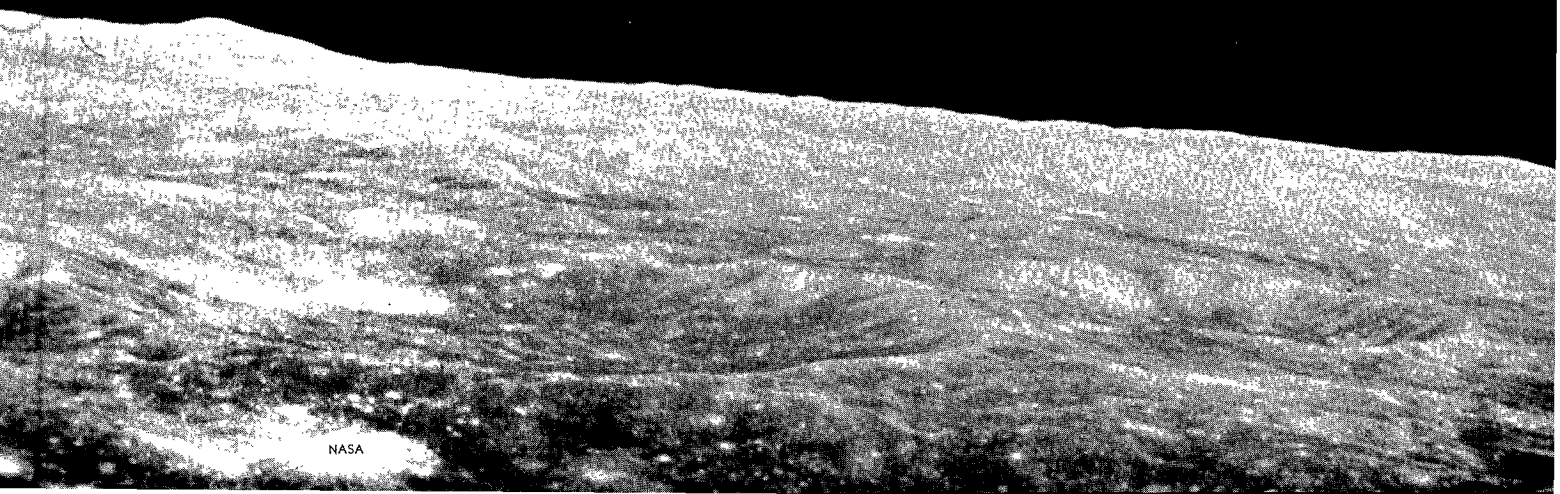
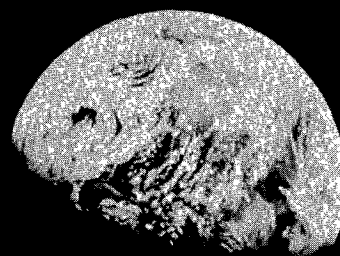




# Remember God

By NICHOLAS LLOYD INGRAHAM

*Apollo 8* has looped the moon and scored  
The sides of heaven with a metal prod;  
Young astronauts have blasted off and soared  
And sailed amazed along the shores of God.  
But why the urge to flee the rim of earth,  
To saddle wings and conquer voids on high?  
Is man assigned to shepherd heaven's girth?  
The Lord can watch His star flocks in the sky!  
O mortal man, confess Him King of kings—  
Remember Him who woos the rebel soul,  
Obey the Word that gives the spirit wings  
And guards the sinner till he reach the goal;  
For then the gates of God will open wide  
And Christ with all the ransomed sweep inside!





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HARRY ANDERSON, ARTIST

*Bigness does not necessarily mean power. God is looking for*

# Quality Rather Than Quantity

By R. R. BIETZ

**R**IDING the bus to the airport after the last session of the 1968 Autumn Council in Toronto, Canada, Mrs. Bietz and I were noticing the various advertisements on the billboards along the way. One which I felt had something significant to say, read, "When you're this good you don't have to be big." No doubt some small firm took considerable pride, not in the quantity, but in the quality of its product.

As we sped along I couldn't help reflecting on the fact that we live in a world where quantity and bigness are the order of the day. Big business is thinking in terms of bigger operations and more production. Constant pressure is applied on smaller businesses to merge with the larger. Organizations exist whose sole purpose it is to encourage and help industries consolidate their efforts. All of this is done in the interest of economy and greater production. We don't question the goals but inquire, Does bigness necessarily ensure better quality?

Many imperfect products are coming off the assembly lines. The other day a friend of mine bought a car of a make reputed to be one of the best built in the country. After driving the vehicle for a few miles one of the wheel bearings came apart. Most of us have had similar

experiences. Someone on the assembly line or in the factory producing the bearing failed to do his duty. He did not take a personal interest.

In the field of education, too, we hear much talk about bigger institutions. Small parochial schools seem to be almost out of date. Many have been merged with larger schools. Now we have large community schools. We are told that better teachers can be secured and more subjects can be offered. But bigness does not necessarily mean better quality. In fact, some of the rebellion against institutions today has been thought to be the result of poor teaching or no teaching at all in big institutions. Although still carrying a title, some of the teachers are either behind closed doors in a research laboratory or on a plane going to some convention.

Furthermore, big educational institutions have become impersonal. The individual student gets little or no attention. As a result dissatisfaction among today's students grows.

## Consolidation in Religion

In the area of religion there is also a program of consolidation. For a number of decades denominations have been minimizing their distinctive doctrines and have been uniting. The ecumenical movement means big business in religion. There is a sincere feeling on the part of many that if all Protestant churches unite organizationally, they can speak with the voice of authority and power. However, all this bigness does not necessarily mean more power. If the church is strong spiritually she does not have to be big to be powerful.

I fear that there are times when within the remnant church also there is too much assembly-line production. Perhaps there is too much emphasis on quantity and too little on quality. We look at the statistical report and notice that the world membership has reached 1,747,614. We are getting big. We are no longer an insignificant church. Our educational work is big business. We have many large institutions. We turn out many graduates—such as teachers, preachers, physicians, dentists, nurses, technicians. We are doing a great work! After accepting a budget of \$40 million at the 1968 Autumn Council we sang lustily, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow." All of this is good but not good enough.

Looking at the same statistical report which gives us cause for rejoicing, we notice that although 111,517 people were baptized during the past five years, 43,298, or 38.8 per cent, apostatized. In the overseas divisions during the same period 525,398 were baptized, and 147,978, or 28.2 per cent, apostatized. As we look at this shocking loss our songs of praise turn into mourning. Why this loss? No doubt there are many reasons. It could be that we have been underemphasizing quality. Perhaps, too, there has been a lack of emphasis on the objectives of the church. It may be that the new converts got the idea that this is just another church organization with no special message for this age.

The evil one is determined to bring into the church through baptism many who have not been converted. "It is his plan to bring into the church insincere, unregenerate elements that will encourage doubt and unbelief, and hinder all who desire to see the work of God advance and to advance with it. Many who have no real faith in God or in His word assent to some principles of truth and pass as Christians, and thus they are enabled to introduce their errors as Scriptural doctrines."—*The Great Controversy*, p. 520.

During the history of God's people the emphasis has never been on numbers or on largeness, but on quality. When God called His people He did not set His love

upon them, nor choose them, because they were more in number than any people. They "were the fewest of all people" (Deut. 7:7).

Israel had few outstanding statesmen, philosophers, and scientists. God could have chosen a more powerful nation such as Egypt, yet He selected this tiny, seemingly ineffectual group. If God would have chosen a powerful nation men would probably have considered that the choice was made because of the nation's strength and power. Choosing such a nation might also have blinded its people's sense of their need of salvation. God chose the small nation, the few in number.

### The Church's Work

Speaking about the church, Jesus says, "Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom" (Luke 12:32). When God chooses a people He chooses them because He wants them to be instruments whereby He can save men. He wants people through whom He can work out His own purposes. "If numbers were evidence of success, Satan might claim pre-eminence; for in this world his followers are largely in the majority. . . . It is the virtue, intelligence, and piety of the people composing our churches, not their numbers, that should be a source of joy and thankfulness."—*Testimonies*, vol. 5, pp. 31, 32.

"Success does not depend upon numbers. God can deliver by few as well as by many. He is honored not so much by the great numbers as by the character of those who serve Him."—*Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 550. "When you're this good you don't have to be big."

The church exists for a twofold purpose—to be an instrument for the salvation of men and to reveal the character of God. To do this God does not need large numbers. He does need such who reveal the character of God in everyday life. God can do great and mighty deeds through people who are wholly dedicated.

When Gideon was told to drive out the Midianites he immediately thought in terms of large numbers. God said, "Go in this thy might, and thou shalt save Israel from the hand of the Midianites" (Judges 6:14). Gideon evidently felt this meant that he should recruit a large army. He went to work immediately and before long had an army of 32,000 men ready for battle. He had the bigness that he felt was necessary to overcome the enemy. But the Lord was not impressed with this large number. He could use that many, to be sure, but only if they were wholly committed to the task.

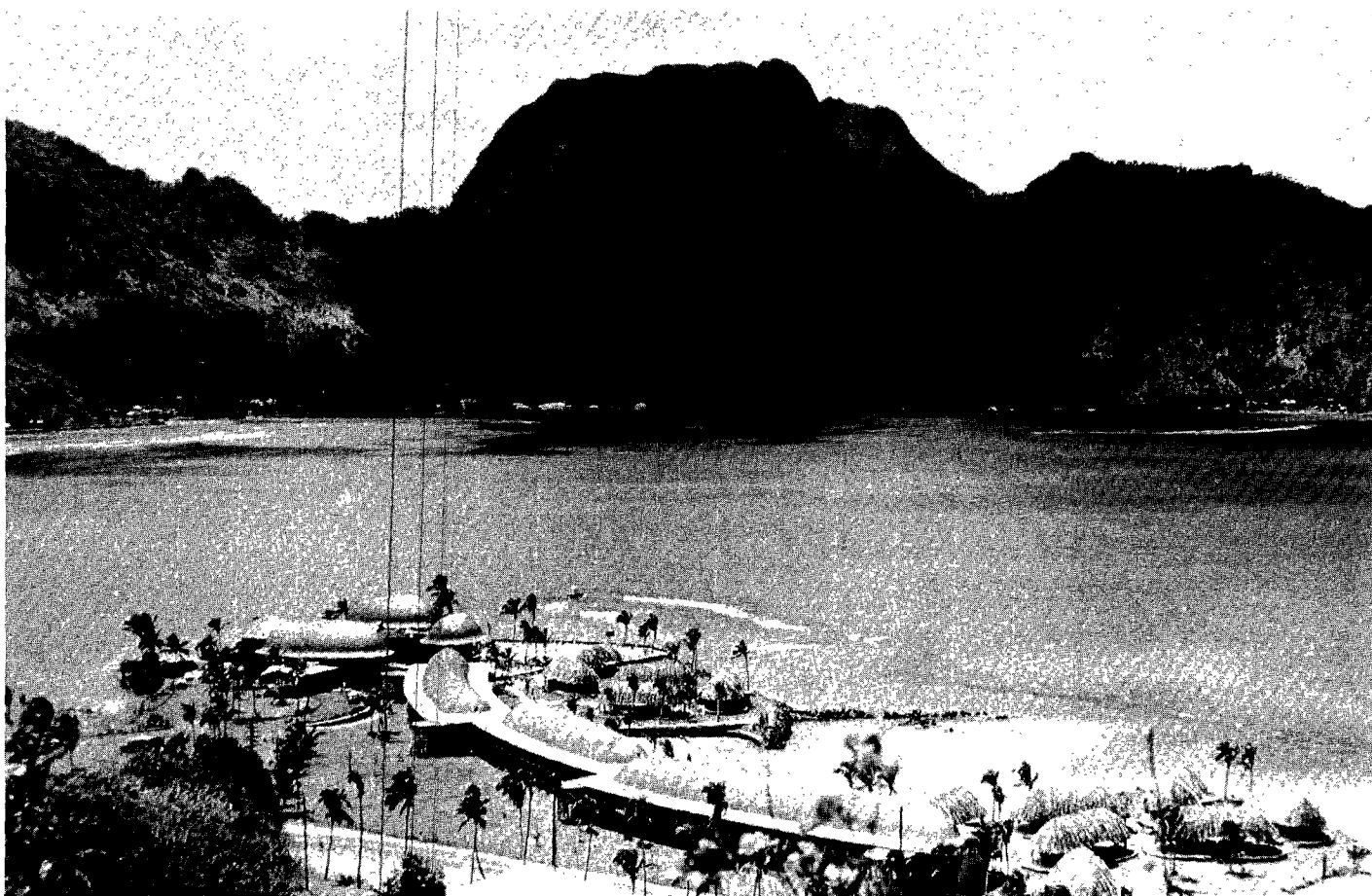
The Lord said to Gideon, "The people that are with thee are too many for me to give the Midianites into their hands, lest Israel vaunt themselves against me, saying, Mine own hand hath saved me" (chap. 7:2). After all the fearful, the afraid, the discouraged, the timid, had been eliminated, there were 300 left of the 32,000. By this time Gideon probably understood, "When you're this good you don't have to be big."

Let us above all concentrate on quality. It was G. Campbell Morgan who said, "If the church does not lift up Christ where all can see Him, then the church becomes an impertinence, a sham, and a blasphemy and a fraud; and the sooner the world is rid of it the better." ♦♦



Success does not depend upon numbers.

# F'aa Samoa



PHOTOS: R. R. FRAME

*An outpost of Adventist mission activity—beautiful fiordlike Pago Pago Harbor cut into the mountains of American Samoa.*

## Austral Pacific Letters—4

**APIA, WESTERN SAMOA.**—A visit to the Samoan Islands is highly rewarding. No South Pacific islands are lovelier. The people exhibit unforgettable friendliness and charm, and the work of God gives rise to great hope.

There are, of course, two Samoas. Both lie about 1,600 miles east of New Zealand, and some 2,000 miles south of the Hawaiian Islands. One group is known as American Samoa, including chiefly the incredibly beautiful island of Tutuila and the fiordlike Pago Pago Harbor cut into a superb purple-green mountain. A new airport with a 9,000-foot runway eight miles from city center provides a jet-age arrival. From here a 35-minute flight across water on a prejet-age

plane brings you to Apia, the capital of the second group of islands, now an independent political unit known as Western Samoa.

These two groups of islands with the Tokelau Islands (coral atolls) about 300 miles to the north make up the Seventh-day Adventist Samoa Mission. The total land area is a little more than 1,200 square miles, and the total population is about 150,000.

Anthropologists claim that today's Samoans are the purest survivors of the early Polynesian peoples. Here, then, we shall observe the *f'aa Samoa* (the Samoan way).

Samoa life revolves around the village, with the result that Western Samoa (population about 130,000) has

but one city—Apia. The city was developed largely by Europeans. Within each village is the family, or clanlike group, whose members are related either by blood, marriage, or adoption. All are under the immediate authority of the *matai*, who bears the title of chief or orator. The chief speaks for the people. The results of the group's labor are jointly shared. The members know that in return for their efforts they always have a home and will be cared for when ill or aged.

The Samoan villages are attractive, neat, and inviting. The houses are called *fale*. They appear to be oval in shape, with heavy thatched roofs neatly trimmed. The outer walls are

no more than the Samoan equivalent of wide-slatted Venetian blinds, woven mats serving as the slats. Of course, near the centers of Western civilization, the floors of crushed coral or stone have been replaced by contemporary construction. Although Western furniture does exist, many Samoans, I am told, do not take to chairs. They sit cross-legged to converse or to partake of the meal.

In normal Samoan style the cooking is done in a separate edifice over an oven that consists of a bed of heated rocks. A truly Samoan banquet offered us at the Vailoa laymen's training school (served beautifully on the floor) revealed what a variety of delicious, unbelievable food (including *palusami*) comes forth from the Samoan kitchen.

Western Samoan villages can contain as many as 30 households, with one to several dozen in each household. At bedtime finely woven mats are taken from their storage place, and a pile of them perform the functions of a mattress. Conventional seats and blankets are also used.

Although they are hospitable and friendly, the Samoans originally did not invite visitors. Nevertheless they have had a long line of them. The first seems to have been a Dutchman, Jacob Roggeveen, in 1722. Then came Frenchmen and Britons, followed by Americans and Germans. The Christian missionaries were led into the area by John William, a pioneer of the London Missionary Society. He arrived in 1830, and shortly thereafter the Samoan language appeared for the first time in print. Within half a century Samoa was a literate Christian land.

The London Missionary Society (now known as the Congregational Christian Church) is the largest denomination. The figures given me show that 78 per cent of the population is Protestant, 20 per cent Roman Catholic. Two per cent is Seventh-day Adventist. Among the Protestants are counted a rather significant contingent of the Church of the Latter-day Saints, which has erected here and there throughout the Austral Pacific beautifully functional church centers.

Perhaps we should go back and pick up the historical threads in order to explain why we have two Samoas. Motivations of all types enter the picture, based on economic, political, and religious interests. By 1840 chiefs had made a trade treaty with a British naval captain. At the same time a United States expedition under Commander Charles Wilkes had negotiated similarly with the Samoans, all the while exploring and surveying the Polynesian Islands. Charles Wilkes can be best remembered by his research on

Polynesian flora and fauna and by his surveys, which remain the basis of nearly all Samoan land measurements to this day.

Consuls and commercial agents soon came on behalf of Germany, Great Britain, and the United States. Most of this activity was centered in the harbored community of Apia, which the Europeans took over while the Samoans controlled and administered the rest. A network of commercial treaties developed in the midst of rivalry and intrigue, with the Samoans fighting fiercely among themselves.

Intrigue and confusion continued until the hurricane of 1889 brought peace on March 16. Several warships of the three nations were in Apia harbor, and all but one were destroyed. The remains of the German ship *Adler* can still be seen in Apia harbor.

