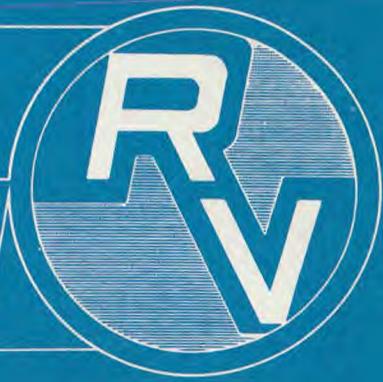


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Northeastern Organizes Korean Church



THE KOREAN SDA CHURCH NORTHEASTERN'S JEWEL FROM THE ORIENT

Stephanie D. Johnson

Northeastern Conference well reflects the diversities of language and culture found in Latin American, the West Indies and Africa. Now it has added among its 25,920 members and 81 congregations, the jewel from the Orient — the Flushing Korean SDA Church, Flushing (Queens), New York.

Flushing has the largest gathering of Koreans on the east coast — an estimated 100,000. This section of New York City has taken on the full flavor and character of a Korean city.

The Korean language is often heard on the streets. There are numerous blocks of Korean fruit markets, shops, restaurants and other businesses. The newstands are filled with Korean newspapers.

Yet it was not until February 1983, that a Korean company of believers was established in Flushing. There was another Korean Church established, but it was located in another area of Queens.

The beginnings of the Church are reminiscent of the early Advent movement with its scattered flock, trials and ultimate triumph.



Elder Earle receives a vase from a member of the church. Looking on is Elder H. W. Baptiste, Executive Secretary of the Conference.

Four Korean SDAs — Chung Sook Sim, Kum Rai Lee and Elder Si Dong Kim began worshipping in the living room of Ms. Joong Nyu Baik. Within a year the membership had grown to thirty and they were worshipping in the YMCA. They decided the time had come to join the organized work. The members requested to become a part of the Northeastern Conference. Their request was granted.



Members of the recently organized Flushing Korean SDA Church. Seated in the middle on the front row are Elder and Mrs. G. R. Earle.

Northeastern Organizes First Korean Church

In April 7, 1984, they were inducted into Northeastern's sisterhood of churches; officiating at this service were Elders G.R. Earle, President and Harold Baptiste, Executive Secretary. It was an historic occasion, for this was Northeastern's first Korean Church.

The future seemed bright for the believers, until a month later their minister took up other duties. The believers became discouraged and started attending other established churches. Before long the thriving church had dwindled to seven members.

The prospects for survival seemed bleak without a full time minister. Several dedicated believers — Professor Hong Sik Kim, Eon Hee Lee and Elder Si Dong Kim conducted weekly services and encouraged the members.

Ms. Min Sun Cho, one of the members, recalled she was on the brink of returning to an established church. The members felt as if they were forgotten without a shepherd to lead them. On this particular Sabbath, they were beginning service without a speaker when Elder Earle walked in. He preached and encouraged them to continue.

For Ms. Cho this was evidence that God was leading them. After waiting for seven months, they received a minister, Elder Ki Cho Han, who brings with him a wealth of experience; having served as a teacher, principal and publishing manager for more than thirty years in Korea.

His dedication and knowledge of the Bible and the Spirit of Prophecy has set the church on a firm foundation. Today, the membership stands at ten. The members are actively involved in missionary outreach. Every Sabbath they visit former SDAs and non-believers. They have laid a number of evangelistic plans for this year. Through prayer and perseverance the Jewel from the Orient promises to shine brilliantly in Northeastern's crown.



E. E. Cleveland

CLEVELAND'S COMMENTARY: TOO SOON!

E. E. Cleveland

An aftermath of the Davenport problem was a recommendation by the Select Committee to the intent that parent organizational bodies may call constituencies within conferences under their jurisdiction. For example, if a union president does not like what is happening within a conference, he, by vote of his committee, may call a constituency of that local conference's administration.

Now, the framers of our church constitution deliberately refused to give such powers to parent bodies for reasons that are obvious.

1. Catholicism with its system of bishops is a system of authoritarianism that leaves nothing to local leadership in terms of decision-making. They (the founding fathers) were anxious to avoid this.

2. Early Adventists had a passion for freedom, and for a while avoided any form of organization, calling it Popery. If it were possible, they would "turn over in their graves" at the mere suggestion that we yield our present system of Autonomy. Shouted one of them in 1903, "Now, all men are lords. Under organization one would be lord of all."

3. Local conference leadership would thus be placed in an adversarial relationship with his immediate superior, reducing loyalty and policy. Imagine the burden (politically) that this places on the local leader to sustain himself by keeping in readiness a cadre of "vocal locals," ready on call to defend against any and all.

You can readily understand the insecurity of black leaders who fought so hard for the dignity that is ours, and who have become aware lately of certain designs on that leadership, namely: The proposal to dismember the Northeastern Conference, and the proposal to dissolve the Central States Conference. Add to this the radical re-organization proposal coming out of California that would strip blacks of all meaningful jobs, and you can understand our siege mentality. Now comes this new bit of "Dark Ages" legislation. Pardon me if I simply say that the cure is worse than the disease!

You do not jeopardize the many in order to punish the few. It is like burning down the barn to eliminate the snakes. I suffered, like few onlookers could, through the pain of this organizational "trauma."

But my brain was not so smoke-beclouded that would welcome this invitation to Popery. Just here, it should be noted, that this mischievous proposal did not come from the General Conference administration, but from the panel of ministers and laymen appointed to study discipline and other matters related to the Daventport investment experience. It should also be stated that the General Conference leadership has publicized this proposal widely so that there should be general awareness that this proposal has been made. So, that if it is passed, no one can claim that the president of the General Conference is seeking additional powers, or that it is secretly done. Neither is the case. So, if it is passed without emphatic protest, we shall deserve what we get.

This church has stood for 140 years without this authoritarian power. Why do we need it now? We have been in deep crises before. The early leaders would have considered this proposal unthinkable. While I do not question the motives of the members of the committee, I do question their judgement.

Political states jealously guard privileges granted them under the nation's constitution. By doing this, we have remained a country "of the people, for the people, and by the people." Can we be less jealous in the church, to whom freedom is more real, in safe-guarding those privileges that are ours? Or does Laodiceanism extend even here? I would hope that administration would table the matter, or better yet, that sensitive men would reconsider and withdraw this proposal. I understand that

this recommendation is due for consideration either at the forthcoming General Conference session or at the next Annual Council. Three years from now would be too soon!

It will be asked, why be concerned if no deviations are planned or intended? We answer, why install this dangerous proposal if no Popery is intended? If your answer is, "So that infractions may be more easily handled," we answer, "Though freedom makes punishment more difficult, the loss of it far outweighs the loss of millions of dollars. We must not install machinery to punish the guilty that might someday be used to penalize the innocent. This proposal is coming up for action soon, and when it does, it will be too soon!

AN ANTIDOTE FOR BITTERNESS

A man told me, recently, that he could not eat or sleep because of feelings of rejection. He said he could not focus his attention on his work for thinking about the wrong done him. The more he thought about it the angrier he became. He stated that somehow he was going to get even. Bitterness seemed to be eating at his very vitals.

In our natural state we nurture bitter thoughts. We can assign blame for our feelings to others, and block out our need to face our own shortcomings. The facts are, we have ultimate responsibility for how we feel, and how we do. Allowing, (or directing), our emotions to take control is much like having the tail wag the dog, so to speak. We must coolly choose to hate, or to love, on the merits of the situations that confront us. The cool christian calculatedly chooses to hate sin, but love the sinner.

Jesus, of all people, had reason to be bitter. As He became increasingly aware of His role in the redemption of mankind, He was also increasingly aware of being rejected by those He came to save. The religious leaders did not accept Him, even though He "taught as one having authority", because He did not come from the right tribe, the right schools, or with the "right" attitude.

How can we avoid giving in to feelings of bitterness? How can we cope when seemingly on every side we are met with disappointment and discouragement?

One writer has said: "Let no one deceive his own soul... If you harbor... bitterness... you have not Christ abiding in your heart, and the evidence shows that you have the mind and character of Satan".¹

Under inspiration Isaiah said, "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on Thee: because he trusteth in Thee."²

According to the gospel record, Jesus' determination to obey was so great that He perspired great drops of blood in the Garden of Gethsemane. During his ordeal He asked three times that the bitter cup be removed; but chose to submit himself, each time, to His Father's will. While yet hanging on the Cross, He asked His Father to forgive those who had caused him to be placed there, pleading their ignorance. The ultimate proof of Jesus' obedience to God's will was demonstrated when He died that we might live.

