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Life may mete out injustice, but if we react with patience and faith, we shall avoid the bitterness that would decrease our usefulness.

Conquering Bitterness

By Agnes Lewis Caviness

WHILE strolling through the woods, I came upon a battered, old tree. Going around to the other side, I saw that it had passed through the fire, indeed was quite gutted by fire, so that only the shell of its once sturdy self remained. It had been an oak—one of the best of trees, but was now of no use to anyone.

It reminded me of a person who allows injustice so to consume his appreciation of others that he is blind to excellences in anyone. He has had intelligence and judgment, so that he could weigh and evaluate character, but now the bitterness that has entered his soul has, temporarily, lost to him the power to think and act on other matters.

This is a sad state. He may have been justified in his sense of loss. For example, a man may have lost a wife in the bloom of young womanhood. Left with little children needing care that no one but a mother can give, he may be desolate, and unfitted to earn their sustenance as he ought. But, as long as he is filled by a consuming sense of

injustice, he is only half father to his children.

I presume there is nothing in life more heartbreaking than seeing little children left motherless. Pictures of long lines of refugees become almost intolerable when we catch sight of little children tattered, forlorn, and weeping.

Why? Why? Why? The question is forced from our lips, from our minds, from our hearts. But when we become bitter over unexplained sorrow and tragedy, our state of mind unfits us to help ourselves or others.

I once saw a young man so overcome by the death of his lovely mother that he felt ready to take legal action against the institution where she had been cared for. He had expected to have her home the next day, and had lightly said good-by to her as she left him in the hall.

I understood him perfectly. When I lost my beautiful mother,

I used to sit in the streetcar and writhe in my soul that the coarse, hard faces of the women about me should still see the light of day, and my mother, who was serving God and her fellow men, was gone. Yet I had to come to accept even that with resignation before I could be a blessing to others. The tragedy of such a state of mind is that before long it may become coupled with "wrath and . . . clamour and evil speaking" (Eph. 4:31) so that it becomes a "root of bitterness" (Heb. 12:15) that troubles us.

I am convinced that it will take the rest of our lives here upon earth to learn to accept with patience the inevitable, as from the hand of our heavenly Father. Indeed, we are told that only in eternity shall we fully see as God sees.

To trust when we cannot see through the darkness, let this be our aim. To forgive when we are wronged, let this be our goal. Thus can we be like our Master. Thus can our usefulness be increased, not lessened, by the sorrows that make those bitter who know not Jesus.

HARRY BAERG, ARTIST

The director of Faith for Today reports on how television is cooperating with God in winning souls.

"My Prayers Were Answered"

By W. A. Fagal

ANSWERED prayer serves to remind us of God's existence and fathomless love for this fallen world. When God's answer to a soul's prayer results in a family finding God's truth for these last days, it seems especially heart warming.

Often the triumphant expression "My prayers were answered" appears in letters written to Faith for Today, the denomination's television program. Recently Mrs. Mercedes Guajardo, of Detroit, Michigan, wrote: "I always used to ask God in prayer to light my path by His light. I was a member of a prominent Protestant church, but I was totally dissatisfied and each day I prayed, 'God lead me.' I could not understand what it was that was puzzling me, but each night I prayed, 'Father, I want to be a true Christian and worship You just as You want me to.' I felt that somehow God would lead me." Then she added the beautiful words, "My prayers were answered—through Faith for Today."

Mrs. Guajardo was an earnest Christian who was guiding her family to trust in God and to serve Him faithfully. They had all been baptized by immersion and yet they felt that something important was lacking in their experience. She wrote, "We knew the fourth commandment, but we did not know there was a Christian church that worshipped on the Sabbath."

Recently, when Pastor Roger Holley

and his evangelistic team conducted a series of meetings in the Seventh-day Adventist church at Melvindale, Michigan, Faith for Today invited Mrs. Guajardo to attend. She and her family did so. At the conclusion of the series of meetings she wrote, "I thank you for letting us know about Pastor Holley's meetings. We surely did enjoy every one of them. As the result we are now members of the Oakwood Seventh-day Adventist church."

Pastor Don A. Copsey had the joy of baptizing Mrs. Guajardo and eight members of her family. Pastor Copsey writes that three of the boys are in church school and Mrs. Guajardo has been asked to serve as a deaconess

this year. Truly God answered the prayers of this faithful child of His.

God also answered the prayer of Mrs. Ora Isaacs, of Denver, Colorado. When she finished the Faith for Today Bible Correspondence Course, many months ago, we sent her a list of the Seventh-day Adventist churches in her area. She selected one of them and began to attend. A little later she wrote to the television office and cheered our hearts with the happy news that she had been warmly welcomed by the pastor and the church members. Not long afterward she informed us that she had accepted our full message and had been baptized.

Mrs. Isaacs' immediate concern was

Mrs. Mercedes Guajardo (back row, center) with her eight children, and D. A. Copsey, pastor of the Detroit Oakwood Boulevard Seventh-day Adventist church. God answered her prayer for additional light.





The large class that completed the Drama of the Christian Conflict Bible Course and were graduated in the Sharon Seventh-day Adventist church, Omaha, Nebraska.



Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Heydt and children of Leesport, Pennsylvania. Through the illness of her father Mrs. Heydt was turned toward spiritual things and sought help through the Faith for Today telecast.

for her family and she lost no time in sharing with them her new faith. Before long she had the great joy of seeing her youngest son and his wife, together with their daughter and son, baptized. Now four of the members of her family joined her in praying for the rest. Since that time her grandson married, and his wife joined with him in accepting the third angel's message.

Mrs. Isaacs wrote happily, "My prayers were answered again and again. My husband finally was baptized and became one of us in April, 1961. Now my eldest son and his wife in California are preparing to join with us in the near future. Only my daughter in Wyoming is left, but I am earnestly praying for her. I hope that the time will soon come when I can tell you that my entire family has united with us." She signs herself, "One of your happy students." What a remarkable and abundant answer to prayer has been hers!

God also answered the prayer of Lamar and Anna Mae Heydt of Leesport, Pennsylvania. They had been reared in a Protestant church, but at the outbreak of the Korean war he was recalled into the Army and both began to drift from the church and run with "a worldly crowd."

Then Mrs. Heydt's father suddenly became ill, and her concern for him caused her to think seriously about her own spiritual life. Since she and her husband no longer attended church, she turned in desperation to television to find spiritual help. Soon she began viewing the Faith for Today telecasts. She wrote almost immediately for the Bible course, began to study it earnestly, and then anxiously awaited the answers to the many questions that she asked on each lesson. Her husband joined her in regularly viewing the program and he too became absorbed in the Bible course. Mr. Heydt wrote recently, "We be-

gan praying and searching earnestly for wisdom and truth. We started going back to our old church; we visited other churches; we took various Bible courses; but as time went by we knew that Faith for Today filled our need best.

"One day Pastor Ronald Neall came to our home and asked whether we would be interested in Bible studies. After talking it over we agreed that we would, but I warned Pastor Neall that I didn't want to make a regular thing of it. Little did we realize that we would someday be Seventh-day Adventists!

"Pastor and Mrs. Neall began regular studies with us and were very kind and helpful to us. We grew to love them for their interest in us, but most important we learned to love Jesus more." When the Nealls were transferred to another district the Heydts continued studying with Pastor J. Melvin Clemons.

They encountered many heartaches as some of their dearest relatives and friends became bitterly antagonistic because of their increasing

interest in Adventism. Mr. Heydt faced a very real problem in keeping the Sabbath, for he was convinced that he would lose his job as vice-president and secretary of the M. M. Waterbor Company, a licensee of Hertz-Rent-a-Car in Reading, Pennsylvania. Finally, however, he gained strength to take his stand for the Sabbath, regardless of consequences. He wrote:

"Upon announcing my intentions to the other officers of the corporation at a directors' meeting, I was advised by the president that I could not expect Saturday off, since that was our busiest day. But the next day another officer approached me and said that he would work Sabbaths for me if I would forfeit to him my salary increase, which we were both about to receive. I did! At the time, these problems all seemed large. Satan always tries to discourage us, but the Lord carried us through and we have always been grateful."

On June 23, 1960, Pastor Clemons baptized the Heydts and they are now members of the church in Reading, Pennsylvania. Since that time

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Williamson and children. Tom is now studying for the ministry, and has helped raise up a church.



both have been very interested in the Reading Institute of Rehabilitation and have been doing missionary work there. Mr. Heydt even served as acting administrator of the institute for several months until recently when a full-time administrator was named.

And the father whose illness started all of this search for truth? Mr. Heydt writes, "My wife's dad is alive and able to work, and we are praying that someday he and her mother may become interested in the message. My parents have been attending church with us regularly since April. We do want to be faithful witnesses." There is no doubt but that God answered the prayers of the Lamar Heydts.

God answered the prayer of Mary Burress, of Dawson Springs, Kentucky. She took several Faith for Today Bible courses and had a great desire to unite with the church and be baptized. However, she wrote, "It seemed that it was impossible for me ever to take my stand. Then almost as an answer to prayer a Seventh-day Adventist pastor began to call on me. He gave me further Bible instruction and counsel and now I am a baptized member. I was certainly confronted with a great deal of opposition, but God has wonderfully helped me through it. . . . Had it not been for the Faith for Today telecast and the Faith for Today Bible Course, I most likely would never have known of God's truth." God has certainly answered the prayer of a faithful servant, who is now a light in her community.

A Mistake Overruled

The Lord answered the prayers of Tom and Dianne Williamson of New Brunswick, New Jersey. One day Mrs. Williamson listened to the Faith for Today program and heard a poem that interested her. The poem was offered to viewers who would request it. Dianne decided to write for it. However, the Lord must have blinded the eyes of the folks who read her letter, because instead of sending her the poem, they sent the first lesson of the Bible course. She wrote again asking for the poem, and once again the identical mistake was made!

By this time she decided that perhaps God was seeing to it that she received these lessons. She decided she would begin to study them. Tom joined her in the studies and truth began rapidly to unfold to them.

One day Tom decided to visit the New Brunswick church. It was a weekday, but one of the church members was working about the premises and Tom soon revealed that he had de-

cided he wanted to become a Seventh-day Adventist. The church member told him that before uniting with this church one would have to be convinced of the things that the church taught, including the keeping of the Sabbath and the paying of tithe.

On Sabbath, Tom and Dianne attended the church service and met Pastor C. G. Rasmussen, who later visited them. Tom's first comment to Pastor Rasmussen was, "Well, I am willing to keep the Sabbath and am willing to pay tithe. Now how do I become a Seventh-day Adventist?" A series of Bible studies began which extended from September to December of 1960, at which time both the Williamsons were baptized.

Tom owned his own air-conditioning business, which he gave up, and moved Dianne and their four children to Atlantic Union College, South Lancaster, Massachusetts. Tom has now completed almost two years of study for the ministry and is beginning a new Adventist church in Sterling, Massachusetts. What a privilege it was to visit Tom's church a few weeks ago! Surely God heard and answered the prayers of the Williamsons.

In addition to influencing souls to take their stand for the third angel's message, Faith for Today has also been instrumental in strengthening the faith of some who are already in the church. Not long ago E. E. Hagen, Central Union home missionary secre-

tary, encouraged S. D. Myers, pastor of the Sharon Seventh-day Adventist church in Omaha, Nebraska, to guide a large number of his new believers through Faith for Today's Drama of the Christian Conflict Course. This course is based on *The Great Controversy*, by Ellen G. White. A large group completed all of the lessons and received certificates. Graduation exercises took place at an eleven o'clock worship service on Sabbath morning. Pastor Myers writes:

"This course has enriched my ministry; it has brought the conflict into clearer focus in my thinking. In its warning of the snares of Satan it seems as though God Himself is speaking to my heart. Words cannot express my appreciation for the leading of God in bringing me into contact with this course." All of those who took the course feel that God heard and answered their prayers for increased faith.

God has used Faith for Today in a remarkable way to answer the prayers of many seeking light. Our hearts rejoice as we realize that during 1962 more than 1,800 precious souls were baptized who traced their first contact with the message to our television program. Surely their prayers were answered, and in many cases the prayers of husbands, wives, and other relatives were answered. Will you not pray that God may continue to richly bless this soul-winning agency?

The Wayside Pulpit

"And the Lord shall . . . satisfy thy soul in drought: . . . and thou shalt be . . . like a spring of water, whose waters fail not" (Isa. 58:11).



Out of the welter of stories of violence and catastrophe from all parts of the world there comes occasionally a note of optimism and cheer that there are organizations for public welfare promoting in quiet ways the spirit of good will. Such is the report of the Agency for International Development which has successfully laid 200,000 feet of the U.S. Army six-inch pipe from a well dug at old Hebron to bring water to fill the ancient Pools of Solomon, thereby relieving a water famine that required strict rationing for 150,000 residents of Jerusalem and Bethlehem.

The story takes us back to the days of Isaac, whose servants "dug again the wells of water, which they had digged in the days of Abraham" (Gen. 26:18). But there was strife between Gerar and Isaac over the wells, Isaac each time moving farther on until he digged at Rehoboth, meaning "room enough," and here the strife ceased. "The Lord hath made room for us," said Isaac, and when God makes room there is no lack, or place for strife. We need to ask Him to make room in our hearts for the infilling of His Spirit, and when that takes place Isaiah's prophecy is fulfilled in our experience, "Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation" (Isa. 12:3).

H. M. TIPPETT

Be Still,
and Know That

I Am God

By H. R. Kehney
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PERHAPS no better counsel ever was given to man than that found in the words of David, "Be still, and know that I am God" (Ps. 46:10).

The apostle Paul, speaking of this experience of deep soul satisfaction and rest in God, writes: "We ought therefore to fear that when the promise of admission to his Rest is still open, some one of you may be found to have failed to reach it. For we have had good news preached to us, just as they did, but the message they heard did them no good because they did not agree through faith with what they heard. For we who have believed are admitted to that Rest" (Heb. 4: 1-3, Goodspeed).*

Today men everywhere are restless, constantly on the go, scheming and planning for greater things to be done, greater records to be broken. The breaking of records has become commonplace. Almost every day some records are broken—records of achievement, records in calamities, records in temperature changes. Even in our church terminology we have sometimes gauged success according to records.

