it was, snuggled back against the woods. I wondered, as I made my way to the simple front door, what would await me on this unannounced, supervisory visit. Would the shy little slip of a girl, who so recently finished college with a provisional teaching certificate, have the personal dominance to ground all these live wires? And then I saw it—a dog-eared 3 x 5 file card tucked under the corner of the crossbar of the screen door, printed out in bold letters: “To all who pass by, or venture within: take off the shoes from off thy feet, friend, for the ground whereon thou walkest is **holy ground**; for *this* is a school.” My eye followed down a little postscript, scribbled at the bottom in small letters within parentheses: (“Caution. Handle with care. People growing here!”).

George H. Akers, director of education, General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

As my hand lingered on the doorknob, I reminded myself that the annual test scores from homey, unpretentious little one- and two-room schools like this one (which represent about 80 percent of our NAD elementary system) speak for themselves and baffle the experts with their results. The Adventist system’s track record on this front is well known by now. Yes, I chuckled quietly, small *is* beautiful, and can be mighty powerful also. It’s just beginning to dawn on the theoretical architects of the huge consolidated learning factories, that in their rush for impressive school plants and lock-step institutionalized processes, they lost the educational Pearl of Great Price—“educational intimacy”—along the way. They seem to have forgotten that children learn best in a small “family” educational support group, under a benevolent surrogate “parent.” This is what the small Christian school specializes in—familial caring and sharing, and a pervasive call for excellence in all that is undertaken in the school, with a special emphasis on the excellence of personal integrity.

So I pushed on through the door, thinking: “Christian love, character building, and selfless service are the great principles that organize and focus all the learning activities of a Christian school—but will I find them in operation *here*?” There was no vestibule, so I walked into the class and found myself right in the middle of the action. And oh, what action it was! I saw:

- The children and their teacher in Bible class grappling with some of the knottiest theological dilemmas that would ever challenge their minds throughout life (and eternity!). They sensed together that the character of God is the basic issue of the Great Controversy, and they plumbed to the depths the question, “What is God like?” I wish every parent in our church could have been privy to that class discussion!

- A short, tough quiz on history, with some high-level conceptual questions that required the students to deal with the Why? of the facts and issues at hand, seek to find God at work in human affairs, and make some personal value judgments.

- I watched the teacher having a heart-to-heart talk with one of the older girls, apparently over some little unresolved discipline problem. I saw some tears, on both faces, and two generations on their knees together as they sought the God of All Comfort—and I saw the radiant countenances that emerged. I witnessed the difference between mere punishment and Christ-centered *redemptive* discipline.

- Older, gifted students coached and drilled younger, struggling students in their match, with both learning a great deal, in different ways. Yes, I thought, cooperation is so much superior to competition. These kids are learning compassion and selfless service to one another, right here in the classroom. They are receiving planned and meaningful practice in family life as they serve in the family of Christ.

- Students carried out their assigned “jobs” for the month, learning faithfulness and accountability. So natural, so uncontrived, but so educationally *intentional*.

- An old-fashioned spelling bee, with a lot of laughter and learning.

I slipped out quietly before the final period, pausing once again at the schoolhouse door, and offered up a whispered prayer: “Dear Lord, when the special offerings are taken for Christian education*, I hope our people will be liberal. What I witnessed here today is an indispensable part of the legacy and birthright You planned for all the lambs of the flock. I know You want none of these deserving ones denied. Please help our people see what a blessing our schools are to our Christian families, and what a privilege it is to give heartily to this evangelism within the church, to help make Christian education accessible to *all* our children who desire it. Amen.” ★

*Note: Sabbath, April 23, is the special Education Day offering.

She's a hardworking, practical little lady with big dreams. She runs the community service center, organizes community outreach programs such as cooking schools and stop-smoking clinics, and in general seems to have at least one finger in just about everything the church does. Her name is Helen Gussner, and her work is centered in Mandan, North Dakota.

There wasn't always a church or a community service center in Mandan, and that's where Helen fits into the picture. She and her husband, Otto, along with other church members who lived in Mandan, were attending church in Bismarck a few miles away. However, they felt like they needed to do more work in Mandan—needed to get more involved with the community they lived in—and decided that the best way was “to be there”, to have a church of their own in the town. The Bismarck church at the time boasted over 400 members, and it seemed to be a good time to act.

So, in the summer of 1977, a group of people met in a park in Mandan and drew up a committee to look into starting a church there. By September of that year, they had called another meeting to find out about renting a church. Their first choice was the Episcopal church, as it seemed to meet their need best. They rented it. On September 10, 1977 their dream of a Seventh-day Adventist Church in Mandan became a reality; on that day they held services in Mandan for the first time. On October 25 there was a special program with conference officials making the Mandan church an official organization.

Helen was treasurer and clerk for the new congregation, and one of the 52 charter members. On July 1, 1978 Helen was given the office of community service leader. Three days later a tornado struck in Elgin, 80 miles away. Helen and several others responded to the disaster, providing clothing, bedding, and other goods to the stricken people. As a result of this experience, Helen felt the need to have a more active community service, an actual building to use as a center, so the church began looking for a suitable place. They found one—the basement of a building on Main Street. The rent was right, the size met their needs, plus it had a little room in which to hold community outreach programs.

They opened their doors on May 15, 1979, and another of Helen's dreams was realized.

Since that time, the community service center has been very active and growing. Last year, for example, nearly 1,200 individuals received help from the center, over 8,750 articles of clothing were given away, as well as over \$680 worth of food, bedding and travel aid. That's not counting,

Bonnie Maracle, communication secretary, Mandan, North Dakota.



Mandan church community service leader Helen Gussner (left) poses with her assistants, Esther Walker, Joyce Schaffer and Ruby Bruington.

A Little Lady With Big Dreams

BY BONNIE MARACLE

of course, miscellaneous items and literature given away, and blood pressures taken.

Helen has three helpers at the center: Ruby Bruington, Joyce Schaffer, who joined the Seventh-day Adventist Church in February, 1987, and Esther Walker, who is a Lutheran. Together they have had a very positive, strong influence in the surrounding area. Ben Dove, a Presbyterian minister, has this to say about Helen:

“Helen is one of the most caring and practical Christians I've ever known. She gave me a whole new view of her denomination when I worked with her to settle a refugee family. She has a cheerful face, and it's a joy to work with her. She lives her faith in Christ.”

Helen Gussner, one of six children, was born in Bismarck, North Dakota, and raised in McKenzie and Baldwin. Growing up on a farm, she learned early how to work hard. Her parents taught her honesty, kindness, unselfishness, getting along with others, and love—both for God and for other people. As she moved into her teens, she wanted very much to go to academy, but it seemed that circumstances would prevent fulfillment of that dream. In the spring of the year her mother had to have surgery. Then in June, her mother fell and broke her leg, a situation made worse by the fact that she was pregnant at the time. Thankfully, they had a good crop growing which would be needed to help pay the medical and school bills. Then the hail

wiped out the crop!

At that time, Helen's father portrayed a strength and courage that have influenced her to this day. Surveying the ruin and the hail lying everywhere, realizing that harder times were ahead, he was still able to say, “Let's get out the ice-cream freezer,” and they made good use of some of that ice. She learned courage, perseverance and hard work from her parents, and all have been evident in her work with the church and the community service center.

Helen finally did get to go to the academy. She went on after that and took up nursing, devoting 20 years of her life to that profession. Much of her work was done in Bismarck, both in a hospital, and as a private duty nurse. She's retired from nursing now, but she hasn't slowed down. Up until the beginning of 1986 Helen was still the church treasurer. Since then she has been the assistant treasurer, as well as Sabbath School pianist, and whatever else her “hand finds to do.”

Yes, she does have yet another dream—a new community service center. They have outgrown the basement room they've been using. The overcrowding makes it difficult to respond adequately to the needs of the community. Helen's dream now is for a building large enough to house their expanded inventory, as well as provide rooms large enough to accommodate cooking schools, Breathe-Free Plans, and other outreach programs. ★



Pastor Greg Vargas (left) and Andy Oimei (right) are dressed in their Taekwondo workout clothes. Pastor Vargas's classes in Taekwondo were instrumental in leading Andy back to church.

Martial Art Marshalls Peaceful Participants For Lincoln Pastor

BY PHILIP MARINO

One of the many contributions of Pastor Greg Vargas to the Capitol View Seventh-day Adventist Church in Lincoln, Nebraska has been the Taekwondo classes which he started with six students in his basement. It was a chance for young people, both in and out of the church, to gain proficiency in Taekwondo; to get a good work out, to study God's Word, using the "Morning Watch," and to have prayer together.

Now the class meets on Sunday mornings at 8:00 at the Plainsman Center at 48th & Huntington Streets in Lincoln. The basic instruction is still the same and interest is growing. There are at least nine students who attend regularly. Bernice and Andy Oimei, two participants, agreed: "The classes help to bring families together since all of the members can participate including the children provided they are at least five years old."

After stretching to loosen their muscles, the participants practice and review

techniques of defense or holds or basic moves required to achieve various levels or belts. Then the participants continue practicing their techniques or exercise to strengthen their bodies. The classes close with worship which includes a reading from the "Morning Watch,"—a devotional book—and prayer. Each session lasts two hours.

Taekwondo or Tae Kwon Do comes from three Korean words meaning hands and feet or the way of hands and feet. Pastor Vargas adds that the self-defense techniques he uses come from many disciplines such as Wrestling, Aikido, Judo, et cetera.

"Martial arts and Christianity are both attacked by outsiders, who know nothing or very little about either," declared Pastor Vargas. "A Christian who is living in accordance with Bible teachings will not criticize it (Christianity), but a person who does not want to be a real Christian and does not want to be self-disciplined and subject to Christ, will find fault with Christianity. A true Martial artist understands that he is to build a more

peaceful world and to regard all humanity with respect. Through the use of Martial arts, a person can become a better Christian, Buddhist, Jew, or whatever his faith may be. A person can also become a better husband, a better wife, a better son or daughter." Vargas says there are people in Christianity who bring a bad name to the word Christian because they are bad to live with and argumentative. They are poor losers, always wanting to win and they are never happy if they cannot have their own way. There are Christians, who bring a bad name to Christianity because they disobey the laws of the land. There are Martial artists who smoke, drink and/or use drugs, but still claim to be true Martial artists. The true Martial artist, however, will never do anything to harm his body, his mind, or his relationship to God or his fellow men. A bad Martial artist will bring a bad name to Martial arts just like a bad Christian can bring a bad name to Christianity.

In response to Matthew 5:38-41 where Jesus declared, "But I say unto you do not resist one who is evil. But, if anyone strikes you on the right cheek, turn to him the other also, and if anyone would sue you and take your coat, let him have your cloak as well: if anyone forces you to go one mile, go with him two miles." Pastor Vargas suggested that this passage refers to



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those who were being thus treated for righteousness sake or because of their belief in Christ. He cited the example of losing his job because of the Sabbath and stated that he did not go to court about it although he could have. On the other hand, Vargas pointed out that Abraham rescued Lot and noted that in *Patriarchs and Prophets*, Mrs. White suggested that if Abraham had not defended Lot, he would not have had the respect of those around him.

Speaking of Taekwondo's success as an outreach to young people, Pastor Vargas referred to the experience of a California pastor who was able to reach 21 members of a street gang through Taekwondo. Several of them were led to Christ and were baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Andy Oimei, one of the ranking students in Pastor Vargas's class, told how Taekwondo was used to turn his life around.

After leaving Union College in 1978, Andy began to drift away from church. He was homesick and missed association of other young people. So he began to look for companionship wherever he could find it. While he was out enjoying himself, his church attendance became less frequent.

Ten years later, as his children were growing, he felt very insecure and struggled

for a long time with the thought that maybe he should change his lifestyle. Meanwhile, his wife, Bernice and her parents were praying for him that he would come back to church.

In January 1987, Pastor Vargas invited Andy to work out with him in his basement on Sunday mornings. At first, only Andy and his son Jed went to the class. It was hard for Andy to come regularly, but Jed kept insisting that they attend class. As he continued to come, he noticed the love and respect the people had for each other, the courtesy, the perseverance, the self-control, and the indomitable spirit they were developing and the way they had prayer and worship together. Andy realized that these were things God wanted him to have in his life too. He felt as if he had been sick, and now through Taekwondo he was "picking up the pieces" of his life and "healing up the wounds." Soon his whole family started coming to the workouts and soon came back to church as well.

In response to the question, can Taekwondo become a religion in itself for him, Andy Oimei says no because, "The instruction is centered on God, and not on self or power or other kinds of meditation found in other kinds of instruction." He notices the pastor asks for strength, a

blessing upon their efforts for the day, and the ability and wisdom to keep them from using this to hurt others or each other. Also, everything that is taught is of practical value, not just to display power or for show. In any case, both Andy and Bernice agree: "Taekwondo can never take the place of God in our lives." Andy prays that he will be able to use Taekwondo to help others who may be traveling down the same path he once did and that his children will continue to learn to keep their bodies and minds fit through proper exercise and proper eating habits so that they can think clearly and be a blessing to others as they grow older.

Pastor Vargas says, "Taekwondo strengthens the body, teaches control and love of the Lord, and builds a more peaceful world. If you know how to defend yourself, you can protect yourself without you or anyone else getting hurt and by preventing more violence. The knowledge of knowing how to defend yourself provides the individual with self-confidence.