Clearly, Jesus showed the way. A right relationship with Christ will enable us to realize the futility of relying on self. Jesus said, "Come unto me, all ye that are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."³

David aptly spoke when he said, "Fret not thyself because of evil doers, neither be thou envious against the workers of iniquity, for they shall soon be cut down like the grass, and wither as the green herb. Trust in the Lord, and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed. Delight thyself also in the Lord; and He shall give thee the desired of thine heart."⁴

¹Testimonies to Ministers, pg 441; E.G. White

²Isaiah 26:37

³Matt. 11:28 KJV

⁴Psalms 37:1-4 KJV

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ANNOUNCEMENT

Loma Linda University has some full time positions available in the maintenance department. The positions are for experienced air condition maintenance mechanics and an experienced electrician. If these other areas may be of interest to you, please send a resume or contact Loma Linda University Personnel Department: 201 University Arts Building Loma Linda, CA 92350 (714) 824-4340

The Editor's Desk

OAKWOOD STUDENT SPENDS SUMMER IN BIG LEAGUES

Competition is fierce for the brightest black students who, instead of spending a summer of leisure, assume internship assignments with corporate employers, which often lead to highly paid careers following graduation.

One such student is Karen Bryan, a senior business administration student at Oakwood College, who was hired last summer by the Hartford Insurance Group, Hartford, Connecticut. "A whiz at accounting," according to Huntsville Times Washington Correspondent James Kilpatrick in his November 17, 1984 report, Karen was put to work in the corporate accounting department tracking certain investment income. "She did such an outstanding job that this fall some corporate decisions were made on the basis of

her work."

The internship program is identified as the Student Talent Identification Bank and is a functional contingent of the National Association for Equal Opportunity in Higher Education (NAFEO). NAFEO, based in Washington, D.C., promotes the student bank to the nation's top executives. According to Mr. Kilpatrick, big corporate entities have signed on: Gulf Oil, Xerox, Atlantic Richfield, ITT, Monsanto, Weyerhaeuser, and Gannett.

Students of the 114 historically black institutions belonging to the NAFEO fold must qualify for the program by earning a minimum grade point average of 3.0; demonstrate a command of oral and written English; and manifest "the kind of poise, motivation and drive that it takes to make it over the summer in the big leagues."

SUNSET CALENDAR

	March 29	April 6	13	20
Boston, Mass.	6:06	6:15	6:23	6:31
New York City	6:17	6:26	6:33	6:41
Buffalo, N.Y.	6:37	6:47	6:55	7:03
Atlanta, Ga.	6:56	7:02	7:07	7:12
Miami, Fla.	6:36	6:40	6:43	6:46
Charlotte, N.C.	6:43	6:49	6:55	7:00
Birmingham, Ala.	6:05	6:11	6:16	6:21
Jackson, Miss.	6:18	6:24	6:29	6:34
Memphis, Tenn.	6:19	6:25	6:31	6:37
Louisville, Ky.	7:03	7:10	7:17	7:23
Detroit, Mich.	6:55	7:04	7:12	7:20
Chicago, Ill.	6:12	6:21	6:29	6:36
South Bend, Indiana	7:07	7:16	7:23	7:31
Minneapolis, Minn.	6:37	6:47	6:56	7:05
St. Louis, Mo.	6:21	6:29	6:35	6:42
Kansas City, Mo.	6:39	6:47	6:53	7:00
Denver, Co.	6:21	6:29	6:36	6:43
Little Rock, Ark.	6:28	6:34	6:39	6:45
Dallas, Texas	6:45	6:51	6:56	7:01
New Orleans, La.	6:17	6:22	6:26	6:30
Albuquerque, N.M.	6:25	6:32	6:37	6:43
Oklahoma City, Okla.	6:49	6:56	7:01	7:07

Add one minute for each 13 miles west; subtract one minute for each 13 miles east.

ALLEGHENY EAST

DELAFIELD SPEAKS TO POTTSTOWN RETIREES

Senior citizens from several nearby cities converged on Pottstown, Pennsylvania, on December 1 for a special meeting. Pastor D.A. Delafield, currently coordinator for SDA Retiree Clubs, was the guest speaker using as his theme, "SDA Retirees: Full of Life and Bubbling."

His message brought optimism and encouragement to this special segment of the church. To enforce the feelings of hope, Delafield showed a Faith For Today movie entitled "Lillian's Secret." The program closed with a slide presentation showing senior citizen clubs across the United States. A group picture was taken to be added to this collection.

Evelyn Delafield, a Washington Adventist Hospital Chaplain accompanied her husband. She related several personal illustrations to recommend the value of volunteer service for those who have retired. This was seen as another area of soul-winning.

In the audience were two former conference presidents who are now actively involved in organizing seniors for service. W.L. Cheatham, former president of Allegheny Conference, is president of the Pottstown Senior Citizen Club. W. W. Fordham, who is former president of Southwest Region, South Central and Central States Conferences, is the senior citizen coordinator for the Allegheny East

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IMMEDIATE OPENING HOME HEALTH CARE PROGRAM DIRECTOR

The Adventist Health and Retirement Center, located in a beautiful rural setting in upstate New York, is looking for a Home Health Care Program Director to start a Home Health Program in Columbia County, New York. Applicant must have a B.S. in Nursing and a minimum of one year's supervisory experience in Home Health Care. For more information contact:

Dale Lind, Administrator,
Adventist Health and
Retirement Center
Route 9, Box 95
Livingston, NY 12541
Telephone (518) 851-3041

ALLEGHENY EAST



Mr. and Mrs. Hughes recently celebrated their 75th wedding anniversary.

THE HUGHES CELEBRATE 75th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

The Hillcrest Church in Washington, New Jersey has the distinction of having as members a couple who recently celebrated their 75th Wedding Anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hughes were stary-eyed young people of 19 when they exchanged their marriage vows at the Gethsemane Baptist Church in Chester, South Carolina in August 1909. Mrs. Hughes is the former Lula Wilks.

The Hughes moved to New Jersey in 1929. It was in 1937 at the Trinity Temple SDA Church in Newark, New Jersey that they were baptized by Elder Harvey Kibble.

They have one daughter — Mrs. Gertrude Martin — two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Mr. Hughes continues to tend his bountiful garden which he shares with his neighbors and church members.

Audrey Smith Branham
Communication Secretary

TRENTON PASTOR FIRST TO DONATE BLOOD

Vern M. Joyner, pastor of the Mt. Sinai Church in Trenton, New Jersey was the first donor in his church's annual blood donation drive. The blood is collected for the purpose of replenishing the blood bank of Mercer County.

This year's drive was spearheaded by RN's Audrey Holland and Dorothy Jones and was considered a success with over 20 donors and confirmations of at least 10 more. This service is a phase of the work done by the local Personal Ministries Department.

Henrietta Mason
Communication Secretary

CHURCH COMMUNITY LEADER

Community Guest Day was sponsored by the Macedonia Church of Chester, Pennsylvania on December 15 to honor Mr. Paul A. Thomas, a long-time resident of the city and an active member of several community organizations.

In addition, Mr. Thomas, although not an Adventist, has been very liberal with his finances and time to the church.

A capacity audience was present for the sermon presented by conference Bible Instructor Charles Jenkins from Philadelphia. Many in attendance rededicated their lives to the finishing of the gospel.

Waldo McMillan
Communication Secretary

FIRST CHURCH SPONSORS DINNER

The First SDA Church of Franklin, Virginia showed the senior citizens in their community that they care by sponsoring a holiday dinner. The dinner was held at the Oak Street Community Center and over fifty senior citizens attended. After a most delicious meal (which consisted of fresh collard greens, vegetarian turkey rolls with stuffing, candied sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce, and rolls, plus dessert), the church presented a short, well-planned program.

The program included two readings, a poem, and several songs by Mary Linder. A brief talk was given by Pastor G.M. Donaldson, the pastor of the First SDA Church, who explained the function and purpose of the SDA church in the Franklin community. He emphasized that the church is a caring church and that the dinner was only one of the myriad examples of things we do to show we care. He availed himself to them for prayer or spiritual counseling, and invited each senior citizen to stop at the hostess table and select reading material to take with them. The senior citizens listened in rapt attention and gave the pastor rousing applause at the conclusion of his speech.

Juanita Lee coordinated this well-received dinner and beamed as senior citizens smiled and thanked church members and shook the pastor's hand as they filed out. Many of the senior citizens admitted that the dinner had dispelled some of the former attitudes and opinions they had about Adventists. Several promised to attend the services.

Gene M. Donaldson
Pastor

WILLOW GROVE BEGINS YEAR ON ITS KNEES

Pastor Kirk U. Thompson of the Willow Grove, Pennsylvania Church began the year by holding a 7-hour prayer meeting on January 5.

At 8:30 a.m., members of the church came to devote this time to prayer and fasting. During the regular Sabbath school hour, members of each class were directed into prayer. The morning sermon entitled "The Sobriety Test" suggested reasons why Christians should feel the need for personal devotions. Members participated in a testimony period in which each individual was given a topic upon which to enlarge. These included reasons why we are thankful for each other, the community, service to others and more.

In addition, local elders Charles Arrington and Kenneth Scott each presented a brief sermon on prayer. The session closed with prayer by the pastor.

Kirk Thompson
Pastor

MANATAWNY CHAPTER OF AAW CELEBRATES WOMAN'S DAY

On a recent Sabbath the Manatawny Chapter of the Association of Adventist Women (AAW) observed Woman's Day simultaneously at the Pottstown and Pine Forge, Pennsylvania churches.