The peace continued uneasily until World War I. After that war the League of Nations turned Western Samoa over to New Zealand to operate as a mandate. Progress in the development of the area was slow but substantial enough so that after World War II, when the mandate was transformed into a United Nations Trust Terri-

tory, a measure of self-government was introduced. This was later expanded, and in 1957 New Zealand turned control of the vast estates taken over from the Germans after World War I to Western Samoa. The Samoans voted overwhelmingly for sovereignty, and on January 1, 1962, the independent state of Western Samoa came into being.

Western Samoa is neither a republic nor a kingdom. Possibly it could be best described as a constitutional monarchy with an elected head of state taking the place of a king. Really, the Samoans have emulated with imagination and Samoan twists the governments of New Zealand and Britain. Since Samoa had two royal families, two coheads of state were elected to hold office for life. If one died the other was to continue as sole head of state until death, at which time parliament would elect a successor, presumably from among the royal sons.

In 1963, His Highness Malietoa Tanumafili II became the country's first sole head of state. The third of the four royal sons, Fiame Mata'afa, became the country's prime minister.

## The art of living

By MERIAM WOOD

*when you're Young*

**TRUE OR FALSE?** Whenever I come across any sort of quiz in a magazine or newspaper I try

to fill it out immediately. Be the topic personality traits, driving ability, current events, or anything else about which I have even the remotest knowledge, I find it stimulating to "size myself up." Not that the results are always flattering or that I even accept the conclusions of the person who created the test!

On the chance that you also enjoy testing yourself (when there's no nagging worry involved about grades!) I've prepared 15 true-false questions on a variety of topics. Remember, true-false questions aren't usually as simple as they seem at first glance. They may contain a "catch."

**T F** 1. Other people's opinions are of no consequence in determining whether you are a success in life. If you think you are a success, you are.

**T F** 2. If you give up something that means a great deal to you, God will reward you.

**T F** 3. You will always be well liked if you lead out in lots of activities and good times.

**T F** 4. Whatever money you earn should be yours to spend as you choose.

**T F** 5. For successful living you should adopt the attitudes and opinions of someone whom you greatly admire.

**T F** 6. Occasionally you will become acquainted with someone with whom you will have personality clashes, regardless of your efforts to avoid them.

**T F** 7. Most people have periods of discouragement and "blueness" for no apparent reason.

**T F** 8. Nobody is self-confident all the time.

**T F** 9. In today's complicated world every young person should have a college education.

**T F** 10. A school exceeds its authority when it requires its students to conform to a dress code.

**T F** 11. It is unfair to judge a person by his appearance.

**T F** 12. "Nice guys always finish last."

**T F** 13. People accept the "price tag" you place on yourself.

**T F** 14. You'll never be completely free to do exactly as you please.

**T F** 15. Service to others is the way to demonstrate your gratitude to God for all His blessings.

Answers will appear next week, so keep your test in a safe place.



Because of high humidity, the villagers provide "air-conditioning"—open-wall houses.

I was privileged to spend a half hour with the prime minister. Our intensely interesting conversation revealed a Christian gentleman well able to represent his people.

Western Samoa's parliament is unicameral, with 43 Samoan and three European representatives. The Samoan members are elected by the 5,000 *matai*, or local chiefs, of the country. How this beautiful little nation moves from youth toward maturity is bound to have profound and meaningful effect on the island neighbors. The eyes of the Pacific are upon this Polynesian pioneer.

An interesting attraction in Samoa is Vailima, the house in which Robert Louis Stevenson and his wife lived from 1890 until his death in December, 1894. The property is superbly situated amid beautifully tended gardens high in the hills about three miles from Apia. The central portion of the house dates from Stevenson's time, and there one can sit in Stevenson's chair and scribble notes on a pad placed on Stevenson's desk. The poet and his wife are buried at the top of the 500-foot ascent (Mount Vaea).

Of course, there is much more to be seen in Samoa. One revels in the splendor of the seashore, the mountains, and the lagoons. Someone has said that after a visit here one always wishes for a return visit. I feel this way myself when I think of the wonderful people of the remnant God is gathering in these islands. D. E. Hay, a New Zealander by origin, is president of the Samoan field. I spent two

happy days in his home where husband, wife, and two admirable children contribute to an exemplary Seventh-day Adventist family.

The Samoan Mission has nine regularly organized churches and a number of groups, with a total membership of approximately 1,500. The mission employs seven ordained ministers, nine licensed ministers, and some 20 teachers in the seven schools. The headquarters, of course, are at Apia.

An important factor in the work in Samoa is the Apia Central School. It is a coeducational day school offering grades I to 11. Opened in 1951 with 40 students, the school has climbed to a normal enrollment of 500. A curriculum suited to the needs of Samoa has been established, and achievement standards have been set. In 1965 new buildings were erected to replace the temporary structures.

## Delinquent

By MARION REINHART MEYER

Small member, so unruly still,  
 You more than match my strongest will.  
 Wise counsels stored for your recall  
 You thoughtlessly reject for all  
 Those hasty words to fan your flame,  
 And bring reproach to some good name.  
 One wonders why you cannot learn  
 From past disgrace your sting to spurn.  
 For friendships scarce can stand the strain  
 Of bending to your vengeful pain.

O tongue! It takes a perfect Man  
 To cleanse and bridle your short span.

The school has gained popular public support through its home-and-school meetings and through the records students have established in successfully passing government examinations. The principal is W. G. Litster. Some 15 nationals from various Pacific islands assist in this schoolwork. A rural property has been selected across the island, and the plan is to develop a boarding school operating on the primary and secondary levels.

A very remarkable institution is the Vailoa Laymen's Training School. The site of the institution high above the breaking reefs is incomparable, and so is the spirit of the place. Here Pastor Fereti Puni supervises and trains ten married couples, who pay their tuition and expenses while training as laymen to return to their villages as church leaders and lay evangelists. The course of study and training lasts two years. In a few weeks the first group will graduate. I felt a certain emotion as I held in hand a copy of the certificates to be delivered soon to these fine men. A better, more upstanding group I rarely have met.

On American Samoa we have two churches and six groups with approximately 200 members. The central Pago Pago school is bursting at the seams. In fact, five acres have been secured on the airport road for a further mission development and another school. This possibility encourages the five dedicated teachers of the school.

We were able to spend only six hours on American Samoa, but Pastor Papu Liofele, the island leader, helped me to make the best of my time. Our brother and his wife were the first baptized members in Pago Pago in 1946. They have been workers now for 18 years, of which seven at Pago Pago have been very fruitful. Their home is a most charming spot to meet with God's saints. We visited points of interest on the island.

The saying is that Idahoan H. Rex Lee brought a "new deal" in 1961 to Samoa. This governor and his successor have transformed the face of the island. Within the decade, a revolutionary rehabilitation program in the areas of education and welfare has been accomplished. These changes make the little speck on the map an exciting place today. We say "speck" because American Samoa is only 76 square miles, with a population of less than 25,000. A ten-mile-long, beautifully paved road serves the island.

A pair of modified jumbo Samoan *fales* give the air terminal a unique appearance. Downtown a community auditorium in fale style likewise is a

real showplace. Other modern installations include the Lyndon B. Johnson Tropical Medical Center, opened in June, 1968. What is perhaps one of the most modern school systems in the world is in process of development: an educational television system now supplements live-teacher instruction in the classrooms.

All this and more we saw and admired, but this can hardly compare with what we saw at Leone (place of black sands). There we have a bright new church center erected by Pulou Samana. Brother and Sister Samana

lived in Los Angeles for some five years. Brother Samana earned well, and they could have continued an agreeable life on the mainland, but they returned to their home haunts and built a church with a seating capacity of 200. Each Sabbath more than 100 people gather in this church, many of whom are relatives and friends. A greater achievement for God I can hardly imagine.

The Seventh-day Adventist work first reached Samoa on October 22, 1895, when Dr. and Mrs. F. E. Braucht arrived on the mission ship *Pitcairn*.

They settled in the port of Apia and began medical work there. Dr. M. G. Kellogg joined them for a time as did later Dr. A. M. Vollmer. The original false-type structure that housed the little hospital at Tufuiopa still exists. The hospital was closed when Dr. Vollmer was compelled to return to the United States for health reasons. We entertain the hope that somehow the health work of Seventh-day Adventists may shine again and more brightly among these wonderful people.

In 1907 J. E. Steed and his wife were appointed to open evangelistic work. H. T. Howse and his wife followed in 1910, concentrating their efforts mainly on evangelism and on establishing a mission paper in the vernacular. The *Tala Moni* still serves as the Samoa Mission paper.

Our visit at Apia included meetings with the church, the workers, the Dorcas organization, and an excellent performance by the 105 Pathfinders of the Apia church on the school grounds. The raising and lowering of the flag and the recital of the MV law and pledge were thrilling moments. A portion of the 200 inches of water that falls annually on Samoa came during the Pathfinder demonstration. The children proudly carried on in the rain, and the sun soon dried their clothes.

Here, as at the time of arrival and departure anywhere in Polynesia, I was literally weighted down with leis of shells and flowers. I have sent some off by surface mail home, and they will be treasured.

*F'aa Samoa!* In the picture gallery of my heart some of the brightest paintings will be of sun-drenched happy Samoa. I could never forget, among so many others, Sauni Kuresa, a Seventh-day Adventist musician and composer. He was the author of both the music and the words of the Samoan national anthem. At one of our meetings he led the fine Apia church choir and played with skill two trumpets at the same time. The choir sang, and Brother Kuresa played a medley of Advent hymns.

But I had to take leave. At the Vailoa Laymen's Training School our friends linked arms about me and sang, "Oh, I Never Will Forget You," while the Apia choir sang, "You are to leave and we must die a little because you go; but *Mizpah*—God watch over us while we are absent one from another."

And with these words ringing in my ears the great jet took off for Nadi, Fiji, and the Melanesian peoples. ♦♦

WALTER RAYMOND BEACH  
Secretary, General Conference

## A Story FOR THE YOUNGER SET

### To Make a Friend

By ELLA RUTH ELKINS

MAE enjoyed school. She liked her teachers and friends. Of all her studies she preferred Bible. After that came spelling. She thought everyone must enjoy that class. But she knew Helen didn't. Helen was so slow in everything and never seemed to be able to understand much. She was always at the end of the line in the weekly spell-downs. That was no fun.

When the recess bell rang, everyone slid his books into his desk and walked out into the schoolyard. From there the boys dashed to take their places in the baseball field. Some girls ran to the swings. Most of the others ran to the volleyball net and hurried to choose sides. Patsy and June were the captains. They would call out the names for the sides. Mae knew how it would go. They would always start with the best players and leave slow Helen until the very last, and sometimes not notice her at all. That was always the way it was. Mae felt hurt every time she saw her classmates ignore or even make fun of Helen's clumsy ways. That was the reason Mae would stay in the courtyard and get Helen interested in playing a game of catch with her. Then Helen wouldn't have to feel that she had been left out of everything.

And so it was that day by day Mae and Helen had a good time playing a simple game of catch in the school courtyard away from the unkind remarks of the careless ones. The more Mae played with Helen, the more she liked this simple little game that brought so much happiness to the lonely girl.

Each day Helen beamed all over whenever Mae walked over to her with the basketball and asked if Helen didn't want to play with her. The days changed to months, and still Mae looked for Helen each day and asked if she wanted to spend her recess with her. Some days they just walked to the school gardens

to see whose was doing the best. Little by little Helen seemed to fit better into the classroom. She never did become a whiz at her studies, but it did help her to know she had a friend.

The school year was nearly over when Elder Carter talked to the children for the spring Week of Prayer. Mae joined the baptismal class and looked forward to baptism at the end of the month.

One day Mae was surprised to come home and find Mr. Peterson, her school principal, and Elder Carter talking with her mother. Mae quietly slipped away from sight as she heard her mother say, "But I think Mae is too young to be baptized. I'm sure she does not know what it is all about."



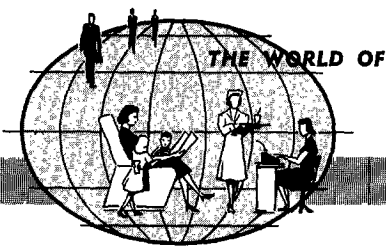
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*It was fun to be friends and play together.*

Mae was stunned! She peeked through a crack in the door and saw her principal looking thoughtfully at the floor as he spoke in a quiet tone. "You know, if there is any girl in my school who is ready for baptism, it is Mae. We can all see it in her actions toward the less fortunate. It shows in her face when she talks to them and . . ."

Mae didn't hear the rest. She tiptoed out of the room and went out to her garden to think. Imagine! Her very own principal saying that! She wondered what he had seen to make him say what he did. How would it all turn out anyway?

It was a happy day for Mae when Elder Carter baptized her along with the others who had been in the baptismal class. Afterward in the dressing room Mae and Helen smiled at each other through their wet hair. It was fun to make friends and do things together!



# The Adventist Woman

Conducted by DOROTHY EMMERSON

**D**EAR JESUS, help my hurt to get better, and help the government to let the people to buy bananas." So prayed a three-year-old boy with a skinned knee in a bananaless mission field. It was family worship, and we found it difficult to maintain our composure. Yet the child was learning to talk to Jesus as to a friend, and this is one of the purposes of family worship.

With a very young child, education consists largely of developing habits. Family worship can be a powerful force in establishing habits of daily prayer, Bible study, praise, and even family unity. Abraham set up an altar everywhere he went, and God was able to say of him, "I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the Lord" (Gen. 18:19).

Many parents want to have worship with their children but aren't sure how. There are two basic principles that will help:

1. Have a regular time for your worship periods.
2. Keep each worship period short but interesting.

As priest of the family, the father should lead out. This also gives him a chance to spend some relaxed moments with his family. In his absence the mother can take his place. As the children mature, sometimes they enjoy leading out themselves, and this can provide variety and also be good training for them.

## Set Times for Worship

If there are set times for worship, this important spiritual exercise is less likely to be neglected. In our family we read a devotional book together before breakfast and allot time right after supper for a longer worship. Each family has its own best time, but it should be sometime when all the family can be conveniently gathered together.

What if guests come just as you plan to have worship? Invite them to join you. If you have made family worship a regular part of your daily routine, the children's spontaneity and obvious enjoyment can be a more powerful witness to non-Christian guests than anything you might say. If they are fellow Christians, your guests will appreciate a few minutes spent together in spiritual

# "Come, Let Us Worship"

By MADELINE STEELE JOHNSTON

fellowship. A guest can inject variety.

## Short but Interesting

Worship should always be kept short and pleasant. If tedious to the children, it can distort all their concepts about communion with God. It is easy to get into a rut and gradually, almost imperceptibly, have our worships take on a routine, spiritless form. And form itself ceases to be worship and may do more harm than good.

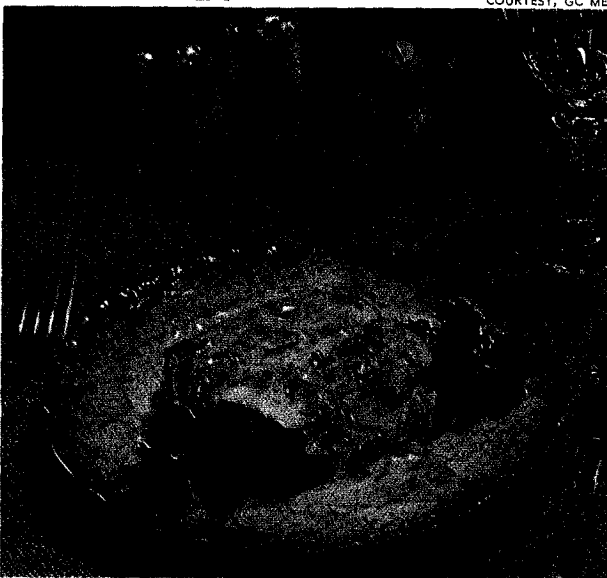
To avoid formalism, encourage each child to participate, use basically interesting materials, and vary the program from time to time. Even very small children can pray and sing. As they mature, look for other ways they can participate.

The spirit of true worship is usually caught more than taught, but occasionally a reprimand is necessary to maintain reverence. If worships are both interesting and regular, something special to enjoy with mother and daddy, just sending a disrespectful child to his room once will usually make him more careful. We once tried something more severe with one who got a silly streak just as we knelt for prayer. Imagine our thoughts when his four-year-old brother promptly prayed, "Dear Jesus, help daddy not to spank anybody who's being good. Amen."

For toddlers many parents borrow ideas from the Sabbath school, using the songs, finger plays, and even a flannel board. These are both ap-

## CREATIVE COOKING

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### CREAMED CHIPPED SMOKED PRIME ON TOAST

- 5 ounces Worthington Prime, smoked, frozen
- Cream Sauce:**
- 1½ cups milk
  - 5 tablespoons flour
  - ½ cup margarine
  - Pinch salt
  - 1½ cups half-and-half

Bring cream sauce to boil and stir in the half-and-half until smooth. Return to boil. Add Prime, which has been torn apart in large pieces. Stir lightly so as not to break up Prime. Season to taste. Pour over toast. Serves 8.



pealing and educational; yet if Sabbath school is completely duplicated night after night at home, some children see nothing special or interesting about Sabbath school on Sabbath.

Some families use the worship time to study the Sabbath school lesson together. This is one way to ensure that the lesson will be faithfully studied each day.

There are many good books appropriate for a short worship with a toddler. Some have alternating pages of appealing photographs and appropriate text, just a thought or two relating the common things of a child's experience to his Creator.

Our publishing houses have many excellent books that can be used as the children get older. At one time we read a chapter a night in Arthur Maxwell's *The Bible Story*. This lasted for several months, but the children never lost interest. We have used other books in the same way at different times. With a few favorite songs and a prayer or two, this makes a simple, yet effective, worship.

### Include Bible Reading

Did you ever think of reading the Bible for worship? This may seem a strange question, but it is surprising how easy it is to read so much about the Bible that we fail to get the Book itself off the shelf. Especially when the children are small, it is easy to get into a habit of reading simpler books to them in order to reach their level of understanding. But if as they grow, we fail to instill the habit of actual Bible reading in them, where will they acquire it?