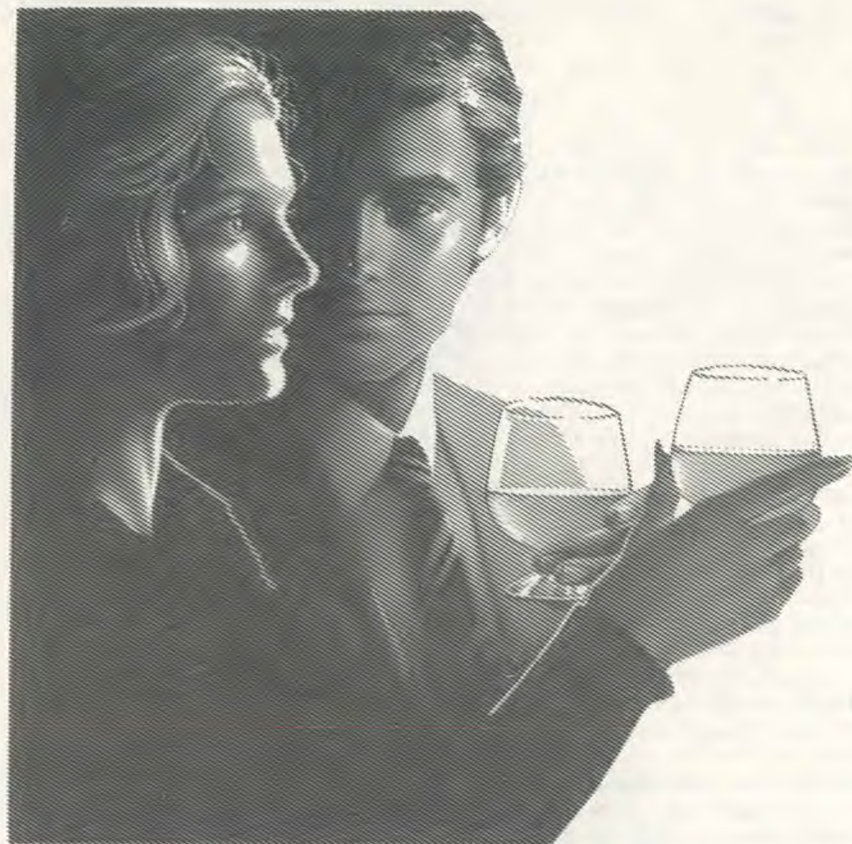
Taekwondo also teaches courtesy, integrity, perseverance, self control, and an indomitable spirit—all of which are needed for a Christian life."

A person who is trying to mug you, Pastor Vargas notes, is probably scared and does not know how to handle a knife properly. Therefore, if you know the proper techniques, you don't need to be afraid of a knife-wielding assailant. He does advise, that it is wise to allow the mugger to take your money rather than to risk your life for it, though! ★

Andy Oimei demonstrates Chung-gun, a Taekwondo move needed for a high blue belt.



**"Blessed are the
peacemakers: for
they shall be
called the children
of God."
Matthew 5:9**



he has never gotten creative. All he does is look at what God does and he does the opposite. Just like that. Automatically. God is love, so the devil has a kingdom of hatred. God is freeing so the devil is captivating. God brings fulfillment, the devil offers emptiness. The problem is it all sounds the same to our ears. Because we have those ambiguous hearts now, called sinful hearts. So what the devil offers us and what God offers us sound almost identical except for one thing—the devil is a liar and we don't know that. Isaiah 14 says Lucifer wanted to become God because it was the only way he could ensure that he was going to be the highest created being in the universe and prevent us from rising higher than the angels which believe it or not is what God originally intended. (See Hebrews 2:7 and *Education*, page 20.) It was absurd to think that a creation could become god. But sin distorts the mind. The devil is seeking to somehow destroy the creative ability in us so that for eternity we are less than what God had envisioned us. There are a lot of ways the devil does that. But the way we are going to look at now is through the power of addiction.

The Definition of Addiction

Now the definition of addiction is someone totally given over to a particular

A Little Wine Is Good?

BY BOB BRETSCHE

On the third day of creation, God placed two special trees in the Garden of Eden. In their respective places He placed the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. The tree of life God placed there as the sustainer of eternal life so that whoever ate of that fruit could live and live in the presence of His love for eternity never having to ever deal with the issues of separation, pain and death that we are so frequently acquainted with. He placed the tree of the knowledge of good and evil in its respective place to give Adam and Eve the power of choice. You see love cannot be coerced. You cannot create someone and say now you are forced to love me. You can never force love upon someone else and say because I love you so

much, you must love me in return. And so God placed that tree of the knowledge of good and evil in the garden so that if Adam and Eve someday at some point, would choose not to love Him they would have that opportunity. God's whole purpose in life in the universe is to give His creation the opportunity to be free in His love. To expand themselves and to live throughout the ceaseless ages of eternity in an environment where they are free to choose and to do whatever their heart desires. And as He created this form on this earth, that very essence of His character, freedom, was manifest in how He created that garden that week, as he planted that tree of life, and as He planted that tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

But along comes the devil. The devil is so predictable. He is the most unoriginal creation in the universe it seems. Somehow

purpose or practice or habit. Addiction can be something that you are hooked on—clothes or cars or eating, or even an attitude. It can also be drugs and alcohol.

I invite you to open your scriptures to Proverbs 23, because we find here a man who expresses his concerns to his son, giving him wisdom to fight his way through the morass of voices in a very sick and sinful world. He talks to him about addiction of drugs, specifically the drug of alcohol. It begins at verse 29. Verse 29 is the sounding board of a person who has just come off a party of the night before. Maybe it was a big party with a lot of people there. Maybe it was a little party with just a few close friends. Or chances are it may have been a party where he or she was the only one present. Does that ring a bell? Verse 29: "Who has woe and who has sorrows?" The Hebrew puts it this way,

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"Who says oh? and oh no?" Who is holding their head as it is throbbing and saying, "What happened last night anyway? Why did I drink so much?" In the context of pain and agony, who has woe, and who has oh no? It goes on, it says, "Who has strife? Who has complaint? Who has needless bruises? Who has bloodshot eyes?" It is the sound of someone whose head is splitting, whose mouth feels weird, and wonders why in the world they were such an idiot the night before. The context of woe and oh no is the context of strife. Somehow, the person who is occupied with an alcoholic or is an alcoholic or of the family of one who is an alcoholic, understands what it is like to have strife. It can be physical strife. It can be plain meanness. It can be beatings. It can be bruises. It can be sexual abuse. It can be all kinds of strife associated with that alcoholic problem. Or it can be psychological strife, the verbal tearing down of those around. The absolute ripping apart of any value of self-worth, so those around are only hearing negative things, only hearing ideas and concepts that seem to degrade them beyond what is even humanly possible.

It says, "Who has complaints?" The Hebrew word there is despair, depression. Where they look ahead and they only see the black abyss. Who has needless bruises, unnecessary hurts, silent tears, incredible fears, and sense of helplessness, deeply longing for a simpler day. Only those people who have lived with an alcoholic know about those needless hurts. No one can share the agony like the person who lives in the dimension of someone that they desperately love going down and down and down because of the addiction.

Solomon's Experiment

In Ecclesiastes 2, Solomon, who had all the time and money to experiment with anything he wanted to do, experimented with drugs and alcohol. In verse 3, he said, "I tried cheering myself with wine and embracing folly, my mind still guiding me with wisdom." What he was saying here is that intellectually he experimented with the fruits of the vine. He did all kinds of experimentation to see which would work best. What would give the best results. What kinds of results he knew he wanted, he knew exactly what mixture to conjure up. He said maybe this brings fulfillment, maybe this is where meaning to life is. Then in verse 11 he sums it all up. He says, "Yet when I survey all that my hand has done, all I toiled to achieve, everything was meaningless. Chasing after the wind, nothing was gained under the sun." Isn't it interesting that the world out there, who at best Christians tend to think of as amoral and at worst tend to think of as immoral, is saying to its fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth graders, "You guys don't be stupid. Don't take that first drink. Say no to drugs, say no to alcohol." They are telling our kids that

there is sometimes in some people a chemical in the brain that one drink will produce and release throughout the body an opium feeling like you have never experienced before. The only way you get it is to drink more.

And so the world is saying don't do it. But at the same time that the world is saying don't do it, isn't it ironic that Christians are now wanting to take a new look at this thing. They are saying, is it really all that wrong? To take a little wine with a meal? Are we really after self control here and not abstinence? Isn't abstinence simply an acknowledgement that we are really too dumb to really know what we are doing and maybe self control is a higher virtue than abstinence? And didn't Paul say, Listen, a little wine is good for the stomach? So let's go for it here. And all of a sudden now Christians are getting ambiguous on an issue that the world says don't even touch.

An Old Man Dies

I read in the paper yesterday where an old man died alone, 60 years of age. Divorced. Lived in parks and garages and laundromats, wherever he could get a good night's sleep, died of malnutrition, pneumonia, and probably loneliness. Nobody knew when he died or cared. It was him and his bottle. Well, if you think I am using fear tactics to get you into abstinence, you are misreading what I am saying. What I am saying is that it is a fundamental choice—captivity or freedom. And every choice we make takes us down one path or the other. Do you want freedom? Then walk with God. Walk in the light of the robe of His righteousness. You want captivity? Then go for it. Look at the bubbles, drink the bubbles, and enjoy them. But guess what you will have—sorrow, despair, grief and unnecessary hurts, physical pain and trauma, poison and death. The choice is yours. As Christ died on the cross, someone put a sponge up to His lips and in the sponge was the concoction that people had in those days to alleviate the fear of trauma of dying the horrible death on the cross. Jesus who was dying for the whole world, including alcoholics by the way, refused to take that sponge. He died with a clear mind because the issues were too great to be numbed with alcohol.

Paul says the hour has come for us to wake up from our slumber because our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed. (See Romans 13:11-14.) The night is nearly over. The day is almost here. So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light. Let us behave decently as in the daytime. Not in orgies, drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and debauchery, not in dissension, and jealousy. Put all that aside. In verse 14 he says, "How do you do that?" First of all, clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ. Put

on the Lord Jesus Christ. Secondly, make no provision for the flesh. Those of you who live in homes with alcoholics, don't make it easy on the alcoholic. Don't say, "Well, Daddy is always sick." Or, "He doesn't feel well today." Or don't say of teenagers, "Well, listen, this is just a phase. All teenagers go through it and when he gets to be 21 or 22 he'll leave the alcohol behind and go on to be a productive person." Hey, don't buy into that. Don't make it easy. Don't make excuses. Don't protect. Sometimes tough love is the hardest love of all. Don't think that better parenting is going to help. Don't say, "I know my child is into this. Maybe if I'm just more loving and I spend more time and we did more things together, maybe that's the answer." Listen, better parenting is not the answer. That person needs help. That person needs confrontation. That person needs to know that you love them enough to risk their anger to get help for them before it is too late, before they have to crash, before they end up on skid row somewhere. Don't make any provisions for the flesh. Get help, and probably that won't be an Adventist pastor.

God Loves Alcoholics

The second thing it says, "Put on the Lord Jesus Christ." Do you know that God loves the alcoholic on skid row? Do you really know that? Do you know that God loves the alcoholic sitting in this pew right now in this church? And do you know that God loves you, that God loves me identically? And that He will do anything to break us from the hold that the devil has on us? He'll do anything to break us out of that. To put on the Lord Jesus Christ, Romans 6:16 simply says that how you do that is to choose who your leader is going to be. Don't you know that when you offer yourself to someone to obey him as slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, whether you are slaves to sin which leads to death or to obedience which leads to righteousness.

Alcoholic, you want freedom? Put on the Lord Jesus Christ. Choose Him as your Master, not the bottle. Break through. Get help. Go somewhere. Don't crash. Go now!

You see, all of us are people for whom Christ died. So let us love one another. Let us build each other up. Let us support one another. Let us cry with those whose parents are crying right now. Let us share the sorrow and the grief of the wife who is bearing it all alone. Let us understand that God specializes in new beginnings. That God is a specialist in new hearts, and in repairing grief and pain and loss and all the things that come associated with the captivity of Satan whether it is alcohol or a million other things. Let us build each other up, let's support each other, let us love each other till the Lord Jesus comes and gives us that ultimate freedom of living in eternity together. ★



The Dual Human Nature of Jesus

BY MORRIS L. VENDEN

Jesus

Thesis 90

Jesus was like Adam before the fall in that He had a sinless nature—He was not born separated from God. Jesus was like Adam after the fall in physical strength, mental power, and moral worth (backbone).

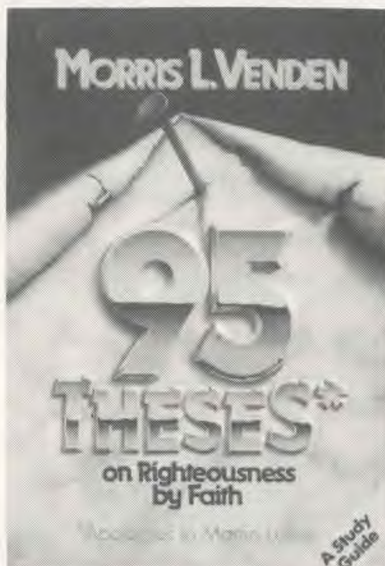
People sometimes ask if Jesus was like Adam before the fall or like Adam after the fall. The answer is Yes!

In order to understand the answer, we have to understand what aspects of Jesus' life we are talking about. We might divide His personality as a human being into four aspects: spiritual nature, physical strength, mental power, and moral worth or backbone.

Jesus was like Adam before the fall in His spiritual nature. "Christ is called the second Adam. In purity and holiness, connected with God and beloved by God, He began where the first Adam began. Willingly He passed over the ground where Adam fell, and redeemed Adam's failure." *S.D.A. Bible Commentary*, volume 7A, page 650.

Christ was completely human, but completely sinless—the only human being since Adam to be able to make such a claim. He could say, unchallenged, at the close of His ministry, "The prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in me." John 14:30. *Selected Messages*, book 1, page 256 says: "We should have no misgivings in regard to the perfect sinlessness of the human nature of Christ." And Ellen G. White Comments, *S.D.A. Bible Commentary*, volume 7, page 912

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says: "He was to take His position at the head of humanity by taking the nature but not the sinfulness of man."

At first glance, you may see a contradiction here, for there is a sense in which Christ took upon Himself our guilt, our sin, and even our sinful nature. Although He took our guilt, He did not become guilty, or He, too, would have needed a Saviour. When He took our sinful nature, it did not make His nature sinful. He took our guilt and sin as our Substitute.

When the angel came to visit Mary with the tidings of the Messiah soon to be born, he said, "The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God." Luke 1:35. Jesus was born differently from the way we were born. None of us could ever be called "that holy thing." Like Adam before the fall, Jesus had man's human nature, with the possibility of yielding to temptation. But since He never yielded to sin, He remained sinless. See *The Desire of Ages*, page 117. Thus He became the second Adam and redeemed us from the failure of the first Adam. See 1 Corinthians 15:21, 22.