The theme for the day was "Reflecting Christ While Striving to Attain Our Potential as Christian Women."

Guest speakers were Helen Peace, teacher at the Larchwood School in Philadelphia at the Pottstown Church and Phyllis Edmonds, minister's wife and social worker from Asbury Park, New Jersey at the Pine Forge Academy Church. Each speaker challenged the ladies of the AAW to aim high and meet the goal of the association, emulating Christ Who empowers us to attain sought-after goals.

Both churches participated in preparing a meal for the guests. The meal was served in the Fellowship Hall of the Potts-

town Church. The day's activities were concluded with a solemn dedicatory service for the newly installed officers.

Held at the Pine Forge public school, the evening services featured Dr. Lizette Westney as the Keynote Speaker. Dr. Westney, professor of English at Howard University, spoke on "Enhancing Christian Womanhood" using mathematical metaphors. She advocated methods of addition, subtraction, division and multiplication which can result in the desired effect.

Local officers include Mirian Battles, president; Edith Gibson, vice-president; Geraldine Handy, treasurer; Audrey Booker, public relations and Elizabeth Shields, chaplain.

Audrey Booker
Public Relations Secretary

DORCAS SPREADS GOOD CHEER

One cold December morning at two o'clock, members of the Berea Temple Dorcas Society of Baltimore, Maryland were en route to the wholesale house to purchase groceries. Jesse Reid, Ruth Exum and Naomi White were joined back at the Dorcas Center at 5 a.m. by Milton Thomas, William Rufus, Joseph Buster and Maurice Jones.

For the rest of the day, the Dorcas Ladies and Adventist Men packed bags and filled baskets for distribution. They were assisted for 11 hours by three non-Adventist young ladies. Another non-Adventist accompanied Mrs. Exum to the market to assist her with the lifting.

Those who were unable to pick up their own baskets received deliveries through the courtesy of Gwen Waters and Willie Mae Hinton. Davis Ward and Junious Cofield devoted their Christmas eve to delivering baskets to the sick and shut-ins.

The following excerpt of a thank-you note from a recipient expressed typical feelings: "I had to write and thank you for my Christmas gift of food. It really was a blessing and I can't explain the help it was to me. How can I thank you except to add — God bless you always and all of your staff for the lovely work you do to help people. I didn't think I would have anything . . . I pray to God and thank Him for letting me know such lovely people."

Bettye J. Brock
Communication Secretary

INVESTMENT YIELDS \$3,000

Investment took a giant step forward during 1984 skillful leadership of Mrs. Elsie Cox, Investment Leader of the First Seventh-day Adventist Church, Washington, D.C.

Funds from various projects totaling almost \$3,000 were the result of a well planned and consistent program which appealed to its members. As a method of fulfilling her own commitment and as an incentive to other members, Mrs. Cox grew African violets and Christmas cactus. She also distributed writing pens which were sold by the youth with the words "Investment for More in 1984" inscribed on the pens.

With a spirit of willingness and perseverance, Mrs. Odell Oliver, Sabbath School Superintendent, worked closely with Mrs. Cox in promoting class and individual participation. Mrs. Oliver's class emerged with the largest amount of funds reported.

Other successful class and individual projects were funded by Loma Linda can labels, saving of pennies, selling of baked goods and dinners, salvaging of old newspapers. Projects with a slightly different method included saving of tips received by a nurse during her hours of duty and investing of Bic razor blades by one of the local elders.

SHARON CELEBRATES 25TH

"We Have Come This Far by Faith" was the theme for the Sharon SDA Church in

Baltimore, Maryland, as members celebrated their 25th anniversary and annual homecoming.

Pastor W. A. Thompson, the founder, spoke. The topic of his sermon was "What Say Ye These Stones?" The music was furnished by the Melodies of Truth and the Hall Sisters.

It was a pleasure to see so many in Sabbath school as the superintendent, Alberta Backus, led out. The present pastor, James Lewis, taught the Sabbath school lesson. Special music was by Lucille Cush. As has been her custom for 25 years, Ruby Johnson was at the piano.

Parris Mitchell read the history of the church. The speaker of the hour, Robert L. Willis, the church's first pastor, gave an inspiring message during the divine worship period. William Snyder and Sharon Lewis directed the combined choirs, consisting of the Melodies of Truth and the Sanctuary Choir.

The evening service climaxed with a mini-concert by the church organist, William Snyder, the combined choirs and a guest group, the Chancellor Choir. Pastor Lewis closed the Sabbath with a vesper thought and prayer.

Last, but not least, Sharon's own Charlie Jenkins, presently a Bible instructor in the Philadelphia area, gave the message for the Sunday afternoon service. His daughters rendered special music.



Elder James Lewis speaks during the Sharon Church 25th Anniversary.



Viola Reid Davis, 90 years old, has read the Bible through eighteen times.

READING TO SHARE: A LIFE OF SERVICE

Mrs. Viola Reid Davis who is ninety years old is currently reading her Bible through for the third time during the year.

Mrs. Davis became a Seventh-day Adventist 66 years ago along with her husband, the late James Davis, Sr. Already an avid reader, this tendency was now transferred to the reading of the Bible. Later as her new religious experience deepened and the years passed the scope of her reading broadened to other Adventist publications and Ellen G. White books.

Since the death of her husband in 1967, God has enabled her to read the Bible through eighteen times. In recent years, she has followed the character classics plan which guides the reader through the Bible and the Conflict of the Ages series and the set of Testimonies through several times.

Reading has helped to fill otherwise lonely hours for Mrs. Davis. But not only that, her knowledge and understanding of the Word of God has led Mrs. Davis to better share the love of God in so many ways. Along with being a Sabbath School teacher, she has given talks on numerous occasions and in many places including Southern Illinois University, City Temple Church in Detroit and Carter Hall worship at Oakwood College. She is a former Literature Evangelist whose sales were impressive, whose added family income supported her children's higher Christian education, and whose Christian witness led souls to the kingdom of God. She has served as Bible Instructor for tent efforts in

her home town, and through her own dedication to the cause of God continued to conduct Bible study classes in the homes of the interested.

Sabbath afternoons find her faithfully teaching "and rightly dividing the word of truth" in a Bible and sometimes Spirit of Prophecy class at church. She conducts devotional exercises at the Senior Citizens Activity Center, and plays the piano for Sabbath School and mid-week prayer services.

Realizing the importance of studying the Word for oneself, Mrs. Davis not only encourages everyone to "read and study for yourself," but has purchased and distributed hundreds of small books and pamphlets to help them to do so. She faithfully contributes to our institutions and mass media evangelism.

As she has visited in the homes of her own sons and daughters, her presence is evidenced by complete sets of the Bible Commentary, Conflict of the Ages series, Testimonies or other books she leaves always with the admonition, "read for yourself; it's the only way to know the will of God."

Mrs. Davis has lived with the philosophy, "As thy days so shalt they strength be." She attends Sabbath service regularly, and just as faithfully to mid-week prayer meetings, tent efforts or revivals as transportation allows. She enjoys reasonably good health and nurtures it by walking, eating healthfully, and getting adequate rest. In the summers she plants and reaps plentifully: canning, freezing, and sharing her produce. She loves to talk about God and testifies frequently to His goodness. She resides with one of her daughters and lives close to a daughter-in-law, a niece, and a nephew and their families. A neighbor visits daily.

Born in Wahalak, Mississippi to Charles and Mary Allen Reid, she is the youngest and only daughter in a family of four children. Mrs. Davis completed two years at Jackson College, and then enrolled at Tuskegee Institute and was a member of the last graduation class whose diploma bore the signature of "Booker T. Washington, President."

Mrs. Davis observed her ninetieth birthday May 29, 1984 at her home in East St. Louis, Illinois. A lovely celebration took place three days earlier at the Northside Seventh-day Adventist church at a luncheon in her honor with all of her eight living children present. Grandchildren and great grandchildren also came. She is the

matriarch of the Davis family and is thankful that all of her children are participating members of the Adventist church with four denominationally employed.

What is her testimony as she reads and re-reads the written Word? "I am amazed," she says, "at the historical and scientific information, but most of all at the love displayed by God despite our unworthiness."

S. Haywood Cox, President
Central States Conference



Ronald Pride was appointed Assistant Designer for the Review and Herald Publishing Association.

NEWS NOTE

Ronald Pride, son of Edward and Melba Pride has recently accepted a position with the Adventist Review and Herald Publishing Association as assistant designer. Ronald is a graduate of Thunderbird Academy and Colorado Institute of Art.

When Pride resided in Denver, he was a member of the Park Hill Church. He was actively involved in the AYS, the Youth Choir and the singing group, "Just a Portion".