As a Bible teacher, my husband feels this quite strongly. Some time ago he decided to read the Bible for worship, rather than other books. My first reaction was that the children were too young to understand it and would become bored. My predictions might have come true, but certain principles make it interesting.

For one thing, my children are blessed with a father who has unusual ability to read expressively, so the words take on more life than they would otherwise.

Discuss the passage after it is read. Ask questions geared to the children's age and understanding. This will make it interesting, provide opportunity to explain portions they didn't understand, and encourage them to listen closely.

Several of the modern versions use a simple language that children can understand readily. None of us reads easily a work containing a heavy dose of difficult vocabulary, but we enjoy books we can understand. Our boys like the American Bible Society's *Good News for Modern Man*. Pertinent

drawings add interest, and it has a word list in the back that defines the less common words. Children should know the King James Version too, but a variety of versions at family worship makes Bible reading more interesting and understandable to the children.

Choose carefully the portions you will read. Remember that you are reading to children. Any child loves a story, and what more exciting stories can we find than those of the Bible? We adults forget how thrilling they can be the first few times. But if you choose narrative portions and then make sure the child understands the language as you read, he will be thrilled as the plot unfolds. Think of Joseph, Daniel, Samuel, Jonah, and David, for example.

Then there are many stories about Jesus in the Gospels. Acts is full of gripping narratives. The various prophets all had interesting experiences that are recorded in narrative form. Sometimes simply read a story. Other times dig deeper and discuss motives. Vary it by letting the children read. First- and second-graders often beg to read something for worship.

If worship is dragging for your children and they need something different, try Bible charades. Choose a Bible story, give them some time to think about it, and let them act it out. Or let them choose one and make the family guess.

A Bible quiz can spark interest too. Our children enjoy having their father ask a question and give a reference for the answer, seeing who can find it first.

Family worship can also be a time to read from the Ellen G. White books. This is a good chance to make these books precious to our children, when otherwise they might not get well acquainted with them until later in school.

### Special Aspects

Several years ago we visited certain friends one Friday evening. As we gathered in the living room for worship, they explained that it was their custom every Friday night to have each tell something he was thankful for. What an excellent way to make children aware of God's benefits and unashamed to express thankfulness!

Others save Friday night for a musical worship, gathering around the piano and singing together. There certainly should be something special to welcome the Sabbath, and the time should be adjusted to coincide with the beginning of the Sabbath.

Music is always an important part of worship. Even the smallest chil-

dren enjoy having the whole family sing their favorites. It is also a good opportunity to shape their musical tastes. When it comes to music, we enjoy mainly that which is familiar. Why not implant in the child's mind solid hymns that later in more turbulent days will provide power, courage, or comfort? I know a child that regularly, at four years of age, requested "A Mighty Fortress."

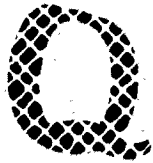
When our boys were little we used to choose one hymn at a time and sing it each night, along with some of their favorites, until they knew it. "Jesus, Friend of Little Children" (all four stanzas are rich in meaning but can be explained to little ones) quickly became a favorite. All children love "Lift Up the Trumpet," even if it does sometimes proceed, "And loud let it rain!"

Prayer is another essential ingredient of worship. It is easy to let our prayers become stereotyped, especially after several years of purposely keeping them simple for the children. But as they grow, they need to learn to broaden their prayers beyond blessing everyone in the family. A prayer list often helps. Actually write down projects or persons in need of prayer, and then encourage the family to be specific when praying. Cross off requests as they are answered. This makes prayer real. But at least take a few moments before kneeling to think together about appropriate prayer requests, even if you do not write them down.

If there is a wide age spread within a family, it is difficult to plan a worship that will reach the interests of all. Some families have a portion of the worship together and then divide up for the study of their Sabbath school lessons, the mother studying with one age group and the father with another. In other families this is impractical. Generally speaking, it is best to aim at the older children. They dislike being belittled, and they need spiritual food. And most small children will be attentive (for a *short* worship, anyway) no matter what you read. I suspect that some little tots would listen with rapt attention to the encyclopedia, if mother's voice were reading it and they were snuggled up close.

These are only a few ideas for making family worship a worthwhile activity each day. Many helpful ideas are found in *Child Guidance*, pages 517 to 526. But most important of all, if family worship is not a daily experience in your home, get it started! Choose any time, any program, but be sure that every morning and evening your family is gathered together to spend a few minutes communing with Jesus. ♦♦

# Homemakers' Exchange



**How do I begin worships in our home when my husband, even though he is an SDA, is not interested? With our children already teen-agers, is it too late to begin?**

► It is not too late to start family worship now, but because of your children's age, you may have to put participation on a voluntary basis. You may have to start all alone. But start.

Once the family sees you are in earnest, they will soon see the need of it. Like all teen-agers, yours must have problems. When they come to you with these problems, this is the golden opportunity to put your arm around them and suggest, "Shall we pray about it at family worship tonight? It will be a great blessing to study God's Word together, and perhaps we will find the answer to our problems."

Remember, "The mother is God's agent to Christianize her family."—*The Adventist Home*, p. 235.

Cornelius M. Dyck

Spokane, Washington

► It is never too late to begin family worship. Confess your negligence and begin immediately. Select a time first (I suggest right after the evening meal while everyone is still together, before dishes, homework, and other activities are begun).

Arm yourself with such an interesting book that the family will look forward from night to night to the next chapter. If you have any musical talent, try to sing at least one song, committing the words to memory.

Encourage the children to plan the programs also, but do not wait any longer for your husband if he shows no inclination to join you.

If your family is not together any time before leaving home in the morning, I suggest that you write a text on a chalkboard where everyone can see it and pray with each one before he leaves.

Patricia Botelho

Brimfield, Massachusetts

► When we were first married my husband and I were faithful with morning and evening worship. Later as our children came along, they grew up on Bible stories which we read to them during the evening worship hour, and we all enjoyed singing their favorite songs.

Then I don't know what happened, but as our four children entered their teens, we began to skip worships. We tried, but it was difficult to get the whole family together at any one time. There were always too many duties, too many social commitments, too many school activities, too much everything!

Although it worried me, I seemed helpless to remedy the situation. We would go along a few days faithfully having worship, then again something would come up and worships would be irregular.

It was then I decided that the only solution was to seek the Lord's help. He helped me find an opportunity to discuss the prob-

lem with my whole family. Unanimously my family agreed they would do everything possible to cooperate. Even so, I realized it was up to me to lead out in the matter. I discovered it was of utmost importance to have supper on time and not to start the supper dishes or do anything else after the evening meal until we had had worship.

It's wonderful in our home again! Our teen-agers are most responsive, and my husband, who I had felt had not been interested, is back taking the lead in worships again.

Kaye Sonnem

Portland, Oregon

► When father isn't concerned with having family worship the responsibility falls on the mother. With little ones, a good way to begin is at bedtime when mother usually reads to the youngsters. A song, a Bible story, the memory verse, and a closing prayer—and you've just conducted your first family worship.

Few fathers will refuse to take part when they see how eagerly their little ones respond to worship. In fact, it may be only a few days before he realizes how easy it is to conduct worship and takes over the job himself.

Teen-agers may be harder to convince. You might try what I did once when my youngster rebelled at morning worship. As he was leaving for school each morning I would stop him at the door and, putting my arm around him, say, "Let's just have a short word of prayer, dear. I hate to send you to school without asking the Lord to protect you." Right there, we'd bow our heads and I'd ask the Lord's blessing on him.

After school when he would ask me questions involving religion, I'd say, "Why don't you bring that up at worship tonight?" It wasn't long before he was eager to participate in our family worship periods. Persistence and forethought will pay off.

Judith Savoy

Springfield, Massachusetts

► We somehow got out of the habit of daily family worship, but recently have started having it again. With us it works well to have it at the breakfast table where we are all together. Our worships are short and interesting, and all take part.

If the father doesn't take an interest at first, the mother should lead out, and likely he will join in, not wanting to be left out.

Also, we have the assurance that prayer changes things, and this has proved true in our home many times.

In *The Adventist Home*, page 322, we read that "angels delight in a home where God reigns supreme, and the children are taught to reverence religion, the Bible, and their Creator."

Ellen L. Crosby

Midland, Michigan

► The problem of how to begin family worship for the first time is admittedly knotty. It can be solved successfully only through a dedicated attitude of faith and prayer.

These are my suggestions: 1. Invite the minister for supper some evening. 2. After dessert, ask him to read a passage from the Bible and lead you all in prayer.

While awaiting the minister's visit, ask God to direct his choice of verses and ask God to cause your family to be in a receptive spirit.

I've had miraculous answers to prayer by following the directions of Matthew 6:6. I feel sure that you also will have right results.

Mrs. B. Beth Bristol

Riverside, California

► It is never too late to begin. Your husband is an SDA. Your children are teen-agers. You have a lot in common, and when you have your family together at the evening meal, watch for the right moment to suggest worship.

For instance, you could refer to an experience (personal or impersonal) that had to do with family worship and how it affected family life, especially if there was just a bit of humour connected to it. Then suggest sincerely, "How about us having worship together regularly?"

With a prayer in your heart, you will see that it works.

Mrs. M. Wilson

Wimbledon, England

► How does the wife know for sure the husband really is uninterested? Unless he has said so, I wouldn't presume he is. Maybe he is waiting for his wife to make the first step.

It is never too late to start family worship. If the mother will explain to her children that from now on worship will be a part of everyday living, and ask the husband's help so as not to exclude him, God will bless her efforts and fruits will be seen.

Mrs. Kit Moors

Ridgecrest, California

## NEXT QUESTION

*What does one do with a jealous husband? My husband checks the speedometer when I go to work and again afterward. When certain people shake my hand too long at church, he throws a fit.*

Send your answers to Homemakers' Exchange, Review and Herald, Takoma Park, Washington, D.C. 20012. Letters must not exceed 300 words in length. Three dollars will be paid for each answer published.

**N**EVER has the world needed strong and wise leadership as it does today. Nations rocked by strife and weakened by internal pressures search for leaders who can guide their ship of state into calmer waters. Cities and communities, threatened and torn apart by violence and lawlessness, seek someone to bring order out of impending chaos. Schools can scarcely operate because of disorder and rebellion. Parental control seems almost a thing of the past. How great is the need for true, wise leadership in every situation!

But even as we search for good leadership we fear that we might unwittingly choose dictatorship. Whether the dictatorial power is in the hands of one person or a group it can become a fearsome thing—unreasoning, domineering, cruel.

Oppressive dictatorships can occur at all levels of society and in surprising situations. Domineering parents can drive their children from them or incite rebellion. Unfair and overbearing employers can cause serious reactions among their employees.

Ruthless dictatorship rides roughshod over the feelings and opinions of others. No man or woman or youth has the right to thus rule over his fellow human beings.

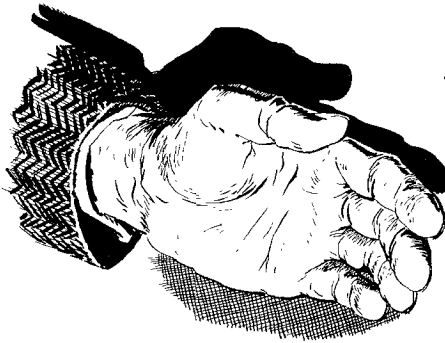
#### In Church Situations

Is oppressive leadership ever found among professed Christian people and in church situations? Unfortunately, it is. Since church workers have their share of human frailties, they do occasionally become dictatorial. Wherever this occurs—at whatever level of office—it usually causes trouble, discord, and pain.

When she held office, a member of a certain church was so critical and domineering and verbally cruel that those who dared to oppose her actually feared to answer their telephone. More than one pastor was driven almost to distraction trying to solve the problems of the church to which she belonged.

Then there was the pastor who erased the names of leading officers chosen by the nominating committee and insisted on his own choices. A serious split in the church followed, with members taking sides and bitterly opposing one another.

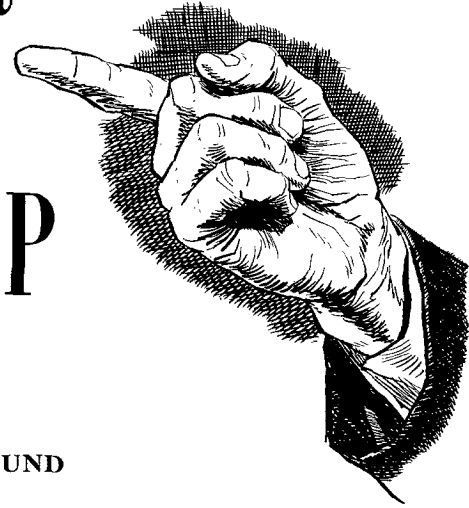
Practices of this sort should have no place among Christians. Ellen G. White has given much counsel against dictatorial tendencies, whether in the home or in the church. She states plainly that we will be held accountable for any such actions and the pain we have caused. "It is natural for some to be sharp and dictatorial, to lord it over God's heritage; and because of the manifestation of these



# LEADERSHIP

OR

# DICTATORSHIP



By HELEN L. LUND

attributes, precious souls have been lost to the cause. . . . It will not be pleasant to review the words that have been spoken that have wounded and bruised souls. . . . Every action will come into judgment, and the spirit that prompted it will be made manifest. The fruit of every selfish, arbitrary exaction will be made plain, and men will see the results of their doings even as God sees them."—*Testimonies to Ministers*, pp. 223, 224.

Does this mean, then, that it is wrong to develop leadership qualities? Must we always be mild and yielding, afraid to express our ideas and opinions and hesitant to carry them out? Indeed not.

"The active virtues must be cultivated as well as the passive. The Christian, while he is ever ready to give the soft answer that turneth away wrath, must possess the courage of a hero to resist evil. With the charity that endureth all things, he must have the force of character which will make his influence a positive power for good."—*Testimonies*, vol. 5, p. 404.

Far from being wrong, it is neces-

sary for us to encourage in ourselves and others the development of such qualities as courage, originality, perseverance, and firmness for right and principle.

God needs leaders in His church. With its growing membership and escalating budget and with worldliness endeavoring to creep in on every side, the church must have a continual supply of strong and wise leaders to keep the work moving forward with steady pace and calm assurance. From the lowliest church office to the highest post, there must be intelligent, consecrated leadership.

God needs men (and women) "who do not fear to call sin by its right name, men whose conscience is as true to duty as the needle to the pole, men who will stand for the right though the heavens fall" (*Education*, p. 57).

Strong leaders display dictatorial tendencies—

when in their hatred of sin they hate the sinner and use harsh methods in dealing with him.

when in their determination to fulfill duty they push and drive and

manipulate in a way that is unreasonable and unkind.

when in their attempts to stand for the right they are standing merely for their own strong opinions and ideas.

A leader is often a person with original ideas, and this is good. But the dictator usually feels that *his* idea, *his* way, is the *only* way. It grows in importance until it is like a coin held close to the eye, completely obscuring the surrounding area of vision. No other ideas can possibly be as good or wise or workable! But though the leader's idea might be one of unexcelled excellence, he still is not justified in the use of dictatorial methods in seeing it adopted and carried out.

Few dictators consider themselves such. Few men can see themselves as others see them. It may take a hard jolt, such as the loss of an important position or some catastrophe in the home, to awaken men with dictatorial tendencies to their own true condition.

### The Remedy

As sincere Christians we will not want to develop dictatorial characteristics—to become lordly or selfish or cruel. But if we are not careful, these traits may grow unconsciously, espe-

cially in the leader type of person. How can we prevent this from happening?

Most important of all is to stay close to God—to place ourselves under His control. What made Moses such a mighty leader? Was it not his constant communion with God? He allowed God to work in him and through him to lead and command that multitude in their day-by-day travels and activities. Never could he have accomplished his great task alone.

What made Joseph and Daniel able to succeed in high positions of state? Was it not their prayer habits and their feeling of utter dependence upon God? Listen to their confessions of humility:

"It is not in me: God shall give Pharaoh an answer of peace" (Gen. 41:16).

"But there is a God in heaven that revealeth secrets. . . . But as for me, this secret is not revealed to me for any wisdom that I have more than any living" (Dan. 2:28-30).

In these leaders we see nothing of self-glory or self-trust, but rather a humble dependence upon God for wisdom and guidance.

Christ Himself, the greatest leader

of all time, said, "I can of mine own self do nothing: . . . I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me" (John 5:30). We know that Jesus spent whole nights in prayer. Here was one secret of His powerful leadership.

Leaders should maintain a close connection with God, else they will become proud and lordly. They should constantly remember that their talents come from God. If they remain submitted to Him, He will bring about the experiences that will keep them humble and yet make them successful.

A leader should be quick to recognize talent in others, especially in those who work under his direction. If he puts this talent to work, he will add to the effectiveness of his own work. He should realize that his success is partially dependent upon others and that they deserve their share of credit.

Most types of work are of a cooperative nature, in which a group of workers are involved. This makes councils and committee meetings of utmost importance. By sharing his responsibilities with others, the leader will draw on the enthusiasm and wisdom of fellow workers. Also they will share the blame if plans fail.

The leader should not hesitate to seek advice from those more experienced than himself. This can save him from many a blunder. How true is the proverb, "In the multitude of counsellors there is safety" (Prov. 11:14)!

A leader who is under the supervision of one in greater authority should respect that authority. He should remember that his work fits into an over-all plan and is not an independent fraction of it.

This does not mean that the leader should allow himself to become a door mat for his superiors. If he did, he would lose his self-respect and the respect of others. Those who feel the pressure of dictatorial practices—at whatever level—have the right to object. However, this is a difficult situation to meet. Perhaps all that can be done is to do as Jesus suggested, "Pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you" (Matt. 5:44). Only God can change the hardened, selfish hearts of those who would lead in such a manner.