But Jesus was also born differently from Adam. In the first place, He was born! Adam was not; Adam was created! But Jesus did not begin with the advantages with which Adam began. "For four thousand years the race had been

decreasing in physical strength, in mental power, and in moral worth; and Christ took upon Him the infirmities of degenerate humanity. Only thus could He rescue man from the lowest depths of his degradation." *The Desire of Ages*, page 117.

So Christ accepted less physical strength than Adam had possessed. He was not as tall as Adam, for the race had been decreasing in size since the time of Creation. He was not as strong as Adam. He got tired and needed rest when Adam probably would not—such as that night on the lake and by the well in Samaria, times when even His disciples were able to keep going.

Christ the human was not as smart as Adam! The wisdom seen in His ministry came from above Him, not from within Him. He did not use His divine "IQ". He depended upon His Father for wisdom and even for His plans for each day.

Neither did Christ have the measure of moral worth that Adam had. What is moral worth? Ellen White, who used the term, did not define it. But moral worth has to do with how much backbone a person has, how much control over his behavior. If Christ had less moral worth than Adam, then He would have been weaker than Adam, less able to resist temptation in His human nature apart from power from above.

What a statement of the love of God, that He was willing to allow His Son to come and take such a risk in our behalf! *The Desire of Ages* tells us that the Father permitted Christ "to meet life's peril in common with every human soul, to fight the battle as every child of humanity must fight it, at the risk of failure and eternal loss." We long to shield our loved ones from Satan's power. But "to meet a bitterer conflict and a more fearful risk, God gave His only begotten Son, that the path of life might be made sure for our little ones. 'Herein is love.' Wonder, O heavens! and be astonished, O earth!" Page 49. ★



Health-Wise

Can Computers Make You Healthier?

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

If I had a child now he would be learning to use a computer. In fact, my grandchildren at age four began to operate a computer. But what do computers have to do with health?

The day will soon be here when a physician without a computer will be considered as negligent as he now is if he doesn't keep up a patient's record.

One physician has developed a recall system for the children in his practice who need immunizations. With the computer he has managed to immunize 96 percent instead of the usual 65 percent.

Another physician expects to reduce the stroke rate in his practice to one-fifth of the national average. He expected to have 26 stroke cases among his patients in three years. He had half that number and expects it to drop even more. He did this by systematically checking up on his patients with high blood pressure. He was able to ensure that his patients were placed on proper medications

and changed when needed.

The computer can now transform a medical practitioner's office from a simple medical shop for the sick into an office for the preservation of patients' health. The doctor will be able to recall all patients needing pap smears. He will be able to identify various high risk groups.

When a doctor interviews a patient, he can store the information on a floppy disk. How does the patient feel about this? People expect doctors to keep up with modern technology. However, in a study in this United Kingdom it was found the physician spent exactly the same amount of time with the patient as he did before, 7.41 minutes. Interaction with the computer took 2.17 minutes. Patients were therefore losing time to the computer. The doctor-initiated questions rose but the time for the patient information decreased. Social chitchat decreased. The human touch seems to decrease as technology increases. Physicians will have to make a conscious effort to avoid this problem.

There are many computerized programs from which patients can receive help to improve their health. The Health Age Appraisal program shows

which health habits you need to improve to increase your life expectancy. There are nutritional profiles which can tell you how much protein, fat, and vitamin C you are getting and what changes will improve your health. There are programs which can identify your stress problems and tell you how to handle them better.

With the great interest in reducing risk of heart attacks, the major killer in the more developed countries, computers are again useful. Nowadays the results of lab tests in coronary risk evaluation programs can be fed into a computer by a secretary. Recommendations based on these tests and the completed questionnaire are printed out to help the patient know what must be done to lower the risk of a heart attack. The computer can tell which foods should be eliminated from the patient's usual diet and what other lifestyle changes should be made.

Computers will never replace doctors. But as diagnostic and educational aids they can motivate us to improve our lifestyle so that sickness may become more of a rarity than it now is.

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WITH DR. KAY KUZMA

Meeting Children's Needs

The best parents are those who meet all of their children's needs by themselves. Do you agree or disagree?

There is a destructive myth floating around the nooks and crannies of our modern day homes which states that parents ought to be able to meet all the needs of their children without any outside help. In fact, many believe that the closer you come to this ideal, the better parent you are.

Well, that just isn't true. In fact, I'm more inclined to believe the opposite. In the majority of cases it's the isolated parent (one who has no support system or who refuses help) who most often becomes frustrated and ends up abusing his child.

The best parents are those with a wide circle of friends and relatives who help meet

the child's needs.

In fact, I realize that I'm not always the best one to meet all the divergent needs of my children, so I'm very thankful when others step in to help.

For example, I had been trying for 14 years to teach my children the importance of keeping things in an orderly fashion but I had failed miserably. Fourteen years of nagging and we still had Fibber McGee closets. Then, Kimberly had a chance to visit Norma's lovely home. And now my wildest dreams have been realized: fresh flowers on the table, the car washed for the weekend; the smell of chocolate chip cookies baking—and clean closets! I used to have to do all this myself; now I have wonderful support from Kim, thanks to Norma.

Kari had a need, too, that has been better met by someone other than her parents.

Kari loves horses and is the proud owner of a beautiful Arabian mare and colt. I know nothing about horses, and they aren't my first priority, so Linda has stepped in to help. Linda has trained, groomed, doctored and nurtured horses all of her life. As soon as Linda's car drives up, Kari dashes out to the corral to absorb all the knowledge that she can. I just thank the Lord for sending Linda into our lives.

Sometimes important lessons can be better taught by others than by parents, such as the importance of honesty. Most kids, ages 3 to 8, have at one time or another taken something that didn't belong to them.

When one mother caught her son with someone else's toy car, she talked to him very seriously about it and made sure that he returned it. Then, she assumed that the lesson was learned. But, a few weeks later a "lost" item from school was found in his pocket. This time Mom called the teacher and asked for help. The teacher kindly and privately confronted the child. After tears of confession, a prayer of forgiveness, and the teacher's hug of affection, the lesson stuck: Stealing doesn't pay!

So, parents, if you've been led to believe that you're the only ones to meet your child's needs or if you've been tempted to exclude outside influences from your children and have tried to parent them all by yourselves, get rid of that foolish notion and reach out for help!

Your children can benefit by positive association with others. Don't feel guilty when others are sometimes more effective teachers of your children than you are. Just praise the Lord for bringing these people into your life.

And think about it; if you need others, perhaps others need you! The Lord didn't put us on this earth just to meet our own needs. James 1:27 says that true religion is visiting the fatherless and the widows—in other words, meeting the needs of others.

So reach out: first, for the help that someone else can give your family, and second, to give what you can to enrich the lives of others.

Dr. Kay Kuzma is a noted Adventist child development specialist and author of more than a dozen books.



Members Vote To Reopen DAA

Delegates of the Dakota Conference constituency assembled February 28 on the campus of Dakota Adventist Academy to make a decision as to the school's future.

Constituents voted to close the school temporarily for financial reasons in August 1987 by a narrow margin. The vote to reopen the school carried 229-158.

Since the school was closed in August, members of the conference have contributed over \$42,000 toward back operating debts and have given \$213,000 in cash toward the reopening effort. In addition, members have pledged over \$32,000 toward the first year of operation and nearly \$110,000 per year for the next four years.

Constituents accepted the proposed budget based on an enrollment of 55 students. Lay leaders who have pushed for the reopening of the school are confident the enrollment will exceed 55.

Delegates present at the February 28 meeting also endorsed an educational program based on a work/study concept with greater emphasis upon practical involvement in religious activities and the development of Christian social skills and standards.

Birthday Celebration

BY PHYLLIS HEHN

Happy birthday, Mother! We have come today with a birthday cake and gifts to celebrate your birth. That was a long time ago. You were perfect then, replete with beauty which your Creator had lavished upon you. Not only were you beautiful, but you were also vital, and your opulence surpassed all imagination.

The ravages of time and the effects of sin have changed you over the years. Your beauty has faded and you are no longer able to do the things you once did. You groan with the pain of your deterioration.

We, your children, are sorry that we have not taken better care of you. Our neglect, our careless attitudes, and our greed have brought you pain. Your constant giving to us has depleted your wealth and your strength as we take continuously, without considering the cost to you. Granted, some of us finally saw the pain we were inflicting upon you and feebly attempted to remedy the situation, but we know now that our attempts were too little and too late.

Those who know best, tell us that your prognosis is grim, that we cannot expect you to survive much longer. But we rejoice in God's promises as we accept the fact that your end is drawing near. God has promised that once again you will be young, beautiful and wealthy—even richer than you were before—with treasures unimagined by our finite minds. So happy birthday, Mother Earth! You have served us well, but your time is short.



On a recent Sabbath, the Minot Seventh-day Adventist Church celebrated with a birthday party for Mother Earth hosted by Alice Boyko, Sabbath School superintendent. Gifts were presented to several Sabbath School members, who in turn were asked to share their talents with the congregation. Music, prayers, and readings were followed by class study. As Mrs. Boyko closed her Sabbath School program, she invited all Sabbath School members to fellowship at her home in the afternoon and complete the celebration with birthday cake and ice cream.

Phyllis Hehn, communication secretary, Minot church.

Air Force Limits Smoking

BY RON MATEO

The United States Air Force SAC Command has gone smoke free on their bases and for this reason Ellsworth Air Force Base at Rapid City, South Dakota invited Pastor Eugene B. Young of the Rapid City church to hold stop smoking clinics there. The first was held in January.

Pastor Young has conducted similar clinics at the local veterans hospital which has also gone smoke free. Since the first class at the USAF Base, Pastor Young has been asked about other areas that his church may offer help to the base personnel, such as positive parenting, stress, marriage enrichment and even Revelation Seminars. This is proving to be a rich area for outreach.

Ron Mateo, member, Rapid City church.

Inmate's Labor of Love Goes to Pine Ridge Mission

BY BERNEICE LUNDAY



Tim Lewis and his "Labor of Love".

North Dakota State Penitentiary inmate Tim Lewis responded to Pine Ridge Mission's need for quilts by knitting a colorful red, aqua and white blanket. The blanket measures 101 x 109 inches.

Lewis learned of the Mission's needs through Vern Olson, one of the inmates who was baptized through Elder Lowell Rideout

and Al Zeeb's Bible studies at the prison in 1983. Lewis, at times, attends the Bible study now carried on by Bismarck and Mandan pastors Elder Marlyn Kurtz and Pastor Duane Maracle and church members.

Calling Lewis's gift a "labor of love", Olson himself had previously made a contribution to Pine Ridge Mission—a communion table.

Zeeb is urging for Olson's release, but Olson commented that he is probably doing more good right where he is—behind bars. Olson has been active in the Seventh-day Adventist Bible study group the longest of any attending.



Vern Olson

Berneice Lunday, communication secretary, Bismarck church.

Breathe Free

BY CANDACE REARICK

Nine Redfield area citizens have benefited from recent stop smoking seminars sponsored by the Redfield Seventh-day Adventist Church.

When the Redfield State Hospital and School restricted smoking on the grounds, the church began a community outreach in the form of the Breathe-Free Plan to Stop Smoking. The third seminar ended February 3 and more are planned.

Two of the leaders, JoAnn Woll and Allayne Martsching, agree that the outreach is making friends for the church by letting the community know we care.

Candace Rearick, communication secretary, Redfield church.

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Outlook On Dakota



Investment For Van Ministry

BY AGNES SCOTT



1987 Investment Device

The Investment program for the Hot Springs church was an interesting and successful event again this year. With nearly every member participating and a varied number of projects, nearly \$800 was turned in to the treasurer.

Some of the investments were: raising and selling birds; a second

tithe on unexpected income; saving of dimes, nickels and pennies; collecting aluminum; refunds; quilt making and others.

The goal device, drawn by one of the youth, Russell Jensen, was a van to be "loaded with tokens, each representing \$20. There was a total of 39 tokens. The van motif was chosen because the Detroit Van Ministry was one of the beneficiaries of Investment this year.

Agnes Scott, Investment leader, Hot Springs church.

Alexenko At The Keyboard

BY KAREN TODDEN

"Alexenko on Piano Delights Music Lovers," was the title on a detailed article in the Dunn County *Herald*, as written by Sheila Murphy.

For three nights in a row, area music lovers had a chance to listen to Brent Alexenko tickle

the ivories.

Alexenko, a senior of Killdeer High School, was kept very busy with his sixth performance as an accompanist for the Killdeer Elementary School Christmas program under the direction of his first piano teacher, Sonja Bergstedt.

"He proves himself every time," she said. "I don't know what I'll do without him next year when he is off at college. I'll have to go back to work myself," Bergstedt laughed.

Scott Larsen, who inherited Brent as an accompanist with the high school chorus from Bergstedt, echoes her thoughts. "He is very talented," Larsen said. "If he works hard, he should go far in the music field."

Brent also is the Sabbath School accompanist for his home church of Grassy Butte, North Dakota. He is very dedicated and conscientious about his duties.

Brent began taking piano lessons when he was in fourth

grade. His parents describe him as a self-starter. His mother pointed out that he began playing piano on his own, about two years before she started him in lessons.

While music is important to Brent, it is not his whole life. He admits his second love is computers.

Brent is active on the newspaper staff where he is editor. He is an officer in the Future Business Leaders of America.

When he graduates from high school in the spring and goes away to Union College it will not only be his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Llewellyn Alexenko, his brother, Brad, and his sister, Tiffany, who miss him. The whole community of music lovers will be sorry to see him go.

His home church of Grassy Butte, North Dakota will greatly miss his many talents.

Karen Todden, communication secretary, Grassy Butte church.



Outlook On Central States



Legal Notices

SIXTH TRIENNIAL SESSION CENTRAL STATES CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

Notice is hereby given that the sixth triennial session of the Central States Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held at the Chapel Oaks SDA Church, 6910 Riverview Avenue, Kansas City, Kansas on Sunday, April 24, 1988 at 8:30 a.m. The purpose of the meeting shall be to elect officers and departmental directors for the conference, to consider and recommend amendments to the constitution and bylaws of the conference, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the session. All regularly elected delegates from the various churches should be seated at that meeting.