AYS WEEK OF PRAYER

The Northside AYS, St. Louis, Missouri, held its third Youth Week of Prayer Sept. 16-22, 1984. The theme for the week was "Youth Speak Out". The speakers included Thea Wilson on Sunday, Dec. 16; Michael Harris, Dec. 19; and Cecil Mabry on Friday Dec. 21. The week was concluded on Sabbath, Dec. 22, 1984. The Divine Hour Speaker was Pastor Daryl White of the Illinois Conference. Pastor White gave a moving and dynamic sermon of "Lord Give Me This Mountain". Using the text Joshua 14:6-12 he told his audience how they gain the strength from God to overcome the seven mountains that keep them down: 1) Decision, 2) Patience, 3) Faith, 4) Courage, 5) Willingness, 6) Obedience and 7) Submission.

E.E. CLEVELAND SPEAKS AT NORTHSIDE

Northside S.D.A. Church, St. Louis, Missouri, was honored to have Dr. E.E. Cleveland, Professor of Religion at Oakwood College, on Oct. 5, 6, 1984. Dr. Cleveland gave an inspiring sermon on Friday, Oct. 5 on "You Don't Have Four Months" using the text John 4:35. He spoke on the need for Adventist especially to get right with God NOW. On Sabbath for the Divine Hour, Cleveland spoke on the need for people to get involved in problems other than their own. And finally on Sabbath afternoon, Dr. Cleveland spoke on "Running For The Gold". He informed the audience of the necessary equipment and garment needed for those who are running the race to make heaven their home.

AYS APPRECIATION BANQUET

On Dec. 15, 1984 the AYS of the Northside Church held an Appreciation Banquet at the Holiday Inn, St. Louis, Missouri. Certificates were presented to those who put on a AY program or opened their homes for socials. LaVaunt Maupin, AYS Sponsor and Michael Harris, AY Leader were presented plaques for outstanding service and dedication to the AYS.

Those in attendance were serenaded by Lorne Greggs, The Disciples, Ruthie Thompson and Magnolia Foster. A fashion show was presented for women of all sizes. Cheryl Wa'Ndambi gave a short story on Harriet Tubman.

COMMUNION AT CENTRAL CHURCH

A combined communion service was held at the Central SDA Church, St. Louis, Missouri on Friday evening, January 4, 1985. The two participating St. Louis area churches — Northside and Central decided they need to come together and fellowship.

Pastor Dayenais of the Central Church, with a predominantly White congregation and Pastor B.T. Rice of the Northside Church, with a predominantly Black congregation felt the most appropriate occasion would be a communion service to begin the New Year.

This represented the first time the two congregations worshipped together.

NORTHSIDE AYS, A MODEL SOCIETY

"The Northside AYS is a model society which all AYS should follow in the Central States Conference," according to Nathaniel Miller, Youth Director for the Central States Conference.

The quality programs and missionary outreach activities can be attributed to the leadership of Michael Harris, AYS leader for the Northside Church, St. Louis, Missouri. Due to his guidance the AYS has taken on a standard of service and professionalism that has never been achieved at Northside Church.

The programs were designed to educate rather than entertain the youth. Great emphasis has been placed on preparation for a lifetime of service. The youth have been involved in an active witnessing program. They have visited nursing homes, met the needs of the unfortunate, distributed tracts and enrolled many persons in Bible studies.

OFFICERS' MEETING AT BEREAN

The Central States Conference Annual Church Officers' Meeting for the metro St. Louis area churches was held at the Berean SDA Church. The meeting was very successful and everyone profited from the presentations. Conducting the meeting were: Elder S. Haywood Cox, president; Elders, Deacons, Deaconesses L.B. Hampton, treasurer; E.F. Carter, personal ministries/Sabbath school; N. Miller, AY/Education; and D.R. Milton, publishing.

N. Miller Communication Director

FALL EVENTS AT PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF DES MOINES

Philadelphia Church of Des Moines has had an eventful fall season for 1984. Since the departure of Pastor and Sister Hyatt, they had been awaiting the arrival of a new pastor.

Elder L.B. Hampton, Secretary-Treasurer of Central States Conference, spoke at Philadelphia Church. He brought greetings from the officers in Kansas City. His message surrounded the "Rich Young Ruler." One of his texts was Mark 10:21.

On October 13, 1984, Pastor Emmitt Slocumb and his lovely wife, Joan, was presented to their new church family by Pastor Hampton. Pastor Slocumb is a dynamic speaker who came to Des Moines during a joint crusade with the First SDA Church. The Dave Weigley Prophecy Countdown resulted in numerous persons being baptized. The Annual Ingathering Campaign was underway and the Great Plains Youth Federation was held on October 19 and 20. When the new officers for 1985-86 were elected, Elder R.C. Brown, Secretary of Lake Region Conference and Managing Editor of the North American Regional Voice, was the speaker during 11:00 worship service.

November 10 was the Annual Community Guest Day. Pastor Slocumb delivered a heart-warming message entitled "As For Me and My House, We Will Serve the Lord" to a full house of over 30 visitors from the community.



S. H. Cox speaks to the elders, deacons and deaconesses.

LAKE REGION



George E. Riddick, pastor of the Memorial A.M.E. Zion Church located in Chicago and staff vice president at large for Operation PUSH (People United to Serve Humanity), was the guest speaker at the Chicago Chapter's Oakwood College Alumni banquet. Riddick is pictured with Patricia Burns, (left) president of the Chicago Chapter and her husband, Burrell (right).

A CALL TO COMMITMENT

Early in the new year the supporters of Oakwood College gathered in the East wing at the Hyatt Regency Hotel — downtown Chicago — to celebrate with the members of the Chicago Chapter of the Oakwood College Alumni Association, the thirty-second annual fund raising banquet.

Patricia A. Burns, president; Sylvia D. Ham Ying, first vice president; Earl Callo-way, second vice president; and Lloyd Martin, treasurer, along with other members of the alumni chapter, worked diligently to make this 32nd banquet stand out as one of the best.

It was evident that a lot of time and effort had gone into the selection of a guest speaker for the occasion. He was George E. Riddick, pastor of the Memorial A.M.E. Zion Church located in Chicago. He also serves as the staff vice president at large for Operation PUSH (People United to Serve Humanity). This organization's headquarters is located in Chicago and was originated by Jesse Jackson, a 1983 nominee from the Democratic Party to run for president of the United States.

In addition to his other responsibilities, Dr. Riddick is a member of the World's Fair authority and chairs its committee on Neighborhoods and Community.

George Riddick, though not a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, showed evidence of extensive research and knowledge about Oakwood College and its relationship to the world church.

Riddick made such statements as, "We've got to return to the days when Oakwood College meant something to

us." He indicated that Oakwood's influence extends even to those who never attended school there. He also mentioned the importance of personal investments into this institution.

Much to the surprise of many of the banquet guests, Riddick paid tribute to the Oakwood Aeolians, an outstanding, extensively traveled, singing group which is under the direction of Alma Blackman. He mentioned such alumni as Charles E. Bradford, vice president of the General Conference in charge of North America; Frank Hale, vice provost of Minority Affairs at Ohio State University; the late Jesse R. Wagner, former president of the Lake Region Conference who served on the board for Operation Push.

Referring to the contributions made by many of the Oakwood alumni, and to the college's outstanding record for the number of students who are accepted into medical schools, he remarked, "You Black Jews are something!"

"We're calling for a new people... People who know what Oakwood can and should be." Riddick predicts that by the year 2000 Oakwood College should be a major university because of its contributions to the black society and to the country at large.

Riddick stated that Oakwood should be allowed to realize its potential not because the General Conference put Oakwood into its budget; but rather because the supporters and alumni put Oakwood in their hearts.

His closing words included these questions: Who is going to provide our lawyers and our doctors? And above all, who is going to provide the value system that only Oakwood is capable of providing.

Dr. Riddick challenged the banquet guests to remain 'peculiar'... and not to be ashamed of the gospel of Christ.

Each year the alumni chapter pays tribute to supporters in the Chicago area. This year Richard C. Brown, Sr., conference secretary for the Lake Region Conference, was awarded a service award in honor of his faithful and dedicated work performed in the Lake Region Conference.

The J. P. Winfrey Family, members of the Maywood Church in Maywood, Illinois, was given a plaque in honor of their loyal, faithful, and devoted service to Oakwood College. Brother and Sister Winfrey have sent five children to Oakwood; four of them graduated from Oakwood College. Two grandchildren are enrolled at Oakwood this school year.

A third award was presented to Carolyn Palmer, assistant principal at the Shiloh Academy in Chicago, for her dedicated service to the Chicago Chapter of the Oakwood Alumni Association.

Another highlight for the evening fashion extravaganza was narrated by Peggy Burns, a medical student at the Meharry Medical School in Nashville, Tennessee and a graduate of Oakwood College.

Patricia Burns, president of the alumni association, challenged all of the officers, members, and friends of the alumni chapter to answer the 1985 call to commitment. She stated that Oakwood needs supporters and the supporters need Oakwood.

Continue to support your alumni chapter.

Vivian Joseph,
Communication Director

LOGAN SQUARE SPANISH CHURCH WEEK OF SPIRITUAL EMPHASIS

Singing-evangelist, David Castro was the guest speaker for the Week of Spiritual Emphasis at the Logan Square Spanish Church from Nov. 29 thru Dec. 8. The main theme for the week was "A New Relationship with Jesus."