Leadership, in spite of its problems, is a God-given talent and privilege. Through its channels those gifted with it can learn much, give much, and accomplish much. With a proper sense of their own worth, balanced with a humble dependence upon God and the softening influence of His love, they can become leaders of inestimable worth. ♦♦

## "The Very Hairs of Your Head"

By RUTH JAEGER BUNTAIN

Mathematically speaking, you aren't worth very much. You are one of more than 8 billion people living on the earth. Expressed as a fraction, your significance is  $1/3,000,000,000$ . This makes you about as important as one leaf in a forest; one snowflake in a snowstorm.

Chemically speaking, you are worth only a few dollars. It has been estimated that if your body could be separated into its elements and then rearranged, there would be enough sugar for a cube; enough salt to fill a shaker; enough iron to make a large nail; enough calcium to whitewash a henhouse; phosphorus enough for about 2,200 match heads; carbon for 9,000 pencils; and enough fat to make a few bars of soap. The other elements in your body add little to your material worth.

From the standpoint of atomic energy, you are worth an astronomical sum. The atoms in your body contain an estimated potential atomic energy of 11 billion kilowatt hours per pound. This makes you worth billions of dollars.

But this computation of atomic worth gives you only momentary satisfaction. Reflectively, you consider that your atomic worth is only a potential that can never be utilized. A human being is more than a machine that transforms energy into mechanical output. A human body is flesh and blood, heartbeat and pulse. A living entity that breathes and thinks and feels. That loves and wants to be loved.

Spiritually speaking, you are "a pearl of great price." "The very hairs of your head are all numbered." Your value cannot be expressed in terms of material computation. Spiritually, your worth is measured in terms of the infinite cost Heaven paid for your redemption.

You are the person for whom Christ would have died had you been the only sinner in the world.

He died for you, one of the sons of God. "Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God" (1 John 3:1).

You are the person for whom He is coming again, "that where I am, there ye may be also" (John 14:3).

You are the person for whom He has prepared glories such as "eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man" (1 Cor. 2:9).

A son of God. A child of the King. An heir of everlasting glories and everlasting life. This is what you are. This is your worth, your infinite worth.

means of coded electronic messages. There no longer will be any need of reading or learning mountains of useless information; everything will be received and registered according to the needs of the moment. There will be no need of attention or effort. What is needed will pass directly from the machine to the brain without going through consciousness.'—*Ibid.*

In the field of human genetics Ellul predicts that natural reproduction will be forbidden and that artificial insemination will be employed to produce a stable population consisting of the highest human types.

Seventh-day Adventists who study the Biblical forecasts naturally evaluate man's prognostications in the light of divinely inspired outlines of future events.

First of all, whether this planet will be inhabited in the year 2000 by anyone except Satan and his angels is open to question. Being aware of certain pointed counsel, we decline to be specific: "You will not be able to say that He will come in one, two, or five years, neither are you to put off His coming by stating that it may not be for ten or twenty years. It is the duty of the people of God to have their lamps trimmed and burning, to be as men that wait for the Bridegroom, when He shall return from the wedding."—Ellen G. White, in *Review and Herald*, March 22, 1892.

In the light of this and numerous other statements it seems safe to say that there is at least a strong possibility that at the turn of the century the earth will have been depopulated so far as human beings are concerned—the masses of men will either have been destroyed by the seven last plagues and other events associated with the second coming, or will have been removed from the earth and transported to heaven. And Satan and his angels will have been confined to this earth.

On the other hand, in the light of certain other statements by Ellen G. White (some made many years before her death) in which it is said that the Lord might have come before the statements were made if certain conditions had been met (see *Testimonies*, vol. 6, p. 450; vol. 8, pp. 115, 116; vol. 9, p. 29; *The Great Controversy*, p. 458), we realize that we have a work to do if we wish to spend the year 2000 within the pearly gates. We quote a typical statement: "Had the church of Christ done her appointed work as the Lord ordained, the whole world would before this have been warned, and the Lord Jesus would have come to our earth in power and great glory."—*The Desire of Ages*, pp. 633, 634.

Some have felt that the chief hindrance to the speedy coming of Jesus is the fact that the gospel has not yet reached earth's remotest bounds. We do not feel that this is necessarily the principal delaying factor. God

could fulfill this element of the prophetic picture quickly, as He ultimately will when other conditions are met. "When divine power is combined with human effort, the work will spread like fire in the stubble. God will employ agencies whose origin man will be unable to discern."—*Selected Messages*, book 1, p. 118.

### Startling Communications Revolution

On the other side of the picture, from a communications point of view the church's task of warning the world is becoming progressively easier. Radio is today reaching into the home of nearly every family living on this earth. Solid-state circuitry has cut costs and size until much of the world's population can afford receiving sets. Those who cannot afford sets, share listening pleasure with those who can afford them.

So startling is the current communications revolution that George N. Patterson, a free-lance Scottish journalist who served as a missionary in China for five years, makes the announcement: "Every person can now communicate with any other person on the face of the globe."—*Christianity Today*, Nov. 22, 1968, p. 3.

Speaking of what this revolution means to the Christian church, Patterson observes: "All the essentials of the revolution have been invented already. Any obstacles between the common man and the use of the devices now available are social, economic, and political, not technological. Yet most Christians, whose aim is communication, whose predecessors have been concerned for centuries with the commission and problem of reaching the whole world in their generation with their message, seem completely unaware of and unprepared for the dramatic new tools now at hand."—*Ibid.*

Powerful satellites hovering above the earth in a fixed spot in relation to the earth will make such communications possible. As a result, "within a few years millions who have never seen a train, an automobile, or a telephone will—via outer space—make their first contacts with all that the world has to offer."—*Ibid.*, p. 4.

The Seventh-day Adventist Church needs to awake to the far-reaching opportunities created by the communications revolution. For years it has proclaimed as one of its objectives, "The gospel to all the world in this generation." Now the facilities are at hand, at least the know-how, and in a short time the equipment. How can we escape if we neglect so great an opportunity?

Perhaps in part the way we relate to the current situation will determine whether at the turn of the millennium we are still on the earth or are enjoying the company of the Father, the Son, the angels, and the redeemed in the New Jerusalem.

D. F. N.

## I Thank Thee

By MARY CLARK GIBBON

I thank Thee for Thy keeping power  
That leads me every passing hour,  
And holds me when the storm clouds lower—  
My heavenly Friend, I thank Thee.

I thank Thee for Thy loving hand  
That guides me through the shifting sand  
And brings me to a better land—  
My heavenly Friend, I thank Thee.

I thank Thee for the light of day,  
I thank Thee for the heavenly way,  
For strength and courage, come what may—  
My heavenly Friend, I thank Thee.

I thank Thee for the sunshine bright  
That turns the darkness into light  
And makes complete a restful night—  
My heavenly Friend, I thank Thee.

I thank Thee for my loved ones dear,  
And for their love that rings so clear,  
That helps to fill my cup of cheer—  
My heavenly Friend, I thank Thee.

But most of all I thank Thee, Lord,  
For Jesus' life, the Living Word;  
And by these thoughts my soul is stirred,  
To thank Thee, Lord, yes, thank Thee.

# From the Editors

## WAR ON UGLINESS

To live well is to engage in a search for beauty. When a man's energies are consumed wholly in a search for food and shelter, beauty becomes incidental. Modern life generates so much ugliness, both within man and in his environment, that no one, particularly a Christian, can afford to allow the pursuit of beauty to be but a pastime.

Like happiness, beauty cannot be captured in a net or confined in a showcase. It can be planned and encouraged, but it will not linger long where love does not exist. Because beauty lies in the eyes of the beholder, it lingers longest to bless the life where love is enshrined.

Ugliness abounds. Man often permits his surroundings to sink into drabness and unloveliness. Those who do not fight back against ugliness soon become tainted themselves, satisfied with grayness. They begin to contribute to the neutralization of what beauty remains. Ugliness is sin's gift to human life.

Not everyone has the wealth or energy to restore beauty to his environment. Millions live where beauty is as remote as the sunset, where dirt, hate, and sameness are oppressive companions. But beauty in one's environment begins within the soul. And this beauty is available to all, no matter what their surroundings may be.

### Bringing Beauty Into Others' Lives

Women are particularly gifted in the art of bringing beauty into the lives of others. An example is found in the work of the Memphis, Tennessee, garden club. While maintaining their interest in their own manicured gardens, which only a few people ever see, the club members have devised a plan for beautifying the lives of those who travel the superhighways. According to the *National Observer*, the garden club fills capsules (such as are used for pills) with sand, fertilizer, and wildflower seed. These are thrown from speeding automobiles along the highways, where rain, sunshine, and a little good fortune soon transform them into beds of black-eyed Susans, daisies, bachelor's-buttons, poppies, and buttercups. Of course, many other groups have taken up the project too. This is much better than sowing beer cans, candy wrappers, and pop bottles. This is overcoming ugliness with beauty.

The wonderful part about this project is that while it produces exterior loveliness, it also produces in the life of the observing traveler an inward beauty that he make take with him to beautify the lives of others.

To make his own life more beautiful should be the goal of every Christian, for beauty based upon the love of Christ becomes an amazing evangelistic tool. "The strongest argument in favor of the gospel," wrote Ellen G. White in *The Ministry of Healing*, "is a loving and lovable Christian" (page 470).

### What Beauty Is Not

To make life more beautiful is not to live longer, to possess more, to rise higher in prestige, to laugh louder, to learn more, to travel farther, or to eat more. True beauty is ours when we have learned to see worth in others' lives, when we have practiced letting our love cover a multitude of the sins of those around us, when we have succeeded in drawing warmth from the cold-

ness of others. True beauty is the beauty of holiness, a spirit we are to bring to our worship of God. It is "a spirit of quiet reverence, inward devotion and outward piety, devout earnestness and joyous gratitude. Neither heaven nor earth can know any greater beauty than the beauty of true holiness."—*The SDA Bible Commentary*, on 1 Chron. 16:29.

In his book *The Beauty of Every Day*, J. R. Miller speaks of how many of us are cramped by the narrow circumstances in which we find ourselves, of how we permit beauty to be replaced by melancholy and drabness because we feel we cannot change our surroundings. The answer, he says, is permitting Christ to come into our lives. When He enters the narrow rooms of our existence, they widen out until they are as wide as the love of God.

The circumstances of Jesus' birth and childhood placed Him in an extremely narrow situation. Guides in Nazareth today show visitors a typical cave in the town's hillside, explaining that most of the common people of that time lived in simple homes over such caves. The caves provided protection from the elements in winter as well as cool relief from the heat of summer. In such a cave, they say, the boy Jesus spent many hours. But did He permit such gloomy circumstances to stifle His spirit? He did not. When He presented Himself to John to be baptized, His soul had been enlarged by a study of the Scriptures, by His parents' love, and by the beauties of nature. He learned early to adorn His spirit by finding the best there was to be found in everyone around Him.

"We cannot let Christ into our hearts without becoming broader in feeling, larger in interest, wider in hope, more generous in all ways," writes Dr. Miller. Out of this release from narrowness comes a quality of soul that is the beauty of holiness. Its refining influence enhances our own lives and beautifies the lives of others.

Cannot the plan of redemption be described as a plan to make the "wilderness and the solitary place . . . blossoming as the rose" (Isa. 35:1), a plan to beautify the lives of fallen humanity?

F. D. Y.

## LOOKING TO THE YEAR 2000

From time to time prognosticators look to the year 2000 and attempt to predict conditions that will then prevail. Their predictions make interesting reading. If the world should continue that long, doubtless some of the forecasts would come true; others would not.

Citing Jacques Ellul (*The Technological Society*), William Byron describes the world of the year 2000 as one in which "inhabited artificial satellites and voyages to the moon will be commonplace. . . . World population will have increased fourfold over its 1950 mark, but it will also have been stabilized. Synthetic food will be the ordinary diet; rocks and sea water will yield all necessary metals. Disease and famine will be problems of the past, as will be the problems of energy production."—"The American Church in the Year 2000," *America*, Jan. 11, 1969, p. 37.

Most remarkable of Ellul's predictions Byron takes to be those concerning education and human reproduction. "Knowledge will be accumulated in "electronic banks" and transmitted directly to the human nervous system by

# LETTERS

to the Editor

[This feature gives REVIEW readers an opportunity to share their concerns and opinions with fellow church members. The views set forth do not necessarily represent those of the editors or of the denomination. Only signed letters will be considered for publication; all will be edited to meet space and literary requirements.]

## "REVIEW" APPRECIATED

We love the REVIEW at our house and always read it. My husband is a fourth-generation Seventh-day Adventist on both sides, and our children the fifth. The REVIEW gets better all the time, and we're glad to say our children enjoy it too.

MIRIAM WHITE

North Dartmouth, Massachusetts

## WOULD YOU BE WISE?

Re "Would you really be wise?" (Jan. 9 cover). With David I say, "I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness." No matter how good one may appear to be, if he is not "in the house of God," he faces the other alternative, to be "in the tents of wickedness."

JOHN O. BAKER

Pewee Valley, Kentucky.

## FUND RAISING OR STEWARDSHIP?

The articles and letters on the subject of government aid to parochial schools have been helpful in showing that there are equally valid arguments on both sides of this issue. The lines of distinction that have been drawn between doctrine and policy in this matter are of special value, for it is obviously not possible for any church to survive in the space age by adhering to horse-and-buggy policies.

As I see the need for much further study in this area, it might be well to include in such a study not merely the pros and cons of this issue but also what financial resources, if any, are available within the church. If it is still true that "a revival of true godliness among us is the greatest and most urgent of all our needs," then it becomes imperative that we consider and discover the difference between mere fund raising and Christian stewardship. Is it possible that the church's inability to carry on and support its own educational program could be a symptom of a deeper underlying cause? If the principles of stewardship as found in the Bible and magnified by the Spirit of Prophecy writings were adopted by the church in their fullest sense, would not these words of Malachi 3:12 apply to us? "And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a delightful land, saith the Lord of hosts."

Fund raising, governmental or otherwise, only raises funds. Christian stewardship in its fullest sense raises men and women heavenward. If the greatest need of the church is for more funds to carry on its various programs, then we might easily obtain such without regard to their origin. If, on the other hand, the greatest need of the church

is a revival of primitive godliness, then it becomes the spiritual responsibility of the church to obtain such funds in such a manner and only from such sources as will not hinder but enhance the spiritual life of each member in his discharge of the principles of Christian stewardship and benevolence in their fullest sense.

ERVIN K. THOMSEN

Detroit, Michigan

We realize that the financial burden of our denominational schools is more than the combined efforts of parents, local church, and conferences can carry. With three college-age young people in our home (two in our colleges, one in the service), we are acutely aware of the problem. Naturally, we are very much interested in any decisions that are made to alleviate the crisis.

Is it not time for a day of fasting and prayer? Why should we grapple with such a monumental problem when God can give us the answer? Surely this is the best support which we as laity could give to our educational leadership "at such a time as this."

MR. AND MRS. W. G. PARKER

Livingston, New York

If all Seventh-day Adventists were faithful in tithes and offerings there would be no lack. Money would be available for every program necessary for the completion of God's work.

Some point to the text in Isaiah 61:6 which reads: "Ye shall eat the riches of the Gentiles." It is quite certain that God will continue to use funds supplied by the "Gentiles"—those who are not members of the church—but the text does not specify government money. To me it seems that the "wealth of the Gentiles" must be private money. This we can safely accept because such gifts do not bring government control in their train.

What a blessing would be ours if we were faithful in returning to God our tithes and offerings! The work could then surge forward. Men both inside and outside the church would see how God would bless His church. The witness of God's power would be so great that the Gentiles would want a part in this great program. Then we would see the wealth of the Gentiles flow into the church.

But when we follow a program of partial payment to God of tithes and offerings, our church leaders are perplexed. Financial problems that are insurmountable press in. . . .

When we follow the Lord's bidding, we may for a time find it difficult to finance some of our projects, but surely our God will not desert us when we do His will. He has promised the blessing of His Holy Spirit when we do His will. He has promised to open the windows of heaven and pour out a blessing that we will not have room to receive if we are faithful in tithes and offerings.

MARVIN H. REEDER

Takoma Park, Maryland

## INNER CITY MINISTRY

I have just reread "Ministry in the Inner City," featuring the work and philosophy of Elder E. D. Dick. How beautiful, how refreshing, to see in our REVIEW an article that honestly and objectively appraises the tremendous problems of race and poverty.

Elder Dick's appraisal is candid and correct. "The disaster has already happened." (It has been happening since 1619—James-town colony days.)

We thank God for a voice like that of Elder Dick in these confusing times, and for intellectually honest editors who will publish reports that will stir us.

J. L. BUTLER

Lincoln, Nebraska

*It Is Hard to Explain—3*

## Empty Front Seats

By C. L. PADDOCK

If you would like to do a bit of interesting investigating, examine carefully the seats in most any fair-sized Adventist church. You may find the front rows looking just like new—no mars, no scratches, the finish almost perfect. Then take a look at the back rows. They were installed at the same time as the front rows, but in most churches they will show signs of wear. Maybe they could stand refinishing. Why? Most of us just don't want to sit near the front. And there is competition for the seats in the rear of the sanctuary.

Friends were telling us not long ago of having purchased tickets for a season's musical programs, and then emphasized that it had cost plenty to get good seats well up to the front. I was shocked on learning what a business acquaintance had paid for a box for the season for all the home ball games.

I feel sure when someone pays quite a sum for a seat, and is willing to sit for two or three hours to look or listen, or both, he is interested in what is going on. I like to see people enthusiastic about a game, a musical, or most any program. And I can understand why they want to be up near where things are happening, even if it costs more.

I have asked ushers, "Please don't take me down near the front." Why? I was not too much interested in what was happening there.

There are some good, legitimate reasons for wanting a back seat in church. If you have some live-wire little fellows, who sit with their feet sticking straight out for an hour, and in all that time the pastor says not one thing they can understand, of course you would not want to be on the front row.

You and I will have to think of our own alibis.