J. Paul Monk, Jr., President
E. F. Carter, Secretary

SIXTH TRIENNIAL SESSION CENTRAL STATES CONFERENCE CORPORATION OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

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for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the session.

J. Paul Monk, Jr., President
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Compassion, The Gift

BY ROBERTA WILLIAMS

A memorial service was held at the United States Disciplinary Barracks at Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas, in memory of the late Donald H. Taylor. Elder Taylor had been active in the "prison ministry" for fifteen years.

Several inmates gave testimonies in songs and words as to what Elder Taylor meant to them and how through Jesus Christ, he had helped change their lives. Since Elder Taylor's death, two inmates who had studied with him, have been baptized. Others had been baptized during his ministry there.

The Chosen Four, a young male quartet from the Shiloh Seventh-day Adventist Church, also sang several selections.

Mrs. Barbara Taylor, wife of Elder Taylor was presented a plaque with the picture of Elder Taylor engraved with these words, "Compassion, the Gift."

An award that is presented to the most outstanding individual that resides at the U.S.D.B. by the African American Cultural Organization, is being renamed "The Donald H. Taylor African American Cultural Award." This is the group Elder Taylor was worshipping with when he passed away.

The Taylor family, along with the Chosen Four, are still carrying on the prison ministry at the United States Disciplinary Barracks. "I was in prison and ye came unto me." To God be the glory great things He has done.

Roberta Williams, communication secretary, Shiloh church.



MESSAGE
MAGAZINE

Beautification Project

Elder Albert White, pastor of the Philadelphia church in Des Moines, reports on the local church beautification project recently completed at their church.

This project was done quickly and with a spirit of "brotherly love," togetherness and unity. The members were inspired to work by adopting this theme, "Let us have pride in our church, let's keep it beautiful." The entire church responded.

The project included a complete exterior paint job, repairs to the roof, the boiler and the air conditioning, and a new stone garden was added to the entrance.

After the project was completed, the Sabbath School Visitor's Day took place. The church was filled with members and guests. Several persons took their stand for Christ. The guests expressed feelings of fellowship, brotherly love and friendship from the members and the pastor.



Agape Brings In The New Year

BY ANITA L. CLAY

The New Year's service, on the first Sabbath in January, featured a candlelight dedication ceremony with all officers present, including a full crop of newly trained junior and senior officers, resplendent in new uniforms. The service included prayers, special poetry, special music, as well as insights into officer's duties and responsibilities. In addition, a large souvenir booklet containing the material used in the service, as well as other items such as "Six Steps for Giving Bible studies," "Ten Commandments for Officers," "How to Win Souls Without a Bible," and inspirational poetry was given to each member and visitor.

The afternoon hours of the Sabbath were spent in deep prayer and meditation as a different program with speaker, special music and specific prayer focus was emphasized each hour. The final prayer hour was devoted to testimonies of divine healing as well as prayer requests. Many persons present have since reported their prayers have been answered.

On February 20, Community Guest Day was held. Mrs. Myrtle Thomas of St. Louis was honored for her great efforts in raising funds for the purchase of the current sanctuary. Not only was Mrs. Thomas instrumental in arranging a benefit concert by her daughter Lauren Thomas Griggs, but she also invited many people and secured many donations, not the least of which was her donation. Although not a member of Agape, Myrtle Thomas has been a faithful friend.

Also in February, Agape was pleased to open its new sanctuary to members of the Eastern AY Federation. Inspiring and provocative essays, cartoons, speeches and jingles were presented by youth representing local St. Louis area churches in the Temperance Run-off.

Agape, "the church where love abounds," is busy establish-

ing a new light house in the St. Louis area.

Anita L. Clay, communication secretary, Agape church.

News From Agape

• The Bible says train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it. At Bethesda they really believe in this text. So it gave Pastor Draggan a privilege and a pleasure to baptize two children of members, Leonard Jackson and Lovely Stewart. They gave their hearts to Jesus at an early age and this is a blessing.



Leonard Jackson is being baptized by Pastor Draggan.



Lovely Stewart appears eager to be buried in baptism.

• Pastor and Mrs. Rodney W. Draggan witnessed the dedication of their daughter, Alesia Marie, to the Lord. During this past year Alesia has undergone major heart surgery, as well as kidney surgery. It certainly has been rewarding to see the Lord sustain her little life, and as a result she is very strong and active today.

Elder Eugene F. Carter, secretary of the Central States Conference, performed the dedicatory services at the Bethesda Temple church in Omaha, Nebraska

where the Draggon's are currently serving.

• The Great Plains Youth Federation of Central States Conference had a good time in the Lord at their recent federation meeting. Our lead off speaker for the Friday evening services was Elder B. T. Rice of St. Louis, Missouri. He preached until the Holy Ghost came down and filled our hearts.

The Great Plains Federation was privileged to have the President of Central States Conference, J. Paul Monk, Jr., to speak for divine worship on Sabbath. He challenged us on our assurance of salvation. The Sharon and Bethesda churches were pleased to host this federation in their fair city of Omaha.

"Re-birth Day" Celebration

BY LEE CARRELL

January 9, 1988 was a very special day at the Kirkwood church for Lambert W. Rusan. It was his "Re-birth day"! Approximately seventy members and friends watched as brother Rusan went down into the watery grave and came up a baptized disciple of Jesus Christ. Brother Rusan's first visit to the church was two years earlier when he was the best man at his lifetime friend Rolla Johnson's wedding.

It was brother Rollo who urged Lambert to attend a Revelation Seminar at the church. Brother Rusan said, "I didn't know what a true friend was until Rollo invited me to learn of Christ." The Holy Spirit had convicted Lambert previously as he saw Rollo's character changing during the prior years. Rollo's life and the meek and quiet spirit of seminar leader Marian Sharpe impressed Lambert, and with the truths of the Holy Bible, he decided to follow Christ all the way.

According to brother Rusan, "When I was in the world, I had no love for anyone. But now I have compassion for others as well as myself, due to the Spirit of God!" May the Lord bless Lambert on His Christian journey!

Lee Carrell, communication secretary, Kirkwood church.

Team Places Fourth In Bible Bowl

We are reminded to "remember our Creator in the days of our youth." Bethesda Temple is proud of its youth and is able to say congratulations to its more recent set of champions, the Bethesda Bible Bowl Team. The team is the Central States Conference's champion for 1987 and recently placed fourth out of fifteen teams in a national competition in Dallas, Texas, sponsored by the Southwest Region of Seventh-day Adventists. The team consists of two families: Captain Ruth Williams and her sister Midge Duncan, and sister and brother Teri Lee and Densil Lee. Thomas Bennett is the coach.

Bethesda has a rich heritage of youth participation in Bible-oriented events, having won the Central States Conference Bible Bowl and Spelling Bees on a number of occasions, and having won the National Bible Bowl in 1981 in Detroit, and placing second in Pittsburgh in 1985.

Under the leadership of our youthful pastor, Rodney Draggan, the membership of Bethesda looks forward to doing greater things for the Lord in the future. We realize at Bethesda that youth is no excuse and that "we can do all things through Christ which strengthens us."

Bennett Wins Essay Contest

Bethesda congratulates brother Thomas H. Bennett for winning the Eighth Circuit Bicentennial Essay Contest, a competition open to all law students in the region. The Eighth Circuit consists of 36 law schools in the states of Nebraska, Arkansas, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, North Dakota and South Dakota.

Brother Bennett is a senior at Creighton Law School in Omaha, Nebraska, and expects to graduate with honors in May, 1988. He received two sets of a three-volume constitutional law treatise and a check for \$3,000.



New Single-Room Maternity Care Coming To SMMC

In March, Shawnee Mission Medical Center began renovation to convert its existing maternity unit to a 27-bed single-room maternity care unit. The new unit is scheduled to begin operation in early September 1988.

The new unit will provide maternity care in a dramatically different manner than traditional maternity units. Women will be admitted to a private room where they will labor, deliver, recover and receive postpartum care. The unit will be the first of its kind on the Kansas side of the metropolitan area and the largest in metropolitan Kansas City.

Single-room maternity care is a relatively new concept in maternity services that has gained widespread acceptance in other parts of the country. Shawnee Mission Medical Center is implementing single-room maternity care for its ability to deliver the benefits that area women have requested.

Those benefits include:

- 1) A high degree of family involvement.
- 2) The assurance of having a private room and remaining in

that room for labor, birth, recovery and postpartum care.

3) Unit policies are flexible, meaning the patient and family have more choices.

4) Labor techniques, along with the birthing bed, are conducive to the natural birth process.

5) Hospital stays are often shortened.

The same technology, equipment, staff and expertise used in traditional delivery rooms will be available on the single-room maternity unit. The medical center will maintain its status as a provider of Level II maternity care.

Shawnee Mission Medical Center will also benefit from the new maternity unit. Officials expect an increase in patient satisfaction, a rise in flexible staffing, and a decrease in length of stay and costs.

Patient rooms on the new unit will be designed to be functional for labor and birth and comfortable for the postpartum stay. The rooms will be decorated in a feminine decor with mauves and dusty blues as the primary colors. Each room will have a birthing bed, in-room dining accommodations and a hide-a-bed for the father. In addition to the 27 patient rooms, the unit will also include family waiting/visiting areas.

Women scheduled for Cesarean births will be admitted to the current labor and delivery area. After birth, they will be

transferred to one of the private rooms.

During the six months of renovation, maternity services will be continued at the medical center. The current labor and delivery area will continue operation, while postpartum care will be transferred to another wing on the same floor of the hospital. All clinical services and amenities offered on the current unit will be available to women delivering during renovation.

New Obstetrician At Moberly

Moberly Regional Medical Center welcomes Lawrence Harms, MD, and his family. A specialist in obstetrics and gynecology, Harms is the newest member of MRMC's 107-member medical staff.

Harms is a graduate of the University of Nebraska College of Medicine. He received his specialty training in obstetrics and gynecology at A. B. Chandler Medical Center, University of Kentucky, Lexington. He is currently a Junior Fellow in the American Academy of Obstetrics and Gynecology. He began seeing patients on February 1. The increasing popularity of the Birthing Center at MRMC necessitated the recruitment of an

additional OB/GYN at Moberly Regional Medical Center. The hospital previously had two OB/GYNs, Charles H. Lin, MD and Fred A. Dalgleish, MD, on their medical staff.



**Adventist
Health System**

SMMC Offers "Wellness" Classes

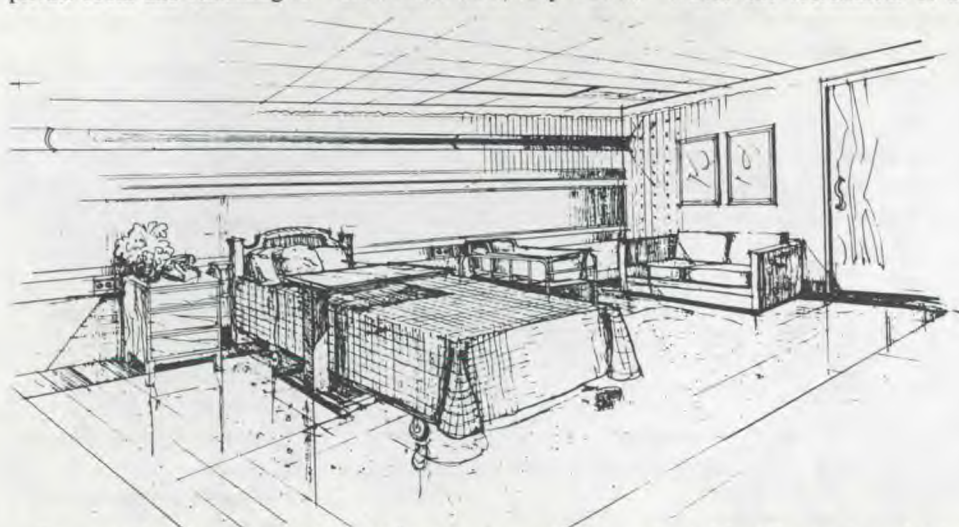
Shawnee Mission Medical Center conducted a winter "semester" of wellness courses and support groups offering support to the bodies and minds of local residents.

The health education program at Shawnee Mission includes six levels of aerobic fitness classes as well as nutrition classes such as bread baking, CPR, first aid for children and adults, smoking cessation and stress management classes.

Shawnee Mission Medical Center also launched eleven support groups to help cancer victims and their families, mothers of multiples (twins and triplets), those with diabetes, stroke victims, new mothers, those with eating disorders, heart patients and their families and more.

"These programs of support and education are an outgrowth of Shawnee Mission's commitment for caring for the whole person—not only treating the sick, but helping to prevent sickness of all kinds," says Jim Boyle, president of Shawnee Mission Medical Center.

Other AHS/NEMA hospitals in the Mid-America Union such as Porter Memorial Hospital, Moberly Regional Medical Center, Platte Valley Medical Center and Memorial Hospital - Boulder, also offer their local communities a regular program of "wellness" courses.



Shawnee Mission Medical Center's single-room maternity unit, which will open in early September, 1988, will allow women to labor, deliver, recover and receive postpartum care all in one room.



What Is Camp Meeting?



Ryle Hall at Northeast Missouri State University is the camp meeting location for housing and meals.

1888 was a historic year in the experience of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. "Christ Our Righteousness" is the theme of the 1988 camp meeting in the Iowa-Missouri Conference. In keeping with this theme, which was also the important message presented to the church in 1888, the following speakers are scheduled to be in Kirksville for camp meeting this year:

- The Venden Brothers: Louis Venden, Pastor, Loma Linda Church; Morris Venden, Pastor, Keene, Texas Church.
- Robert W. Olson, Secretary,

Ellen G. White Estate.

Additional features planned for the May 31 to June 4 convocation are:

- Health talks by husband and wife team who are both physicians, Dr. Henry Wiebe and Dr. Beverly Wiebe.
- Free one-to-one counseling with physicians as schedule permits.
- Inspiring music.
- Nice accommodations.
- Good food.

Plan now to come to Kirksville, Missouri for an outstanding camp meeting in 1988.



Dorothy Fredregill Retires

After 26 years of faithful service, Dorothy Fredregill retires from working at the Iowa-Missouri Adventist Book Center. Dorothy has been a dedicated worker at the book center, working through three major moves and ten managers.