Youth and adults alike were richly blessed by the speaker, which was evident by the baptism on Friday evening, when five souls gave their hearts to the Lord. It was a memorable occasion and the members look forward to David returning next year.

Nancy Perez
Communications Secretary



Pictured, Singing-evangelist, David Castro from Atlanta, Ga. held a Week of Spiritual Emphasis at the Logan Square Spanish Church.



Pictured Above from left to right, Kevin Hardy, Charito Illaraza, Miriam Velez, Juan Pablo Herrera.

PAN AMERICAN YOUTH CONGRESS

On December 16, 1984, three very excited Spanish youth prepared to board an airplane to Mexico City. Miriam Velez of the Northwest Spanish Church, Juan Pablo Herrera from the Logan Square Spanish Church and Charito Illaraza from the South Shore Spanish Church were among the delegates from the Lake Region Conference to attend the Pan American Youth Congress. Pastor Efrain Perez was sent by the conference to be the official translator for the Lake Region delegation.

The Congress began on Wednesday, Dec. 19th and was held in the Sports Palace in Mexico City. The delegates visited the pyramids, the floating gardens, the National Ballet Company of Mexico and they did lots of shopping.

This trip was made possible by the generosity of Dr. C.D. Joseph, president of the Lake Region Conference.

Miriam, Juan and Charito would like to thank Elder Joseph for this opportunity to represent our conference on such a memorable occasion. They would also like to thank Elder Conrad and Mildred Gill for their support and help during the Congress.

Nancy Perez
Communications Secretary
Logan Square Spanish Church

BETHLEHEM FRENCH CHURCH CELEBRATES PATHFINDER DAY

Recently the Pathfinder Club of the Bethlehem French Church had its first Friday evening investiture ceremony.

The leaders of youth activities Maurice Gauthier, Margareth Douyon, Anne Alexis and Kethlie Joseph saw the fulfillment of their efforts on this special Pathfinder Day. As Helping Hands, Sunbeams, Busy Bees, the youths received their investiture from

Conrad Gill, director of Adventist Youth in the Lake Region Conference. Elder Gill also challenged the youth in his sermon to achieve higher goals.

The special guest speaker for the Sabbath divine worship service was Charles D. Joseph, president of Lake Region. He was accompanied by his wife, Vivian.

In his message Dr. Joseph invited the congregation to trust the Lord; remembering how in the past God had watched over his people and directed them through difficult circumstances.

After the Sabbath worship service a dinner was served in honor of Dr. and Mrs. C.D. Joseph. A large number of visitors and church members stayed for the dinner.

In the afternoon, during the AY hour, Elder Joseph led out in a question and answer period. His topic dealt with the many problems that are facing the church.

The AY department of the Bethlehem French Church look forward to a second Pathfinder Day when more of the youth in the church are participating in the Pathfinder Club.

SHILOH HIGHLIGHTS

There is a certain kind of enthusiasm at Shiloh Academy these days which is exhibited by parents, teachers and students alike. The parents help to shape curriculum, supervise study halls and purchase needed equipment.

On any given day parents hurry about, teaching ceramics, crocheting, and marketing. Mrs. Bonner and the third grade teacher, Miss Love have set up a marketing program in that class. The students are officers in the Paper, Eraser, and Pencil companies. Their parents purchased the stock and the students make their purchases and give reports for their companies.

Mrs. Byrd and the Home and School Association donated the money to purchase a Video recorder and a Television Ser. The students are now enjoying the Genesis story in their Bible classes.

Mrs. Shaw reports that the Juniors are welcome to use the newly acquired ACT preparation software on the Apple Computer in the library.

Mr. Van Lange, the principal was presented with a \$500.00 check by the Progressive Guild of Shiloh Church. The principal plans to purchase a kiln for the Art Department.

A recent fundraiser coordinated by the Vice principal, Mrs. Palmer netted a profit for the school of \$2,500.00. These funds

are to be used for equipment in the new school.

The greatest amount of excitement came when Dr. Joseph, president of the Lake Region Conference, presented the School Board Chairman with the keys to the new school building.

YOUTH DAY IN BENTON HARBOR

The Adventist Youth Department of the Highland Avenue Church, under the leadership of Allie A. Valentine, officially began its youth program for the year with a grand Youth Day. The day was planned by the youth department of the church.

Youth day began with Sabbath School. Several pastors from Andrews University Seminary were called upon to teach the Sabbath School lesson. The spirit of Sabbath School was carried over into the divine worship service as the youth of the church took up the responsibilities normally held by adults. It was reportedly a high day for both young and old. It was a joyous occasion for parents and church leaders to see their young people serve as ushers, deacons, church clerk, hostess, offer prayer, call for offering and so much more.

Michelle Williams, and Rodney Nash were honored during the divine worship service as two of the outstanding young people in church related activities. Allie Valentine, AY Director, was honored also.

Music for the divine worship service was rendered by Agape, a young adult choir from Andrews University. Their music set the tone for a very inspiring and challenging message by Pastor Darryl Howard, a second year seminary student, who has dedicated his time to the youth of the Highland Avenue Church. Pastor Howard's message centered on freedom, and emphasized the AY department's theme for the year, "Alive in 85."

The spiritual bread was followed by a physical bread in the fellowship hall. The young people of the church prepared and served a delicious three-course meal. Close to 200 people were served.

The day continued with excellent discussions on "Peer Pressure" by Anthony Medley; "Dating" by Dr. and Mrs. Lester Morros, and "Witnessing" by Nevlon Meadows. All these guests are students at the Seminary. First Baptist Church choir shared Christ in song when they presented an afternoon concert.

Pastor Reuben Roundtree closed the Sabbath hours by sharing a touching vesper thought, "Freedom from Falling."

R.T. HUDSON SCHOOL ADOPTS TWO EAST INDIAN CHILDREN

The students, faculty, and staff of the R.T. Hudson Elementary School are the proud, adoptive parents of two children from India. To support the children for one year, the group donated more than \$800.00.

In September Mrs. Ruth Paschal, our principal, suggested that the school adopt at least one child, and began making arrangements through the Seventh-day Adventist radio program, "The Quiet Hour."

The cost of providing food, tuition, clothing, and room for one child is one hundred eighty dollars per year. To raise the funds needed, the students were asked to dispense with exchanging gifts with each other at Christmas time and instead donate the money to help the less fortunate. The idea was enthusiastically accepted by the students.

At a special Christmas chapel program presented by Miss Rose Lee Goddine and her third graders on Thursday, December 20, 1984, the students and teachers marched to the stage and decorated the Christmas tree with their beautifully wrapped monetary gifts. It was a most impressive sight to see the children cheerfully display the spirit of unselfishness exemplified in the life of Jesus. When the march was over, every student had contributed something to the more than \$800.00 placed under and on the tree.

The generosity of the parents and students has made it possible, not only to bring a ray of hope into the lives of two East Indian children but also, to make a contribution to the starving people of Ethiopia. Is there a better way for a Christian school to celebrate Christmas?

The R.T. Hudson school, located at 1122 Forest Avenue, Bronx, New York, is operated by the Ephesus, City Tabernacle, and Bronx SDA churches.

SHILOH'S CRUSADE YIELDS 116 BAPTISMS

One hundred and sixteen people were baptized during the six-week "New Life Crusade" in Springfield, Massachusetts, under the sponsorship of the Shiloh SDA Church.

The pastor, David S. Glover, and associates John Talbert, Leroy Bartlett, Derrick



Pastor David Glover (center) with wife, Hazel (in front of the pastor) and associates (dressed in luxedos) stands with a portion of 116 members baptized in the New Life Crusade.

Miller and Willie Jones had the privilege of seeing many lives transformed through the preaching of the gospel.

The inebriated became sober, separated couples reunited, the profane became respectful and those searching discovered eternal life.

Bible instructors Vera Talbert, Johnnie Edwards, Cindy Williams, Johnnie Edwards of the Shiloh church, Adrienne Salone and Alonzo Hurdle of Oakwood College, and Patricia Langley of the Northeastern Conference worked diligently to reach the people.

Not only did the crusade minister to the people's spiritual needs but also to their physical and mental needs. Donna Gunn, temperance secretary for the church, conducted a "Five Day Stop Smoking Plan". Dr. David Moore of the Living Springs Retreat in Living Springs, New York, lectured on health. Alzina Black conducted a health fair, offering free blood pressure screening, among other things.

Community Service Director James Moore and his staff gave away clothing and food.

Sabbath services were made special by Velma Brown, superintendent, who employed various church officers to review doctrines preached during the week.

The New Life Community Choir was one of the many highlights of the crusade. On Sabbath evenings sacred concerts were held. Hazel Glover served as the mistress of ceremonies.

Every act performed by the crusade team made a profound impression upon the community. Even something as simple

as taking down the tent caused many to stand in awe at the unity and cooperation among church members. The crusade activities were concluded on Sunday, August 19, with a fellowship breakfast at the home of Myrtle Miller.

Myrtle Miller
Communication Secretary

SUNDAY SCHOOL BRINGS BAPTISM

A Sunday School organized by Sabbathkeepers resulted recently in the baptism of Leroy Duncan at City Tabernacle, New York City.