Phillips Brooks, that well-known New England preacher, had a reputation for poise and imperturbability. But his close friends knew that he had his moments of frustration and irritability. Finding him peevishly pacing the floor one day, a visitor asked, "What is the trouble, Dr. Brooks?"

"The trouble is," Brooks answered, "that I am in a hurry—but God isn't."

God takes His time. The best things in life cannot be hurried. God not only works quietly and patiently but

to bring about His purposes in our lives He works in ways and methods that few are able to understand. His mercy, His justice, His faithfulness, are the work of a master architect proceeding according to plan. His success cannot be measured in time.

"The Lord is willing to do great things for us. We shall not gain the victory through numbers, but through the full surrender of the soul to Jesus. We are to go forward in His strength, trusting in the mighty God of Israel."—*The SDA Bible Commentary*, vol. 2, p. 1003. Again, we have been told that it is "not the amount of labor performed or its visible results but the spirit in which the work is done [that] makes it of value with God."—*Christ's Object Lessons*, p. 397.

Let us not drift into mistakenly believing that success can be found in the multiplying of numbers. True success lies much deeper than that. Jesus said, "Many will say to me in that day, . . . have we not . . . in thy name done many wonderful works?" I am inclined to believe that those who will be with the Lord on that day, will be the ones who are not aware of any goodness on their own part; they will be conscious only of Christ and His righteousness. To Him they will give all the praise.

Kneel at the Cross

Those who will be with the Lord will know by experience what it means to kneel at the foot of the cross and to see in Him all they ever will be. "Kneeling in faith at the cross, he [the sinner] has reached the *highest* place to which man can attain."—*The Acts of the Apostles*, p. 210. (Italics supplied.) At the foot of the cross we find the rest and peace that

is still available to God's people today. This is the good news that some of us have failed to understand. The cross must be the motivating power in our promotion of every Christian principle. This is our message, a complete gospel—Jesus is all.

The atonement of our Lord is of no avail to us except as we lay claim to it by faith in the blood of Jesus Christ. "His name shall be called Wonderful," says the prophet Isaiah. The word *wonderful* bears the meaning of "miracle." The greatest miracle is to know that Christ has taken possession of our hearts, and that He applies His power to change our lives. What good news it is that God gave His life for man, and that the gates of Paradise were opened on that day on which Jesus died on the cross!

"Be still, and know that I am God." "Be *still* and know. Our salvation is found in an experience of complete trust and rest in Him. We must know the certainty of our salvation to find that rest.

"To John was opened the same truth that had come to Elijah in the desert, when 'a great and strong wind rent the mountains, and brake in pieces the rocks before the Lord; but the Lord was not in the wind: and after the wind an earthquake; but the Lord was not in the earthquake: after the earthquake a fire; but the Lord was not in the fire:' and after the fire, God spoke to the prophet by a still, small voice. 1 Kings 19:11, 12. So Jesus was to do His work, not by the overturning of thrones and kingdoms, not with pomp and outward display, but through speaking to the hearts of men by a life of mercy and self-sacrifice.

"The kingdom of God comes not with outward show. It comes through the gentleness of the inspiration of His word, through the inward working of His Spirit, the fellowship of the soul with Him who is its life. The greatest manifestation of its power is seen in human nature brought to the perfection of the character of Christ."—*The Ministry of Healing*, p. 36.

Have we found this rest in the Lord? This should be our chief concern. When Paul met his Lord on the way to Damascus he called out, "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?" When the people listened to Peter under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit they called out, "Men and brethren, what shall we do?" Salvation is a personal experience. So let us not compare our lives with the lives of our brethren. Let us compare them with the true Pattern—the lovely life of our wonderful Lord. In Him we shall find rest and peace. "Be still, and know that I am God."

* *The Bible, An American Translation* by J. M. Powis Smith (OT) and Edgar J. Goodspeed (NT). Copyright 1935 by the University of Chicago.

All Figured Out

By Howard A. Munson

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TWICE within three days a visitor had come to see an elderly woman living in a large apartment house. On the first visit there was no response to her persistent knocking. Many times she had come to take her friend to church; a few times she had been unable to rouse her. She thought the lady was sleeping and decided to return later.

On the second visit there still was no answer. This was unusual. Upon inquiring, the other tenants acknowledged that "come to think of it," they had not seen their fellow tenant for a few days. Something must be wrong.

The police were called to investigate. When they entered the little apartment they found the woman was dead.

The police asked many questions. They searched the apartment thoroughly. And, as was their custom, whatever was included in the "estate" was taken. Tithes envelopes, money ready to be turned in for Ingathering, all cash found, became the property of the State. And when friends of the deceased came back a few days later they found the furniture gone! The building superintendent had taken it for other apartments. There was nothing left.

This woman was a faithful Seventh-day Adventist, living alone in a large city. There were no known relatives. Her friends were those in her church. She was in her seventies and seemed in fair health. She lived a quiet, untroubled existence. Why should she worry? She had things all figured out. She would watch her physical condition and at the proper time give all she had to the church she loved.

But all her well-thought-out plans went awry when a sudden heart attack ended her life. Her desires for the disposition of her property died with her. Her beloved church lost a fine member and the financial help she hoped to bequeath it.

Seventh-day Adventists are students of the Word of God. As a people we give special study to the prophetic portions of the Bible. We explain the rise and fall of nations. We can discern the signs of the times. We have a nose for news concerning the closing events of this world's history. This news we analyze under the penetrating light shed by the Holy Word, as it

describes the events of the last days.

We think we have it all figured out. We are sure it is going to happen like this, and at such a time. When we see certain events happen, certain singular situations develop, then we will know just what to do. Until that time we wait, watch, withhold. Decisive action, we think, is for some future time.

Is it possible that we may not be as infallible in determining the events of the last days as we think we are? When is the future? Might it be that the last rapid movements will be more rapid than we think? Could space-age speed catch us slumbering with a false sense of security?

What will happen to our bank accounts in that great day? Will they become so much molten metal? Or chaff for the winds? Could it be there will be anguished cries from Adventists who have it all figured out, "My money is no good! Why did I wait so long?"

The time will undoubtedly come when the worldwide mission program of this denomination will be slowed to a standstill by the encircling chains of restrictions and opposition. We can foresee that the voices of our radio

My Favorite Text

"In all their affliction he was afflicted, and the angel of his presence saved them: in his love and in his pity he redeemed them; and he bare them, and carried them all the days of old." Isa. 63:9.

It was a beautiful, early summer Sabbath after a warm and refreshing rain the night before. Our family, dressed in our best clothes, were on our way to church. For the first time in my boyhood life I was wearing a brand-new suit, a white one with white socks and shoes to match. I was a proud little boy as I walked hand in hand with my father, anticipating the pleasure of seeing my friends and my playmates again at Sabbath school.

Along the road where we walked were puddles of water left by the rain of the night before. For this reason father held especially tight to my hand. For a while I was content to walk at his slower pace. But soon my impatient nature caused me to break away and run on so as to be

and television programs can be silenced. We can see how our schools can be closed, how evangelists can be forbidden to hold public meetings. We know there are ways in certain lands to make it impossible to operate private hospitals. We are certain many of our members will be in serious trouble.

While we are figuring it all out, our funds lie dormant. Idle money is worse than useless; it can be a curse. Working money keeps health-giving, soul-winning hospitals in operation, keeps evangelists speaking, Christian schools educating active young people, preachers in pulpits; it gives wings to voices speeding the good news of the gospel through the air, keeps the wheels of presses turning.

A Christlike character, the result of a successful religious experience, is the only thing we will take from this world. To what do we owe our opportunity to reach heaven? Someone found us, the Holy Spirit spoke often to us, the church taught us, the denomination nurtured us, and God was over all. We owe all we have or are to this combination. Our gratitude should permeate every fiber of our being. Our love for God and His church should know no bounds. How little we have to give for the priceless possession of salvation!

Yet many wait long before untying the strings of what they think is security! A sizable nest egg seems to them to be the difference between security and want. But how solid are nest eggs? This is a shaky old world. Many economists do not like the financial pic-

ture the first to get to church. I was doing very well, too, until I looked back to see how far ahead of the others I was, when to my dismay and distress I tripped and sprawled headlong into a puddle of water, cutting my hands and knees on the cinders in the roadbed and covering myself and my new white suit with mud. Tears of hurt and disappointment were soon in evidence, and in anguish I turned toward my father who came running up and without a moment's hesitation picked me up, bloody and muddy and wet as I was. He hugged me to his breast, kissed away my tears, and whispered his little message of sympathy and love into my ears.

Some time later I discovered Isaiah 63:9, and ever since then it has been my favorite text.

If God is anything like my father was on that occasion, if that is the way He treats us in spite of our failures, waywardness, and mistakes, then I can love Him with all my heart. I learned about the love of God by experiencing the love of a wonderful Christian father.

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ture in the United States. Our national debt is nearly 300 billion dollars. Many wonder how far we are from national bankruptcy. A financial panic could wipe out savings and reserves overnight. What regrets we would have if our savings should melt away, with never a chance to go to work for God!

We can figure out some things, but no one yet has been able to predict his exact span of life. And when one dies without having made a will, or some definite provision for the distribution of his money and property, everything becomes the property of the State. His assets are distributed according to the laws of the State in which he lived. This often produces unpleasant results, disappointments, heartaches, with extra court costs and legal expenses eating into the estate. If those who die without leaving a will could look back and see the way in which their funds were distributed, they would become the strongest advocates of making a will. Their advice would be, "Do not let death distribute your money; do it yourself."

Is there a way to put your money to work *now*, yet at the same time keep the sense of security its presence seems to engender? Yes. It is being done by many farsighted Seventh-day Adventists. It should be done by all. Any conference president, conference treasurer, or General Conference leader will help a person work out a plan whereby he can put his money out on the firing line, yet protect his day-by-day security to the full extent of his funds. The time to do it is now! It makes it much easier if money is given to the cause prior to death; otherwise, relatives may object with costly litigation.

An Adventist who desires to see the work of God prosper and the coming of Jesus hastened can do several things to put his idle funds to work.

1. He can sacrificially increase his gifts when appeals are made for special offerings. This would bless not only the cause but the giver!

2. He can lend idle funds on a note, either demand or long term, with or without interest, with the stipulation that they become the property of the denomination in case of death.

3. He can enter into a trust agreement that will give him a small income and protect him while he lives, and allow him to withdraw the funds if he needs them.

What comfort it gives one to know that his money is out working, saving souls, finishing the work. Gifts *now* perpetuate our money into blessings throughout eternity. Happy is the man who, while living, sees his money circling the globe, leaving a trail of kingdom-bound souls behind it.

A Story FOR THE YOUNGER SET

Love Saved Luzi

By Elizabeth Spalding McFadden

"Doctor! Oh, Doctor!" The nurse came running down the hall to catch the doctor who was just leaving the mission hospital in Pakistan for the night. "Won't you please take a look at this little girl before you go? They just brought her in, and she really looks more dead than alive!"

When the doctor picked up Luzi's wrist to feel her pulse, it felt more like a toothpick to him than an arm. Her breathing was fast and labored; her skin was very pale, and her bones were just barely covered with flesh.

"Why didn't you bring her sooner?" the doctor asked the anxious parents.

"Oh, we did, Doctor. She has been in another hospital for several weeks, but tonight they told us that she was going to die. They said they could do nothing more for her. Oh, please, Doctor, do *something*! Don't just let her lie here and die. We love our little girl so much!"

"I'll do all I can," the doctor promised, "but you know she hasn't much of a chance. If we do pull her through it will only be because of God's love for her—shall I pray for her?"

"Yes—anything that will help, Doctor."

So the doctor knelt beside the child and offered a simple prayer. Then he ordered her placed in a hospital bed and began feeding her through tubes in her veins. At first he could not even get the needle into the vein, but by trying again

and again, and asking God to help him, he finally got it in. He sat by little Luzi's bed for quite a while. She has been a pretty little girl, he thought, as he gazed at her shrunken face. Suddenly he loved her very much! He wanted to do everything in his power to save this precious little seven-year-old girl. That night at home he and his wife prayed for Luzi.

The next morning Luzi was the first patient the doctor went to see. Yes, she was a little better. Softly he patted her cheek, and ordered more fluids. After a day or so, Luzi began to recognize the doctor when he came and sat by her bed; and when he coaxed her to eat a spoonful of food from her tray she would do it—for him.

"I don't know why, Doctor, but she won't eat for us—only for you," the nurses said.

After that, the doctor made it a point to drop into the children's ward at mealtime and feed Luzi a few spoonfuls from her untouched tray. Finally, Luzi began to try to eat her food so he would be happy when he came. One day she had a real surprise for the doctor. She could hardly wait for him to come.

"Look, Doctor!" she exclaimed, pointing to her tray. "Every dish is empty!"

"Oh, you little rascal, you!" he laughed. "Now I can't feed you any more!"

"You can play a game with me," smiled Luzi. So the doctor, pleased that she felt so much better, stayed to play a little game with her. After that, each day at noon he dropped in to see the empty tray, and to pat her on the head and chat a bit. Luzi usually had some surprise she had made for him—a card or a pretty ribbon.

"I love you, Doctor," she would say, throwing her arms around him. "You made me well."

"No," the doctor would answer, "I only helped God make you well. He loves you just as I do." Then the doctor would tell her about Jesus.

Luzi's parents were so happy! They thanked the doctor over and over for trying when no one else would. To them, also, he pointed out that it was an answer to prayer that their child was now gaining in health and would soon be able to go home.

"I'm so glad we brought Luzi to the mission hospital," her mother said as they prepared to take Luzi home six weeks later. "All my friends and relatives were very upset because we were bringing her here."

But now I can see what a good hospital it is, and how the doctors and nurses all love their patients. I'd like to know more about this God you serve. If He is able to save my little girl from death He must be all right."

When Luzi gets a little stronger, her mother has promised, she can come and visit Sabbath school with the doctor's own little girl, so that she can learn more about Jesus.