Dorothy has always enjoyed meeting people and she is very well liked in the Iowa-Missouri Conference. She has always been excited about her work and the people that she dealt with on a daily basis. Her smiling face and cheerful words have touched many people and she will be

missed by all.

Having lived in Des Moines most of her life, Dorothy is a very strong pillar in her church. Everyone is her "family" and she is very interested and caring for all. She has been the church clerk and hostess for many years and her smiling face will meet you at the door most every Sabbath. When she isn't there, it just isn't the same—she has a charm that people love.

Dorothy has two major hobbies: church and her grandchildren. She always enjoys reading a good book and she does many creative crafts.

Living in Des Moines is Dorothy's daughter, Rhonda Karr, who works at the Iowa-Missouri Conference as an accountant. Her husband Ron works at remodeling for Goering Plumbing. They have one son that keeps "Grandma" going. Dorothy also has a son Duane, who is the Production Manager for Christian Record Braille Foundation in Lincoln, Nebraska. His wife works part time as a secretary and takes care of their three children.

Dorothy was honored at a retirement brunch by her working "family" in January. She was presented with a special Memory Book that the staff had made and she also received other presents.

Dorothy, you will be missed at the Adventist Book Center and the Conference Office, but please enjoy your retirement—you have earned it.

Iowa-Missouri Camp Meeting Accommodations Kirksville, Missouri—May 31-June 4, 1988

A PACKAGE PLAN whereby meals and room accommodations are provided by the university (no linens) is available as follows:

- (a) Private room (one occupant) + meals = \$110.00 per person
- (b) Double room (two occupants) + meals = \$96.00 per person
- (c) Multiple room (3 or more occupants) + meals = \$84.00 per person

OTHER ACCOMMODATIONS are available such as rooms only or meals only. Also there are special rates for children. For more information about accommodations and rates write or call the Iowa-Missouri Conference office.

1988 Camp Meeting Reservation Blank May 31-June 4—Kirksville, Missouri

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ Church _____

Number planning to attend: Adults _____ Children _____

Do you want the package plan? _____

Other pertinent information: _____

Please include a check for \$20.00 as a deposit and send this reservation to:
Iowa-Missouri Conference
Locating Committee
P.O. Box 65665
West Des Moines, IA 50265
(515) 223-1197

*Pray, though the gift you ask for
May never comfort your fears,
May never repay your pleading,
Yet pray with hopeful tears.
An answer—not that you long for
But diviner—will come one day,
Your eyes are too dim to see it,
Yet strive and wait and pray.
—Adelaide Proctor*



Baptism At Oak Grove



When Frank and Ruth made their decision for baptism all was smiles for Pastor Ketelsen of the Oak Grove and Independence churches. And here's why! Frank and Ruth were faithful attenders of the "Prophecy Lectures Seminar" by Jim Cress this last fall.

Frank and Ruth attended 32 of the 36 meetings all the way from Blue Springs, about 65 miles of traveling each night. "But the remarkable thing about the Hamptons," says Pastor Ketelsen, "is that they weren't content on just being baptized." Their daughter, a former Adventist had slipped away. Once Frank and Ruth discovered the truth about the Sabbath they made no hesitation in

getting in contact with their daughter in California. "I said to her," Mrs. Hampton explains, "you know what is right, and God's holding you responsible because you know the truth. I got right to the point," says Ruth, and she's happy to report that her daughter is back in Sabbath School and church. The people of that church welcomed her back with open arms and are so happy for the witness of her parents.

The Hamptons wasted no time in getting involved in the church. Ruth has helped out in playing the piano. Her liveliness at the keyboard has been an inspiration to the church. Their presence is a real blessing.

Clothing Give Away

BY VERNON FISK



A Community Service Free Day was held in Jefferson City, Missouri. Newspaper and radio advertising were utilized to bring many people to Allison's home. We are now praying for a building to house our Community Service Center.

Vernon Fisk, pastor, Jefferson City church.

SIOUX CITY CHURCH HOMECOMING

An opportunity to renew old acquaintances and have a rich spiritual experience!

If you are a former member of the Sioux City Seventh-day Adventist Church, or have any connection at all with this fellowship, we invite you to attend our Fourth Annual Homecoming Sabbath, June 11, 1988.

Guest speaker: Elder Earl W. Amundson, Sioux City pastor, 1952-54.

Positive Influence of Church School

BY MARY M. ROBINETTE

The Nevada, Missouri church school has an enrollment of 17 students, five of whom are non-Adventist. Their non-Adventist parents are extremely pleased with the quality of education their children are receiving. These same parents have bought a refrigerator and a microwave for the school to show their appreciation.

Located behind the Nevada church, the school has two classrooms, a lunchroom, and an office. The teacher, Helen Jobson, is not only certified for elementary education, but for learning disabilities and Educable Mentally Retarded. Mrs. Jobson is ably assisted by Barbara Underwood, teacher's aid, who, Mrs. Jobson says, is always on target.

Believing she and Mrs. Underwood and the Nevada church have a mission, Mrs. Jobson states, "The Lord has given us an opportunity to witness in a special way, to show the love of God through the church school."

This last Christmas the church school adopted a family of five for special help—the parents and their three small children. The

mother is a Christian who, the children learned, had been praying for help. Not only had the children the privilege of witnessing to the non-Christian father, but they had the opportunity to help answer the prayers of a Christian mother.

We discussed the importance of loving our youth unconditionally. The teacher added, "It will be necessary to discipline them, but they still know you love them." To illustrate her point, our teacher told of one little girl who said to her, "Why is it when you paddle us, you cry?"

As I stopped the car to let our teacher out at her home, she turned to me and said with a glow of quiet conviction and enthusiasm, "I just love what I'm doing."

After my interview with Mrs. Jobson concluded, I became more aware of how grateful I am for a loving, committed Seventh-day Adventist church school teacher who, together with her assistant, prays for and with her children, and for a church which gives her their support.

I believe God is giving us an opportunity too, don't you?



Mrs. Jobson, far right, and Mrs. Underwood, left, with their students.

Mary M. Robinette, communication secretary, Nevada, Missouri church.



Down The Winding Path

BY AUDRA SHUMAN



Hutchinson church pastor Mike Pionkowski baptizes Ruthie Clark.

"I suppose your first contact with the Seventh-day Adventist Church was with your mother-in-law, Mrs. Bertha Clark?" I asked Ruth (affectionately known to us as "Ruthie").

"Oh, no," she said, "when I was a child I attended Vacation Bible School at the Harper SDA Church, and two people made a real impact on my life—Mable Cole and Dr. Carrick."

And now, a few years later down the winding path after attending a Methodist Church as a child, joining a religious group while in college and belonging to yet another church while living in Wichita, Ruthie has found a church home here with the Hutchinson Seventh-day Adventists.

Audra Shuman, communication secretary, Hutchinson church.

Laity+Pastor = Baptism

BY JUDY JORDAN

My conversion is not a flashy story, nor material for a best-selling book. Rather, it's a story of love, the love that radiates from our Father in Heaven.

Anne English, a friend, helped where I worked for a few days in October, 1986. In making "small talk," I asked Anne why she went to church on Saturday? I'll always remember the way her

eyes lit up, the smile on her face and the question she asked me.

Rather than quoting chapter and verse, which alone would have been like "music falling on a deaf ear," Anne asked me why I believed in Catholicism? We talked about many Bible truths that day. The next day she gave me a "Sunday law" book and then a Revelation Seminar.

Three weeks later we were studying with Steve Elmquist, head elder of the Larned church. Steve not only explained the Bible truths but exemplified what he believed.

I began attending Sabbath School. I sat in a class taught by Rod Schmidt. The class taught me and continues to teach me so much more about the Bible. Rod not only taught but through conversation and friendship pointed the way over any remaining doubts and fears.

Pastor Thearon Staddon and the Larned members are in my prayers of thanks for their reflection of God's Spirit. Their everyday words are what led me to the Remnant of the Lord.

Proverbs 3:13 says, "Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding." The Lord has truly blessed me and made me happy.

(Judy Jordan was baptized into the Larned church January 16, 1988.)



Judy Jordan baptized by Pastor Thearon Staddon.

Judy Jordan, new member, Larned church.

Why Adopt-A-Student?

BY HARRY REILE

"Without the help of the Adopt-A-Student program, I couldn't be here," said a Platte Valley Academy senior girl. "I really appreciate those who help. Here I can get involved in activities without conflict in my standards, which was one of my problems in public schools."

Such remarks make giving to the Adopt-A-Student program seem very rewarding. An Enterprise Academy junior put it this way, "You can get close to other kids because they feel the same way about religion that you do."

Another junior boy from Platte Valley Academy said, "I feel special at PVA because the faculty really cares. I'm not embarrassed like I used to be at high school because everybody here believes the same."

It's great to hear young people talk like that! If you have given to the Adopt-A-Student program, you can be rightfully proud of your action. If you forgot to give, it is not too late because both schools are short of student aid funds and your giving now will help insure a successful school year for such students.

"If it hadn't been for people helping me through the Adopt-A-Student plan, I would have been forced to go to public school and I would have been very uncomfortable about that," stated an EA senior girl.

May I encourage you to send a worthy gift, small or large, labeled Adopt-A-Student and mail it to either Enterprise Academy, Enterprise, Kansas 67441, or to Platte Valley Academy, Shelton, Nebraska 68876.

Thank you for supporting our young people who desire an Adventist education.

Harry Reile, Academy Development Director, Kansas-Nebraska Conference.

**REMEMBER
SUMMER CAMP
BEGINS IN JUNE**

**Contact Church
Ministries Department
For Details**

Spiritual Weekend Set For Arrowhead

BY HARRY REILE

A spiritual celebration will be held at Camp Arrowhead July 22-24. Please set these dates aside so you can attend and receive inspiration and blessings.

Richard Duerksen, a dynamic speaker, will be the featured speaker. Three music groups will perform. A youth speaker will inspire the youth. Sabbath School divisions will be arranged. It will be a thrilling experience to be long remembered.

The camp committee met recently and set the following camp use rate schedule:

Cabins with bathroom use per day:

One family \$2 per adult, 50¢ per child 12 and under;

Two families \$1.50 per adult, 50¢ per child 12 and under;

Tent space with bathroom use, \$2 per tent per day;

Trailer, no hookups, \$3 per day;

Trailer with electricity, \$5 per day plus \$2 extra for air conditioner;

Riverside cottage, \$25 per day;

Lodge and kitchen, \$25 minimum or \$1 per person if more than 25; \$15 for second day. Special rates to small groups.

If your family or church would enjoy a pleasant camping experience, call Tracy or Liz Wolzen at (402) 756-2854. The camp is located near Lexington, Nebraska just off I-80 and beside the great Platte River.

Welcome!

Harry Reile, chairman, Camp Arrowhead Development Committee.

The highest reward for man's toil is not what he gets for it, but what he becomes by it.

—Ruskin



Adventist Receives Scholarship



Mary Burton, third from left, member of the Manhattan church, received a \$200 scholarship from the Kansas Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development. Shown with her are Glenn Pyle, Shelley Hogle, and Dr. Helen Hooper, all representing the Kansas Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development. Burton is working towards her Ph.D. degree at Kansas State University. Her emphasis is in curriculum and instruction in education. After completing her degree, she plans to teach in a college.

Enterprise Academy Homecoming

April 8-9, 1988

Honor Classes: '23, '28, '33, '38, '43, '48, '53, '58, '63, '68, '78 & '88.

Special Guests:

Bob Lebard, R. R. Hallock, Ed Stacy, Lolita (Newman) Thompson, Terry St. Clair, Belko Brass, with pianist Ed Wagner

ed in getting Smoking Sam to perform for the Golden Age Club and for a group of elementary school students.



Ruth and Ira Robbins, members of the Nelson Women's Christian Temperance Union, introduce Smoking Sam to the club.

Listen magazine is sent to surrounding schools and *Liberty* to a number of influential people in the area courtesy of the Nelson church. The church also sponsors Voice of Prophecy and KFRS radio in nearby Superior on Sundays.

Every faithful member is a witness for their Lord. Let us daily draw closer to Him, so we will know what we can do to help finish the work, and be sure of a place in His kingdom.

Vera B. Parker, communication secretary, Nelson church.

Platte Valley Academy Homecoming

April 29-30, 1988

HONOR CLASSES:

1928, '38, '48, '58, '63, '68, and '78.

PVA Students Share Joy

BY JOHN TREOLO

We're all familiar with the phrase from Proverbs 22:6, "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it."

Faculty and staff at Platte Valley Academy have taken this counsel seriously.

Jon Gibson, math instructor, directs weekend touring groups known as Expressions of God's Love and Son Cast, who lead out during Sabbath services in churches throughout Nebraska.

According to Gibson, members of the groups do everything

from leading song service to presenting skits to lifting the offering to preaching.

"This experience provides students with the opportunity of sharing their love for the Master with the members in our Conference," Gibson said during a recent service at the McCook church. "By leading out during services, not only is it a blessing to the members, but it also allows students a chance to show the leadership qualities the Lord has blessed them with."



Deseree Dancer and Beki Walter share a skit during church service in McCook.

John Treolo, communication director, Kansas-Nebraska Conference.

Happenings At The Nelson Church

BY VERA B. PARKER

The members of the Nelson Church are caring and sharing their faith with the community in many ways.

Marjorie Mann has a unique ministry. Not being able to get out much, she wins the confidence of her friends so they come to her with their problems. Her ministry even reaches out to Australia, where she has a pen pal.

Donna Troutt provides a children's story hour. She cooks at the school and has many opportunities to witness there.

One of the Nelson members is president of Women's Christian Temperance Union. She succeed-

Manhattan Students Present Play

BY ESTHER BURTON



During its presentation of the program, *Star of Hope*, the Manhattan school students portrayed the Jerusalem school as taught by the rabbis. The scene shows Jesus at the age of 12, when He went into the temple and attended the Jerusalem school for three days.

Esther Burton, teacher, Manhattan school.



Educational Relations Visit To Taiwan

BY TAD STRICKER

Marilyn McArthur, professor of nursing at Union College, visited the Republic of China-Taiwan, November 7-14 as part of an educational exchange program. The government of the Republic of China paid for hotel accommodations, meals, a 2-day tour of the island, and provided discounted airfare on China Airlines. The purpose of the trip was to establish educational exchange relations with government and education officials. Currently, only junior college graduates may study overseas. However, a new development in policy will soon be announced which is expected to allow high school graduates to attend overseas colleges this fall.