The Sunday School was organized last March with approximately twenty five (25) adults and children, under the direction of Elder Johnnie Patrick, Personal Ministries Director.

Held every Sunday, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., in the main sanctuary, the school has two elders as instructors, and uses the "Bible Says Lesson Series". Each week the Instructor goes through the lessons with the class then the members take them home to study them. The Children's division has three teachers and approximately twelve enthusiastic students between the ages of 6 and 14 years.

The school came about as a result of Ellen White's counsel that Sunday Schools should be held in the churches for members of the community. Elder Samuel Thomas, Personal Ministries and Sabbath School Director for the Columbia Union, reminded laymen of this counsel during a Manhattan-Bronx Laymen's Federation.

Joan V. Marsh
Correspondent



Members of the City Tabernacle adult division Sunday School.

SOUTH FLORAL PARK MISSION— BUSY WORKING

It is amazing what human effort and Divine power can accomplish. Three years ago there was no SDA church in South Floral Park (Long Island), New York. Today, there is a thriving mission working hard to meet the needs of the community.

Ten years ago, Elder and Mrs. S.O. James saw the need to establish a mission in their community. Mrs. Rhoda James remarked to her husband, "before we leave we must start a church."

The James were so busy working at the Northeastern Community Service Center, Corona, New York, that they found it necessary to defer their mission project. Time passed and in 1980, several SDAs living in the area began a prayer meeting in the home of John and Beauty Harrison. They would invite members of the community to worship with them. The James attended periodically as their schedule permitted. They were often reminded of their mission project by the members of the prayer group.

The members of the prayer group continued to work in the community until the time was ripe to establish a mission. On the first Sabbath of January, 1982, sixty people gathered for the first service of the South Floral Park Mission held at the United Methodist Church.

Since that time members of the Mission have discovered various ways to reach the people. Their first and foremost way has been house to house evangelism. They have made friends, discovered the needs of their neighbors and are now working to fulfill those needs.

The health message has played a pivotal role in reaching the community. They have presented a number of health lectures. Not only have they lectured, but they

have provided practical training through the Home Nursing Course. The Northeastern Health Van has provided free blood pressure screening.

They have fed the hungry and clothed the naked. Although South Floral Park is a predominately middle class community, there are surrounding areas where people are in need. The members of the mission has focused on these areas.

The Vacation Bible School has been instrumental in teaching the children of the community about the love of God. Three little girls, approximately ten years old, attend the Mission every Sabbath, without fail, walking a half mile regardless of the weather. This without the aid or encouragement of their parents.

In the summer of 1983, Elder Harrison Thompson assumed pastoral duties. He is a ministerial graduate of Oakwood College. Although young in age, he is rich in experience. He has conducted a number of Bible seminars for the community. His greatest emphasis has been visiting the people on a one to one basis.

In the summer of 1984, Atlantic Union Evangelist, Elder Raymond Saunders conducted a crusade in Hempstead, Long Island, New York, every night. Members of the mission brought twenty persons to hear Elder Saunders preach; from that number six were baptized — Darlisha Williams, Selah Thornton, Rita Vance, Emma Little, Sarah Johnson and Louise Oliver.

The Mission is continuing its steady growth with an average attendance of forty worshippers every week.



Walter Arties, producer of Breath of Life.

EPHESUS HOSTS BREATH OF LIFE TEAM

Adventist churches and Adventist telecasts share a common objective to spread the good news of salvation through Jesus Christ to every nation, and kindred, and tongue and people. In order to fulfill this objective, on September 15, 1984, the Ephesus SDA Church of New York City became the studio for the Breath of Life TV program.

Hours before most Ephesians had opened their eyes, the men with their big trucks and equipment had arrived at the corner of 123rd Street and Lenox Avenue. The workers went about the task of wiring and erecting lights and the sound system.

"This is no ordinary Sabbath Day," Virginia Norman, Sabbath school superintendent told the Sabbath school teachers who had assembled for teacher's meeting. How profound and how prophetic were her words.

Ephesians were allowed backstage to see what goes into the production of a religious telecast. Lights, action, camera! Excitement was in the air! Expectation covered every face! Ephesians learned anew the meaning of the words: skill, timing, quiet, team work, and yes patience.

The music was furnished by the Soul-Seekers, a vibrant choral group from Washington, D.C., the Breath of Life quartet and Walter Arties.

New York's native son, Walter Arties, is the team's facilitator and coordinator. He explained the schedule to the audience, detailing the part each person was to play. Dr. Leon G. Cox, pastor of the Ephesus church, welcomed the team to Ephesus. The Agape Society, the hostesses, the Coley's and others prepared food for the body in exchange for food for the soul.

Breath of Life speaker/director C.D. Brooks, presented a trilogy of sermons. "Carnal Christians," a study of Christian growth and development. "Golden Age," a message of hope and courage for senior citizens, the fastest growing group in the U.S.A. "Real Roots," an overview of the history and pain of slavery and the strength to survive that came from God. Each dissertation was presented with dynamic force and clarity.

Sabbath, September 15, 1984, was no ordinary day. The Breath of Life team came to Ephesus. God blessed their ministry and the blessings overflowed to all present.

Henrietta Jackson
Correspondent

SOUTH ATLANTIC



Happy faces of members who were baptized at Thomaston on January 26, 1985. L-R: Front Row: Jeanette Daniels; Shirley Daniels; Skoni Scott; Barbara Willis-Wise, Betty Willis-Worthy, twin sisters and sisters to Pastor Mack Willis who baptized them. Back row: Elder R. T. Smith, Publishing Director of South Atlantic Conference; twin brothers Christopher and Stanley Lockhart; Elder R. B. Hairston, President of South Atlantic Conference; James Ballard and wife, Gloria Ballard.

FAITH AND WORKS LIGHTS A TOWN

James Ballard is a Credentialed Literature Evangelist from the sixty-five member McDonough, Georgia, Tri-City Church. He chose to concentrate his ministry in Thomaston, Georgia, a relatively small industrial town about seventy-five miles south of Atlanta. South Atlantic Conference had no work in that town which seems to be teeming with thousands of black citizens.

Ballard was not satisfied with just scattering the printed pages in the homes of the people, but his thirst for souls led him to the community center in one of the several housing developments in the town where the authorities kindly gave him permission to hold Bible studies. With his wife, Gloria Ballard, a nutritionist who conducts a very lively and informative health program which precedes the Bible study by Ballard where some forty people come from week to week to study the word of God.

On January 26, 1985, the first baptism of eight precious souls was conducted at a rented baptist church in Thomaston. This was a special day. President R.B. Hairston of the South Atlantic Conference delivered the message. Others from the conference office were: Personal Ministries Director, Joe Hinson; Publishing Director, Robert Smith; Communication Director, Sam Gooden; and Pastor Mack Willis, a theology graduate of Oakwood College who pastors two churches — Rome and Senoia, Georgia. Willis was assisted in the pool by Willie Glass of the Griffin church. This was a very special day for Willis in more ways



Officers of the Home and School Fellowship who spearheaded the Presidents' Wives Tea are L-R: Gladys Glass, Treasurer; Del Patrick, Assistant Secretary; Cynthia Roberts, Secretary; and Nola Franklin, President.

than one. Thomaston is his home town from whence he was "brand plucked from the burning" a few years ago by a member of the Georgia-Cumberland Conference who also encouraged him to go to Oakwood College. He studied theology, and returned to his home town on January 26,

TEA RAISES FUNDS FOR EDUCATION

The Home and School Fellowship Association of Greater Atlanta Adventist Academy and Berean Elementary School, Atlanta, Georgia, on February 3, 1985, sponsored a fund-raising project under the title, "Presidents' Wives Tea". It was held at the Atlanta-Sheraton Hotel. It was well attended by over 500 patrons.

The returns from this project is targeted primarily to the updating of the school library. They received upward of \$5,500.00.

The program featured the wives of the 40 presidents of the United States from George Washington to Ronald Reagan. The Mistress of Ceremony was Mrs. Zernona Clayton, Director of Public Affairs of the Turner Broadcasting System, Inc. In introducing Mrs. Clayton, Elder R. Franklin revealed a couple of facts which show that this prominent Atlanta celebrity has some ties with the Seventh-day Adventist Church which she did not attempt to deny. In fact in one instance during her rising star experience, it proved to have been an asset. In the first instance, she is a close relative of Elder & Mrs. R.E. Tottress and secondly, she was twice featured as a cover personality on the Message Magazine.

From the inside information and enlightenment which these 50 ladies who



Zernona Clayton, Mistress of Ceremony.

represented the wives of the presidents brought to the audience, it was quite evident that quite a bit of research went into the presentations. It was also of interest to note that when Jacqueline, the wife of J.F. Kennedy, the 35th President, was called there was a spontaneous exuberating stir of the audience which indicated that for good or bad even though she is still alive, she has left a lasting impression on the American public as a president's wife.