HARRY BAERG, ARTIST

"Doctor! Oh, Doctor!" The nurse came running down the hall to catch the doctor who was just leaving the mission hospital in Pakistan for the night. "Won't you please take a look at this little girl before you go?"



by Miriam Hood

What About Cheating?—I

THE PLACE: A classroom

THE TIME: 1963

THE CHARACTERS: Students (and a teacher)

THE ACTION: A semester test

THE PROBLEM: Cheating

LARRY glanced around the room at the rows of students with heads bent over their test papers in desperate concentration. Only the squeak of pencils, the rustle of an occasional sheet of paper, a quiet cough, or the harsher sound of a shoe scraping the floor broke the silence. Smothering a yawn, Larry casually (too casually?) crossed his legs, revealing an expanse of red-and-white Argyle socks at which he gazed intently. After a moment, he began writing again, slowly at first, then more rapidly and surely.

Betty, sitting next to him, by one of those odd quirks of chance found her gaze riveted on the red-and-white Argyles. One sock appeared to be raveling out at the top—at least there was an uneven expanse of white area that seemed to be unmatched by any red. She studied the sock for a moment. Could it be—why, it couldn't possibly be—but it was—a slip of paper tucked neatly into the top of the sock, with rows of tiny figures and words on it.

Sick at heart, she tore her eyes away. Not Larry! Others, because this sort of thing was not new to her, but Larry, president of his class, admired by everyone, consistently "good student"? Was this the first time it had happened, or was this the pattern with him?

With a great effort of will, Betty erased the tumultuous thoughts from her mind, finished her own test, and left the room, one more illusion shattered.

A Serious Problem

The sort of intellectual dishonesty indulged in by Larry has become one of the most serious problems faced by educators. Let us talk, then, about cheating—the plain, ordinary, unembellished thing called cheating.

Let us assume we all agree that cheating is morally wrong and intellectually unsound. I'm going to proceed with the idea that this point—the "wrongness" of cheating—has been a part of the thinking of every one of us from childhood, but that something may have happened along through the years to make students more vulnerable or to blur the image of honesty as a way of life.

For purposes of clarification, let's define cheating as a student's submitting work, which is supposed to be his alone, and which his teacher assumes is his alone, but which is *not* his alone. Cumbersome, perhaps, but there are several "tricky" areas here. Let's dispose of them one at a time.

1. How about copying class lecture notes from friends?

I would say that if you're kept out of class because of illness or other legitimate reasons, it is permissible to copy notes. Your teacher is not expecting an original piece of work in this area, since the class lecture notes are merely a mechanical tool for learning. Of course, if you're a lazy character who sits and stares into space while your friends are busily writing, I can't imagine why anyone would help you anyway. They'd be "compounding a felony" with you, encouraging your lack of enterprise. Incidentally, note taking is an excellent way to learn to organize your thoughts, granted that you have some to organize.

Term Papers

2. Aren't term papers, seminar papers, et cetera, nothing but "copied stuff" anyhow, by their very nature?

Certainly not! It's true that "there is no new thing under the sun" but the learning *you're* supposedly doing is new to *you*. Studying available material in a scholastic field, then organizing it in a manner uniquely yours, has strong elements of newness and freshness for the student. At any rate, the finished product isn't the only facet involved. There are study skills to be learned—defining the scope of the problem to be studied, breaking it down into study areas, outlining it, carrying it forward to a logical conclusion, using your written language skills effectively. If we were to accept the idea that nothing new ever came out of research, we would stop civilization from advancing—because it advances, intellectually speaking, on research. Of course, your achievement potential in this area is limited by the grade level on which you're working. But it goes on and on, as you go on and on. So, to copy someone else's term paper is the most blatant kind of cheating, the kind that would have set intellectual advancement back who knows how long if there had been no stalwarts who believed in the exercise of the *mind* (and the will!).

3. How about outside reading?

Well, how about it? No one ever has enough time, that's the chronic

complaint. I assume that all you students have 24 hours each day, however. Let us never forget that the wisdom of the ages is contained in books. Teachers who insist that you absorb as much of it as possible ought to be commended, not castigated. If you turn in a report of reading you haven't done, you're lying—what else?

And so to tests. Teachers don't like them either, though you may find this difficult to accept. Teachers don't like them because it really is almost impossible to find a rating scale for students that really gives a true picture, since people are all so different. However, until research comes up with something better, tests will have to be a part of school life. At some time in your classwork, the "moment of truth" has to arrive, when your instructor has to probe *your* mind, assess *your* intellectuality, rate *your* progress.

To attempt to circumvent this analytical exercise is to chip away at the very foundations of the educative process. I ask you—why are students in a school environment, if they refuse to become a part of it? Since education is the key (or *a* key) to the high goals of twentieth-century living, then we must "get" an education. In some cases, this means "getting" it by any method, by fair means or foul. Of course, the latter choice won't help you become educated—it merely helps you go through the motions.

But later on, your own "moment of truth" likely will arrive when a momentous decision—even someone's life—may depend on *you*. And you—that was the subject matter in which you cheated, wasn't it?

Your Responsibility

I realize we haven't even touched one of the most complex areas in this whole problem, namely, What is the responsibility of the individual student to help eradicate dishonesty from education? How does a student accept and adjust to the fact that his own code of strict honesty often can cause his grades to be lower than those of a student with little regard for honesty? What about a student's moral responsibility to report such practices? Can he do so, and still have friends?

We'll continue this topic next week. There's such a lot that needs to be said!

In the meantime, I hope you're becoming an educated person, not just "getting" an education.

Attitudes Are Important

By E. E. Cleveland

AND as ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise" (Luke 6:31).

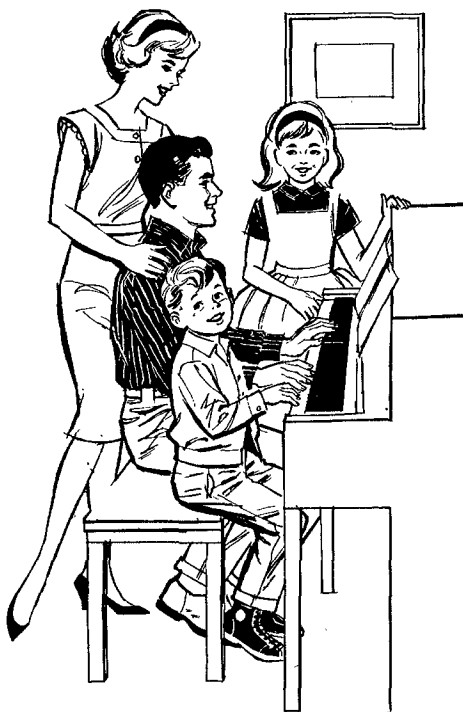
Few men can read this passage without feeling the sting of its challenge in the soul. Like other Christian ideals, this one is always a step ahead of the truest Christian, its ultimate depth as yet unprobed. Who, then, can read these words in Laodicean pride? Is there not a deeper experience in Christian love open to all of us?

Deeper than the matter of *how* man treats his fellow man, is the question of man's *attitude* toward his fellow man. Meaningful love reroutes the thought processes and adjusts attitudes from human to divine standards. Faith in Christ progressively refurbishes the inner man, conquering natural inclination, so that man thinks as God thinks. Hence righteousness by faith in Christ is not a club with which brother mauls brother; it is a transforming experience reaching through to the inner man.

"Ye must be born again," declared the Master to a teacher of the Jews. "How can these things be?" was Nicodemus' timid response. "Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God," was the answer (John 3:5).

This is righteousness by faith in Christ defined. It is the new birth in verity. At this point, the refinement of our attitudes begins. For begin it must!

"If you love only those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners love those who love them" (Luke 6:32, N.E.B.).* Genuine love embraces even the unlovely, and when it has captured the heart it includes



Love makes home happy.

one's bitterest enemies. This is contrary to human nature, but it is the divine nature in essence. "Love ye your enemies, and do good, and lend, hoping for nothing again; and your reward shall be great, and ye shall be the children of the Highest" (Luke 6:35).

Christian, this is now our most urgent task individually, the subjugation of our unsanctified attitudes toward our fellow man. The field here is exceedingly broad. Homes are being dissolved because husbands and wives are giving more attention to the "issues" than the inner attitudes. The peace of the church is imperiled—where men of strong will blast each other as though the golden rule does not exist. Indeed, there are times when men treat one another as though God is not in heaven, let alone in their hearts.

Before saying a word, writing a letter, or committing an act, we may with profit ask ourselves, Would I want to be addressed in this manner or dealt with in this way? The hasty answer will not suffice here, for our souls are under the constant scrutiny of God who knows even the secret impulses of the heart.

Golden Rule Instruction

The Bible has given golden rule instruction on how to deal with those who err. "Moreover if thy brother shall trespass against thee, go and tell

him his fault between thee and him alone: if he shall hear thee, thou hast gained thy brother" (Matt. 18:15). All offenses, whether public or private, require first the private, face-to-face consultation. This affords an opportunity to ascertain the background for the act, and this is important in evaluating others. A man may be wrong—but there is a right way to correct him. There are no exceptions to this Bible rule. No crusade against a person or organization is justified without prior consultation. This is the law of love.

There is room for change of attitude in business competition. Honesty in business dealing, however keen the competition, is a fair field for the achievement of spiritual excellence. And what about neighbor-to-neighbor relations? Has not the Christian a duty here? Are not friendliness and hospitable neighborliness required of those who claim the righteousness of Christ?

And what of racial prejudice? Is not this a sin to be repented of? It is natural to gravitate to those who are most like us. But is it Christlike to dislike those who are not? Christ shocked the Jews by showing kindness to the Samaritan woman. In this He set an example for His followers. The test of Christian love is not how we feel about those of our own kind but what love we have for the others. Righteousness by faith is the cleansing experience that makes possible love of brother for brother. It is not mere indulgence in emotional spasm or mental flight into ephemeral ecstasy. It is an act of God changing man's basic thought processes.

With love, there are no helpless, hopeless cases. No marriage need fail, nor need the peace of Zion be disturbed. Christ, through the Holy Spirit, can conquer our pride and subdue our evil propensities, if in true repentance we face ourselves as we are. Let us acknowledge our inability to love the unlovely, but let us recognize that we must learn to love the unlovely. "If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar: for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen?" (1 John 4:20).

Seek Love at Its Source

Love cannot be self-induced or artificially stimulated. A forced smile or "bone-grinding" handshake may cloak a heart of steel. To attempt to love only creates deeper frustrations. The only lasting solution is to seek love at its source. Let us bare our souls before God, confessing in humility our hatreds or mild dislikes. As we surrender these things to Him in earnest

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prayer, He will give us in exchange the fullness of His love. This is the key to inner peace. When enough Christians do this, God will honor His promise and pour out His Spirit without measure upon His waiting saints. This is the key to Pentecostal power.

Acceptance of the righteousness of Christ by faith in Him confers upon one the Christian graces; and the first fruit of the Spirit is love. "The fruit

of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance" (Gal. 5:22, 23).

A young secretary was known around the office as a spreader of gloom because of her surly attitude. One night she wandered into a revival service and was converted. The next day on the job her countenance reflected her joy. At first her associates could not believe the change.

Finally one ventured to ask, "What happened, Mary, did you get a raise in salary?"

"No," was the reply, "my salary is the same—but I'm not." Nor will we be when Christ comes into our hearts.

A strife-ridden world anxiously awaits the full manifestation of the love of God in His children. Heaven is waiting to bestow it. In whom will the love of God be perfected? In you? (To be continued)



For Homemakers

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Between Us Parents—3

Teen Trouble

By Gordon M. MacLafferty

WHY are so many parents plagued with lack of restraint on the part of their teen-agers? Is it true that the physiological changes of adolescence are responsible for transforming good little boys and girls into uncontrollable youth? In the process of growing up, must our children pass through a difficult period for which God has made no provision?

Personally, I am not allergic to youth of any age. It would be a drab world without them. We have been very happy with our own young people, and have always been glad to have them and their friends in our home. From year to year the changes in them only added interest to life. It is rewarding to watch them develop into adults ready for the Lord's service.

There was a girl by the name of Myrtle who was an inspiring example of what may be expected of well-trained youth. Tragedy in early life left her without father or mother. She was adopted by an older cousin. With such a background we might expect her to suffer from a feeling of insecurity—she really should become quite a problem.

But Myrtle became a heroine in one of the most tense moments of Hebrew history. She was voted Miss Persia of about the year 478 B.C. as a result of what may have been the first beauty contest. More than that, she was made queen of Persia without

Emperor Xerxes knowing much about her. Her foster father had warned her not to reveal her race.

We know her better by the name of Esther. As her name indicates, she became the "star" of the East of her day. "Myrtle" is derived from her Hebrew name, Hadassah.

Esther was the most appealing of all the "fair young virgins." She was "beautiful and lovely," but it was the beauty of her character that made her

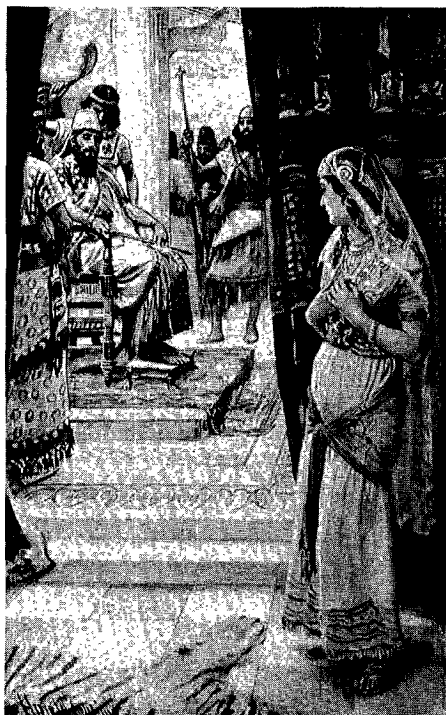
most famous. Mordecai had taught her to be obedient. The Inspired Record states that "Esther obeyed Mordecai just as when she was brought up by him" (Esther 2:20, R.S.V.). Fidelity to principle stayed with her even amid the dazzling splendor of the royal palace. And finally, she risked her life for the cause of God, saving her people from extermination. Mordecai was well repaid for his careful training.