But why are good thinking people, church members, Christians, interested in a front seat at some popular function or program, and then demand that they must sit near the back when they go to one of our churches? Any ideas?

# Voice of Prophecy Team Witnesses to Millions in Far East

By D. A. ROTH  
Assistant Secretary, Far Eastern Division

With the precision of a crack army drill team and the organization of an international Olympics, the Voice of Prophecy radio group has completed a 45-day, 28,000-mile tour of East Asia. More than 1,000 persons made their decision for Christ and for baptism as a result of this itinerary.

Under the sponsorship of the radio-TV department of the Far Eastern Division, the King's Heralds male quartet and Pastor Harold M. S. Richards, Jr., sped through an intense itinerary. They appeared personally before about 96,000 persons, not including audiences watching and listening to 20 television and radio programs in a dozen different cities.

According to Royce C. Williams, division departmental secretary, the initial plan for the tour was to make the itinerary as evangelistic as possible. VOP Bible Correspondence School graduations were planned in every country, some even in prisons. Maximum efforts were made to reach as many nonmembers as possible. Public relations secretaries coordinated their plans for reaching the public with the union radio-TV secretaries.

As a result, 6,079 persons received certificates indicating completion of Bible school lessons. Of these, 1,060 responded to Pastor Richards' appeal for a decision for Christ at the close of his "graduation" address.

The King's Heralds sang 937 times during the tour, or an average of 20

songs a day. Pastor Richards preached 70 sermons to an estimated audience of nearly 100,000 persons.

More than 100 major appearances were scheduled in the nine union missions and one detached mission of the division. The group missed not one of the appointments because of sickness, late planes, or other reasons. Only one of the 25 air flights was missed. (Miraculously they caught another flight from Singapore to Djakarta for a TV appearance and a major rally in Indonesia's largest city.)

The largest attendance of the entire tour was in Manila, where about 16,000 persons enjoyed a sacred concert on the Luneta, Manila's trim downtown showcase park. Sunday night concerts normally attract thousands who love to get away from jammed residential districts to enjoy the wide-open spaces of the city's bay-front civic center.

The largest broadcast audience was in Tokyo, when the group appeared on Fuji TV-8 with a potential viewing audience of 60 to 70 million. Station executives conservatively estimated the number of viewers of the program at 25 million.

In addition to the Manila public concert, two other full public concerts were held. In Korea more than 3,000 persons jammed Seoul's Citizens Hall to hear the quartet sing. Proceeds from the concert were donated to the relief of victims of a

famine in southwest Korea. Seoul newspapers promoted the concert because of the special objective. A similar concert was held in Taipei, Taiwan.

Quartet members agreed that God was especially good to them on the tour. Despite changes in climate, altitude, food, and environment, not one song had to be canceled because of a sore throat or other illness. On November 5, in Taipei, Taiwan, the group sang 59 songs in one day. The busiest single program was on October 19 in Tokyo, Japan, when they sang 30 songs. Only one evening was free from an appointment during the 45-day itinerary.

Because of the appearances by the international radio team from California, Bible school enrollment and graduation records were set in several unions. In the Greater Manila area of the Central Luzon Mission, the largest Voice of Prophecy graduation ever to be held anywhere in the world was held in the auditorium of Philippine Union College. More than 6,000 persons crowded the school center to watch 2,570 receive the Bible course certificate. The man responsible for the success of the program was Pastor C. A. Galang, radio-TV secretary of the North Philippine Union and speaker for the Tagalog Voice of Prophecy radio program.

With a telling impact the King's Heralds sang several songs in the local languages. Eyes brightened and smiles spread as the people listened to the musical cadence of Adventism's best-known singing group. In some countries of East Asia the King's Heralds' recordings have been heard on the radio for 20 years.

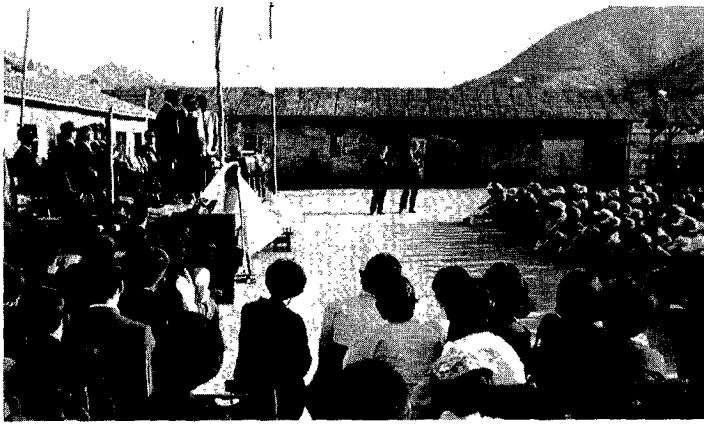
Nearly every day interesting stories developed. In Okinawa, Robert Edwards, tenor, met Pastor Arakaki, now an ordained Japanese minister and active soul winner. In conversation, the pair discovered that tenor Edwards was present at a VOP graduation in Honolulu, Ha-



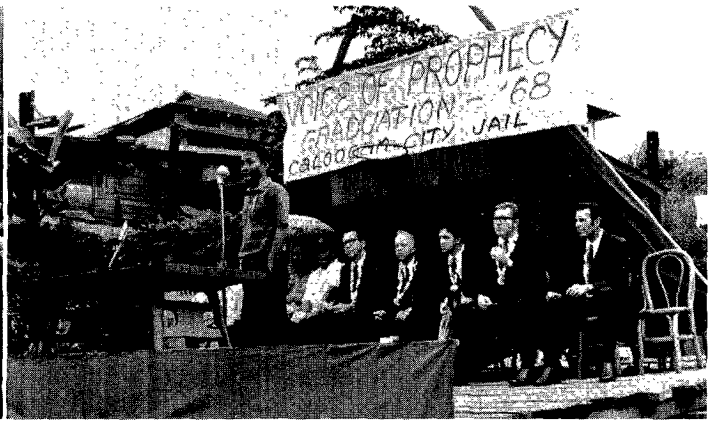
The largest crowd to hear the King's Heralds during their Far East tour gather in Manila's Luneta Park. More than 15,000 heard this

outdoor sacred music concert, which was arranged by B. B. Alsaybar, public relations secretary of the North Philippine Union Mission.





**A prison near the Korean demilitarized zone specially arranged for the quartet to take part in the VOP graduation of 300 prisoners.**



**Another unusual graduation took place at Manila's Caloocan City jail, where hundreds of inmates have been studying the Scriptures.**

waii, 15 years ago when Pastor Arakaki completed his first Bible lesson series. At that time he was a war prisoner serving a stiff sentence for a crime he had committed on the island of Saipan. Edwards was on his first tour with a VOP quartet.

In Taiwan the group was shepherded by Milton Lee, lifelong missionary, radio speaker, and evangelist for the Chinese people. Pastor Lee is the speaker on a weekly radio program that reaches the Chinese people in all parts of the Orient. He told the group that he had been hoping and praying for a visit to the Orient by the VOP group for more than 20 years. He launched a major evangelistic crusade in the wake of the VOP appearances in Taipei.

In Manila the secretary to the treasurer of the North Philippine Union Mission, Elvie Camarce, had been praying for her mother for more than 15 years. On the night of the mammoth VOP rally at Philippine Union College, Miss Camarce persuaded her mother to hear the

quartet. At the conclusion of Pastor Richards' graduation address, Mrs. Camarce was convicted by the Holy Spirit to take her stand and become a baptized member of the church. Pastors Richards and Williams made a personal visit to her home and saw Miss Camarce smile broadly through her tears of joy as her mother made her long-delayed decision.

In Djakarta the quartet and Pastor Richards had an appointment with the second-highest government official in Indonesia. Dr. Idham Chalik, a Moslem, was cordial, enjoyed the music, and wished the group every success in their appointments in the republic.

In Tokyo, Japan, the quartet heard that a California friend, Bob Herr, soldier-son of a staff member of the Pacific Union Conference, was a patient in an Army hospital as a result of wounds he had received in Vietnam just a few days earlier. They shifted their plans so they could go to the hospital to sing for Bob. "Your music has done more for me than

all the pills and medications they've given me here," he told the radio team (REVIEW, Jan. 16).

In Taiwan the group met Kao Ho Cheng, a Chinese who had enrolled 413 persons in the Voice of Prophecy Bible Course. At the time of the rally he had not yet become a baptized church member but was eager for others to learn what he had learned through the Bible lessons.

Arrangements for the tour—schedules, finances, and implementation of the program—were made by the radio-TV secretary of the division, R. C. Williams, who also accompanied the group on the entire itinerary. He worked in cooperation with division and union officers, the Voice of Prophecy officers, and radio-TV secretaries in making the tour a success.

**SARAWAK:**

**Radio Programs Aired Free in Three Languages**

After months of fruitless attempts to buy air time in Sarawak for Adventist programs, the Southeast Asia Union now airs eight programs a month in the Iban, Chinese, and English languages at no cost.

The breakthrough came as the result of the success of a weekly children's program, "The Children's Corner," produced by Mrs. Lily Wong, a church school teacher. The response to her program was such that Adventist officials were given the opportunity to produce some "audition" programs. If they were good enough, station officials said, the church might be given free air time. It was.

Sarawak is a tropical state making up about one fifth of the island of Borneo. Although it is nearly 450 miles in length, no part of Sarawak is more than 60 miles from the South China Sea.

Seventh-day Adventists have a strong work here, with two academies, a score of village mission schools, a mission airplane, and an enthusiastic membership of more than 2,000.

Kuching, the capital, is as modern a city as you could wish for. Yet not far away are primitive villages where the



**In Hong Kong the radio team visited the grave of pioneer missionary Abram La Rue. Brother La Rue was a layman who 80 years ago gave out literature to seamen there.**



**Top: On Okinawa the VOP group visited a memorial erected on the site of Desmond Doss's heroic action. Bottom: Graduations included students of the junior course.**



Adventists participate in a recent media seminar in the Tampere, Finland, Methodist church. In the front row (right) is Erkki Kansanaho, leader of the Lutherans.

people do not know the world is round. A modern hospital and heathen witch doctors vie for popularity. A powerful radio station and haunting devil drums both carry community news.

For some time we had wished that we might broadcast over Radio Sarawak and thereby extend the outreach of our message. However, when the religious program time was divided among the churches in 1960, the Seventh-day Adventist Church was not included. The recent breakthrough is an answer to our prayers.

DON JACOBSEN  
Departmental Secretary  
Southeast Asia Union

**FINLAND:**

**Adventists Contribute to First Media Seminar**

The first radio and television seminar in the history of the Finnish Free Churches was held at Tampere, Finland, in October.

Wiljam Aittala, Finland Union president, and Eino Ahonen, of the Pentecostal movement, were elected chairmen of the seminar. Finland Union's radio and TV secretary, who had been responsible for coordinating the program and the arrangements as secretary of the planning committee, was asked to serve as secretary of the seminar.

The radio and TV committee of the Free Churches was founded 23 years ago under the inspiration of the grand old man of SDA evangelism, Toivo Seljavaara. It has succeeded in securing for the minority churches the right of regular appearances in the devotional programs of the Finnish Broadcasting Company.

Lecturers were Erkki Kario, general director of the information center of the Lutheran Church; representatives of FBC and Finnish television; and a critic, Urpo Harva, professor of adult education, from the University of Tampere. The same professor, a pacifist, had spent some time in the training center with our union secretary-treasurer, Unto Rouhe, when he was imprisoned for non-combatancy during the last war.

"This is a historic meeting," said a high-ranking official of the state church.

Never before has so extensive a contact been established between the state church and the five free churches. Almost 100 leading pastors and speakers from among the Baptists, Pentecostals, Methodists, the Free Church, and the SDA Church were assembled. A large number of these will appear next year on radio.

"It was easy to notice which of the participants of the seminar were Adventists," said Pentti Jarvinen, the leader of



**West Africa Receives Gift From Finland**

On behalf of welfare workers in West Africa, C. B. Mensah (left), Th. Kristensen, and Kwesi Ghanney recently received 18 cases containing 40 sewing machines, a gift from our young people in Finland.

Operation Sewing Machine originated with Pekka Pohjola, presently Missionary Volunteer secretary in the East Finland Conference and formerly secretary-treasurer of the Sierra Leone Mission. Earlier the Finnish youth sent a number of sewing machines to Masanga Leprosarium. This time the machines will be distributed among some 215 Adventist welfare groups in Ghana.

The gift of sewing machines from the young Adventists of Finland has been given wide publicity in local Ghanaian newspapers.

Elder Mensah is West Africa's lay activities secretary; Elder Kristensen is union president; and Mr. Ghanney is commissioner of Ghana Police and an active lay member in Accra.

ØIVIND GJERTSEN  
West African Union Mission  
Departmental Secretary

the Methodist Church in Finland, afterwards. "Their speeches were deliberative and carefully composed. You have good workers."

TAUNO A. LUUKKANEN  
Departmental Secretary  
Finland Union

**INDIA:**

**Former Smokers Help With Five-Day Plan**

A Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking was held recently in the Adventist Centre, New Delhi, India. Two men who had given up the smoking habit in previous Five-Day Plans attended to show appreciation for the plan and to fortify their victories over tobacco. Their testimonies stimulated confidence among those present.

Dr. G. T. Werner, medical adviser of the Ruby Nelson Memorial Hospital, showed slides of respiratory cancer cases that he had attended in his practice in Germany. S. James, the temperance secretary of the Southern Asia Division, was the psychologist for the series.

JAMES M. CAMPBELL  
Secretary  
Northwestern India Union

**CONGO:**

**Ingathering Reaches New High in 1968**

Ingathering in the Congo reached an all-time high during 1968. Most contributors gave their usual donation, and everywhere Ingatherers were received cordially. Some people had lost almost everything as a result of the unrest, but this did not hinder them from giving generously.

One man had just been robbed of his car as well as a safe containing several million francs. But he did not want to miss the opportunity of giving us 25 zair (one zair equals \$.50). In another place a young woman working in a business office noticed that her employer had not given enough, and in his absence she raised the gift from Z10 to Z30.

While working during a tropical heat wave, we were not able to find drinking water. Finally we asked a man who was standing in front of his house for a glass of water. While we were resting, we explained what we were doing. He gave us Z15, so that "we wouldn't leave with our hands empty."

Another day a new contributor invited us into the office and gave us a contribution of Z30.

Before finishing our work we visited two of our regular contributors who usually gave Z50. The directors of these establishments accompanied us into the office of their treasurers and said, "These men are in a hurry. They are doing a very important and noble work. Give them the same amount as last year."

One man at Lubumbashi, the new director of a large business, had written to his superior at Kinshasa asking him

for instructions about the Seventh-day Adventists. His superior replied without any hesitation, "Do not miss the opportunity of giving the Adventists our regular contribution of Z20, because their evangelical works merit our consideration."

The head of a large business immediately gave Z25, and said, "Since you did not catch me at Luluabourg, where I contribute regularly to your cause, I will give it to you right here at Lubumbashi, and I am happy to do it."

When we think of all these generous persons who appreciate the message that we are presenting to the world, we can only feel a great responsibility to each of them who are following our activities with such interest and love.

D. SOFRANAC

President, North Congo Field

#### JAPAN:

### Nutritionist Teaches Cooking at Osaka Center

Tempura, sukiyaki, sushi, and other internationally famous Japanese foods were recently featured, vegetarian style, in two schools of home nutrition conducted by Daisy Schluntz, medical department nutritionist of the Australasian Division. Gwen Piper assisted in the demonstrations.

The first school was held September 16-19 at the SDA Evangelistic Center in the industrial complex of Osaka. Twenty-nine students, selected by their respective churches in the South Japan Mission, were welcomed by South Japan Mission president Eiji Shibata.

The second school convened at the

Central church, Tokyo, September 23-26, and students sent by the North Japan Mission churches were introduced to the instructor by Kazuyoshi Kuniya, president of the North Japan Mission. A special feature of this school was an open session, which attracted a number of health-conscious friends.

Mrs. Masako Seino, secretary of the parent and home education service, had translated much text material and many



Japanese Adventist women attend a school of home nutrition directed by Daisy Schluntz, of the Australasian Division.

recipes for the schools; she was the interpreter throughout the series.

Spiritual emphasis at the cooking schools was cared for by T. Shiraishi in Osaka and Yukio Yokomiza in Tokyo.

Miss Schluntz also spent two days helping the dietitians at the Tokyo Sanitarium and Hospital and spoke to the staff and students at the Japan Missionary College.

L. A. PIPER

Japan Union Mission

#### KOREA:

### Education Needs Studied; Higher Schools Surveyed

Beginning at Korean Union College and ending with Mount Klabat College in Indonesia, Boyd E. Olson, education secretary of the Far Eastern Division, and the secretary of education of the General Conference have just completed an evaluation and inspection visit of the institutions of higher education in the Far Eastern Division.

Of these nine schools, six are offering four-year programs, and three are on the junior college level. The largest, Philippine Union College, situated near Manila, has an enrollment of 1,578 students, besides those enrolled in the secondary and elementary schools. The second largest school in the division is Mountain View College with 668 college students. The school is situated on the Philippine island of Mindanao.

PUC is now offering work on the Master's level in religion and education. For the past year the Far Eastern Division has had under discussion the possibility of establishing a program of advanced studies that would include a seminary and a school of graduate studies. The location, as well as structure of organization, has not yet been determined, but it is expected that a recommendation will be presented in a few weeks for consideration by the General Conference Department of Education. Such a program, when and if approved and implemented, will serve the division by providing better educated and qualified ministers and teachers.

With the large number of language groups and national sovereignties within its geographical boundaries, the division



### Evangelistic Meetings Held in Quito, Ecuador

Double-session meetings have been held in Quito, Ecuador, by Evangelist Arturo E. Schmidt. This is a portion of the audience in one session the night the attendance totaled 3,500.

In conjunction with these meetings, which continue to be well attended, the workers have conducted a Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking and a program for those who wanted to give up drinking.