Each of the 40 actresses was given a small table to decorate and set up for tea in a manner representative of her time in the White House, raise funds, and verbalize her history. The judges were: Helene Harris, (chairperson), Juanita Sellers, Corine Taylor, Ruby Lindsay, Linda Page, and Henrietta Canty (absent). Chairman Harris announced the results of the enormous task in categories of 1st, 2nd, and 3rd respectively in each area. They were: Fund-raising: Nel Henry, Ceola Jones, and Louise Thompson; Authenticity: Nel Henry, Louise Thompson, and Ceola Jones; Presentation: Laretha Mitchell, Joan Clarke, and Mary Floyd.

SOUTH CENTRAL



Workers who received awards for outstanding work in different fields. Seated L-R: J. W. McCoy, Secretary of Conference and Youth Director; Dr. C. E. Dudley, conference president for 23 years; J. A. Edgcombe, president of Southeastern conference; F. N. Crowe, treasurer of South Central Conference; Standing far left, Shelton Kilby, Director of Music for the conference.



Dr. Dudley (standing) introduces Mrs. Powell, wife of the president of the American Baptist Seminary and neighbor of the Dudleys. Mrs. Etta Dudley (L) and F. N. Crowe (R) applauds.



Workers and guests celebrated Elder J. H. Laurence's 100th birthday during the workers meeting.

SOUTH CENTRAL WORKERS' MEETING VISITED BY GOVERNOR

The South Central Workers' Meeting held in January at the Maxwell House, Nashville was attended by three distinguished visitors: the Governor of Tennessee, the Mayor of Nashville and the Councilwoman, who represents the area where the conference is located.

The workers' meeting was being held next door to the politicians meeting. When Dr. C.E. Dudley, President of the Conference was informed of their meeting, he and Pastor Bill Monk extended an invitation to the officials.

Other events at the meeting included a presentation by Elder S.C. Myers, Stewardship Department of the General Conference. He presented a three hour study on Stewardship and the Combined Budget.

The Stewardship program has made a great impact on the conference membership. The conference had an increase in tithes of nearly \$348,000 and in offerings, \$300,000 in 1984.

The East Knoxville (Tennessee) Church with a tithe increase of 199%, had the largest increase of all the churches. Dr. T.L. Hemingway, pastor of the church and the College Hill Church recalled the financial burden of the Hill Church. They were struggling to keep the church operating until they entered the 10 plus 10 Stewardship program. Ninety five percent of the membership is participating. He said, the church has now paid all of its back debts and is current in its monthly payments.

President Dudley urged the pastors to lead each church into the 10 plus 10 program. He placed special emphasis on Conference Wide Development program. This program will assist 17 churches construct churches.

The Personal Ministries Department under the leadership of M.E. Joiner presented a Church Growth program.

J.W. Coy, Youth Director, presented a complete program booklet with the dates of every Federation, workshop and departmental visit. It included the date for Youth Congress and an explanation of the point system used to grade the AY Societies.

S.P. Ruff, Publishing Director, urged the ministers to promote the literature ministry in their church. Elders T.R. Smith, Associate Director for the Southern Union and Robert Smith, Review and Herald Publishing Association spoke during this time.

A Music, Worship, Evangelism Workshop was conducted by Elder Shelton Kilby, Director of Music for the conference.

N.G. Higgs, Conference Education Director and Dr. Norwida Marshall of the Southern Union presented the segment on Education.

P.E. Vincent, pastor of the Ephesus Church, Birmingham, Alabama did a presentation on the Revelation Seminar. He was one of several ministers who conducted a seminar. His efforts resulted in 45 baptisms.

G.I. Pearson, A.B.C. manager, gave an update on the cost and services offered by the Book Center.

The meeting concluded with a banquet. A number of workers were given awards for their outstanding work. J.A. Edgcombe, President of the Southeastern Conference was the guest speaker.

The report for 1984, revealed that nearly 1,200 were baptized; three new churches were organized; four buildings were purchased or built; and five mortgages were burned.

The workers were challenged to establish 100 congregations; to reach \$4,000,000 in tithe, an increase of \$350,000; construct a school in Nashville and an academy in Huntsville; increase by 10% the number attending church schools; and baptize 3,000 souls in 1985.

HUDSON'S CELEBRATE 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. James W. Hudson recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in Bowling Green, Kentucky. Highlighting the Sabbath day celebration was the family-oriented Sabbath school service. The morning message was delivered by the Hudsons former pastor, Earl W. Moore, and a noon fellowship dinner was prepared for out-of-town guests, church members, and community friends.

As the vesper hour drew near in the sanctuary, James and Robell Hudson faithful members of the Cottage Chapel SDA Church, renewed their vows before the ceremony's officiating minister, Dr. C.B. Rock, president of Oakwood College, Huntsville, Alabama.

Present for the evening's testimonial reception, hosted by the Hudson's children, were some of Bowling Green's leading citizens consisting of prominent educators, business and medical professionals, and community and church persons.

Accolades praising them for their church and community presence were constantly rendered throughout the speeches given in their honor. A noteworthy observation, presented by one of the city's high school principals, applauded them for their consistent concern for each other, their family, their church, and their ever-widening circle of friends.

The Hudsons are parents of 13 children, 13 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. All hosts for this superb celebrated occasion.



The Hudsons (seated in the center) and the members of their family.

THE MIRACLE OF CLEVELAND

The East Cleveland, Tennessee, church began as a dream in the mind of Pastor Joseph F. Milner, Jr.

This dream was discussed with Mr. J. W. Henson, an Adventist resident of Bradley County, Tennessee, who agreed to help raise the financial resources to make this dream a reality. Several Adventist businessmen in the Cleveland and Collegedale area, as well as the South-Cumberland Conference, made substantial donations to finance the tent meeting.

Pastor Roy Caughron, who at the time was pastor of the Bowman Hills church, solicited from the Georgia-Cumberland Conference a 60' X 40' tent, 200 chairs, a piano, pulpit platform, pulpit rostrum, electrical equipment and a P.A. system. Pastor Richard Carter, the treasurer of the Georgia-Cumberland Conference, sent Mr. Driver, the conference maintenance employee, to Cleveland to put up the tent, since the evangelist had no experience in tent pitching. The land was provided without charge.

Regina Jenkins, who has been a tower of strength, provided room and board at her home for the Bible workers without charge. She also provided storage space in her garage for the tent and evangelistic equipment until needed. In addition she solicited two van loads of students from Southern College, Collegedale, Tennessee, who went to Cleveland several weeks prior to the start of the meetings and enrolled 75 people in the Amazing Facts Bible Course. She also sent to Ohio for one of her relatives to serve as the musician and tentmaster.

On July 22, 1978, at the conclusion of the five-week crusade, nine souls were

baptized. The church membership is now 22.

With the help of James C. (Pappy) Morgan, a strong supporter, the group was able to use the A.L. Manous Community Center as a temporary place of worship. On August 16, 1978, Pastor C.E. Dudley, president of the South Central Conference, officially organized the group into a church. This was the first church in the South Central Conference to be organized in Bradley County. The church was brought into the South Central Conference at the 16th Conference Session.

Housing the church was a continuous problem because the group had no place of its own to worship. Regina Jenkins found a chapel at the Lay Street Apartments. This chapel was provided free of charge for 2½ years. On March 31, 1981, the church was able to purchase three lots on Howard Circle. On March 4, 1982, Pastor Benjamin Jones contacted Otis Rupright and asked if Rupright would donate a church. (Rupright had donated a number of churches to small groups with limited income and no building.) Mr. Rupright consented to donate a church to the Cleveland congregation in the spring of 1985. The Spirit of God worked on the mind of Rupright and in February of 1984 he contacted Milner and informed him that he would donate the church, providing the grounds were paid for, the concrete slab poured with needed plumbing installed and a permit obtained.

In two days Milner was able to get plans drawn, a clear title and a permit to build the church.

November 22-23, 1984, were days of celebration of the opening and dedication services of the East Cleveland Seventh-day Adventist Church. The church had worshiped in eight different locations since 1978. It therefore brings enormous satisfaction to see how God has worked miracle after miracle in behalf of the Cleveland congregation to bring a herculean achievement to a successful realization.

The former pastor, Patrick Vincent, now at Ephesus in Birmingham, the present pastor, Benjamin Jones, and the conference president, Dr. C. E. Dudley, join with Milner in giving glory to God and praises and thanksgivings to the members and friends who helped to make such a miracle happen.

Joseph Milner, Jr.

SOUTHEASTERN



Elder O. H. Paul, Director of Education and Religious Liberty for Southeastern Conference.

IN TRANSITION

Elder O.H. Paul, Pastor of the Mt. Sinai SDA Church in Orlando, Florida, was appointed Director of Education and Religious Liberty by the Southeastern Conference Executive Committee on January 13, 1985.

Elder Paul graduated Summa Cum Laude from Oakwood College in 1963/64.

His entire ministry thus far has been in the state of Florida. He pastored for seven years in Orlando where he built the imposing and beautifully appointed Mt. Sinai SDA church. He also built the West Palm Beach. He has served in Tallahassee and Tampa. Presently, he is a member of the Southeastern Conference Executive Committee.