Parental Laxity

"Too often parental laxity on the one hand or overbearing strictness on the other, implants in young people the desire to be free from restraint, and cultivates waywardness and delinquency. Happy the home where parental authority is balanced with respect for the individuality of its youth, where parental control is exercised with the objective of developing self-control. Like Esther, such youth leave home with well-balanced personalities and disciplined characters." —*The SDA Bible Commentary*, on Esther 2:20.

The adolescent years are not to be feared if all has gone well previous to that time. But if we have been careless in our own behavior and have been inconsistent in our discipline when our children were younger, we will reap the reward during those years of fast development. The troubles that little children get into often are minimized, but as the bodies and minds grow so will the problems.

If little Donnie steals a penny or a nickel and nothing much is done about it, he will not be satisfied with



HAROLD COPPING, ARTIST

Miss Persia of the year 478 B.C. Esther's beauty was not only physical, but spiritual.

such trivia when he is 14. A bigger boy takes something more valuable and gets into bigger trouble. Or we may have the mastery over a small child. We enforce a kind of order. But if we have not had the mastery over ourselves, the adolescent youth will not naturally be inclined to yield to our wishes.

The teen-ager does have physical changes that cause him some trouble. His arms and legs are growing so fast that he has a bit of difficulty in muscular coordination. He falls down more often, and steps on other people's toes. Mary drops more dishes than when she was younger. Parents sometimes scold youth for their clumsiness, accusing them of being mean and irresponsible. This is unfair. Young people need a little time to adjust to their new selves.

Most of the studies dealing with the behavior of teen-agers may be of little value to the Christian parent. We can get little help out of statistics compiled on youth whose worldly parents brought them up by worldly standards.

Developing youth show an increased interest in the opposite sex. And this awakening has advantages—the slovenly junior becomes a tidy teen-ager so that he will merit approval. However, overstimulation in this field can be a real problem for youth who are undisciplined and unloved at home. They will find someone that does love them—for the moment, at least.

But it is not their age that has brought on the special problems. Their behavior will depend on what we have built into them by precept and example through the earlier years. They have learned much through our, and their, choice of magazines and books, and radio and television programs. "As a general rule, adolescents are guided by the standards of their family and the customs of their community."—*What to Tell Your Children About Sex*, p. 107.

Early Marriages

Social workers are convinced that in a large percentage of teen-age marriages the girls have been urged by their mothers to marry. Not all the reasons for such parental conduct may be well known. In these days of "unnatural affection" some parents are glad to get rid of their children as soon as possible. They have difficulty controlling them, and the expense is considerable. Other mothers may have a sincere concern that their daughters will not find a life partner and that they will not have their share of happiness.

But we have been warned against early marriages. "The young affec-

tions should be restrained until the period arrives when sufficient age and experience will make it honorable and safe to unfetter them. Those who will not be restrained will be in danger of dragging out an unhappy existence. A youth not out of his teens is a poor judge of the fitness of a person as young as himself to be his companion for life."—*Messages to Young People*, p. 452.

And the same counsel comes from a secular source: "It is a rare youngster whose experience and judgment are broad enough in adolescence to pick a compatible lifetime partner (or who is settled enough economically to support one)."—*What to Tell Your Children About Sex*, p. 106.

Our daughters, and mothers, should remember that only a marriage after God's plan will bring lasting happiness. A few, at least, will be happy bringing sweetness and charm to the world without marriage. "Your only safety and happiness are in making Christ your constant counselor. You can be happy in Him if you had not another friend in the wide world."—*Our High Calling*, p. 259.

On Keeping House

IN JANUARY



By Carolyn E. Keeler

WE HAVE been through a wonderful holiday season. There was the joyful Thanksgiving season, the giving of thanks for all the blessings of the year. Then there was Christmas, with its sharing. Now we come back to the old dusty routine of daily living, as one poet has said. But need it be dusty routine? Can't it be glorified living, this daily walk with God? Each moment is so precious.

In November and December we attended a first-aid class held four evenings in the central high school here in Shinglehouse (Pennsylvania). Many of the townspeople attended. I had had first aid a number of years ago, but I found there was much to be reviewed. We should keep up to date in this important study.

In early December we Dorcas workers held a sale in the large chain grocery store here in the borough (Shinglehouse is a borough). This was not just a Dorcas benefit sale, but there were Christmas baskets and other local projects to be benefited. It was an unqualified success.

We have all heard about the land bank. But there's another bank in

which we can all take part. I was reading again recently an article I had saved from the *Farm Journal* on "Your Road Bank Garden." A storm had ruined a row of cedars along the road, leaving them twisted and mangled. But were the owners downhearted? No. They cleaned up the debris and started a plan of action to beautify that bank. They set out phlox, carnations, columbine, gloriosa, daisy plants, et cetera. The bank became a thing of beauty. The next year they tried other plants and some bulbs. Think what a lovely surprise tourists had when at night their car headlights shone on the beautiful colors of the flowers.

Perhaps you live in a city apartment, with no place to grow anything except in a window box, or you may be limited to some choice plant in your window. Well, let that be your own little field. Folks love to look at a well-kept, flower-decorated place. They will remember, too, if an Adventist lives there. Let's begin to plan right now how we can beautify the grounds about our house and thus glorify God.

How grateful we are that now we have vegetable gelatins for desserts. Put a glow of orange in some of your winter salads by using orange gelatin with a combination of such foods as diced unpared apples, diced celery, and pecan meats. You chill the gelatin until slightly thickened before adding these. Dice pears and Tokay grapes, chop Worthington's new chickenlike product, and combine with diced celery and green pepper, shredded raw carrots, and pineapple tidbits, all in this gelatin base. Serve this on crisp greens with mayonnaise sparked with orange juice. Most of these combinations are suggested by the United States Department of Agriculture.

Here is a recipe provided by the USDA for potato loaf. Cook $\frac{3}{4}$ cup celery until tender in a small amount of boiling salted water. Drain, but save liquid for gravy or soup stock. To the celery add $\frac{3}{4}$ cup chopped salted peanuts, 3 cups mashed potatoes (don't season—the peanuts take care of that), 3 tablespoons butter or margarine, 1 well-beaten egg, a pinch of paprika, $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon sage, and 2 teaspoons grated onion. Mix lightly, but thoroughly. Pack into well-greased loaf pan and bake for 15 minutes in a moderate (350°) oven. Serves 6.

And so we have entered a new year. Awaiting us are new adventures in living, new food combinations to try, something new and exciting just around the corner, new experiences in helping our neighbors. Happy New Year!



A Prayer

Dear Father in heaven: We pause for a moment to meditate upon Thy goodness and to thank Thee for Thy mercies. We thank Thee especially for Thy dear Son Jesus, whose life while upon earth serves as a constant challenge to us; whose death on the cross atones for our sins; whose resurrection assures us of a future life; whose mediation in the heavenly sanctuary gives us hope; whose soon coming brightens our pathway. We long to be more like our blessed Saviour—to be patient, as He was; to be kind; to be true to principle; to be mighty in faith; to rise above disappointments; to think of others always instead of self; to forgive though deeply wronged; to give hope to the hopeless; to seek no honor but Thy approval; to be unswerving in fulfilling duty. Come into our hearts, we pray, and fill us so fully with Thy Spirit that others may see only Thee in our lives today. These favors we ask in Jesus' dear name. Amen.

The Story of Church Organization—3

The First Conference Organized

The year 1860 saw us set up a well-defined legal body to hold properties, the first great victory for organization. But what about organizing our churches, either as individual units or collectively as conferences? That question was first settled for the Michigan believers. This took place at a meeting held in the church at Battle Creek, October 4 to 6, 1861. This meeting was described as a "general conference," a phrase carried over from Millerite days, which signified simply a general gathering of believers at a particular place and for a particular time. It did not have the meaning we now attach to that term.

James White, editor of the *REVIEW*, who had written for years in behalf of organization, prefaced the detailed report of this Battle Creek meeting with these words: "The unity existing among the brethren at this conference, the eagerness to take a decided position upon organization, and the general readiness to sustain the Publishing Association, have greatly encouraged us."—*Review and Herald*, Oct. 8, 1861, p. 148. Here is clear evidence that James White felt that what he was now ready to report on the "Michigan general conference" of October 4 to 6, marked further progress in the direction of organization.

According to the minutes of the meeting, "the first business presented was the organization of churches." J. N. Loughborough observed that "the subject has been agitated among us, especially for the last six months." That led to the following resolution:

"Resolved, That this Conference recommend the following church covenant: We, the undersigned, hereby associate ourselves together, as a church, taking the name, Seventh-day Adventist, covenanting to keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus Christ." Here is probably the source of the phrase, still among us: Signing the covenant.

The discussion following revealed that they all felt

that in adopting this resolution they would not be "following after Babylon" and would not be setting up a creed. Elder Loughborough wisely observed that if this was following after Babylon, then "it may with equal propriety be said that we are patterning after the churches in building meeting-houses."

M. E. Cornell, an early pioneer, observed: "The point in the covenant is to keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus. I never heard of a people making such a covenant, and hence cannot consider that we are patterning after the churches in such a covenant as that. Again: We have Bible-classes, and Sabbath-schools just like the churches, but no one accuses us of patterning after them in these respects."

It is plainly evident that the brethren had come more and more to realize the need of organization and to free themselves from the fear that any kind of organization would be a return to Babylon. Question was called on the resolution and it was "unanimously carried."

Then came a resolution, far reaching in its nature: "Resolved, That we recommend to the churches in the State of Michigan to unite in one Conference, with the name of The Michigan Conference of Seventh-day Adventists." It was further "Resolved, That the conference be composed of ministers and delegates from the churches." How far the brethren in Michigan had gone along the road to stable organization is indicated by the complete absence of discussion from these minutes, which note only that the resolutions were "adopted." We might mention, in passing, that Joseph Bates, one of the three chief pioneers of the Movement, was elected as first president of the Michigan Conference, and Uriah Smith as the first secretary, or "clerk," as the minutes described him. The resolution was then adopted "That the first session of the Michigan State Conference of Seventh-day Adventists be held at Monterey, Mich., Oct. 5-8, 1862."

One more resolution, significant to organization, was passed at this meeting: "Resolved, That our ministers' papers consist of a certificate of ordination, also credentials to be signed by the Chairman and Clerk of the Conference, which credentials shall be renewed annually." So were set in motion procedures by which a well-defined ministry should minister to well-defined churches within the framework of a clearly defined State conference.

A Great Example Set

Thus came to a close one of the truly significant gatherings in the history of the Advent people. Michigan was the center of our work; in Battle Creek stood our first institution, the Advent Review Publishing Association. Here also was our most important and, we believe, largest church, the Battle Creek church. Besides, here were the homes of the majority of the leading brethren, including James and Ellen White. Thus the believers in Michigan represented not merely one more group of Adventists within the boundaries of a State, but the heart and center of the Advent Movement. And it was this State group that had definitely gone on record for organization by setting up the Michigan Conference. The effect of all this on the other groups of believers in different States can easily be imagined.

However, it would not be quite accurate to say that the stubborn fight against organization on the part of those who feared this would mean returning to Babylon, and on the part of others whom James White well described as "unruly," suddenly collapsed. Rarely does unity of purpose suddenly take hold of all hearts. Almost a year after this great meeting, James White, in what appears to be a moment of depression, wrote an editorial in which he grieved over the fact that our brethren in all the other States where Adventists were found in numbers had not promptly organized. He named certain of the States and described the militant opposition. Apparently this was the last determined move against organization, for the months immediately following provide a rapidly increasing record of the organization of conferences in one after another of the States (see James White's editorial, "Organization," in the issue of September 30, 1862, page 140).

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"Arouse to Action"

"In our land of boasted freedom, religious liberty will come to an end."—*Evangelism*, p. 236. "When the nation for which God has worked in such a marvelous manner, and over which He has spread the shield of Omnipotence, abandons Protestant principles, and through its legislature gives countenance and support to Romanism in limiting religious liberty, then God will work in His own power for His people that are true. The tyranny of Rome will be exercised, but Christ is our refuge."—*Testimonies to Ministers*, p. 206.

These two statements set forth in modern language the truth revealed in Revelation 13; namely, that the United States eventually will oppress the conscience and will become a persecuting power.

Occasionally someone says: "Since we know the eventual outcome of the Sunday law battle, it is foolish to carry on a strong campaign for religious liberty. Why endeavor to delay persecution? Why not let the forces of oppression take over quickly so that Jesus can come soon? Let the final events come at once; the sooner the better."

Is this position valid? Should we sit still, muffle our witness, and let the tide of evil rise unchecked?

No. Through inspiration we have been told: "It is our duty, as we see the signs of approaching peril, to arouse to action. Let none sit in calm expectation of the evil, comforting themselves with the belief that this work must go on because prophecy has foretold it, and that the Lord will shelter His people. We are not doing the will of God if we sit in quietude, doing nothing to preserve liberty of conscience."—*Testimonies*, vol. 5, pp. 713, 714.

The Reasons

The reasons are many. First, Christ has given us the task of proclaiming the three angels' messages to "every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people." If, through inaction, we permit the enemy to close now-open doors, and souls are lost as a result, will we merit the Master's approbation? "Fervent, effectual prayer should be ascending to heaven that this calamity may be deferred until we can accomplish the work which has so long been neglected."—*Ibid.*

Moreover, the preaching of religious liberty is part of the third angel's message; it is not a side issue. A number of years ago some of our ministers mistakenly thought that if they spent energy in counteracting efforts by enemies of religious liberty they "would be giving time to questions distinct from the third angel's mes-

sage." But Mrs. White wrote: "May the Lord forgive our brethren for thus interpreting the very message for this time."—*Ibid.*, p. 715. We are to preach, to pray, to work, for liberty of conscience, for the third angel's message warns against those who force men to worship the beast and his image.