The Five-Day Plan was broadcast in its entirety by an Ecuadorian radio station. From the telephone calls and private interviews, the workers believe that thousands were influenced to lay aside their tobacco.

ELISABET LANG

Office Secretary, South American Division

faces a tremendous task in meeting the needs for higher education. The division officers and the GC Department of Education are taking a studied look at where they have been, where they are, and where they plan to go in the future in the educational needs of the division.

God's hand is certainly evident in the attainments of this field, and the future presents only greater opportunities for preparing men and women for the soon coming of Christ.

CHARLES B. HIRSCH  
Secretary  
GC Department of Education

**ARGENTINA:**

**River Plate Sanitarium  
Opens Special-Care Unit**

River Plate Sanitarium in Argentina has just opened an intensive-care ward to commemorate its sixtieth anniversary.

The new ward has six beds, each with oxygen, automatic respirator, and cardiac monitors to keep a constant vigil on heart rhythm. Other equipment in the ward includes an artificial kidney for blood purification.

This grouping of special instruments will be under the care and direction of Dr. Pedro D. Tabuenca, medical director of the sanitarium, and a group of medical

specialists. Nurses in this ward will have special training.

River Plate Sanitarium, a modern 160-bed hospital, had meager beginnings in 1908. At that time, board members met in the home of J. W. Westphal and voted to purchase six beds with mattresses and bedding, a water heater, and bathtub. Even though medical work in Argentina had begun seven years before, when the General Conference sent Dr. Robert H. Habenicht to that area, the hospital idea was a step of faith.

The beginning of the hospital was also the beginning of a nursing school. Today hundreds of nurses are serving God and humanity throughout South America.

High-ranking public health officials from the Government were present at the anniversary celebration and the opening of the new ward.

DANIEL NESTARES  
Manager, River Plate Sanitarium

**KENYA:**

**Distinguished Guests  
Open Girls' School**

The assistant minister for education in Kenya on December 15 officially opened the new Nyabola Girls' Secondary School in the Kenya Lake Mission.

Forty-five girls were accepted for the new school term beginning the last week

in January. The girls will sleep in one of the classrooms until a dormitory is built.

The combined efforts of Fred Wilson, president, his staff, and members have made this secondary school possible for Adventist girls in this area. Some 100,000 shillings have already been spent on this project, but as much as 150,000 shillings more may be needed to complete it.

T. V. Gorle, educational secretary for the East African Union, gave the keynote address, and the Kenya minister for tourism and wildlife, S. O. Oyodo, spoke glowingly of Seventh-day Adventist educational work, stating that he was a product of our denominational schools in Kenya, and that he received his Bachelor of Science degree from Pacific Union College in the United States.

E. T. GACKENHEIMER  
Departmental Secretary  
East African Union

*Brief News*

**KOREAN UNION COLLEGE**

✦ Shin Hyun Chull, of the theology department, has been elected public relations secretary of the Korean Association of Theological Schools. KUC is a charter member of the association as well as of the Northeast Asia Association of Theological Schools.

✦ An International Harvester tractor with a front loader was recently purchased for the KUC farm. This nearly new tractor replaces a smaller, older model.

✦ The foundation and steel work of the new college classroom building has been completed. A special \$4,000 appropriation from the Far Eastern Division and profits from KUC industries will be used to complete the brickwork of the building, which will house eight much-needed classrooms and laboratories.

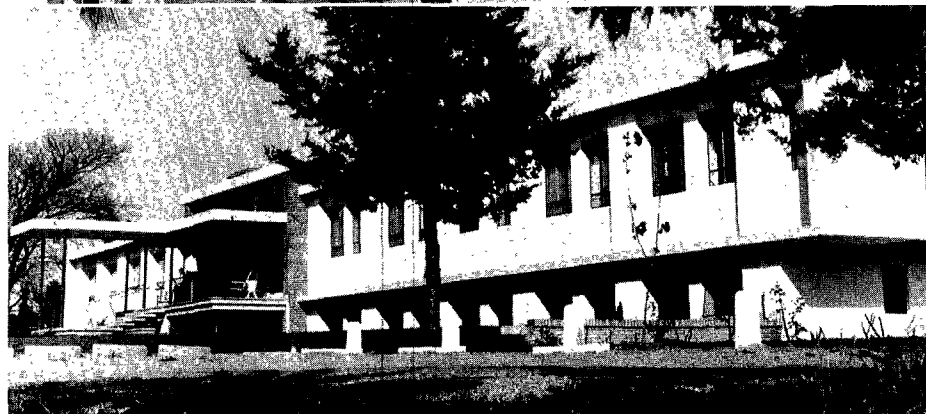
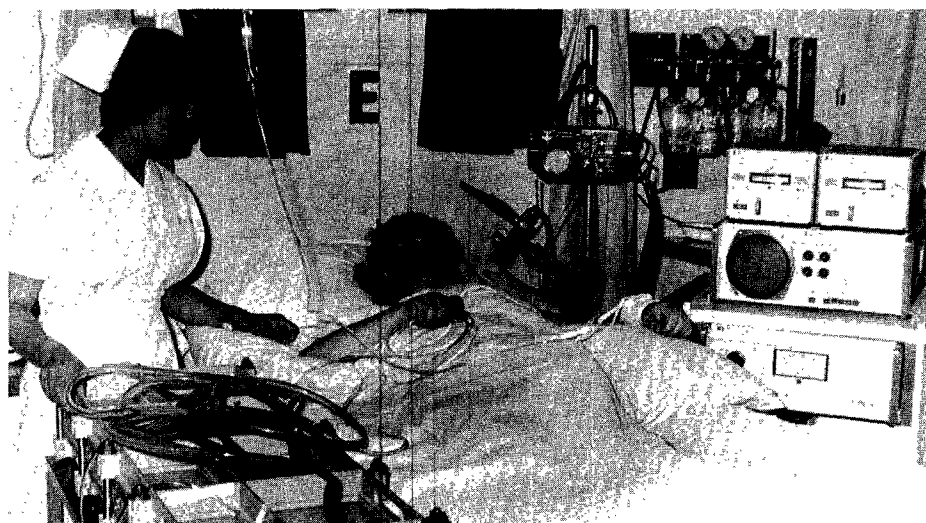
✦ C. D. Martin, of the General Conference, and G. J. Bertochini, of the Far Eastern Division, inspected the KUC Medical Cadet Corps recently. The college MCC unit also presented practical demonstrations of first aid.

✦ Korea's local and union missions are providing nine full scholarships for theology freshmen students entering KUC in the 1969-1970 school year.

✦ Dr. R. E. Klimes, president, is presenting a worldwide weekly ten-minute short-wave broadcast in English over the Korean Broadcasting System. The program is called Korean Impressions.

✦ The KUC bakery has been reconstructed, and rebuilt equipment has been installed. Suh Sea Kyun, a recent graduate of KUC, has accepted responsibility for this service department. Mr. Suh has recently completed his technical training in baking at Japan Missionary College.

RUDY E. KLIMES  
President, Korean Union College



Top: View of one of the new intensive-care rooms at River Plate Sanitarium, showing some of the equipment. Bottom: View of the recently opened administration building.

**Series of Educational Meetings Conducted in Washington**

Sixty-two representatives of different levels of Seventh-day Adventist educational work met at the General Conference headquarters in Washington, D.C., January 5 to 9. Dr. Charles B. Hirsch, secretary of education of the General Conference, together with his associates, guided this series of meetings.

These meetings began with the North American Division Commission on Secondary Education. It received reports of evaluation committees, granted accreditations, and made recommendations for the improvement of individual schools, as well as the church secondary system as a whole. It also laid school survey plans for 1969 and plans for the Quadrennial Council for Secondary Education to be held at Loma Linda University, Riverside campus, June 22 to 26. The commission made recommendations affecting the curricula to be followed in the North American Division secondary schools.

The North American Division Commission on Higher Education met January 6 and 7. It studied recommendations of the Quadrennial Council for Higher Education held at Andrews University last August. These touched on such matters as curricula, surveys of colleges and universities, and academic organizations.

The Commission on Elementary Education of the North American Division met January 7 and studied problems affecting elementary schools. During these meetings an elementary Bible-curriculum group met to plan for the development of new instructional material for the teaching of Bible in the elementary grades.

Following the meetings of the three North American Division commissions, the Board of Regents, highest accrediting authority of the General Conference, sessioned. It considered recommendations from the three commissions, as well as those from overseas divisions. Recommendations were made, and accreditations and approvals were granted. Reports were given concerning surveys made during the previous year, councils held, and trips to overseas divisions completed by representatives of the General Conference Department of Education.

This series of education meetings, together with the quadrennial councils for elementary, secondary, and higher education, is contributing to a strengthening of the educational work of the church throughout the entire denomination.

WALTON J. BROWN  
*Executive Secretary  
Board of Regents*

mission on Accreditation of Hospitals. Dr. John D. Porterfield, director of the Accreditation Commission, said: "The administration and professional staff are to be commended on the high quality of patient care." Fuller Memorial Sanitarium has been developed largely through the efforts of Dr. Laurence Senseman. Gerald E. Shampo is administrator.

✦ A meeting of the presidents of the Allegheny, New Jersey, Southern New England, Northeastern, and Greater New York conferences, along with their pastors who are working in the New York City Metropolitan Evangelistic Crusade, took place January 14 at the Linden Boulevard church in Jamaica, Long Island. Present also were N. C. Wilson, vice-president of the General Conference for the North American Division, and F. R. Millard and K. W. Tilghman of the union. Leading in the discussion of goals and plans was Roy Thurmon, coordinator of the Metropolitan Evangelistic Crusade.

EMMA KIRK, *Correspondent*

*Atlantic Union*

**New Classroom Facility Opened at Union Springs**

More than 500 people, including the ministerial and teaching staffs of the New York Conference, attended the opening ceremonies of the new classroom-administration facilities on January 19 on the campus of Union Springs Academy, New York.

These additional facilities now complete the classroom-administration-gymnasium complex and represent a total investment of more than \$600,000. A. J. Patzer, academy board chairman, was master of ceremonies. Dr. H. E. Douglass, president of Atlantic Union College, was the featured speaker. L. E. Smart, union secretary of education, was also present.

Others who took part were Principal O. E. Torkelson and the president and secretary-treasurer, respectively, of the Student Association, Ray Heers and Kay Christensen. The Union Springs Academy band, under the direction of David Lacy, provided music during the ceremonies.

✦ Mrs. Katherine Gandolfini, of the Hartford, Connecticut, church, has been named 1968 Press Secretary of the Year by the Southern New England Conference. Four years ago she was led into contact with the church through a news story about a Five-Day Plan and was

baptized by O. J. Mills in June, 1965. Last year was her third year as press secretary.

✦ Fuller Memorial Sanitarium, a psychiatric hospital owned and operated by the Atlantic Union Conference, has now been fully accredited by the Joint Com-

✦ In Woodstock, Ontario, Philip Moores, president of the Ontario-Quebec Conference, challenged a newly organized company in the city to witness faithfully.

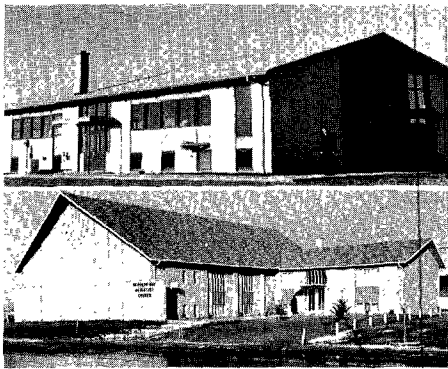
✦ The Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, church witnessed the baptism of five young people December 14. A. W. Robertson is pastor.

✦ The doors of the newly constructed

*Canadian Union*



**Opening ceremonies at Union Springs Academy, New York (from left): Dr. H. E. Douglass, Atlantic Union College president; A. Underhill, architect; I. E. Ferris, building consultant; H. McGuire, builder; Kay Christensen, Student Association treasurer; A. J. Patzer, conference president; Ray Heers, Student Association president; Dr. Joseph Tretz, Union Springs physician; O. E. Torkelson, principal; and M. N. Hempel, conference treasurer.**



**Top: Yorkton Jr. Academy, Saskatchewan. Bottom: New Medicine Hat, Alberta, church.**

Yorkton Junior Academy in Saskatchewan were officially opened November 17. Built on a seven-acre site, the school features two large classrooms, a dark room, kitchen facilities with modern equipment for a laboratory, and a large gymnasium. The superintendent of schools for the province of Saskatchewan stated that most schools in the province, though larger than this one, did not have many of the features that this new school has.

✦ The Medicine Hat church, erected in 1965, was dedicated December 7. J. W. Bothe, union president, gave the dedicatory address.

✦ In a baptism on November 16, six young men and women joined the Rosebud church in Beiseker, Alberta.

PEARL BROWNING, *Correspondent*

## Central Union

### Colorado Church Outfits Community Services Van

A Community Services van, owned and operated by the Durango church, was dedicated recently. It is the brain child of Drs. Gary Andersen and Howard Engeberg.

The van will be used in emergencies where food and clothing, blankets, sheets, and miscellaneous household items are needed, and for many other welfare and community activities. Pastor John H. W. Hardaker of the Durango church is conducting civil defense classes this winter so that those manning the van will be qualified to handle emergencies.

The VW van was donated by Dr. John Vandenburg. Dan Welker replaced the motor, and Dan Kittrell completed the body work. These men are members of the Durango church. Some of the money used in the reconditioning came from donations of other members.

The publicity given this van by the local newspaper resulted in larger contributions during the recent Ingathering campaign.

Those participating in the dedication service were C. V. Brauer, Colorado lay

activities secretary; Mrs. William Eakes, La Plata County Red Cross director; and Robert Rank, city manager of Durango. The van was dedicated to the memory of a former Dorcas worker, Mrs. Clara Schaeferhoff, who passed away last summer.

JEANNE C. HARDAKER  
*Durango Church Press Secretary*



**Dr. Gary Andersen (left) and Dr. Howard Engeberg with the new church welfare van.**

✦ The Fruita, Colorado, church has added a new sanctuary and addition to the older building formerly used for services. The 30-by-50-foot structure cost \$25,000. The membership is 45, and many of the congregation volunteered work on the project. The old and new buildings are tied together to give the appearance of one unit.

✦ The literature evangelists of the Central Union Conference delivered a record \$1,013,970 worth of literature in 1968. Eighty-five persons were baptized through the ministry of the bookmen.

✦ Faye Poore was chosen from 12 applicants to be one of the two 1969 student missionaries sent from Union College. She left early in January for a one-year term of service at the Ethiopian Adventist College, in Kuyera, Ethiopia. Miss Poore is a senior elementary educational major from Sturgis, South Dakota.

✦ Pastor and Mrs. A. Josef Greig from the Wyoming Conference have chosen to study in Scotland for two years. He has been pastor in the Sheridan, Wyoming, district.

CLARA ANDERSON, *Correspondent*

## Columbia Union

### Kettering Expansion Program Announced by New President

A \$6.65 million construction program at Kettering Medical Center, in Ohio, will provide expanded facilities for both the Charles F. Kettering Memorial Hospital and the Kettering College of Medical Arts.

The upcoming construction is the second phase of a long-range development program drafted by the planning committee a year ago. The first phase, begun in 1968, provided a special-procedures room for radiology service, pulmonary-outpatient and intensive-care facilities,

and enlargement of volunteer and gift-shop areas and hospital entrance marquee. It is now nearing completion.

The third phase, to include a substantial addition to hospital bed capacity, is under review by committees of the board of trustees, under the chairmanship of Cree Sandefur, and the Civic Advisory Council, headed by Eugene W. Kettering.

Hospital services stand to benefit most from the over-all expansion due to get under way this spring, with about half the funds earmarked for enlarged emergency, outpatient, and diagnostic facilities.

Classrooms and laboratories at the college account for a second major portion of the anticipated expenditure. Serving both the college and the hospital will be new library and computer facilities, medical-center executive offices, and a multi-level parking building.

The expanded hospital core facilities are expected to meet requirements of the institution for the next ten years.

MARLOWE H. SCHAFFNER, M.D.  
*President, Kettering Medical Center*

## Lake Union

✦ The Quincy, Illinois, church recently participated in a ten-day pageant of 45 churches and nine denominational institutions. Histories, rather than beliefs, were stressed. In their booth the church members gave out information on vegetarian foods and exhibited Smoking Sam. They were able to show three films: *One in 20,000*, *One Compelling Hope*, and *LSD*. As a result, the pastor, Mervin C. Kempert, is being invited to speak at Parent Teacher Association meetings.

✦ Merton Henry, pastor of the Greenfield, Indiana, church, assisted by the first elder, James Ashley, has brought nine new members into the church through an intensive Bible study and visitation program.

✦ Carl Allinder, pastor of the Vincennes, Indiana, church, and some of the church members prepared eight for a recent baptismal service.

✦ When the new Shiloh church in Chicago was opened for its first service almost 1,000 people were present. The congregation marched to their new church building led by their pastor, S. D. Meyers; the Lake Region Conference president, C. E. Bradford; and other local and visiting ministers. This new edifice has a seating capacity of 1,700 and an appraised value of \$700,000.

✦ Donald Wright, principal of Cedar Lake Academy, recently presented the President's Physical Fitness Award, signed by President Johnson, to Cindy Hainault, a sophomore from Escanaba, Michigan.

✦ Sp 5 Russell A. Hays, an Army medic from Big Rapids, Michigan, has been awarded the Bronze Star medal for meri-

torious service and achievement and the Purple Heart and Air Medal for service in Vietnam. Under heavy fire he helped rescue two comrades cut off from his unit and also recovered equipment.

MILDRED WADE, *Correspondent*

## North Pacific Union

♦ More than 235 people attended the Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking conducted by Portland Adventist Hospital, Oregon, January 19-23. Speakers were C. Erwin Syphers, M.D., a thoracic surgeon; Calvin Hartnell, chaplain; and Aubrey Burke, inhalation therapist.