While in Taiwan, Mrs. McArthur, representing Union College, signed sister school agreements with twelve private high schools, ranging in enrollment from 5,000-21,000 students, and National Taipei College of Nursing, a junior college.

"We were treated royally by the Ministry of Education and the people of Taiwan," said Mrs. McArthur. "Our campus will be enriched by the addition of students from this region, and we look forward to giving them the same warm welcome we were accorded in their homeland."

Tad Stricker, student writer.

Hanging of the Golden Cords

At 7:30 Friday evening, April 8, a special ceremony will be held as part of the Homecoming Weekend. This ceremony, the Hanging of the Golden Cords, will honor Union College students and alumni who are currently serving or have served in the mission field. A Golden Cord will be hung for each of the following individuals:

Regular Mission Service

David White, Guam
Robert Martinez, Bolivia

Shirley Boyer Freed, Pakistan
Diane Johnson Vyskocil, Korea
Arlene Blecha Hagensicker, Australia

Barry Bacon, Africa
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Student Missionaries

Beth Brown, Marshall Islands
Kevin Devnich, Pohnpei
Kent Habeck, Guam
Kristy Hargreaves, Pohnpei
Heidi Hawkins, Pohnpei
Jeff Sparks, Iceland
Collette Winklemann, Truk
Karen Woll, Marshall Islands

Pastors Study At U.C.

The Institute for Professional Pastors held its semi-annual meetings at Union College, January 18-21. Elder Jim King, Ministerial Secretary of the Iowa/Missouri Conference, was the host from the Ministerial Association.

The purpose of these professional pastors' meetings is to fill

the void of instruction in areas where a majority of pastors feel specific needs for continued education. The 1988 Institute placed emphasis on building effectiveness in public speaking. Pastors attending received one Continuing Education Unit (CEU). Each had the option of receiving one semester hour of college credit by paying tuition fees and completing extra work. All pastors are required to earn six CEUs per year.

The instructors for the institute included John Wagner, Union College President; Jerry Fore and James White, senior pastors in Kansas City; leaders from the Mid-America Union office; and professors at Union College.

Numerous compliments were received by Dr. John Wagner regarding the high quality of the Institute and the Union College campus, faculty, staff and students. One pastor wrote, "If this is the quality of education that the students are receiving, then I would be glad to encourage all of our young people to choose Union College first."

Phonathon

BY TAD STRICKER

For nine evenings, the Sky-view room of the Union College Dick Building buzzed with activity as faculty, staff, alumni and students made contact with alumni and friends around the country. The occasion—Union College Annual Fund Phonathon, February 15-25. Volunteers and director, Becky Heavican, spent approximately four hours each evening, except Friday and Sabbath, soliciting funds and telling alumni what's happening at their old alma mater.

The goal of \$30,000 was shattered with a grand total of \$47,708 in pledges plus numerous unspecified pledges. The faculty, staff and students of Union College would like to say "thank you" to all friends and alumni for your generosity.



UNION COLLEGE

Band Tour

BY TAD STRICKER



Union College Concert Winds and director, Steve Hall, on tour.

On March 30, Steve Hall and the Union College Concert Winds will be taking their musical magic to other lands and other people, not returning until April 3. They will perform for Platte Valley Academy on Wednesday evening; Campion Academy on Thursday evening; the Boulder church on Friday evening; several Denver area churches on

Sabbath; and Mile High Academy on Saturday night. Mr. Hall has also invited the academy band at each location to join the Concert Winds for a couple of numbers.

With the many concerts the band will be performing and all the practice hours in preparing the tour, the band members deserve a little recreation. On Fri-

day, all members who wish to go skiing will head for the slopes. Those who don't want to go skiing will visit the sights of Denver.

The band has currently raised its membership to 61 members. At the beginning of last year, there were approximately 35 members. Steve Hall is very pleased with the growth thus far and has high hopes for the future.



Eden Valley Outreach

BY KEN MILLER

A popular Loveland, Colorado restaurant was the location for a Breathe Free Plan to Stop Smoking sponsored recently by the Lifestyle Center at Eden Valley Institute. The six-session program was conducted by Mark LaVanture and Bob Simenson, assisted by members of the Institute's Health Skills Class.

Six persons attended the classes, with five able to claim freedom from the habit on graduation night.

The respondents included a mother and daughter, a young husband and wife, and a 58-year-old woman who had smoked two packs a day for over 30 years.

Follow-up meetings are continuing at the Lifestyle Center at the institute seven miles west of Loveland.

As another community outreach, the institute is presenting a Vegetarian Natural Foods Cooking seminar. This program is a joint venture with the Loveland Adventist Church. There will be demonstrations, films, lectures on nutrition, samples and a vegetarian buffet on the closing night. The fellowship hall will be used for these activities.

Ken Miller, communication secretary, Eden Valley Institute.

All Things Are Possible!

BY THERESA FISHER

Bonnie Clark, a member of the Delta, Colorado Adventist Church, received a perfect score of 800 on her L.P.N. State Boards. Bonnie's story of how the Lord has led her the past year is one of courage and faith.

Mrs. Clark is the single mother of four children and a high school dropout. She took her G.E.D. test and after completing the basic Emergency Medical Technician course, started working with the Delta Ambulance Service and the Delta County Memorial Hospital Emergency Room. The more she worked in the medical field, the more she

found she loved it and felt that the Lord had given her a special talent of caring for the sick.

After the break-up of her third marriage in 1986, Bonnie dropped to the lowest point in her life. She had very little will to live and felt that she was incapable of amounting to anything. It was at this point that she told the Lord He was going to have to run things from now on.

"When you turn your life over to the Lord, wonderful and marvelous things begin to happen," stated Bonnie.



Bonnie Clark, with God's help, made a perfect score on her L.P.N. State Board.

She realized that raising four children alone would be a challenge, but doing it without a profession would be much harder. She decided to apply for the Licensed Practical Nurses' training course offered at the Delta-Montrose Vocational Technical Training Center. She was accepted but faced the challenge of how to pay the tuition and support her family at the same time. She turned her financial need over to the Lord and watched Him make opportunities out of her problems. Bonnie received two grants and two scholarships and was able to work 32 hours a week.

When Bonnie took her State Boards in October, she felt she had failed. When she received her test results and realized she had made a perfect score, she was surprised! The Lord has been very near to her this past year, and He didn't let her down.

Bonnie is presently attending Mesa College in Grand Junction three days a week, studying toward a degree that will help her reach her goal of a nursing instructor.

Mrs. Clark would like to encourage other single mothers to go for their dreams. If you have a God-given goal, you can obtain it. It hasn't been an easy year, but with God all things are possible.

Theresa Fisher, communication secretary, Delta church.

Prayer Power

BY CONNIE NOWLAN

Christian Women's Ministry presented Evelyn Christenson, nationally known author and lecturer on prayer and prayer groups, to the Boulder area churches on Sabbath afternoon, January 16. Two hundred and thirty-one women from 13 denominations in the Boulder area attended the meetings held at the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Our church was represented by women from as far north as Cheyenne, Wyoming, as far west as Palisade, Colorado, as far south as Castle Rock, Colorado, as far east as Hinsdale, Illinois, plus Loveland, Greeley, Longmont, Fort Collins, Brighton, Fort Lupton and all the churches in the Denver-Boulder area.

Beginning with "prayer power", Mrs. Christenson challenged the women to the limitless possibilities available in prayer with the promise of John 5:7, "Ask what ye will and it shall be given to you." Continuing her discussions in eight sessions, Mrs. Christenson led the women through the steps of no unforgotten sin in the life, forgiven as we forgive, praying in God's will, making sure it is God to whom

"Ask what ye will and it shall be given to you."

you draw nigh, personal prayer life which includes closet praying and praying without ceasing, intercessory prayer methods and methods of small group praying.

Calling for a revival of God's Spirit, Mrs. Christenson emphasized that God gives no promise of power unless one is obedient to God's leading. She went on to

say that God makes no mistakes in our lives. Even in the Garden of Gethsemane, Jesus prayed, "Father, not what I want but what you want."

In conclusion, Mrs. Christenson emphasized the importance of prayer chains in churches and asked each woman to initiate prayer chains in her own church as she returned to her congregation.

Connie Nowlan, communication secretary, Boulder church.

Legal Notices

OFFICIAL CALL FOR THE REGULAR TRIENNIAL SESSION OF THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN CONFERENCE

The next regular session of the Rocky Mountain Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held Sunday, June 12, 1988, beginning at 10:00 a.m., at the Campion Academy Church, Southwest 42nd and Academy Drive, Loveland, Colorado. The purpose of this meeting is to elect officers and departmental directors for the ensuing triennial term, to consider amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws, and to transact such business as may properly come before the session.

Don C. Schneider, President
Lloyd D. Cleveland, Secretary-Treasurer

REGULAR SESSION OF THE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST ASSOCIATION OF COLORADO

Notice is hereby given that the next regular session of the Seventh-day Adventist Association of Colorado will be held at the Campion Academy Church, 42nd and Academy Drive, Loveland, Colorado on Sunday, June 12, 1988 at 10:00 a.m. The purpose of this meeting is to elect a Board of Trustees for the ensuing triennium, to consider revision of the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of the Association and to transact such business as may properly come before the session. All delegates to the regular session of the Rocky Mountain Conference of Seventh-day Adventists together with the members of the Board of Trustees of the Seventh-day Adventist Association of Colorado are the delegates of the regular session of the Seventh-day Adventist Association of Colorado.

Don C. Schneider, President
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REGULAR SESSION OF THE INTER-MOUNTAIN CONFERENCE ASSOCIATION OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

Notice is hereby given that the next regular session of the Inter-Mountain Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists will be held at the Campion Academy Church, 42nd and Academy Drive, Loveland, Colorado on Sunday, June 12, 1988 at 10:00 a.m. The purpose of this meeting is to elect a Board of Trustees for the ensuing triennium, to consider revision of the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of



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Don C. Schneider, President
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REGULAR SESSION OF THE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN COLORADO

Notice is hereby given that the next regular session of the Seventh-day Adventist Association of Western Colorado will be held at the Campion Academy Church, 42nd and Academy Drive, Loveland, Colorado on Sunday, June 12, 1988 at 10:00 a.m. The purpose of this meeting is to elect a Board of Trustees for the ensuing triennium, to consider revision of the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of the Association and to transact such business as may properly come before the session. All delegates to the regular session of the Rocky Mountain Conference of Seventh-day Adventists together with the members of the Board of Trustees of the Seventh-day Adventist Association of Western Colorado are the delegates of the regular

Korean Students Learn of Christ

BY LOIS VLOYANTES



Picture shows Richard Nam, lay pastor, and Mr. Park, local elder, with the group of four students recently baptized into the membership of the Korean church in Fort Collins. Pastor John Martin, of Fort Collins, and Pastor Hyung Man Huh, serving the Denver congregation, stand to the right.

Lois Vloyantes, communication secretary, Fort Collins church.

session of the Seventh-day Adventist Association of Western Colorado.

Don C. Schneider, President
I. B. Burton, Secretary

REGULAR SESSION OF THE WYOMING CONFERENCE ASSOCIATION OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

Notice is hereby given that the next regular session of the Wyoming Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists will

be held at the Campion Academy Church, 42nd and Academy Drive, Loveland, Colorado on Sunday, June 12, 1988 at 10:00 a.m. The purpose of this meeting is to elect a Board of Trustees for the ensuing triennium, to consider revision of the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of the Association and to transact such business as may properly come before the session. All delegates to the regular session of the Rocky Mountain Conference of Seventh-day Adventists together with the members

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Outlook On Minnesota



Pastors Set Strategy To Evangelize Twin Cities

"Our goal is to hold 48 Revelation Seminars in 1988," says Elder Bill Wilson, chairman of "TWIN CITIES ministries." Wilson, who pastors the Minneapolis Southview Church, reported that 65 people attended the first meeting of this organization, which was also a training seminar for conducting Revelation Seminars. This meeting was conducted by Elder Bob Boney from Seminars Unlimited in the Texas Conference. Besides the nine pastors, one layman from each of the eleven area churches form the committee for "TWIN CITIES ministries." Their strategy is to hold many of these seminars simultaneously, beginning on September 11. At the same time there will be an evangelistic meeting conducted in the Anoka church and also at the Capitol

City Adventist School in St. Paul.

Conference secretary-treasurer, Elder Ray Rouse, says that besides making a greater awareness impact, holding the seminars and the evangelistic meetings in the same time frame, will greatly multiply the effectiveness of the advertising dollar.

Elder Ray Pichette, pastor of the Minneapolis Northbrook church, is preparing radio spots to increase the awareness of the Adventist Church in the Twin Cities. The first of these spots was aired on March 1, on station KUXL (FM 1570). Contracts with other radio stations are being negotiated.

Conference President, Elder Lee Huff, says that half of the state's population is on one phone line and that is in the Minneapolis/St. Paul metro area. He says that a great amount of effort is going to be put forth to "break through" and evangelize this region.

The evangelistic meetings which will be conducted at the Capitol City Adventist School, have been planned with the

intention of planting a new church there. Elder Paul Larsen, pastor of the St. Paul First church, has had experience and special training in starting new churches. He says that Adventists need to plant churches in the heavily populated bedroom communities that surround the Twin Cities, that Adventist churches must be where the people are.

"The thrust which begins on September 11 is just the first phase of an ongoing team minis-

try to the Twin Cities," says Elder Pichette. "The Twin Cities' pastors have been meeting regularly for several months and our philosophy is to pull out all the stops to unite and finish the work."

Elder Bill Wilson said regarding the first meeting of "TWIN CITIES ministries," "I've never attended a meeting like this where lay people and pastors from several churches have the purpose of working together in a unified effort. It's exciting!"



Elders C. Lee Huff, Bill Wilson, and Ray Pichette study a Minneapolis/St. Paul map to locate the areas of population where there is no Adventist Church.



Students Reach Out And Touch Lives

Throughout Minnesota, Seventh-day Adventist teachers are leading and encouraging their students to reach out and do something for other people. Although Adventist teachers have been doing this for years, this concept of helping others, which is now called Bible Lab, has become a recommended part of the curriculum in Minnesota.