Efforts to defeat the enemy's attacks against the Sabbath and liberty are important for another reason. God "designs by this means to awaken a decided interest in that question which is a test for the last days. This will open the way for the third angel's message to be proclaimed with power."—*Selected Messages*, book 2, p. 370. Legislators, statesmen, lawyers, teachers, writers, and other influential people may thus learn present truth. Were it not for the attention attracted by attempts to restrict liberty, and efforts to resist, millions might never gain an understanding of the Sabbath truth.

Another Aspect

There is another aspect of this question that is not often considered; namely, that efforts to combat evil bring indirect rewards to those who participate. When we pit our strength against the forces of evil we are led to feel our need of God. So we pray more. We study more. We ask God for strength. We ask Him for wisdom. We review the mighty demonstrations of His power on behalf of His people in the past. Our hope rises; our faith grows stronger. Thus the contest with evil actually helps fit us to receive the Holy Spirit. Faith and works together enable us to develop strong characters for the final crisis.

And another point: There are times when God is pleased to demonstrate His mighty power, in answer to prayer. "Man's necessity is God's opportunity."—*Testimonies*, vol. 5, p. 714. At the Red Sea, God humbled the pride of Egypt. At Mount Carmel He vindicated the faith of His prophet. At Lachish He saved His people by slaying 185,000 of Assyria's finest troops in one night. And today God sometimes chooses to bring Himself glory by defeating the forces of oppression. Thus, if we do not work and pray for victory each time our liberties are threatened, we may miss an opportunity for God to reveal His power. It is true, as some people point out, that the mark of the beast eventually will be enforced, but do we know exactly when this will be, and do we know the outcome of every test case that may be tried between now and the beast's final triumph? We do not; hence we must devote ourselves with consecrated vigor to the task of winning each battle for freedom, leaving the results with God.

We offer but one final reason for the exercise of unprecedented efforts on behalf of religious liberty. We are watchmen, called by God to man the ramparts of freedom. "The banner of truth and religious liberty held aloft by the founders of the gospel church and by God's witnesses during the centuries that have passed since then, has, in this last conflict, been committed to our hands."—*The Acts of the Apostles*, pp. 68, 69. Watchmen are to watch. They are to be alert to the first signs of danger. They are to struggle with the enemy. Theirs is not the responsibility of deciding whether their assignment will be successful or will meet with defeat. Though hopelessly outnumbered, they are to resist their attackers.

Let us, then, be faithful watchmen. Let us give the trumpet a certain sound. Let us do all we can to hold back the tide of oppression. God may see fit to give us a little more time in which to carry the joyous news of salvation to millions who have never heard the name of Jesus, millions who know nothing of His soon coming.

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Reports From Far and Near

Seventieth Anniversary of

Australasian Missionary College

By Desmond B. Hills, *Public Relations Director*

SEVENTY years ago the first denominational school for Australasia opened in Melbourne, Victoria. The school was soon transferred to Coorabong, New South Wales, and on April 28, 1897, reopened as the Avondale School for Christian Workers.

Ellen G. White, who was living in Australia at the time, said it was to be "a pattern school," and predicted that it would grow and serve as a training center for gospel workers, not only for Australia but for other parts of the world, as well. This year, as Australasian Missionary College, it celebrates its seventieth anniversary.

It was in a vision that instruction came to purchase the Avondale estate. It was Sister White's foresight and encouragement that hastened the erection of the first buildings. It was her influence that led to the organization of the college on the plan that God had given us. Although the passage of time has brought many changes, we believe that Australasian Missionary College is still operating according to that pattern. Despite its admitted weaknesses, we also believe that Christian education as offered in Seventh-day Adventist colleges is definitely the nearest to God's ideal.

The principle of combining manual labor with mental development is still a dominant feature at Australasian Missionary College. The majority of the students work every week, and all are encouraged to spend some time every day in healthful exercise. In 1895, while still living in a rented hotel and four tents, the students "begged that the school might be continued as before, with manual labor each day combined with certain hours of study."—*Testimonies to Ministers*, p. 239. The youth of this modern mechanized age do not exactly "beg" for manual labor, but they engage in it because they realize that God's plan is the best one for them to follow. Sometimes at a financial loss, the college departments and the Sanitarium Health Food Company employ unskilled and temporary student workers, so that the youth at Avondale can follow God's pattern. Many youth have had their first introduction to manual work at college.

Avondale knows no color bars nor social barriers. Although 20 different nationalities are represented, all live together as a family, and although the enrollment has increased in recent years, "the family spirit" has not been lost. Faculty members continue to take a personal interest

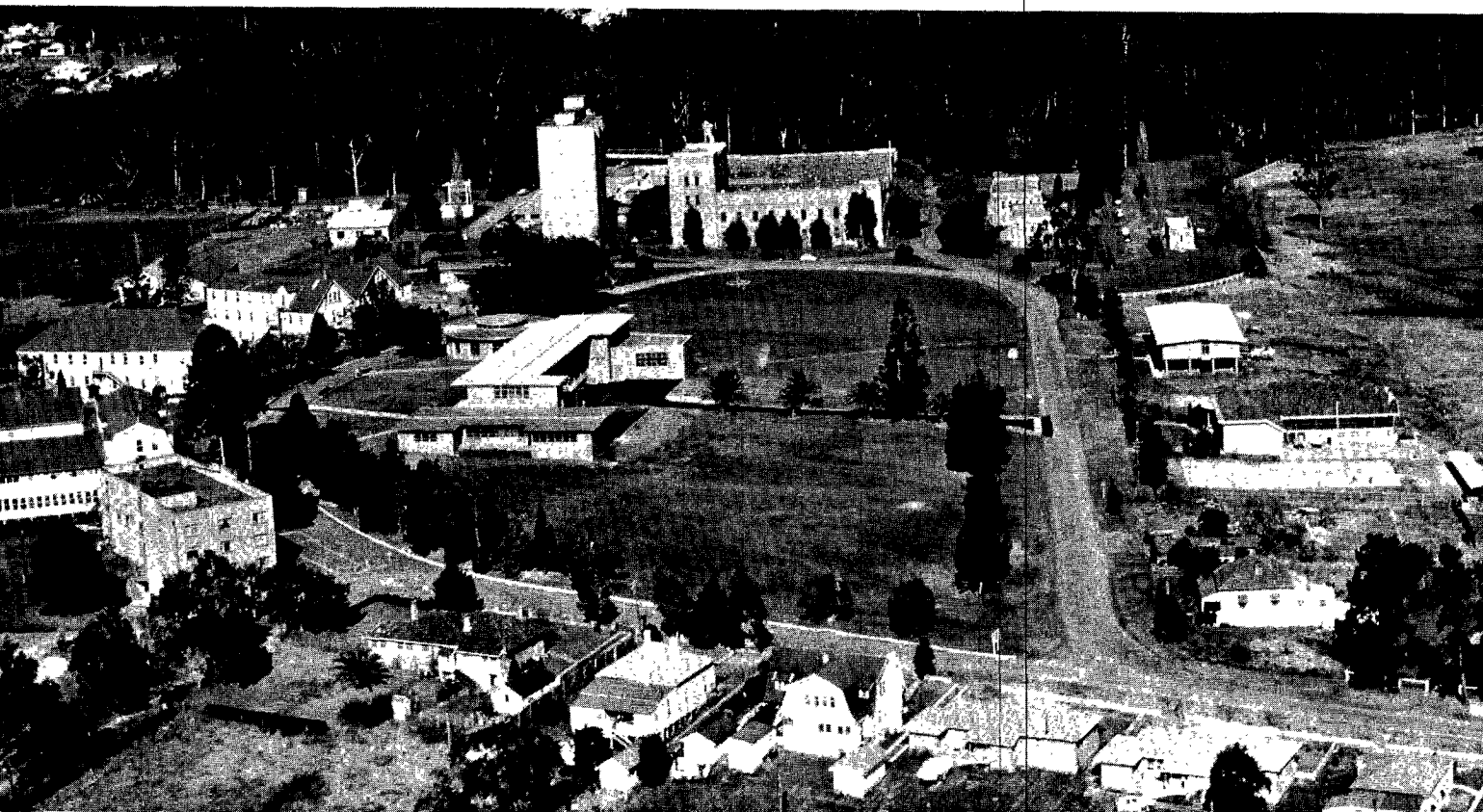
in students and do their best to encourage and help them. They not only counsel with students but invite them to their homes at least once each term. Those in charge of the dormitories look for opportunities to assist students, and they try to make their stay at college a happy one. This fellowship existing among students and between faculty and students is one of the factors distinguishing Avondale as a pattern college.

The heart of the college is its spirituality. Wherever one travels in the Australasian Division he finds former students who testify to the strong spiritual tone of the college. The Friday evening vesper services continue to be times of revival, and the students eagerly attend all the Sabbath services.

The majority of those engaged in denominational service in the Australasian Division are among the 12,000 students who have attended the college during its 70 years of service. Missionary work is a prominent feature in the college program, and each week up to half the students take part in one or another of several lines of activity. Many of them eagerly await service in the mission field.

A group of 35 gathered on the college campus on October 5, 1896, when Ellen G. White laid the first brick of the foundations for Bethel Hall. This first building still stands as a tribute to the guidance and blessings of God and to the faith of the pioneers. However, nearby are many larger buildings, which provide facilities for the operation of the college. On May 14, 1961, almost 700 gathered near Bethel dormitory to open buildings valued at three quarters of a million dollars. The largest of these is the Ellen

Aerial view of the Avondale school, now known as Australasian Missionary College.



G. White Memorial Building, an administrative and teaching block with 11 classrooms, a large circular library, a lecture theater, and administration offices. Another modern and beautifully appointed building opened at this time was the high school hostel, with accommodations for 40 youth. On the same day a new home-science unit was opened. A large men's dormitory worth nearly one million dollars and having accommodations for approximately 300 is now under construction.

When the college opened in 1897 the principal, C. B. Hughes, of Texas, and his four teachers were disappointed that only two boarding students appeared for dinner. When the principal in 1962, Dr. E. G. McDowell, visits the dining room he is concerned about finding adequate space in a dining room that has already been enlarged twice. Insufficient cafeteria and dormitory accommodations currently limit enrollment to just under 500.

The land was said to be worthless when it was under consideration for purchase, but the Lord led in securing it. Today, a large herd of cattle graze its rich grasslands, and in recent years have taken the majority of the awards in local agricultural shows. Another evidence of the Lord's blessing on the estate is the growth of the Sanitarium Health Food Company. Following the counsel of the Spirit of Prophecy, health food manufacturing was begun at Cooranbong in 1898. This first factory began operating in what was the old sawmill. Today, on the original site, there stands a large modern factory covering 100,000 square feet and providing an opportunity for about 130 students to earn a part of their college expenses.

In 1899 the second president of the Australasian Division, A. G. Daniells, wrote: "God has planted the Avondale school, and we have the plainest evidences that He will be glorified by it." Today that blessing is evident to all. The college seeks to uphold the plan for Christian education patterned on the divine blueprint. There is an excellent spiritual tone, and each year many young people leave these halls to join the ranks of the gospel workers.

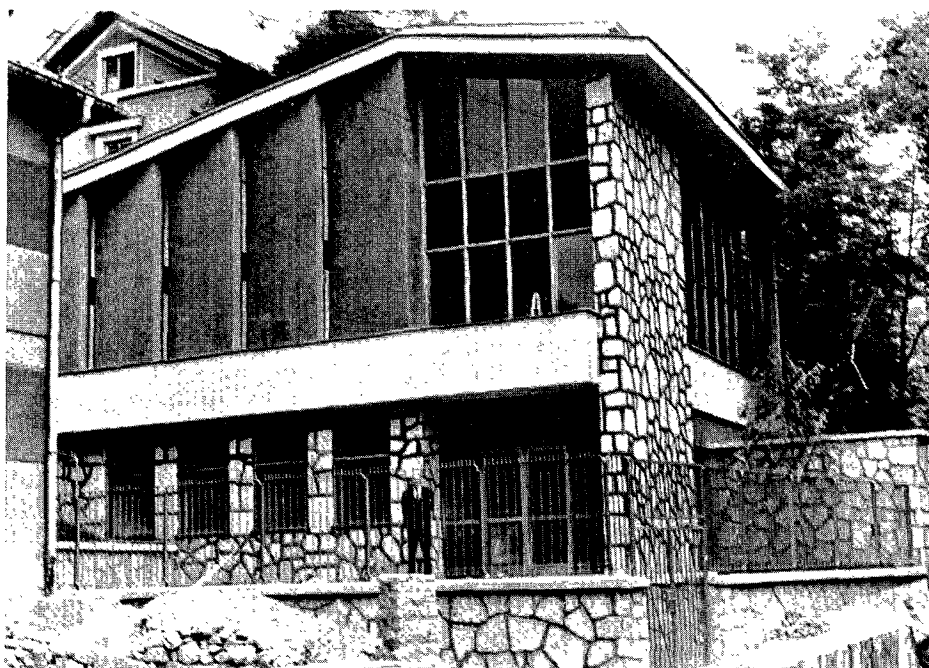
Middle East Quadrennial Council

By R. R. Figuhr, President
General Conference

The quadrennial council of the Middle East Division met at its headquarters in Beirut, Lebanon. Representatives from nine countries were in attendance. From the General Conference, W. L. Pascoe, assistant treasurer, and I attended.

A visit to this division field reminds one that this is the part of the world where Christ was born and from which He launched the gospel message to the world. But today the vast majority of the inhabitants of this division are firmly grounded in a different faith and constitute a mighty challenge to the Christian church.

It is encouraging, in the face of the



Church Dedicated in Sarajevo, Yugoslavia

For years faithful believers in Sarajevo, Yugoslavia, have had no permanent meeting place. It was therefore with great rejoicing that on October 13, 1962, the 120 believers with their pastor, M. Jurcic, dedicated their new church.

The chapel has a seating capacity of 250. The building also houses the headquarters of the Southwest Yugoslavian Conference and has two apartments for workers.

A. Lorencin, president of the Yugoslavian Union Conference, and his co-workers are determined to go forward with the assurance that when difficulties arise the Lord will give additional grace and lead His church on to triumph.