♦ Fire destroyed the Kalispell, Montana, church January 20. The building and contents, with the exception of the organ and several boxes of white Bibles, are a total loss. This building was one of the oldest churches in the Flathead Valley. While the church was still burning, three congregations of other denominations offered the use of their churches to Pastor Wayne Moore.

♦ The Home and School Association of the Hood View School in the Oregon Conference is using the slogan "Bring Us Together" as the over-all theme for a series of Wednesday evening lectures continuing through March 12. Conference officials, pastors, and educators from Walla Walla College are presenting the special lectures, which emphasize human growth at home, in school, and through the church.

♦ An all-out evangelistic thrust is soon to begin in the Washington Conference. Kenneth J. Mittleider and Sunny Liu of the union ministerial department will be participating. Eleven series of meetings are scheduled to open March 2, with March 29 designated as a conference-wide day of baptism.

♦ Members of the Auburn Academy church in Washington are attempting to share their knowledge about a soon-returning Saviour by having a Visitors' Day one Sabbath each month. A potluck lunch is served to guests by members of the church. Students and teachers have covered the school environs with the white Bible program and have invited neighbors to special Sabbath schools for children and youth.

IONE MORGAN, *Correspondent*

## Northern Union

♦ The Heitzmann-Pellandini evangelistic team began a series of meetings in the Bismarck, North Dakota, Adventist church February 1.

♦ W. I. Huddleston, a newly baptized South Dakota member, planted 100

pounds of potatoes for a Sabbath school Investment project and netted \$100 for his efforts. This was before his baptism.

♦ Halle G. Crowson, union evangelist, is conducting a series of meetings in the Marshalltown, Iowa, church. A Bible-in-the-Hand class meets each evening.

♦ January 6 was the first day of school in the new \$400,000 Minneapolis Junior Academy building. One hundred and sixty-five students transferred from the overcrowded facilities where school had been conducted for 28 years.

L. H. NETTEBURG, *Correspondent*

## Pacific Union

♦ Public relations workshops to aid local church personnel were held February 8-15 in San Luis Obispo, Watsonville, Mountain View, San Francisco, Modesto, Visalia, and Bakersfield in the Central California Conference.

♦ Pastors of the Nevada-Utah Conference recently braved unprecedented snows, heavy rains, ice, and other difficulties to be present for a three-day workers' meeting. They discussed plans for widespread evangelism throughout the conference. They also launched a plan to reach community opinion leaders—editors and radio and television directors—using the Lung Ashtray to dramatize the Adventist contribution to nationwide efforts to curb cigarette smoking.

♦ As a result of Christian medical care recently given his son, who had open heart surgery at the White Memorial Medical Center in Los Angeles, a father has decided to join the Adventist Church.

♦ At Thunderbird Academy, Fred. C. Struckmeyer, Jr., justice of the Supreme Court of Arizona; Moise Berger, Maricopa County attorney; B. L. Tims, mayor of Scottsdale; and Robert J. Backstein, Phoenix attorney, recently served as judges for the second annual Religious Liberty Oratorical Contest of the Arizona Conference. Prizes were awarded to students Debbyn Whitaker, Tom Stone, and Marilyn Aaen for their orations.

♦ A group of 20 young people from Reno, Nevada, known as the Crusaders for Christ, have formed four Christian service bands—Singing Band, Friendship Band, Literature Band, and Welfare Band.

♦ An evangelistic crusade with some unusual features is currently being held at the San Bernardino church. Pastor Lenard D. Jaacks is holding a Vacation Bible School during the crusade as well as special Youth in Action services.

♦ Mrs. Elizabeth Toews, 86-year-old member of the Orosi, California, church, has made more than 50 quilts during the past two years, donating them for work among Indian tribes in the Mexican state of Baja California.

HERBERT FORD, *Correspondent*

## Southern Union

♦ A meeting of the ministers of the South Atlantic Conference was held January 20-22 in Atlanta, Georgia. Baptisms reported for 1968 totaled 1,257, highest in the history of the conference. Tithe for the year came to \$853,000, a gain of \$120,000 over 1967. The Ingathering goal had been reached before the campaign was officially launched by the General Conference. H. E. Rice, of the General Conference Medical Department, was the guest speaker for the banquet held during the session.

♦ One hundred youth leaders assembled in Morganton, North Carolina, January 17-19 for an MV and Pathfinder convention. Charles Martin, associate youth leader of the General Conference, was the guest speaker.

♦ Church officers in the Kentucky-Tennessee area of the South Central Conference met for instruction January 4 in the new church at Murfreesboro, Tennessee.

♦ South Atlantic workers have set three major goals for 1969—\$1 million in tithe; 1,500 baptisms; and 6,000 subscriptions for the *Message Magazine*.

OSCAR L. HEINRICH, *Correspondent*

## Southwestern Union

♦ Inaugural ceremonies for the new El Paso Adventist church were held December 14. G. H. Rustad, president of the Texico Conference, gave the inaugural sermon. The new church has a seating capacity of 300 and rooms for youth and junior activities. It contains 11,000 square feet and is valued at \$150,000. Nathan Sims is pastor.

♦ The Texico Conference disaster van was shown to the public in the Albuquerque and Midland districts during December. It was featured in several newspaper stories and radio and television newscasts. Many Ingathering solicitors stated that having the van on display was a boon to the Ingathering work.

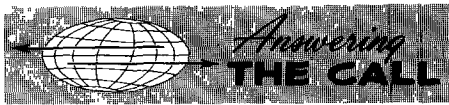
J. N. MORGAN, *Correspondent*

## SOUTHWESTERN UNION COLLEGE

♦ Enrollment figures reveal theology and religion to be the most popular major, with 53 enrolled; business administration is second, with 45; elementary education, third, with 44; and biology, fourth, with 41.

♦ Donald Anderson, senior biology major and president of the first senior class of the new four-year program, is the first SUC student to be accepted by the Loma Linda University School of Medicine.

LLOYD DAVIS  
*Director of Public Relations*



Dr. Terrence Trivett, assistant professor of biology, Pacific Union College, a recent graduate, University of Oregon.

Mrs. Terrence Trivett, instructor, Pacific Union College, formerly surgical nurse, Portland Sanitarium and Hospital.

Frank J. Kuntz, pastor, Shelbyville district (Indiana), formerly departmental secretary, Chile Union.

E. F. Reifsnnyder, principal, Shenandoah Valley Academy (Potomac), formerly principal, Georgia-Cumberland Academy.

H. M. Williams, ministerial and stewardship secretary (North Dakota), formerly district pastor (Minnesota).

Donald F. Aldridge, educational superintendent and MV secretary (Ontario-Quebec), formerly principal, Sunny Hill School, Kuching, Sarawak.

Richard Habenicht, district pastor (North Dakota), from Seminary study.

Jerry Medanich, controller, New England Memorial Hospital, formerly assistant administrator, Walker Memorial Sanitarium and Hospital (Florida).

Gordon L. Olsen, pastor, Dalhart-Clayton, Raton district (Texas), from Antillian Union, Inter-American Division.

Gabe Taylor, Jr., pastor, Sikeston-Charleston district (Missouri), a recent graduate of Andrews University.

Harold Gaskins, pastor, Atchison-St. Joseph district (Missouri), a recent graduate of Oakwood College.

Robert Knutson (correction), principal, Wisconsin Academy, formerly science and math teacher. He is not principal of Andrews University Academy as previously reported. C. Willard Mauro remains principal there.

(Conference names appear in parentheses.)

**From Home Base to Front Line**

**North American Division**

Lowell D. Kattenhorn, M.D. (LLU '41), to be relief physician in Seoul, Korea, and Mrs. Kattenhorn, nee Doris Elaine Peterson (WWC '36), of Powell, Wyoming, left San Francisco, California, December 1.

Mrs. T. R. Flaiz, nee Vera Killen, of Tavares, Florida, left Washington, D.C., December 16. She will join Dr. Flaiz in Poon, India, where he is acting health secretary, Southern Asia Division.

Donald Ogilvie (WWC '68), to be teacher, Anderson Memorial School, Gwelo, Rhodesia, Mrs. Ogilvie, nee Margaret Kathleen Burns (Helderberg College '59), and daughter, recently of College Place, Washington, left Seattle, Washington, December 19.

S. Wayne Young (PUC '65; AU '67), to be ministerial worker, South China Island Union Mission, and Mrs. Young, nee Vencille Ann Hilliard (PUC '65), of

Lodi, California, left San Francisco, California, December 26.

Carl A. Dent, M.D. (LLU '39), to work with Northern European Division relief team in Nigeria for three months, of Nashville, Tennessee, left Washington, D.C., December 29.

Kenneth B. Fisher, M.D. (LLU '40; Residency WMH '63), returning as physician, Bella Vista Hospital, Mayaguez, Puerto Rico, and Mrs. Fisher, nee Dorothy Marie Akins (HS&H School of Nursing '37), left Chicago, Illinois, January 1.

Ian H. Cheeseman (AU '63), returning as teacher, Inyazura School, Rhodesia, Mrs. Cheeseman, nee Dorothy Irene Grange (NYBH School of Nursing '63), and two children, left Toronto, Canada, January 3.

Donald D. Larson (LSC '66; LLU '68), to be science teacher, Lakpahana School, Ceylon, and Mrs. Larson, nee Barbara Louise Clough (LSC '66; LLU '68), of La Sierra, California, left Los Angeles, California, January 4.

Albert K. Phillips (LSC '35; PUC '39; attended PUC '55), returning as director and principal, Mombera Mission and Secondary School, Mzimba, Malawi, Mrs. Phillips, nee Ruth Harriet McWhinny (LSC '38; attended PUC '39-'41), and two children, left San Francisco, California, January 5.

Esther Mae Oldham (LSC '50-'51; LLU School of Nursing '54; attended LLU '67-'68), to be director, nursing service, Youngberg Memorial Hospital, Singapore, of Loma Linda, California, left San Francisco, January 5.

M. D. Cox, M.D., to be relief physician, Cameroun Mission Hospital, Koza par Mokolo, Cameroun, of Orlando, Florida, left New York City, January 6.

Stanley C. Condon, M.D. (LSC '52; LLU School of Medicine '56), returning as physician/internist, Manila Sanitarium and Hospital, the Philippines, Mrs. Condon, nee Vaneta Marilyn Mabley (Canadian Union College '57; LLU School of Nursing '60; LLU Graduate School '63-'64), and three children, left Victoria, British Columbia, January 9.

Earl R. Osmunson (PUC '27), to be teacher, Ikizu Training School, Musoma, Tanzania, and Mrs. Osmunson, nee Dorothy Fessenden, also to be a teacher, of Calimesa, California, left Los Angeles, California, January 12.

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the hospital for the purpose of forming an alumni association. If you are a graduate or know the whereabouts of a graduate, write to Public Relations Officer, Sydney Sanitarium and Hospital, Fox Valley Road, Wahroonga, N.S.W. 2076, Australia.

**Literature Requests**

[All requests for free literature should be sent to the mission or conference office of the area. They will then send on to us such requests as they feel are proper to honor. All literature requested through this column is to be used for missionary work, not personal needs. Mark packages: "Used publications—no monetary value. Destroy if not deliverable."]

Mr. and Mrs. Emmanuel Adjepong, SDA, Domiabra/Konongo, Ashanti Akim, Ghana, W. Africa, needs prophetic charts, Bibles, books, films, and missionary equipment.

Mariano B. Abuyme, Loreto, Surigao del Norte, P.I., wishes Chapel records, slide films-35 mm., Ellen G. White books, and Bibles.

Mrs. N. L. Doss, Box 951, Blantyre, Malawi, Africa, needs a continuous supply of Ellen G. White and denominational books, *Signs, These Times, Message*, flannelgraphs, Sabbath school materials, prophetic charts, evangelistic equipment, tracts, Memory Verse Cards.

Francis K. Baiden, Adventist College of W. Africa, 17 Welch Hall, Iwishan-Remo, Nigeria, wishes Christmas cards, *Signs, Review, These Times*, books, pamphlets, youth literature, *Daniel and Revelation*.

Maluti Hospital, Private Bag, Ficksburg, Orange Free State, Republic of South Africa, needs *Message, These Times*, children's Sabbath school papers and cards, and missionary equipment.

James L. Allen, Rte. 2, Box 264, Kingstree, South Carolina 29556, desires SDA books, tracts, magazines, songbooks, Bible, audio-visual equipment, Sabbath school and children's supplies, *Commentaries*, which he will ship to Ghana, the Philippines, and other countries.

D. J. Generato, Jr., Miller Sanitarium and Hospital, Box 336, 400 Tres de Abril, Cebu City, P.I., wants *Review, Signs, These Times, Life and Health, Guide, Instructor, Liberty*, tracts, books, Bibles, songbooks, picture cards, flannelgraphs and cutouts.

Alfred Nahman, Hillcrest Secondary School, Bollihope Crescent, Mowbray, Cape, South Africa, wishes *Signs, These Times, Listen, Life and Health*, missionary book of the year, and other missionary material.

F. Swan Cin Pao, SDA Mission, B.P.O. Cikha, North Chin Hills, Burma, desires *Review, Signs, These Times, Life and Health, Instructor, GO, Message*, Bible games, songbooks, *Bible Readings, MV Kit, SDA Yearbook*, Bibles, *Present Truth*, temperance papers, prophetic charts.

Send a continuous supply of missionary literature to the following: Jessie Lawan, Bacuag, Surigao del Norte, P.I.; Ramon Digmaan, Puerto Princesa SDA Church, Rizal, Surigao del Norte, P.I.; Vicente Cuartero, Puerto Princesa SDA Church, Rizal, Surigao del Norte, P.I.; Peter Rubio, Puerto Princesa SDA Church, Rizal, Surigao del Norte, P.I.; Mark Maturan, Puerto Princesa SDA Church, Rizal, Surigao del Norte, P.I.; Froilan Dogmoc, Puerto Princesa SDA Church, Rizal, Surigao del Norte, P.I.; Mrs. Petra Aranal, Madrid, Surigao del Sur, P.I.; Mrs. Pelagia A. Bacol, Sta. Cruz, Loreto, Surigao del Norte, P.I.; Mrs. Gregoria Bagacay, Mabini, Loreto, Surigao del Norte, P.I.; Tessie B. Abuyme, Mission Academy, Manticiao, Mis. Or., P.I.; Jose Bacol, Jr., Tubajon SDA Church, Loreto, Surigao, P.I.; Mrs. Constancio Diaz, Calamba SDA Church, Agusan, Cabadbaran, P.I.; Charles Keya (MV), Kegati S.E.B. School, Box 410, Kisii, Kenya, East Africa; Agatha McClatchie, Noel St., Couva, Trinidad, W.I.; Evangelist Peter Amorteng, SDA Mission, Box 22, Kintampo B/A, Ghana, W. Africa; Pastor G. B. Silud, Lupon, Davao Or., P.I.; Camiana Singao, Cotabawan, Ginatilan, P.I.; Henry Mose (No. 1668), Mombasa Tech. Institute, Box 1120, Mombasa, Kenya, E. Africa; Sarah Gabriel, Isaac St., Couva, Trinidad, W.I.; The Sunshine Band, c/o Rogelio Agudera, Manutum View Academy, Acmoanan, Tupi, So. Cotabato, P.I.

**NOTICES**

**Correction**

In the issue of August 29, 1968, the report entitled "Addition Being Built at Mindanao Sanitarium," stated that the "Mindanao Sanitarium and Hospital began as a clinic in Dansalan City in 1947, pioneered by Dr. R. T. Santos . . . and Lois Burnett, American missionary nurse." This should have read: Pioneered by Dr. R. T. Santos . . . and Ruby Barnett, American missionary nurse.

**Attention—Nurses!**

Sydney Sanitarium and Hospital, New South Wales, Australia, desires to contact all graduates from

*Church Calendar*

Christian Home Week	February 15-22
Listen Campaign	February 22
Visitation Evangelism	March 1
Church Lay Activities Offering	March 1
Sabbath School Visitors' Day	March 8
Spring Missions Offering	March 8
Missionary Volunteer Day	March 15
Missionary Volunteer Week	March 15-22
Thirteenth Sabbath Offering	March 29
(Trans-Africa Division)	
Missionary Magazines Evangelism	April 5-27
Church Lay Activities Offering	April 5
Loma Linda University Offering	April 12
Health and Welfare Evangelism	May 3
Church Lay Activities Offering	May 3





# Skallops Thermidor

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## Skallops Thermidor

1/8 c. butter or margarine  
(1/2 stick)  
2 T. flour  
1/2 t. paprika  
2 c. whipping cream  
4 egg yolks

4 T. Parmesan cheese,  
grated  
1/2 c. sauteed mushrooms  
1/4 c. pimentos, chopped  
1 can Skallops, cut to  
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In sauce pan over low heat blend butter, flour, paprika, cream, and egg yolks. Allow mixture to thicken a little, stirring constantly. Fold in Skallops and salt to taste. Add Parmesan cheese, sauteed mushrooms, and pimentos. Heat through. Serve over toast points. Serves 4-6.