John Deming, principal of Minneapolis Junior Academy, says that at MJA the staff is teaching the kids that they will never be really happy unless they're doing things for other people. Some of the projects that Deming has encouraged his older students in are shoveling snow for the elderly and cleaning a house for a young mother who had been hospitalized. Then one day he called the Conference office to see if there was anything his students could help with there. That phone call has resulted in saving many hours and dollars for the Conference, as the students have put address stickers on Bible Study request cards for the Personal Ministries Department and they are presently collating and stapling the *Minnesota Minutes* before it's mailed each month.

Also at Minneapolis Junior Academy, Marcy Munsterteiger's fifth and sixth graders are preparing a puppet program which they will present at nursing homes or "wherever we're asked to go." The topics of the puppet programs are health related.



MJA Principal, John Deming, helps Justin Harl and Shaun McRoy prepare the *Minnesota Minutes* for mailing.

Duane Madden, principal at the Thief River Falls school, says that for years his students have been going once a month to a nursing home. Besides ministering to the whole group at the home, each of his students (who are in grades 1-8) adopt a resident and then give particular attention to that specific person. A few months ago, these students dressed in costumes depicting famous people such as Florence Nightingale, Daniel Boone, Orville Wright, et cetera. This project was a game for both students and nursing home residents, as the elderly folk guessed who each student was trying to depict.

Clinton Anderson, the teacher at the Bemidji school, says that his students also regularly visit a nursing home and they, too, have "adopted" specific grandparents. These students recently visited elderly church members taking them a loaf of fresh homemade bread and singing to them. A unique ministry for the Bemidji students was in contacting former Bemidji church school students who hadn't gone on to Maplewood, writing them a note and sending them cookies. One of these young men is in the army.

Derral Reeve, principal at the Hutchinson school says that his students are divided into three groups: Adopt-A-Block, Adopt-A-Shut-in, and Adopt-A-Grandparent. These fifty students are also teamed up as Big Brothers/Big Sisters; that is, a first-grade girl is paired with an eighth-grade girl. For the Adopt-A-Block ministry, a city block containing twelve homes was picked in Hutchinson and every few weeks each home is visited by the same team. On the first visit they left a

loaf of bread and a note. On the next visit they left some fresh applesauce and a survey sheet which asked what the needs were in that community. Leaf raking was one of the needs noted, so the students went back and raked leaves. Another time the students left a sack which was to be filled with food for the local Food Shelf. They later picked up the full sacks. At Thanksgiving time the Adopt-A-Block residents received a pie from the Hutchinson kids, and at Christmas time, they received Christmas cookies.

Reeve says that the students

are enthusiastic about these projects, and just as noticeable is the love relationship that is growing and strengthening between the students themselves.

Most of the students in Minnesota thoroughly enjoy, and look forward to Bible Lab. As Beverly Lamon, Minnesota Education Superintendent, says, "Our Adventist schools are different. These kids could get a good education in the public school system, but we offer much more than an academic education. Our teachers show by example the joy that comes in serving others."



Julian McRoy, John Heinrich and Eric Harl from Minneapolis Junior Academy share their faith as puppeteers.

Huenergardt Speaks At Lay Advisory



Attorney Darrel Huenergardt, Religious Liberty Director for the Mid-America Union Conference, updated the Lay Advisory Council on Religious Liberty issues. He also showed from scripture that God does not protect from trials or prevent trials, but that God's presence is with His people during trials and that His people grow through trials.

Huenergardt said that there have recently been two Supreme

Court actions which benefit Adventists. The Hobbie vs. the State of Florida case affirmed the right to receive unemployment compensation when a person is discharged from employment because of religious beliefs. The Amos vs. the Board of Bishops of the LDS Church case established the right of charitable organizations to hire employees, taking into account their religious beliefs.

The Lay Advisory Council meets twice a year and delegates are elected from each church in the Minnesota Conference. The purpose of the Lay Advisory Council is to get a pulse of what the laymen think and of what they want for their conference. It is not a policy-making board, but many of its suggestions are referred to either the Conference Committee, the Association Board or the Maplewood Academy Board. These boards have historically put many of the Lay Advisory Council's referrals into action.



Church Ministries

BY KEN L. BUSHNELL



Ken L. Bushnell

One of the objectives of the Church Ministries department is to motivate and encourage church members to have an effective witnessing ministry in their personal Christian living. Jesus said to His church, "... and ye shall be witnesses unto me..." When the word witness is spoken or read somewhere in connection with Christian living, what do you think about? What is Christian witnessing? I would like to provoke your thinking by offering a definition of Christian witnessing. You may, or may not agree with this definition. Either way I hope to challenge you to come up with a workable definition for yourself.

Christian witnessing is an effort to influence a person or persons to accept Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour of one's life. This effort can be corporately organized by the church or by an individual church member. It can also be a spontaneous experience on the part of the church and of the church member who is caught up in its or his/her relationship with God. It can also be a combination of the above.

Witnessing is communicating what the church believes corporately and/or what a church member believes individually that God has done and is doing

to reveal Himself, namely His love to mankind. Communication is described as giving and receiving of information. In order for a person or the church to communicate effectively—influencing others to accept Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour—both elements of communication (giving and receiving) must be maximized. The giving aspect of our information can be anything from actively showing others what God has done to reveal Himself to verbalizing this experience through doctrinal beliefs. The receiving aspect is just as important. It comes to the corporate church or individually to the church member mainly in the form of identity. This identity is revealed in two ways—reinforcement and confirmation.

Both can be perceived as being similar, but still have their distinction. Reinforcement is to establish one's self, or the church as a whole, in its conviction of how God has chosen to reveal Himself. Confirmation is having a sense of knowing that this conviction is right. As the church and/or church member receives this identity, it should motivate them to share more information.

Witnessing is just as much what we are as what we say and/or do. The more these two (what we are, and what we say and/or do) are in harmony with the life of Jesus Christ, the more effective will be our effort to influence others to accept Christ as Lord and Saviour of their lives.

To sum up the answer to the question of what is witnessing, we can say that witnessing in the Christian church is the corporate response of the church or of the individual church member to the great gospel commission of Jesus Christ found in Matthew 28:19, 20.

Ken L. Bushnell, Church Ministries director, Mid-America Union.

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"Winning Back The Church . . ."

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Now I don't mean to diminish your ability to confront God with your questions and perplexities. Not at all. Some of you have struggled long and hard to win through to that openness. But there comes a time when questions fall silent—we admit that God is God and we are merely His creatures. That's when true worship begins.

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Sentiment Echoed

The sentiment is echoed in Ecclesiastes: "Be not rash with your mouth, nor let your heart be hasty to utter a word before God, for God is in heaven, and you upon earth; therefore let your words be few." (Ecclesiastes 5:2, RSV)

A more recent pilgrim, C.S. Lewis, a conservative liberal (or was he a liberal conservative?), described his own capitulation after a long and arduous search: "You must picture me alone in that room at Magdalen, night after night, feeling, whenever my mind lifted even for a second from my work, the steady unrelenting approach of Him whom I so earnestly desired not to meet. That which I greatly feared had at last come to me. In the Trinity Term of 1929 I gave in, and admitted that God was God, and knelt and prayed: perhaps, that night, the most dejected and reluctant convert in all England." (C.S. Lewis, *Surprised by Joy*, Fontana edition, 1955, p. 182)

As you search after God, you can know that He is searching after you, too. So don't give up too easily. Lay claim to your blessing and don't let things go. Stay with it—until, like Jacob,

you have the blessing in hand.

I want our church to be a channel for at least part of that blessing. That will be difficult, I know, for conservatives have a hard time understanding liberals. Some even think you are out to destroy the church. I'm not telling you anything new. That's part of the loneliness you've learned to live with.

But maybe we are all more lonely than we care to admit. That's why the blessed hope is so precious. Let's share that hope and keep it alive. That's what the body of Christ is all about.

Credit Union Meeting

Another excellent annual Seventh-day Adventist Credit Union meeting was held on February 7, 1988 at the Mid-America headquarters in Lincoln. During the business meeting, Eugene Schander and Jerome Lang were elected to serve three-year terms on the Board of Directors. Wesley Jaster was elected to serve a three-year term on the Credit Committee and Monte Morris was elected to serve a one-year remaining term as an alternate on the Credit Committee. Recipients of the outstanding service award were Chloe Foutz and Merlin Anderson. Door prizes of \$20, \$10, \$5 and \$1 bills were given to all attending. The Platte River Boys presented a fine 30-minute concert of guitar and banjo music. All members were asked to join together in the lower level of the Mid-America headquarters building for tasty refreshments provided by Pat and Joe Parmele.

ASI Enthusiasm Expands

A new ASI chapter for at least 11 businessmen in Venezuela has been organized. Already at work in Ciudad, Bolivar, an ASI team from Eden Valley Institute near Loveland, Colorado has been showing the laymen how to witness in the marketplace. Over the last two years, they have helped organize five new churches and

witnessed the baptism of 200 of their contacts! Working out of a center called Bonanza (place of peace), the ASIs are working with the conference in their outreaches. A clinic also houses a health food store and lecture hall for sharing Adventist principles on healthful living. In the North American Division, ASI emphasis has turned to college campuses, where they are forming chapters with business students, according to ASI president Henry Martin, an auto dealer in Grants Pass, Oregon. Vice President Ray Hamblin, a Michigan printer who heads the membership committee, is working on official guidelines to lead the student chapters being structured as a result of requests from Union College students.

Radio Spots For Local Church Use

Telling people about seminars and clinics offered by a local church is easier than ever with a new set of eight professionally produced radio spots called "Announce Yourself."

Supplied without charge by the North American Division Communication Department, the public service announcements were produced in cooperation with the Adventist Media Center and the Voice of Prophecy.

A 60-second and a 30-second spot are provided for each of four church programs: Revelation Seminars, stop smoking plans, cooking schools, and stress clinics.

Obituaries

BESCH, Clarence M. "Clancy," was born Apr. 21, 1925 in Sioux City, IA and died Feb. 23, 1988. He is survived by his wife, Alice; 2 sons, Lawrence and Robson, Sioux City, IA; a daughter, Tanna Spencer, Apopka, FL; 3 brothers, Lawrence, Benedict and Herman; 4 sisters, Anna Besch, Marcella Hamm, Dorothy Besch and Veronica Little.

BONJOUR, Lloyd Herman was born June 28, 1901, Franklin County, IA and died Dec. 11, 1987 at Springfield, MO. Survivors include his wife, Eula; 1 daughter, Desha; 2 grandchildren, 1 great-grandchild, 4 step-great grandchildren, and 1 sister-in-law, Edith Huston—all of Springfield, MO. One son preceded him in death.

FEHRER, Bill, born Jan. 13, 1900, Hillsboro, KS and died Jan. 15, 1988, Shattuck, OK. Survivors include his wife Emma; 2 daughters, Irene Allmen of Denver, CO and Lila Fehrer of Shattuck, OK; 1 granddaughter Karen, and her husband Pastor Richard Roethler, Ft. Morgan, CO. A son died in early childhood.

GRAVES, Jesse Phillip, born Apr. 19, 1947 in Cleburne, TX and died in Buffalo Lake, MN on Dec. 16, 1987. He is survived by his parents, Jesse and Betty Lou Graves, of Buffalo Lake; a sister, Linda Kay Strickland; and nephews, Jeremy and John Strickland.

GRIEBE, Lana Sutton, was born Mar. 18, 1899 in Minona County, IA and died Jan. 22, 1988 in Greeley, CO. In 1924 she married Frank C. Griebel. He died in 1963. Survivors include 2 daughters: Mrs. Harold (Donna) King, Evans, CO; and Mrs. George (Leota) Busse, Decatur, NE; 3 sons: Frank C. Griebel, Omaha, NE; W. Joe Griebel, Evans, CO; and Richard Lee Griebel, Boulder, CO; a sister, Mabel Richards; 18 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren; and 4 great-great-grandchildren.

HAGELGANTZ, Henry J., was born May 5, 1903, and passed away June 29, 1987 at Olathe, KS. In 1941 he married Ruth Helscher. He was a member of the Olathe church. Survivors are his wife; a sister, Molly Yeager, 1 niece and 1 nephew.

HOBBS, Clem, born in Red Oak, IA May 17, 1919, died Feb. 15, 1988 in Omaha, NE. He was a member of the Omaha Memorial SDA church. Hobbs served as an elder for many years at the Omaha church and was instrumental in beginning a tape ministry there. Survivors include wife, Mary, from Omaha; daughters Carolyn Early, Spring, TX, Sherry Lettrell, Gentry, AR, Sally Hobbs, Omaha; son Clem, from Keene, TX, and 7 grandchildren.

JESSEN, Selmer L., born Oct. 25, 1915 in Jackson County, near Lakefield, MN and died Dec. 20, 1987 in Hutchinson, MN. He is survived by his wife, Joann of Hutchinson; sisters, Ethel Bieser of Windom, MN, and Arlene Bedel of Alexandria, MN; and a brother, Alfred Jessen of Wadena, MN.

KILEY, Alvin, was born Oct. 22, 1917 at St. Paul, MN, and passed away Feb. 13, 1988 at Lincoln, NE. He was employed for several years as a printer in St. Paul, then moved to the College Press at Columbia Union College, and later transferred to Union College Press in Lincoln where he served until his retirement in 1983. Survivors are his wife, Rita; 2 daughters, Mrs. James (Maureen) Russell, Brainerd, MN and Mrs. Robert (Lou Anne) Staeheli of Mahtomedi, MN; a son, Dennis of Goodlettsville, TN; his mother, Emma Kiley of Lincoln; 9 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren.

LESEUR, Jean C., born Feb. 9, 1922 in Shenandoah, IA; died Feb. 17, 1988 in Hutchinson, MN. In 1945 she married Harold LeSuer and in 1952 they became members of the SDA church. They have been long-time residents in Hutchinson. Jean was active in Dorcas and Sabbath School Investment work in the Hutchinson church. She is survived by her husband, Harold; 2 sons, Jeffrey of Jonesboro, AR, and Hal of New Prague, MN; 2 daughters, Sharon and Spring of Hutchinson.