RALPH S. WATTS, Vice-President
General Conference

great task confronting the Middle East, to see the fine group of dedicated and capable workers, both national and foreign, who constitute the working force of the division. Though the work here moves more slowly in some respects than in other areas, one hears nothing but hope and confidence. There is confidence that God's cause will triumph.

In his report R. A. Wilcox, president of the division, stated: "During the past four years 160 public efforts were conducted. Here is represented the struggle of the Christian church in the bosom of Islam. During 1962 some from the non-Christian groups were brought into the church. Special emphasis is being given to leading these people to Christ.

"We are pleased to report the opening of two physiotherapy centers, one in Beirut and another in Tehran, under the directorship of Brethren Jensen and Peacock. Many fine persons have become acquainted with Adventists and their teaching through the right arm of the message. Already the principal doctors of the city have learned of the excellent service offered in the Tehran Adventist Clinic."

A few years ago we began medical work in Benghazi, Libya. Dr. William Wagner, medical director of our hospital, rendered an interesting report. In part he said: "The work of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Libya is confined to the medical program being

carried on by our hospital in Benghazi. It is our impression that the effectiveness of this program has been greatly increased during the latter half of this past quadrennium. For some time our work was met with suspicion, and there was a rather widespread impression in the area that we were members of an undesirable race. Now this feeling is changing. Many of the prominent people of the town are coming to us with their medical needs, and the work is growing and gaining acceptance among the nationals. Our acceptance in the community is based upon our agreement not to engage in evangelism. We are free to worship as we please, but have been warned not to try to baptize people into the Christian faith."

Under the circumstances, the gospel must be preached through the faithful and useful lives of its silent witnesses.

From Miss Voth, director of nurses, we quote, "We have a fine group of nurses here, and they are displaying a good Christian spirit. The patients appreciate their spirit of service and their prayers. Sometimes the patients even ask the nurse to pray with them. Once the men in the ward gathered around the nurse while prayer was offered, one with arms outstretched, one with folded arms, one with folded hands, and another with hands to his face. Several of our American and foreign patients have also manifested



Left: Middle East Division office, with representatives from nine of the countries in the division. Right: Representatives in attendance at the recent quadrennial meeting of the division. Seated in the front row, left to right: R. R. Figuhr, president of the General Conference; W. R. Leshner, secretary of the Middle East Division; R. A. Wilcox, president; V. A. Fenn, treasurer; W. L. Pascoe, assistant treasurer, General Conference.

an interest in our religion. We are again awaiting reinforcements. We are often tired, but not discouraged."

From W. R. Leshner, secretary of the division: "To reach this large population we have 45 ordained ministers and 18 licensed ministers, a total of 63 ministerial workers. The largest group of workers in the division are teachers, 91 in number. The total number of workers, as of September 30, 1962, is 281. We are grateful that God has moved upon the hearts of 281 men and women to consecrate themselves to God's work and join in proclaiming the soon coming of our Lord."

V. A. Fenn, the treasurer of the division, rendered an interesting and encouraging report that speaks well for our believers in this area.

In this brief report we can only mention the Middle East College, under the able direction of Professor George Keough. More than 90 per cent of the national working force has been directly benefited by the college.

The Middle East Press continues to provide our people and our colporteurs with literature of various kinds. In this area health literature has a ready acceptance, and the brethren are giving emphasis to it.

We have a beautiful and comfortable headquarters for the division here in Beirut. The site on the side of the gentle slope overlooking the city was bought and developed while G. J. Appel was division president. It stands as a monument to his careful planning and farsightedness. About a mile beyond the division office is our Middle East College. Recently at both the college and on the division compound wells were sunk, which ensure an abundance of good water, a commodity not always too plentiful in these lands.

We have never attended a meeting where a more complete spirit of unity and courage was present. Though the task confronting us in the Middle East is a large and challenging one, it will be accomplished fully and on time. Of this we are certain. From the 100 million inhabitants of this part of the world many jewels will be gathered for God's everlasting kingdom.

The Prophetic Guidance Course

By D. A. Delafield, Associate Secretary
Ellen G. White Publications

With wintry storms and blasts upon us, the family car may stall on the way to work. The children are warmly dressed, sitting patiently in the back seat. You had intended to leave them at school on the way, but now they will be late. The engine is as dead as the brown leaves that cling to a nearby oak. The snow is falling heavily, and the roads are icy. It is bitterly cold, and other motorists wish you were out of their way.

If engines were the only things that stall, life would not be nearly so tragic. Too many Christians are stalled on the

road to heaven. All told, some 55,000 have enrolled in the Prophetic Guidance Course. There are now approximately 12,000 graduates, and another 12,000 are actively studying. Where are the other 30,000 or more? Are you one of them? Where did you stall? On lesson seven? Lesson 16? Lesson 20? Where was it? Isn't it time to get out the lessons and begin again? With the long winter evenings before you, you have a perfect opportunity for study and reflection.

Take up the series just where you left it. If you have lost your lessons or if you have forgotten where you were, write to the Prophetic Guidance School, Box 200, Glendale 5, California. They will provide the necessary information and replace the lessons.

If you have begun the Prophetic Guidance Course, keep going. Don't get stalled

Hinsdale Landmark Disappears

Recently a six-ton mechanical monster set out to destroy a proud old landmark on the Hinsdale Sanitarium and Hospital campus. More than 90 years old, the ancient frame building looked as though it could have stood for another 90 years. The old mansion was built about 1870 by the Reed family, who were organ makers. One of the finest homes in Hinsdale, it was purchased in 1904 by Charles B. Kimbell, a good friend of Dr. David Paulson, founder of Hinsdale Sanitarium. The building was demolished to make room for a new multiple-housing unit, part of the hospital's present expansion program.

D. T. HAWLEY, PR Director
Hinsdale Sanitarium and Hospital



along the way. It is hard to get started again. It is possible, of course, or there would be no meaning to this appeal. So whether you are just beginning or beginning again, look ahead and go forward with zeal! Do not stop until you receive your diploma at the end of the 24-lesson series. Remember—this is the best survey available of the life and work of Ellen G. White and the Spirit of Prophetic writings in the Advent Movement.

Won by a Literature Evangelist

By George A. Huse

Beth Bristol, one of our faithful magazine colporteurs, writes:

"Recently I entered a barber shop to sell a magazine and found the man to whom I talked favorable to the Adventist faith. He told me that he was troubled about working on the Sabbath, and I pointed out to him that what he planned to do he must do quickly, for the end of all things is near.

"The next time I went by he took a subscription to the *Signs*, and said he was taking time off for Sabbath school. Imagine my joy when I saw him baptized last Sabbath, and especially when he told me that my encouragement had helped bring him to the point of decision."

Pray for these consecrated messengers of truth as they ply the highways and byways of the world.

Sydney Sanitarium Nurses' Graduation

By T. R. Flaiz, M.D.

On December 2 another 25 nurses were added to the more than 800 graduates from the Sydney Sanitarium School of Nursing in the past years. The medical director, A. K. Tulloch, M.D., and the director of the school of nursing, Mrs. Rita Rowe, presented the four-year graduates. Perhaps 25 per cent of the large audience of about 1,200 was from the non-Adventist community. Leading hospital authorities of the Sydney area, leaders of nursing education, and well as staff physicians from the city and local civic leaders, were in attendance.

The business manager, A. H. Forbes, stated that in the past four years 56 graduates of the sanitarium have accepted mission appointments or returned to mission fields in the South Seas, in the Orient, and in Africa. In the graduation address the writer presented the challenge to higher standards of service in mission fields. At the close of the graduation service eight nurses from the class of '61 volunteered to serve overseas.

The new graduating class must serve in various training situations for another 12 months. Of these, several made themselves available for denominational service, including three young men interested especially in medical launch work. It is greatly to the credit of Mrs. Rowe, director of the school of nursing, and her faculty that so many of their students are serving, or offering to serve, in the rugged situations of frontier bush hospitals.

Ground Breaking at Korean Union College

On October 24 a ground-breaking ceremony took place in a former cornfield on the campus of Korean Union College, for the first classrooms of a separate school plant for the academy section of the college. Participating in the ceremony were representatives from the college, the academy, the Korean Union, the United States Army, and the Korean Army.

The total cost of the new academy section will be about \$40,000. Of this amount a portion of the materials and other assistance is being donated through the AFAK program (U.S. Armed Forces Assistance to Korea). The Twenty-fifth Chemical Company of the United States Army is sponsoring the project, which will help materially to alleviate the shortage of classroom space at the college.

Pictured below are (from the left): Im Pyung Wee, business manager; Captain Pak, ROK Army; C. A. Williams, acting president, Korean Union Mission; Captain G. L. Gallier, Twenty-fifth Chemical Company, U.S. Army; T. V. Zytoske, president, Korean Union College; Kim Yung Do, academy principal; and Rudy Klimes, educational secretary, Korean Union Mission.

R. M. JOHNSTON, *Bible Teacher*
Korean Union College



Two Hundred and Eighty Take Their Stand

By A. L. Davy, *President, East Lake Field, Tanganyika Union Mission*

Three camp meetings are held each year to serve the East Lake Field of the Tanganyika Union. Our Kurya campground has semipermanent houses made of poles and grass. Because of the heavy rains and the destructive work of termites, they need extensive repairs each year. Our Luo campground is composed of igloo-shaped huts made of thin poles and grass. A few months after the meetings these temporary shelters disappear completely, with the extreme heat of that region aiding the processes of disintegration. Because the South Mara campground was moved to a new location this year, the houses that were hastily constructed were little more than shacks, but we plan to build permanent huts next year.

Our camps open on Tuesday evening and run until Sabbath evening. It is interesting to listen to the singing of various groups about the campground after the last meeting of the evening.

Some of the songs could qualify as music, while others would be described best as "a joyful noise unto the Lord." Nevertheless, all are happy. Many of these people come long distances and bring their food with them. It is a real problem to bring enough food and to keep it from spoiling in the heat. Each family brings its own food and does its own cooking. As a result, in the evening one can see many little fires scattered among the grass houses. Fortunately there is very little wind, so there is little danger of the houses catching fire.

The high light of every camp meeting is the Sabbath morning service. When the call was made at the Sabbath service at one of these camps, 280 came forward to join the Bible class. Some made their decision for Christ for the first time, while others, like the prodigal son, had once known their Father, but had wandered off. They discovered that the things of this world turn to dust and ashes.

The total attendance on Sabbath for the three camps was approximately 5,400. We rejoice that the camps were so well attended, but we rejoice even more because of the evident presence of the Holy Spirit to lead men to Christ.



Buenos Aires Conference Ordination

On Sabbath, November 10, the closing day of the Buenos Aires Conference session, three young men were ordained to the gospel ministry. Two brothers, David and Roberto Gullon (center), had migrated to Argentina from Spain in order to receive a Christian education. Their mother had accepted the Advent message through the efforts of Robert Leo Odom when he was a missionary in Spain. George Grieve (right) is from the Patagonia area of Argentina. All three, graduates of River Plate College, are now pastoring churches in the Greater Buenos Aires area. F. C. Webster, president of the Buenos Aires Conference, stands at the left.

F. C. WEBSTER

A New Hospital in Hawaii

By T. R. Flaiz, M.D., Secretary
GC Medical Department

Adventists have a strong work in the Hawaiian Islands, which are part of the Pacific Union Conference. There is a substantial membership among a good class of people. The Hawaiian Mission Academy and our church schools are a potent influence in "the islands." January marks the addition of formal medical work, with the opening of Castle Memorial Hospital. It is situated on the north side of the island of Oahu in the rapidly growing community of Kailua, and is separated from Honolulu by a precipitous mountain ridge, over and through which pass modern four-lane highways. Honolulu itself is adequately supplied with good hospitals, but this mushrooming community on the north side had none.

Harold K. L. Castle, one of the leading landowners of the islands, provided the ten-acre site for the hospital, and the Pacific Union Conference has built and will operate the new institution.

William E. Guthrie, formerly administrator of the Paradise Valley Sanitarium, has directed construction and gathered the staff to operate the institution. The hospital is designed to take full advantage of the natural beauty of the mountains to the south and the sea to the north. All patients' rooms look out on one or the other. To begin with, the hospital is de-

veloping a 72-bed capacity. However, the services—surgery unit, X-ray, laboratory, delivery room, et cetera—are designed to meet the needs of a 150-bed hospital. This is one of our most modern and adequate medical institutions. The personnel being gathered to staff it are dedicated to make it a center of strong Christian influence.

Dr. Robert C. H. Chung, who has been in practice in this north-side community for several years, has been active in promoting the project. While the development of full-scale nurses' training is not planned for the near future, practical nurses will be trained.

We believe that Castle Memorial Hospital will lend strength, stability, and influence to our work in the islands.



► Columbia Union College Temperance Society has started its activities for the year. At a recent chapel program Winton H. Beaven presented Emphasis-International, dealing with temperance work around the world. Emphasis-Local was presented by Vernon Berry, who stressed plans for this school year. Frank Robinson and Glenn Lambertz led out in the

campaign for members. Officers for the club are Frank Robinson, president; Sheridan Murphy, treasurer; Carol Ronay, secretary; Vernon Berry, publicity secretary; Glenn Lambertz, membership coordinator; and Linnie Keith, faculty adviser.

Prophecy Fulfilling in the Philippines

By Laurentino E. Gonzaga, Chaplain
Manila Sanitarium and Hospital

I was one of those invited to speak on October 4 in a symposium at the Institute of Nursing of the Far Eastern University in Manila. All told, there were five of us, representing various religions. Each was asked to tell about his beliefs, so that the nurses in training would know how to deal intelligently with patients of various faiths. After the symposium the nurses asked questions, and we were taken to the office of the dean of the Institute for refreshments. While there, I asked him what denomination operates the seminary. He answered: "Our seminary is interdenominational, and we are endeavoring to eliminate denominational distinction. According to Paul we are all one in Christ."

In his opening address to the Ecumenical Council, Pope John XXIII said that progress had already been made toward Christian unity.