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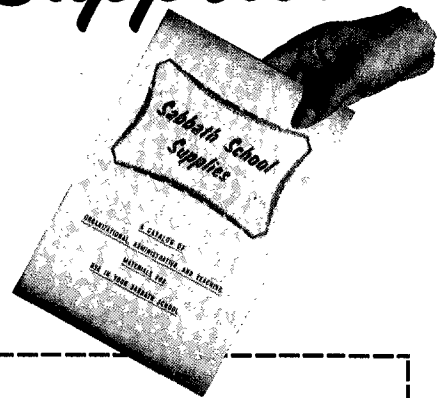
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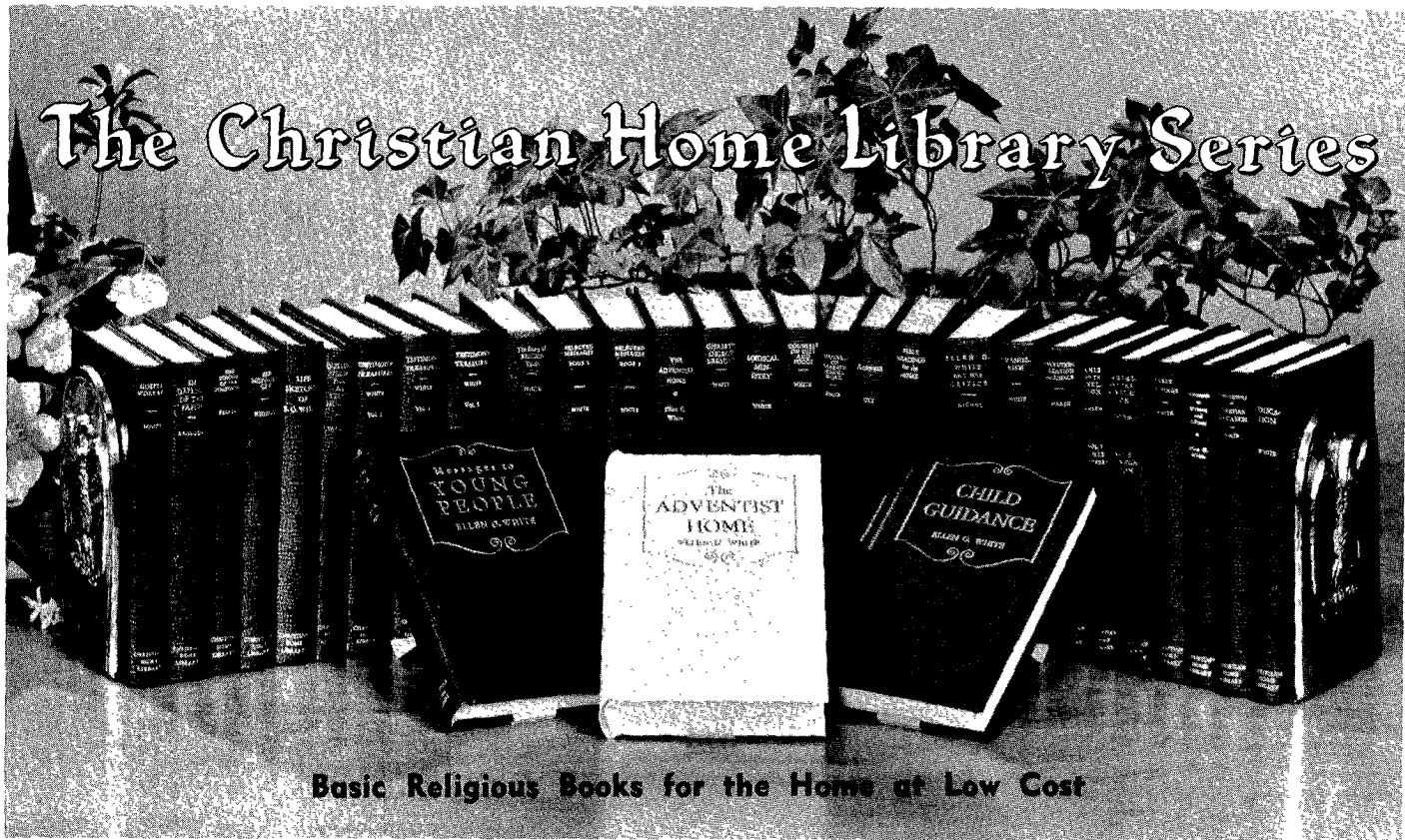
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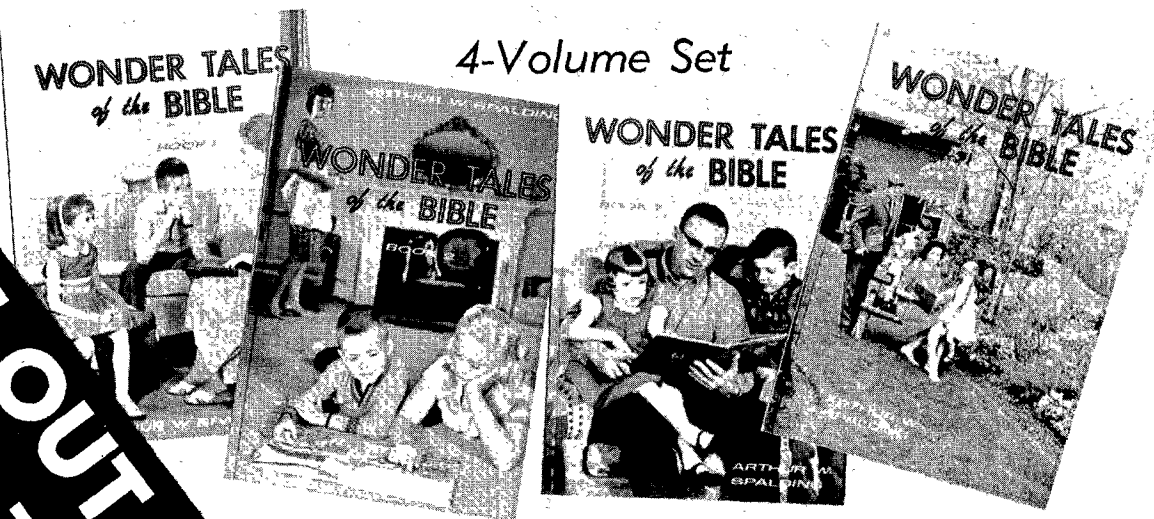
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## Of Writers, Articles, and Miscellany...

Even those who have nothing more than a peripheral interest in current events will recognize the picture on this week's cover as one of those taken by the astronauts on the recent *Apollo 8* moon flight. The picture was made available to us by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

The sonnet by Nicholas Lloyd Ingraham, "Remember God," was sent to us within days after the *Apollo 8* "scored the sides of heaven with a metal prod." The poem's quality made the decision to use it on the cover an easy one.

Although Mr. Ingraham used the sonnet form for this poem, he states that one of his favorite forms is the Japanese haiku, of which he has had about 50 published at various times. In addition to having published two books (*Star and Sod* and *Lights Over America*) he has appeared in the *Chicago Tribune*, *Chicago Daily News*, and *Westminster* magazine, to name a few.

He is currently combining his vocational knowledge of nursing (he became a registered nurse in 1928 at the Hinsdale Sanitarium) with his avocation of inter-

est in poetry in a literary project. He is collecting poems on medical and health themes for a proposed anthology.

Mr. Ingraham is the great-great grandson of John Sevier. And for some interesting secular reading look up that name in an American encyclopedia.

While R. R. Bietz doesn't state that good things necessarily come in small packages, he does state that high quality is more important than major size. His article, "Quality Rather Than Quantity" (page 2), among other things stresses the importance of the church's evangelistic forces making solid Seventh-day Adventists rather than merely swelling the membership statistics. He points to the grim figure of 38.8 per cent as the apostasy rate for the past five years.

Elder Bietz became one of the vice-presidents of the General Conference in 1968 after having already served the denomination for 38 years. Prior to his coming to the General Conference he was the president of the Pacific Union. Other service includes presidencies in three local conferences (Texico, Southern New England, and Southern California) and departmental secretaryships in three conferences and one union.

In his new position Elder Bietz is chairman of the Loma Linda University board of trustees, chairman of the Voice of Prophecy Broadcasting Corporation, and chairman of the Pacific Press Publishing Association.



The following news items are taken from Religious News Service, and do not necessarily express the viewpoint of the REVIEW editors.

### POLICY SET ON AID TO INSTITUTIONS

ST. JOSEPH, Mo.—Missouri Baptists adopted a four-point policy on Federal aid to their institutions at their annual meeting here.

The Federal-aid policy statement did not differ greatly from the Baptist Convention's present policy.

It rejected outright Federal grants to Baptist institutions and warned that any attempt by an institution to secure such financial aid would constitute grounds for a review of an institution's affiliation with the state convention.

The policy encourages college trustees to negotiate loans "at the most favorable interest rates available from (either) private or public sources if the boards believe the rates charged by a public agency will service a loan without subsidy from tax funds."

Baptist-related colleges were encouraged to establish "procedures compatible with Baptist beliefs" on loans or grants to individual students, and to "engage in mutually beneficial research or service projects on contract with public agencies," provided public funds do not exceed actual costs.

A division of higher education was activated by the convention, with provisions for a consultant to advise further development of a coordinated program of higher education for Missouri Baptists.

### FREEDOM OF RELIGION URGED

OTTAWA, ONTARIO—Israel should grant freedom of religion to Reform Jews, the president of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, Rabbi Maurice Eisendrath, said here.

The New York rabbi addressed the biennial convention of the Canadian Council of Reform Congregations.

"We are seeking that freedom of religion that Israel has pledged itself to in the covenant of the United Nations," he said. "To seek to worship there according to our way of worship is a legitimate demand.

"We seek it for the sake of Israel itself, because Israel will not persist unless it finds some way to make itself and the Jewish faith upon which it is founded relevant to the contemporary world."

### 1969 MEETING OF WCC CENTRAL COMMITTEE

LONDON—The Central Committee of the World Council of Churches will hold its next annual meeting at the University of Kent in Canterbury, southeast England, next August.

WCC working committees and the WCC executive committee will also meet at Canterbury in August.

The central committee consists of 100 members who are appointed at each WCC Assembly. It meets annually as the top continuing-action body between full assemblies of the Council.

# Review and Herald

In 1849 a company of Sabbathkeeping Adventists began to publish a paper called *The Present Truth*. In 1850 they also published five issues of *The Advent Review*. Later that year, in November, 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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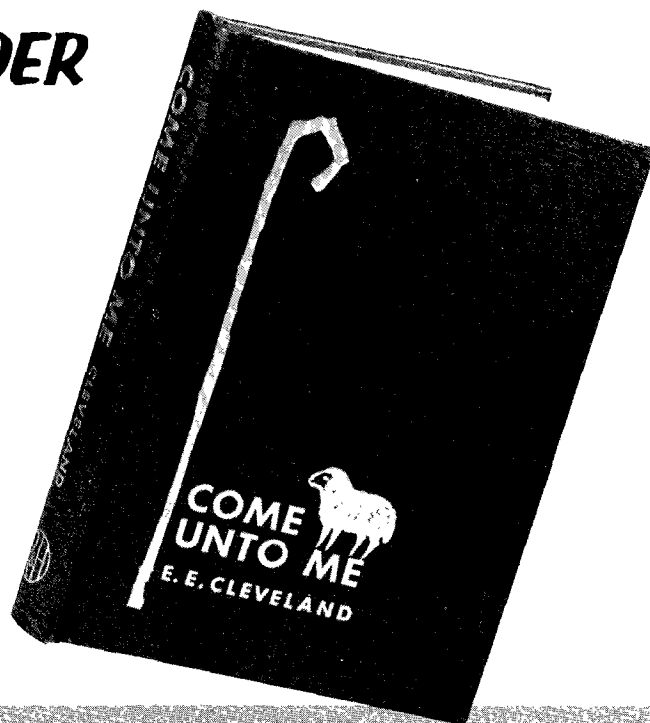
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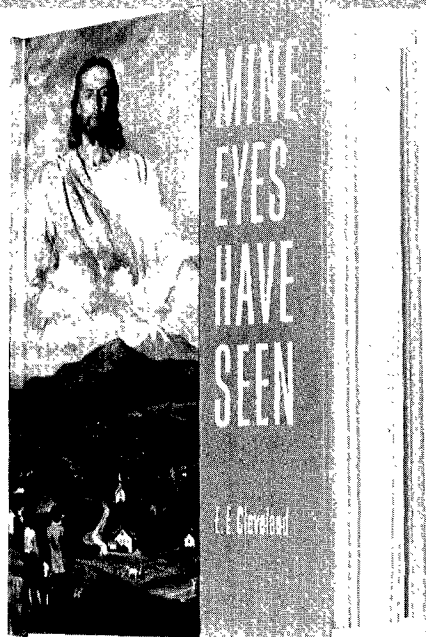
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## Division Evangelist Holds Meetings for Okinawans

More than 50 Okinawans made decisions for Christ in Nago City as a result of evangelistic meetings conducted by Bruce Johnston, evangelist for the Far Eastern Division.

Twenty-five of these were baptized in the first baptism conducted after the close of the series. Follow-up work is being directed by the Okinawa Mission president, Cecil A. Williams, one other ordained minister, and two Bible instructors.

Pastor Johnston reports to Far Eastern Division headquarters in Singapore: "We are thrilled with the results here in Nago. The Lord has opened the windows of heaven for us. I believe it is due to the wonderful spirit of unity and loyalty that exists among our worker group on Okinawa. The response of the community has been wonderful. We have had some of the finest people in the city attending. They have begged us to start a new church here. The Nago Branch of the Ryukus Bank made an auditorium available for church services without cost."

This is the second evangelistic crusade conducted by Pastor Johnston since he arrived in the Far Eastern Division territory. His first series was in Osaka, Japan.

D. A. ROTH

## GC Officer Holds Meetings in Malagasy Republic

On his return from an itinerary in the Australian Division, W. R. Beach, secretary of the General Conference, stopped over in the Malagasy Republic (Madagascar) and conducted a series of evangelistic meetings. This cable (given here in expanded form) has arrived from Rajoelison, president of the Tananarive Mission:

"The inspired cooperation of all workers and the blessing of God in a reaping effort here resulted January 18 in 77 baptisms and the formation of a 54-member baptismal class. Tananarive is advancing hand in hand with the world church."

## Washington Star Features Hymn by GC Staff Member

The words of a new hymn written especially for the U.S. Inauguration Day, 1969, by Lowell Litten, assistant secretary of the General Conference MV Department and editor of the *MV Kit*, were published in the "Religious Scene" column of the January 18 Washington *Evening Star*.

Russell Chandler, religious news editor of the *Star*, devoted seven column inches to telling the story of this new hymn, "Bring Us Together," and the writer, identifying him with our church.

The hymn was inspired by the reference President Richard Nixon made to a homemade sign waved by a teen-ager at one of his Ohio campaign whistle stops.

The new hymn, with music for the

lyrics arranged by Raymond Kirby, recently retired arranger for the U.S. Army Band, was sung for the first time at Walter Reed Army Hospital, Washington, D.C., by its choir on January 19. Kathy Fagal Tetz, daughter of W. A. Fagal of Faith for Today and wife of Takoma Academy's music teacher, was featured soloist during the presentation.

JOHN HANCOCK

## Far East Sets Objective of 8,000 Meetings by Laymen

The Far Eastern Division is laying plans for 8,000 lay evangelistic meetings during 1969.

This unusual goal reflects the response of laymen to lay preaching, a response dramatically demonstrated in all nine unions of the division at the 14 laymen's congresses held during the last quarter of 1968.

If the recommendation to have at least two series of lay meetings in every church in the Far East this year is carried out the division will without doubt go far beyond the 8,000 objective. The achievement of this objective will be another indication of the missionary spirit found in the Adventist Church throughout the world.

The latest reports reveal that the number of active lay preachers is growing fast everywhere. We, have many reasons to believe that 1969 is going to bring us a great advance on behalf of the kingdom of God.

V. W. SCHOEN

## New European TV Program Emanates From Luxembourg

The first Seventh-day Adventist television program of its kind for Europe began on RTL Tele-Luxembourg January 3.

These television programs by the radio-television department of the Southern European Division carry the title *Signes Des Temps* ("Signs of the Times") and the subtitle, "The News of Today as Viewed by the Bible." They will continue every Friday evening for 12 weeks.

Public evangelistic meetings are held in conjunction with the release of this new television series by Pierre Lanares and R. Meyer. A new Sabbath school has already been organized as a result.

JAMES J. AITKEN

## Inter-America Reports Outstanding Growth in 1968

A report from the Inter-American Division indicates exceptional growth during 1968.

Baptisms in Mexico during the year broke all previous records. C. L. Powers, president of the division, states that there were 4,186 baptisms in that union.

The West Indies Union Mission reports 4,076 baptisms. There were 20 centurions (ministers who baptized 100 persons during the year) and two double centurions—J. C. Palmer and H. H. Fletcher.

RALPH S. WATTS

## Temperance Films Lead to Legislation in Manila

Following a private showing of temperance films *Verdict at 1:32* and *One in 20,000* to the mayor of Manila and his colleagues, the city passed an ordinance prohibiting drinking liquor within the city of Manila and cigarette smoking in all public places and conveyances.

N. R. Arit, B. B. Alsaybar, and B. G. Mary, all of the North Philippine Union, formed the deputation that arranged for the private showing.

Never have we heard of such rapid results in legislation from our films. A booklet on how to conduct deputations for temperance is free upon request to the General Conference Temperance Department.

ERNEST H. J. STEED

## 1968 Vacation Bible Schools Report Tangible Results

Reports at year-end departmental councils reveal significant gains in Vacation Bible School evangelism in North America.

Not only have these summer community outreach projects increased in number and attendance, but because of more careful and persistent follow-up, they show more tangible results than ever. One conference reported more than 5,000 attending Vacation Bible Schools in 1968, with more than 2,900 from non-Adventist homes. These two-week schools have been followed by seven branch Sabbath schools, 17 neighborhood Bible clubs, and six Story Hours.

Another conference has 20 Story Hours in operation following their summer VBS program. Still another field this year nearly doubled the number of Vacation Bible Schools held in 1967 and reports at least five persons baptized as a result of last year's work.

From the Florida Keys to outpost Eskimo schools on an island 40 miles from Siberia, Vacation Bible Schools were held this past summer. About 65 per cent of the attendance came from nonmember homes.

R. CURTIS BARGER

## 1969 SDA Yearbook Available

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JESSE O. GIBSON

## IN BRIEF

★ "During 1968 we have distributed almost 1,600 Bibles. Forty-six converts have already been baptized and joined the church, and about 1,000 are studying." This report comes from H. W. Hollingsworth, lay activities secretary for the North New Zealand Conference.