A Broader Outlook



MACK, Lena, was born Nov. 11, 1899 at Emerald, ND and died Jan. 30, 1988 at Aberdeen, SD. Survivors are 5 daughters: Mrs. Fred (Mabel) Blanchette and Mrs. V.W. (Marion) Jones both of Concord, CA; Mrs. Morris (Manette) Halberg of Fremont, CA; Mrs. Duane (Maxine) DeWalt of Aberdeen, SD and Mavis Anderson, Denver, CO; 6 sons: Melvin of Hawthorne, CA; Marley of Sioux Falls, SD; Morris, Merlin, Martin and Murray all of Aberdeen, SD; 2 sisters, Olga Esty and Esther Spray and 3 half sisters; 4 brothers: Elmer, Art, Reuben and Ed Holweber; 24 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren and 3 great-great-grandchildren.

MERKEL, Clara Myrtle, was born Apr. 2, 1906 at Canon City, CO and passed away Feb. 20, 1988 at Selby, SD. She was a member of the Moberg church. Survivors are 2 daughters, Arloa Person of LosLumas, NM and Rosalyn Ann Manhart of Selby, SD; 2 sons, Eldon of Gillette, WY and Kennis of Lincoln, NE; a brother, Dr. Burt Wade; 11 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and 1 great-great-grandchild.

RANDALL, Dorothy May, was born Feb. 19, 1924 at Madison, NE and passed away Jan. 31, 1988 at Lincoln, NE. She was a member of the College View SDA Church. Survivors are her children: Mrs. Kenneth (Mary) Yocum, Coon Rapids, MN; Mrs. Don (Diana) Sorenson, Denton, TX; Mrs. Dave (Shirley) Merrill, Vicky Randall and Mark Randall all of Lincoln, NE; and Michael Randall of Douglas, NE. Also her mother, May K. Bennett of Lincoln, and 16 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

REA, Thomas Jesse, born Apr. 11, 1930 in Minneapolis, died Feb. 2, 1988 in Hutchinson, MN. He graduated from Maplewood Academy in 1946 and in 1948 he married Betty Joyce Syvertson who preceded him in death. In 1974 he married Nita Syvertson. Tom and Nita were extensively involved in SDA Marriage Encounter in Minnesota. He is survived by his wife, Nita; a daughter, Connie Seeker of Minneapolis; a son, Dan of Calimesa, CA; a step-daughter, Rachel Christensen of Hutchinson; and 2 step-sons, Dean and Brian Syvertson of Mankato; his mother, Dorothy Rea; and a sister, Althea Roderick.

SIVERTSON, Pearl S., was born Apr. 23, 1913 at Oakdale, ND and died Jan. 6, 1988 at Harvey, ND. She was a member of the church at Watford. Survivors are 5 daughters: Mrs. Ben (Sibyl) Herr, Lincoln, NE; Mrs. Roger (Joyce) Miller, Warrenton, OR; Mrs. Alice Boyko, Minot, ND; Mrs. James (LaVonne) Fandrich, Manfred, ND; Mrs. Victor (Marlys) Jensen, Tekamah, NE; 1 son, Daryl of Keene, ND; a sister, Nora Austin and a brother Len Foreman; 25 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

TURNER, Ed, was born Dec. 7, 1890, Haxton, CO and died Dec. 17, 1987, Eckley, CO. At the age of 97 he was still a cowboy and a rancher, looking after his 1,800-acre ranch the way he had for 57 years. Lillian, his wife, passed away in 1984. Ed died when his car was struck head-on as the driver of another vehicle swerved across the highway. Survivors include 2 sons: Roy, Armstrong, IA and Dean, St. Helena, CA; 1 daughter, Goldie

Thames, Athol, MA; 16 grandchildren; 34 great-grandchildren; and 1 sister, Nellie Bowen.

WALKER, Estella, was born at Belleville, KS and passed away Feb. 26, 1988 at Lincoln, NE. She was a member of the College View SDA Church. Survivors are her children: Rosemary McGowan and Mrs. Darrell (Janice) Nilsen, Donald and Richard Wagner all of Lincoln, NE; Mrs. Wendell (Barbara) Winters, Gifford, IL; Mrs. Shelly (Carolyn) Donner, Oshkosh, WI; Merle Walker, Hickman, NE; Daryl Walker, Elkhorn, NE; Kenneth Wagner, Dallas, TX; 31 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

WATERHOUSE, Elton, born July 11, 1908 in Duluth, MN and died Jan. 17, 1988 in Duluth. Elton was a graduate of UMD and taught for 42 years in the Cromwell and Esko schools later becoming principal. He was the longest continuous member of the Duluth church, having been a member for 66 years and serving as deacon and Sabbath School Superintendent. He is survived by his wife, Malena; 4 children, Ronald E. of Duluth, Tim L. of Madison, TN, Gwen Pritchard of Connell, WA, and Lynette Wheeler of Merlin, OR; 9 grandchildren and 3 brothers, Raymond, Thurston and Russell.

WEHLING, Edward Dedric, known to friends as "Eddie," was born Jan. 12, 1906 near Diller, NE. On Jan. 24, 1988, Eddie passed away. In 1929, Eddie moved to Lincoln, NE where he worked for Coleman Gipson in the Auto Repair Shop at College View. Eddie and Gertrude Campbell were united in marriage in 1954. Gertrude died in 1983. He was a member of the Fairbury SDA Church. Survivors include brothers Alfred and David of Diller; a sister, Mrs. Alan Roberts of Beatrice, plus a number of nieces and nephews.

ZIMMERMAN, Geraldine, was born in Wichita Falls, TX and passed away Feb. 23, 1988 at Lincoln, NE. She was a member of the College View SDA Church. Survivors are 2 daughters, Susan Zimmerman of Lincoln and Rosemary Lee Boucher, San Diego, CA; son, Dr. Roland C.E. Zimmerman, Jr., Redlands, CA; 6 sisters, Delores Robertson, Iris Malin, Gladys Roberts, Thelma Woolsey, Charity Stone and Hope Worth; 1 brother, Charles Wisdom; and 6 grandchildren.

Notices

NEWBURY PARK ADVENTIST ACADEMY celebrates its 40th year with a special alumni weekend, April 8 and 9, 1988. Friday evening concert at 8 p.m. Registration, Sabbath, 9 a.m. Former teachers Larry Wolfe and Ed Broadbeck relive 40 years of memories at 3 p.m. Anniversary cake served at 4:30 p.m. Individual class suppers. Basketball team plays the alumni at 8 p.m. Further information: Margaret Collins or Martha Johnson during school hours at (805) 498-2191.

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CONCILIO HISPANO DE EVANGELISMO DE LA DIVISION NORTEAMERICANA. THE HISPANIC EVANGELISM COUNCIL for Hispanic pastors in the North American Division will be held this summer, Aug. 8-14, 1988, at the LLU/LaSierra campus in Riverside, CA. All active Hispanic pastors should be certain that we have their current address so they may receive information and applications. Hispanic retired pastors, lay pastors, professionals—attorneys and business people are also invited to attend. Write or call Elder Joseph Espinosa, General Conference, 6840 Eastern Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20012. Telephone: (202) 722-6563.

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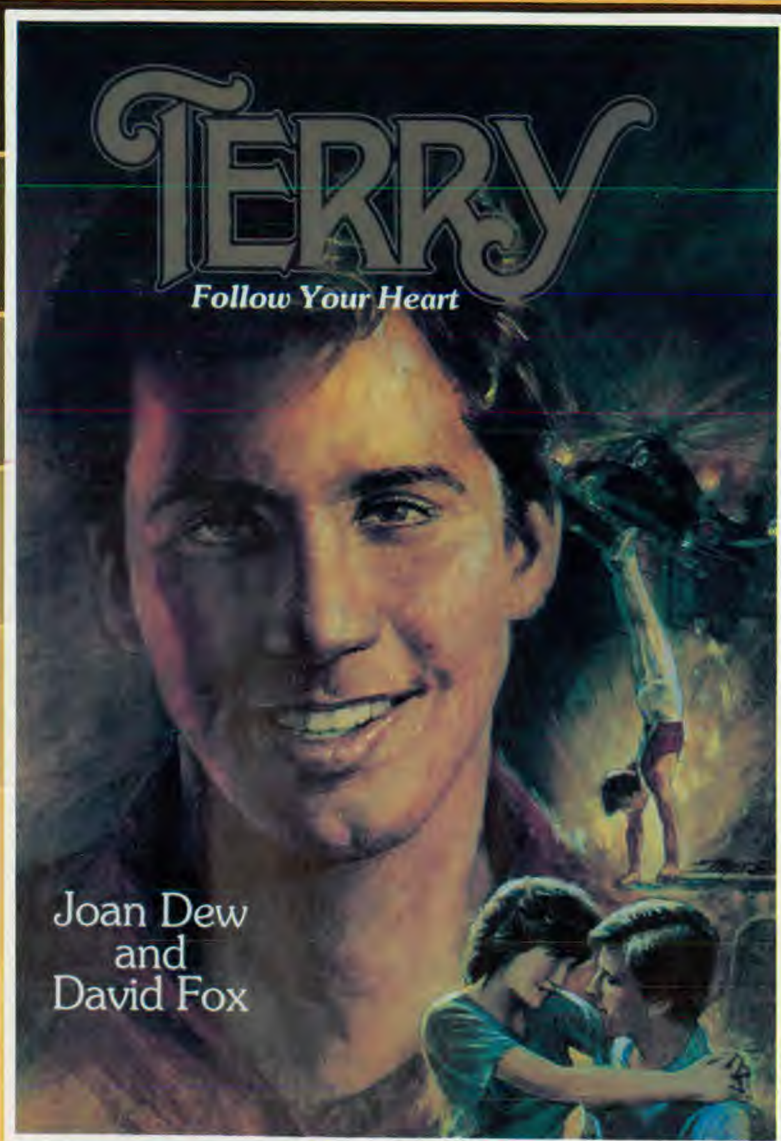
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| Denver, CO | 6:24 | 6:31 | 6:38 | 6:45 | 6:52 |
| Grand Junc., CO | 6:38 | 6:44 | 6:51 | 6:58 | 7:05 |
| Pueblo, CO | 6:21 | 6:27 | 6:34 | 6:41 | 6:47 |
| Cedar Rapids, IA | 6:32 | 6:40 | 6:47 | 6:55 | 7:03 |
| Davenport, IA | 6:27 | 6:35 | 6:42 | 6:50 | 6:57 |
| Des Moines, IA | 6:39 | 6:47 | 6:55 | 7:02 | 7:10 |
| Sioux City, IA | 6:51 | 6:59 | 7:07 | 7:15 | 7:23 |
| Dodge City, KS | 7:02 | 7:09 | 7:15 | 7:22 | 7:28 |
| Goodland, KS | 6:10 | 6:17 | 6:24 | 6:31 | 6:38 |
| Topeka, KS | 6:46 | 6:53 | 6:59 | 7:06 | 7:13 |
| Wichita, KS | 6:52 | 6:59 | 7:05 | 7:11 | 7:18 |
| Duluth, MN | 6:38 | 6:47 | 6:57 | 7:06 | 7:16 |
| Internl. Falls, MN | 6:44 | 6:54 | 7:04 | 7:15 | 7:25 |
| Minneapolis, MN | 6:41 | 6:49 | 6:58 | 7:07 | 7:16 |
| Rochester, MN | 6:36 | 6:45 | 6:53 | 7:02 | 7:10 |
| Columbia, MO | 6:33 | 6:40 | 6:46 | 6:53 | 7:00 |
| Kansas City, MO | 6:42 | 6:49 | 6:55 | 7:02 | 7:09 |
| Springfield, MO | 6:36 | 6:42 | 6:48 | 6:55 | 7:01 |
| St. Louis, MO | 6:24 | 6:31 | 6:37 | 6:44 | 6:51 |
| Grand Island, NE | 6:58 | 7:05 | 7:13 | 7:20 | 7:27 |
| Lincoln, NE | 6:51 | 6:59 | 7:06 | 7:13 | 7:21 |
| North Platte, NE | 7:07 | 7:15 | 7:22 | 7:30 | 7:37 |
| Omaha, NE | 6:48 | 6:56 | 7:03 | 7:11 | 7:18 |
| Scottsbluff, NE | 6:20 | 6:27 | 6:35 | 6:43 | 6:50 |
| Bismarck, ND | 7:12 | 7:21 | 7:31 | 7:40 | 7:50 |
| Fargo, ND | 6:56 | 7:06 | 7:15 | 7:25 | 7:34 |
| Williston, ND | 7:24 | 7:34 | 7:45 | 7:55 | 8:05 |
| Pierre, SD | 7:08 | 7:17 | 7:25 | 7:34 | 7:43 |
| Rapid City, SD | 6:19 | 6:27 | 6:36 | 6:44 | 6:53 |
| Sioux Falls, SD | 6:53 | 7:02 | 7:10 | 7:18 | 7:26 |
| Casper, WY | 6:32 | 6:40 | 6:48 | 6:56 | 7:04 |
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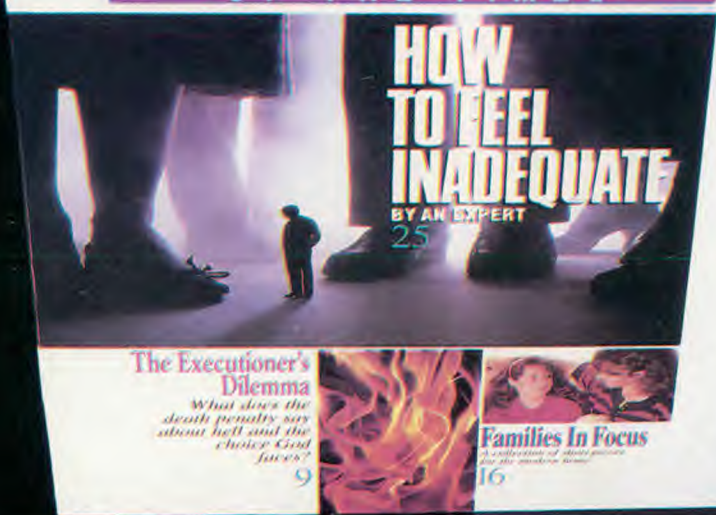
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