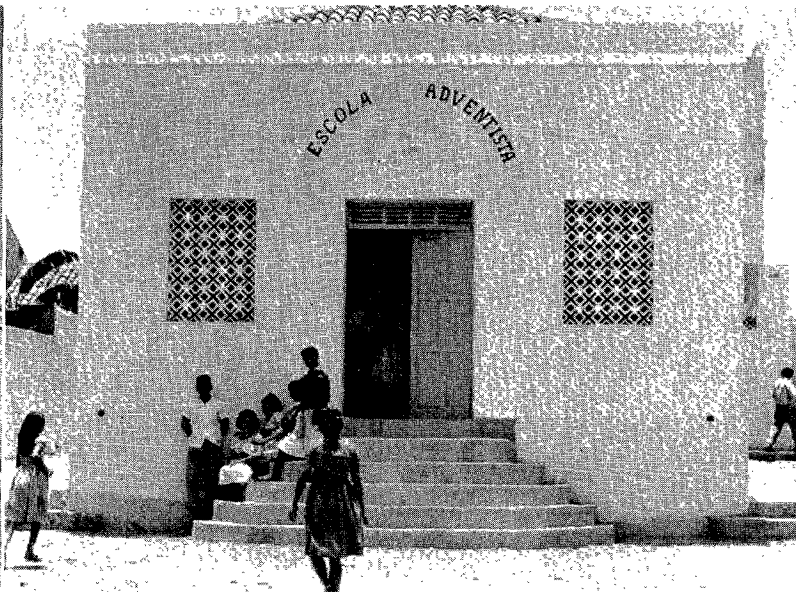
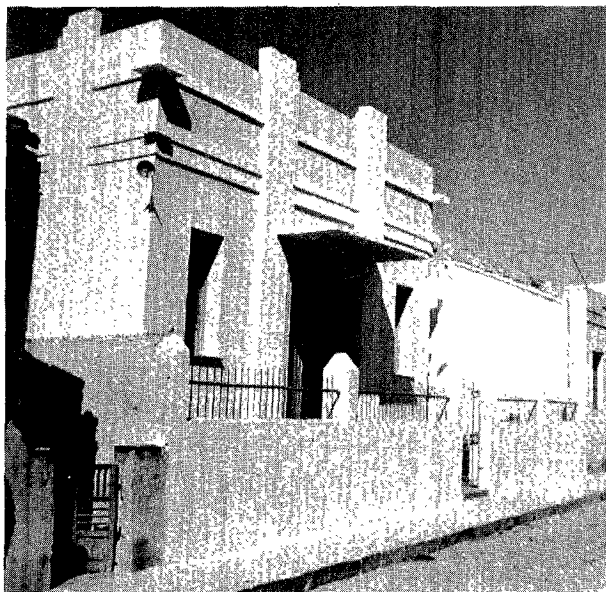
On the subject of unity Dr. Frederic Grant, one of the four observers from the Episcopal Church to the council, said: "I don't think the world will be transformed in ten minutes. It will take a long time. But eventually unity will come about." The trend toward unity, and eventually union, as a fulfillment of Bible prophecy is fully evident in events now taking place.

Another evidence we have in the Philippines pointing to the Sabbath as a focal point of interest in the future conflict is the 1963 calendar issued in Spanish recently by the Catholic Church, for use in their universities and colleges. On

DOMINGO	VIERNES	JUEVES	MIÉRCOLES	MARTES	LABOR
1 Epifanía	2 San Juan Bautista	3 San Andrés	4 San Mateo	5 San Marcos	6 San Juan Evangelista
7 San Pedro	8 San Pablo	9 San Lucas	10 San Marcos	11 San Mateo	12 San Juan Evangelista
13 San Andrés	14 San Juan Bautista	15 San Juan Evangelista	16 San Mateo	17 San Marcos	18 San Lucas
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31 San Andrés					

The month of January as it appears on the 1963 calendar issued by the Roman Catholic Church in Spanish for use in the Philippine Islands.

this calendar Sunday appears as the seventh day of the week, Monday the first day, Saturday the sixth day, and so on. Despite the fact that Rome frankly acknowledges that she substituted Sunday for the Bible Sabbath, she cannot escape the Bible declaration that the seventh day is the Sabbath. Day by day we see omens of the gathering storm. Let us be ready for it when it strikes.



Left: The new Jeazeiro, Brazil, church building, which was recently dedicated. Right: The new Jeazeiro school.

New Church and School in Jeazeiro, Brazil

By Merlin Kretschmar, *President Bahia and Sergipe Mission*

Jeazeiro, largest city of the São Francisco River valley, now has a fine new church and church school. In late September the church was officially dedicated and the new school opened for students. During the inauguration ceremony city officials expressed their deep appreciation for Seventh-day Adventist educational and welfare activities, and said that the new school, which has a capacity for 200 students, would be a great benefit to the community.

Leading out in the construction project was district pastor Cypriano Morris de Silva, a native of Portugal. In addition to the heavy building program, Brother De Silva has carried on a strenuous evangelistic endeavor, which has resulted in more than 50 baptisms thus far.

The site where the church and school are located is called Alto de Salvacao (Salvation Heights), because during an extremely severe flood this area was the only place in town not covered by the flood waters of the São Francisco River. It is our prayer that the new buildings will indeed serve as a height of salvation to many souls in this needy Brazilian city.

Faith for Today— a Work of Faith

By W. J. Hackett, *President Atlantic Union Conference*

Many years ago W. A. Fagal, with a small staff and a great burden to reach the masses of people on the Eastern seaboard, began a work of great faith, in the world's largest metropolitan area. In those days radio was the only medium for sending the Advent message into thousands of homes all at once. For many

years the Lord blessed Elder Fagal's self-sustaining radio broadcast with results in the form of souls won to the Advent message.

With the coming of television, Elder Fagal believed that a format which would be presented as a public service feature by many television stations could be de-

veloped. Today, the faith of the small group that presented the first telecast has been rewarded. More than 200 stations now carry the program, with only half a dozen charging for the time. Faith for Today is an appropriate name, not only for the message presented but for the story of vision and labor of those who

Lethbridge, Newfoundland, Dedication

The new church at Lethbridge, Bonavista Bay, Newfoundland, was dedicated December 2. J. W. Bothe, president of the Canadian Union Conference, gave the dedicatory sermon. Eight months elapsed from the day the new believers went into the timber to fell logs for lumber until the day the completed building was dedicated. The intensive building program was directed by David Crook, district leader. The main auditorium, complete with birch furniture and baptistry, seats 100. Three Sabbath school rooms and a welfare center are on the lower floor.

Following the dedication service the church was organized. Fifteen of the 18 charter members were baptized during the summer as the first fruits of Pastor Crook's public effort in the community hall. A new series of evangelistic meetings began in the church the evening following the dedication service.

DESMOND E. TINKLER, *President Newfoundland Mission Conference*





Church Dedication in Vacoas, Island of Mauritius

This modest but attractive house of worship was recently dedicated in the village of Vacoas, on the island of Mauritius in the Indian Ocean. It was designed by Henri Evard, former president of the Mauritius Mission, who also began construction prior to his retirement from active service more than a year ago. Michel Grisier, president of the mission, participated in the service of dedication.

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have made it possible for millions to view the vital truths of the Bible for this tragic hour of the world's history presented in an interesting and impressive way.

I am confident that the brightest days of the Advent message—and of Faith for Today—are still to come, days when “a multitude not of their faith, seeing that God is with His people, will unite with them in serving the Redeemer” (Ellen G. White, in *Review and Herald*, Feb. 25, 1902). “The Spirit is poured out upon all who will yield to its promptings, and . . . they will declare the truth with the might of the Spirit's power. Multitudes will receive the faith and join the armies of the Lord.”—*Evangelism*, p. 700.

We read again, “By thousands of voices, all over the earth, the warning will be given. Miracles will be wrought, the sick will be healed, and signs and wonders will follow the believers. . . . Now the rays of light penetrate everywhere, the truth is seen in its clearness, and honest children of God sever the bands which have held them. Family connections, church relations, are powerless to stay them now. Truth is more precious than all besides. Notwithstanding the agencies combined against the truth, a large number take their stand upon the Lord's side.”—*The Great Controversy*, p. 612.

We have been told that God will convert men who occupy responsible places, men of intellect and influence; multitudes will take their stand, and on every side doors will be thrown open to the proclamation of the truth. “The world seemed to be lightened with the heavenly influence. Great blessings were received

enter the homes of the rich and poor alike.

We are on the verge of the greatest period of evangelism in the history of the Advent Movement. When the Faith for Today offering is received on February 9, let every member invest in this effective method of evangelism. Let us make it the largest Faith for Today offering we have ever given. Next year will be too late for some to hear and accept the Advent message!

Mato Grosso State-wide Youth Camp

By Ronald C. Bottsford
Departmental Secretary
Mato Grosso Mission

Nestled beneath the shade of beautiful tropical trees, cooled by the fresh waters of a crystal-clear stream, and surrounded by a majestic beach, the youth of Mato Grosso held their first state-wide youth camp. They spent an entire week in Coxipó do Ouro, swimming and hiking, attending campfire and spiritual-emphasis meetings, and prayer bands and other activities. To most of the group of 55 every activity was new.

We were glad to have a camp choir to give us some wonderful special music at the different meetings that were held.

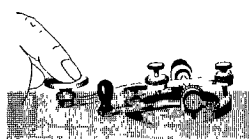
The several non-Adventist campers had an opportunity to see how Christian youth can have a good time without seeking the pleasures of the world. They seemed favorably impressed.

On the last Sabbath all the youth went out to distribute literature in nearby villages and to the farmers of the area. On the last night we had a service at the nearest village and invited all the townspeople. There were more than 50 non-Adventists present. The sermon was preached by the district pastor of Cuiabá, José B. Araújo, who was our main counselor during the camp.

All the youth look forward to the time when another state-wide youth camp can be held, next year.

Mato Grosso youth camp choir, directed by Dona Senhorinha, camp cook.





Brief News OF MEN AND EVENTS



Columbia Union

Reported by
Don A. Roth

► Elder and Mrs. Garnet F. Williams, formerly of the Southern New England Conference, have taken up their duties with the Alexandria, Virginia, church. He replaces E. E. Christian, who became chaplain at St. Helena Sanitarium.

► The Spencerville, Maryland, Junior Academy was formally dedicated on Sabbath, December 29. Neal C. Wilson, president of the Columbia Union Conference, was guest speaker. A. B. Butler, president of the Chesapeake Conference, W. M. Nosworthy, secretary-treasurer of the Chesapeake Conference, and E. A. Robertson, secretary of the department of education of the Columbia Union Conference, also participated.

► E. L. Anderson has taken up his duties as spiritual leader of the Buckhannon-Elkins-Parsons-Webster Springs-Riverton district in the West Virginia Conference. He will have J. F. Harold as his associate.

► After meeting in a remodeled library for 14 years, members of the Wooster, Ohio, church have finally been able to purchase the United Presbyterian church, just three blocks from the center of town. The new church will seat 300 and has extra rooms for the pastor's study, cradle roll room, a kitchen, and a fellowship hall.

► Finishing touches have been given to the new Port Royal, East Pennsylvania, church building. The church was organized 15 years ago following a series of tent meetings conducted by L. E. Rafferty. The new church was occupied January 1.

► R. H. Clausen has taken up his work as district leader of the Tunkhannock, Pennsylvania, district. He replaces Percy Lamb, who accepted a call to the New Jersey Conference.

► The Coatesville and West Chester churches in the East Pennsylvania Conference were the first in the conference to pass the Silver Vanguard goal in Ingathering. The Philadelphia Boulevard church was the first of the large churches to reach the Silver Vanguard goal.

► In spite of bad weather, including rain, ice, and snow, the three-day Ingathering campaign for Columbia Union College netted a total of \$6,939.

► Alice Smith, chairman of the department of nursing of Columbia Union College, will serve on an advisory committee to steer the Southern Regional Education Board's five-year project in nursing education and research. Deans of eight schools of nursing in the South also have been appointed to the committee. The group will investigate new teaching media, nursing research, and research training.

► Twenty-two young ladies, members of

the Columbus Ephesus Pathfinder Club, put on a demonstration of Oriental beauty, culinary art in Oriental food, and arrangements of decorations on low teak tables, with chopsticks, centerpieces, and color arrangements.



Lake Union

Reported by
Mrs. Mildred Wade

► The Charlotte, Michigan, church celebrated its centennial, October 27. Dr. E. K. VandeVere, professor of Church History at Andrews University, was the featured speaker. This church was organized following a series of meetings conducted by J. N. Loughborough and Moses Hull.

► The Michigan Conference reports the following changes in personnel. Arnold Scherencel, who has been with them for a number of years, has accepted a call to the Carolina Conference. Charles Hendrixson, who has been associated with Elder Boothby's evangelistic team, has accepted an invitation to the Southern New England Conference. Michael Kebbas has moved to Colorado.



Northern Union

Reported by
L. H. Netteburg

► O. L. Johnston met with the Huron, South Dakota, City Council the evening of November 20 as they were considering Sunday regulations and the Community Chest program.

► James Gray and C. A. Lindquist held a joint baptism at Pierre, South Dakota, on Sabbath, November 17. Nine were baptized.

► Of the 38 juniors who made their decision to join the church while at the South Dakota camp last summer, eight have been baptized within the past few weeks. It is expected that others will be baptized in the near future.

► The South Dakota church schools have an enrollment of 137 children this year. This is the largest enrollment since 1919, when 209 were in church school.

► G. H. Bond and M. F. Kabool have recently joined the working staff of the Minnesota Conference as assistants to G. S. Culpepper, the publishing department secretary.



North Pacific Union

Reported by
Mrs. Ione Morgan

► Following ground work initiated six years ago by former principal J. V. Peters, Upper Columbia Academy applied on October 15, 1962, for accreditation in the Northwest Association of Secondary and

Higher Schools. On December 4 the Association approved the academy as a fully accredited school in the organization. F. E. Schlehuber is the principal.

► At least 70 persons have overcome the smoking habit through two five-day stop-smoking clinics conducted in Billings, Montana, by Nils T. Peterson, M.D., and Lon Cummings, conference evangelist. While the first clinic was primarily non-religious, the second tied directly in with an evangelistic effort that was held in the Adventist church. Antismoking films were shown each night, then the Bible lecture, and afterward the group-therapy program. There was a higher percentage of complete victories over tobacco in the second program; also, more who came to the second program are showing a continued interest in the Bible truths presented.

► Another academy to receive full accreditation with the Northwest Accrediting Association in December is Mount Ellis Academy, at Bozeman, Montana. Very little extra financial outlay was required.

► Members of the Montavilla church, in Portland, Oregon, recently welcomed their new pastor, F. G. Roper from Dallas, Texas. Elder Roper had previously served in the Upper Columbia and Washington conferences as pastor and evangelist.

► Walla Walla College was granted five-year unrestricted accreditation from the higher commission of the Northwest Association of Secondary and Higher Schools at its meeting in Salt Lake City on December 6. This is a continuation of accreditation first received in 1935.

► The Pathfinders of Roseburg, Oregon, were happy to have Pathfinders from a number of clubs in southern Oregon join them on September 16 for the dedication of their beautiful forest camp Kitchi-tiki-pi in the Umpqua National Forest. Ray Anderson, associate director of youth activities in the Oregon Conference, gave the dedicatory address, and A. P. Ritz, pastor of the Roseburg church, offered the prayer of dedication. Norman Thurnhofer gave the history of the camp. The flag used was a gift from Pastor and Mrs. Ritz. They had used it during their many years of mission service in Thailand.



Pacific Union

Reported by
Mrs. Margaret Follett

► The Calimesa church was organized recently with a charter membership of 73. On hand for this significant occasion were John W. Osborn, president of the Southeastern California Conference, and the conference treasurer, H. E. Schneider. Perry Green is the pastor.

► Ed Zachrison, Eloy Martinez, and John Dougy of La Sierra College have been called by the Southern California Conference as ministerial interns. They will join the conference working force after a year of training at the SDA Theological Seminary.

► The Pacific Union College dormitory men presented their Men of God Week of Devotion, December 9 to 14, using the



Orlando, Florida, Central Church Dedication

The Orlando Central church building, first occupied in March, 1958, was dedicated free of debt on November 17, 1962. Theodore Carcich, General Conference vice-president for North America, was guest speaker. S. L. Dombrosky, the pastor, was joined in the ceremonies by two former pastors, W. L. Mazat and E. E. Lutz, Jr.

The Act of Dedication was conducted by the pastor, with the congregation participating. Don R. Rees, Southern Union president, offered the dedicatory prayer, and H. H. Schmidt, president of the Florida Conference, made the declaration of dedication.

C. R. BEELER, *Departmental Secretary*
Florida Conference

theme "How God Reveals Himself." Students spoke at the morning worship services, and PUC professors spoke at evening worships.

► R. E. Anderson, on furlough from Beirut, Lebanon, where he serves in the publishing house, was the guest speaker in the Quincy, California, church, December 8.

► N. M. Merzliakoff, formerly of the northern California area, has been invited to pastor the Russian church in the Southern California Conference.

► Exceeding their \$1,000 goal, the Pacific Union College dormitory women brought in \$1,167.31 during their annual Week of Sacrifice.

Southwestern Union

Reported by
H. W. Kleser

► The Texas Conference is now aiming for a \$200,000 Ingathering goal. The amount already reported, together with the way the members are working, suggests that they may have reached it by the time this item is published. Texas plans big, and the Lord blesses.

► Henry Westphal has lent 25 copies of the book *The Seventh Day*, by Booton Herndon, to interested non-Adventists in the Menard, Texas, area. A banker commented, "I couldn't lay the book down."

► The Texas Conference has a definite soul-winning program, Revival Time, January 9 to March 1. March 8 to May 30 is listed as evangelism time. Every district pastor and ministerial intern will be devoting full time to these soul-winning efforts.

► Wylie Fowler, of the Texas Conference, has accepted a call to be a pastor in the Southeastern California Conference.

► In connection with his Lone Star Bible Course, Dallas Youngs is holding regular meetings at Bryan, Texas, another dark-county area. He anticipates that, with God's blessing, there will be another new church by camp meeting time.

► Waco, Texas, will soon have a beautiful new church building. L. E. Rogers, the pastor, is enthusiastically leading the congregation. Land has been purchased, a large two-room school building has been built, and construction on the church is planned for the spring of 1963.

► The Jefferson, Texas, Academy, recently reorganized, is happy over its progress. The school boasts an enrollment of 82 in the secondary grades and 37 in the elementary grades. Several important improvements have been made in the girls' dormitory, the boys' dormitory, and the library. At the close of a recent Week

of Prayer conducted by Bill May, conference Sabbath school secretary, 18 fine young men dedicated themselves to the gospel ministry. These young men intend to preach to the student body on Friday nights and at Sabbath services in nearby churches.

► A newsletter from the president of the Texas Conference has a map showing 15 new churches recently organized. There are 30 other localities where work is now being carried on and are listed as prospective church sites.

Church Calendar

Religious Liberty Campaign	January 12-19
Religious Liberty Offering	January 19
Home Missionary Day	February 2
Church Missionary Offering	February 2
Faith for Today Offering	February 9
Christian Home and Family Altar	February 16
Christian Home Week	February 16-23
Temperance Commitment Day	February 23
Literature Crusade	March 2
Church Missionary Offering	March 2
Sabbath School Rally Day	March 9
Missions Advance Offering	March 9
Missionary Volunteer Day	March 16
Missionary Volunteer Week	March 16-23
Thirteenth Sabbath Offering (Australasian Division)	March 30
Missionary Magazine Campaign	April 1-30
(Special price during April and May)	
Church Missionary Offering	April 6
Medical Work of Loma Linda University Offering	April 13
Bible Correspondence School Enrollment Day	April 27
Health and Welfare Evangelism	May 4
Church Missionary Offering	May 4
Disaster and Famine Relief Offering	May 11
Spirit of Prophecy Day	May 18
Home Foreign Evangelism	June 1
Church Missionary Offering	June 1
North American Missions Offering	June 8
Thirteenth Sabbath Offering (Inter-American Division)	June 29

REVIEW and HERALD

In 1849 a company of Sabbathkeeping Adventists whose background was the Millerite movement began to publish a paper called *The Present Truth*. In 1850 they also published five issues of *The Advent Review*. In November, 1850, these two papers merged under the name, *Second Advent Review and Sabbath Herald*, now titled simply *REVIEW and HERALD*. Its editorial objective remains unchanged—to preach "the everlasting gospel" in the context of the Sabbath, the Second Advent, and other truths distinctive of the Advent Movement.

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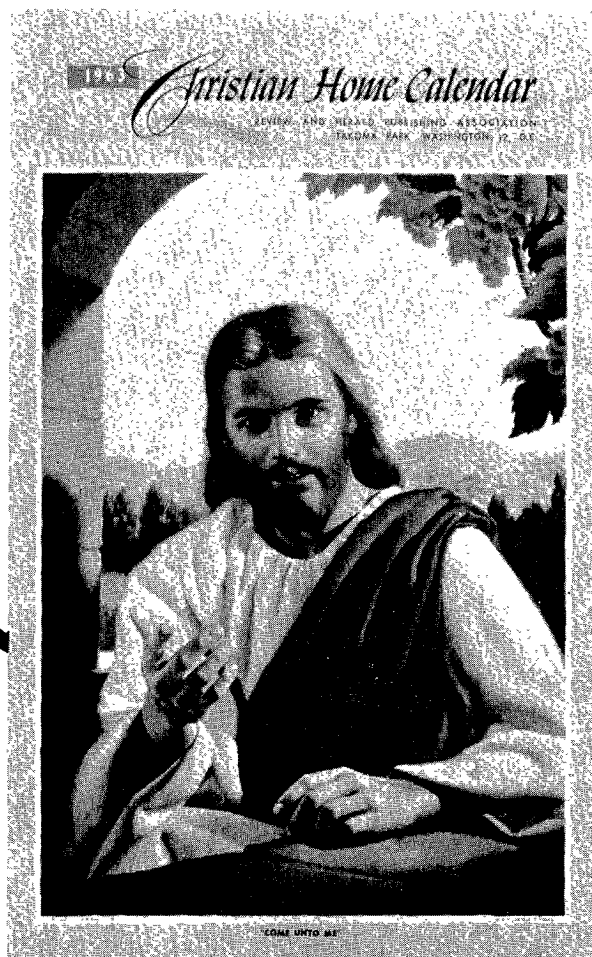
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Ingathering Passes the Five Million Mark

This week's Ingathering reports from all the unions in North America bring us encouraging news of great success in this year's campaign. Our dedicated ministry and laity working together passed the five million-dollar mark. Last year at the same time we reported \$4,781,356.21. This year we can report an Ingathering total of \$5,195,864.53!

God's remnant people love the cause of God.

V. W. SCHOEN
Associate Secretary
GC Home Missionary Department

Unentered Countries in Southern European Division

Fifty-one countries and political divisions in three continents comprise the Southern European Division territory. Slightly more than 300 million people live in these countries, all the way from Belgium in Europe to the Island of Réunion in the South Indian Ocean, far below the equator.

A closer examination of the statistics of the Southern European Division office shows that 22 of these countries and political divisions are still unentered by Seventh-day Adventists. The smallest of these states is Vatican City with 1,000 inhabitants, and the largest in population is Mali, West Africa, with more than 4 million souls to be warned of Christ's soon coming.

Recently word came that in the little state of Monaco in Southern France a Seventh-day Adventist woman, who formerly lived in the Union of South Africa, had organized a branch Sabbath school. The school is now making excellent progress, and the coming year should see a small group of new believers organized.

These unentered territories present a tremendous task to the 113,511 Seventh-day Adventist workers and believers living in the Southern European Division, and an urgent challenge to the remnant family of God throughout the entire world.

R. S. WATTS

New Sabbath School Teachers' Course

We are pleased to announce that a new teachers' training course has been prepared for 1963—Better Teaching Year. This new book is entitled *Teach! A Guide to Effective Sabbath School Teaching*. It has been prepared by Stanley S. Will at the request of the General Conference Advisory Committee. Brother Will has had years of experience in Sabbath school work, and of recent years has had a special burden for our Sabbath school teach-

ers. This book should be a great help to the senior and youth teachers in our schools.

The book is now ready for circulation. We trust that each Sabbath school teacher and officer will get copies at once. A training course class should be arranged as soon as possible. It is not enough to give the Lord your best. You must give Him the best you can become during this Better Teaching Year. Order the book through your Book and Bible House.

G. R. NASH

Large Moslem Baptism in East Java

Wendell L. Wilcox, president of the Indonesia Union Mission, writes that on Sabbath, December 22, one of the largest baptisms of Mohammedans in the history of our work in Indonesia took place in the city of Madiun, Java, when S. Ritonga, president of the East Java Mission, and A. T. Siong, district pastor, baptized 31 former Moslems. These new members were won to the message by Brother Soemarjono, a faithful layman of the Madiun church and manager of a sugar mill in that city, in cooperation with the pastor.

We hope to have a more complete report of this remarkable accession of former Moslems later. Let us remember in our prayers those who labor for the Mohammedan people in Indonesia and elsewhere, and pray also that these new believers may remain faithful.



Selected from Religious News Service.

NEW YORK—Seventeen United Presbyterian and Reformed missionaries from the U.S. have been ordered by the Sudanese Government to leave that Moslem country under its new anti-Christian-missionary law.

JERUSALEM—The Vatican has informed Israel's Department of Christian Communities that the Roman Catholic Church has no plan to reform the current (Gregorian) calendar, it was reported here. A spokesman for the department said, however, that it was understood that the church was discussing the possibility of fixed days—not fixed dates—for Christmas and Easter. Announcement that calendar reform is not one of the aims of the Vatican Council pleased Jewish religious officials. Some had feared that a change in the calendar would have "endangered the continuity of the Jewish Sabbath."

Why I Came Back to the Church

Under the above head we plan to run a number of testimonies from those who fell away from the church and then came back. Perhaps you are one of these. If so, we would invite you to write a brief statement—about 600 words—telling us the following: How long you were a member, how long you were out of the church, and how long since you returned. Please tell us what factors contributed to your falling away, and then very particularly, what factors operated to bring you back. Finally, a word as to your present joy of heart.

Or perhaps you were not actually disfellowshipped; you simply stayed away from the church for several years, no longer truly practicing its distinctive way of life or its teachings. We would be glad to hear from you also. We plan to publish the most interesting and helpful of these testimonies. They may help others.

Narcotics Education

At a recent meeting of the Narcotics Education, Inc., board of directors, R. E. Adams was elected to serve as executive secretary and national director.

Narcotics Education, Inc., makes available special educational materials on alcohol, tobacco, and narcotics, for teachers, professional groups, and community leaders. It publishes quarterly a *Washington Narcotics Newsletter*, and also a *Teaching Guide* for each issue of *Listen* magazine.

R. E. Adams has already taken up his new responsibilities at our headquarters office. He has had wide experience, both at home and abroad.

W. A. SCHARFFENBERG

NEW YORK—A Brazilian Roman Catholic archbishop, in an article published here, has called upon the Second Vatican Council to give priority attention to the problems of the church in Latin America. Auxiliary Archbishop Helder Pessoa Camara of Rio de Janeiro, vice-president of the Council of Latin American Bishops, warned in a *Look* magazine article: "There is grave danger that the people of Latin America may cease to be Catholic or even Christian." "A continent that is Catholic in name must be made Catholic in fact," he stressed.

LARCHMONT, N.Y.—Supreme Court Justice Tom C. Clark, who voted with the Court's 6 to 1 majority in the controversial prayer decision, said here that private prayers in the home are much more important to children than those said in public places such as schools. The Justice noted that "there has been quite a crusade of late for prayers by our children." "But I have not heard one word said in support of prayers by them at home," he said. "I submit that private prayer in the home would be much more effective. It would, I believe, have great weight with children—and for that matter, with adults, as well—if begun at an early age and honored as a daily task," Justice Clark said.