In the city of Orlando, he is a Commissioner of the Housing Authority, a post held since 1983. He has also served as an educator with the government of Trinidad and Tobago in the West Indies for six years.



Ms. Melinda Sewer, secretary for Elder R. R. Brown.

IN TRANSITION

Ms. Melinda Sewer of Southeastern California, a 1984 graduate of Oakwood College with a Bachelor of Science degree in Office Administration recently accepted a secretarial post with the Southeastern Conference. She is Secretary to Elder R.R. Brown, the Director of Stewardship & Development, Communications, and Trust Services.

Ms. Sewer brings to the office a wealth of secretarial accomplishments having served in a number of areas needed in a growing conference.

She was Vice President of the Senior Class of Oakwood College 1984; Miss United Negro College Fund Queen of Oakwood College 1981, a title achieved by raising \$5000.00; nominated "Most Dedicated Female" by the student body of Oakwood College in 1981; and selected Outstanding Young Woman of America.

EVANGELISM IN COCONUT GROVE

One of the greatest challenges that can come to any Pastor or Evangelist, is that spoken of in Isaiah 54:2 — "Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations; spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes."

This is exactly what Pastor Dennis Ross, Jr. of the Miami Bethany SDA Church and his group of workers did this summer in Coconut Grove.

Coconut Grove is an area of Miami that has been without an Adventist Church for many years. The Adventist members living in that area have been praying for the day when a church could be organized. The summer of 1984, their prayers were answered as Pastor Ross and members of the Bethany Church began evangelistic meetings.

The tent was set in an area of the greatest need in the community. It had the characteristics of Sodom and Gomorrah. Yet, this was the spot that God had placed upon the minds and hearts of Pastor Ross and his team.

Each evening the voices of hundreds of people could be heard singing praises to God as Jimmie Brown led the congregation in singing. The stimulating way that Stanley Major (Crusade Coordinator) kept the nightly subjects before the audience brought them back night after night. The Crusade Choir, under the direction of Danny Foulkes and Lois Johnson, was a remarkable accomplishment. The choir sang nightly for seven weeks.

Bible Workers for the crusade were Johnny Thomas and Naomi Johnson. Other faithful workers were the deacons, ushers, deaconesses of Bethany and many more. At the end of the meetings, hearts were made glad as 51 precious souls were baptized for Jesus.

SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE HONORS THEIR RETIREES

The man who has worked hardest and done the most in the service of God, is the one who finds it hardest to be laid aside by age, sickness. And yet, one must make up his mind, that the world can go on without him and God's work will prosper despite the absence of his hands. The stark reality that there is only a little vacancy in the ranks of the living by his departure from his assigned place is humbling. But, as long as God keeps him in the world, it is for a great purpose. It is with that thought in mind that the Southeastern Conference has a special place in its heart for those who have forged ahead in yesteryears.

On January 15, 1985 at the Workers' Meeting held in Orlando, Florida, special recognition was given to nine Veteran workers and their wives. They were saluted for their courage, daring, exploits and achievements in good and bad times. Their wealth of information, reservoir of knowledge are drawn upon by all. Their willingness to serve whenever and wherever called upon is a demonstration of their commitment.



Elder and Mrs. S. McClamb reside in Melbourne, Florida. He has served as Publishing Director for the South Atlantic as well as the Northeastern Conference.



Elder and Mrs. L. Hastings reside in Hawthorne, Florida. He has served as pastor throughout the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference and has built four churches.



Elder and Mrs. M. Green currently reside in St. Petersburg, Florida. His service has been concentrated in the Southern Union where he built several churches and church schools. He also pastored throughout the Union.



Elder and Mrs. C. Neblett reside in Altamonte Springs, Florida. He has served as Evangelist, teacher, pastor and Stewardship Secretary.



Elder and Mrs. I. Christian reside in Savannah, Georgia. His tenure of service has been in the educational field serving as principal for some 41 years. He has also built churches and church schools.



Elder and Mrs. R. Robinson now reside in Deltona, Florida. He has served as Publishing Director for the South Atlantic Conference and Manager of the ABC for the Lake Region Conference.



Elder and Mrs. E. Sumpter reside in Hawthorne, Florida. He has served as Pastor throughout the Southeastern Conference primarily in the northern Florida area.



Elder and Mrs. W. Thomson reside in Orlando, Florida. He has served as ABC Manager, Treasurer and Administrator. The Lord blessed him to be President of the East/West Caribbean Conference.



Elder and Mrs. E. Lockett reside in Altamonte Springs, Florida. He has pastored primarily in the Atlantic Union and has served as Lay Activities Secretary for Northeastern Conference.

GAGNEZ 5 EN 1985 (5 in 1985). The four ministers pastoring the seven French congregations have pledged by God's grace to baptize over 400 souls in 1985. Pastor Joas Helveteus, director of personal ministries and Sabbath school for the North Haitian Mission of SDA was the keynote speaker.

On December 8, concerned youth and adults of Southeastern Conference from Ft. Pierce to Key West were assembled in the beautifully appointed Mt. Olive Baptist Church in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, for the South Florida Federation exercises. Chaplain Barry Black of San Diego, California, titled his sermon "Ghostbusters." The occasion was a fitting time for the changing of the guards. Katie Wiggins Garret, outgoing Federation president, was honored and incoming President Lillie Flowers was introduced. All the features usually in place made the day a memorable event.

IN TRANSITION

Anthony Davis, his wife Brenda and children said farewell to the Mt. Sinai church in Orlando, Florida, and the Untied States. They leave for Rwanda, Africa, as missionaries.

Davis served as the treasurer for Mt. Sinai church and did a capable and commendable job. His wife had been one of the pioneers of the church school and with her dedication and reliability functioned in various roles many years.

Southeastern Conference senses a loss along with the church of this Christian family, but feel proud of our contribution to God's needy vineyard.

REVIVAL MEETING

Seven precious souls were baptized at the Town and Country church in Tampa, Florida, by Pastor Eugene Armstead, Sr. Pastor Vernon Braithwaite, assistant pastor of the Miami Bethany church, conducted the fall revival meeting. The church was filled to capacity almost every night with visitors, members, and the Bethlehem Clearwater church members who threw their support behind the revival. The theme song "He that believeth . . . has everlasting life" was a nightly highlight.

**ATTEND OAKWOOD
HOMECOMING
APRIL 5 — 7**



LE Leaders attend Incentive meeting in Florida. Front row L-R Carrie Marshall, Julian Sylvester. 2nd row James Marshall, Nathaniel Jackson.

LEs REPORT \$334,370

Seven years has passed since the beginning of the FHES Incentive Meeting in Florida. The Southwest is excited to be a part of this program and participate in this ministry, and for the past four years we have watched the enormous growth. Thursday, December 27-31 the Seminar began with spiritual devotions, recreation and wholesome fellowship.

The banquet culminated the activities of the retreat, where all nine conferences gathered in the spacious banquet hall of the Holiday Inn to dine and report the year's happenings listed below:

Districts

Ben Lewis	125,000.00
Fort Worth, Texas	
Nathaniel Jackson	80,000.00
New Orleans, Louisiana	
James Ragnauth	75,000.00
Little Rock, Arkansas	
Julian Sylvester	34,960.00
Houston, Texas	

Top Sales

Ezekiel Wilson	\$40,000.00
Carrie Marshall	36,000.00
Earline Jackson	21,000.00
Amelia Baker	18,000.00
Paul Bryant	13,000.00
M.L. Holmes	10,000.00

Elder James Marshall and his associates are to be commended for the motivation and inspiration they imparted to the publishing work to the total of \$334,370.53.

which puts the Southwest Region in 5th place among the Black conferences. Baptisms for James Ragnauth 10, Earline Jackson 21, Julian Sylvester 34, and Ben Lewis 35 totaled 100. After the conferences had all reported, they totaled over \$4,000,000.00, which is a record for the Black Conferences across North America.

Doris Jones, Reporter



**Ben Lewis
LE Leader**



**James Ragnauth
LE Leader**

CONFERENCE-WIDE YOUTH FEDERATION HELD

The United Youth Federation was held in Hannah Hall, Texas Southern University, October 26-28, 1984. The Keynote speaker was Joseph Grider, Pastor Berean Church, Jackson, Mississippi and the meeting began Friday evening.

Dr. C.D. Joseph, President Lake Region Conference, delivered a powerful message Sabbath, at Divine Worship Hour and Sunday Devotional Hour. Other activities included were 1) A Pathfinder Parade with drill techniques, 2) Bible Bowl. The winner for the Bible Bowl was the Mansfield, Louisiana Church Team. This team represented the conference in the Bible Bowl championship, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Youth Director Bill Wright reports this to be one of the highlights of the Youth Department for 1984.

Doris Jones, Reporter



Pastor Joseph Grider, pastor Berean Church, Jackson, Miss. delivers the Keynote Address at the United Youth Federation Meeting.



The Pathfinders parade through the streets in Houston during the United Youth Federation Meeting.

OBITUARY

Dorothy Mae Hadley died January 18, 1985 in Jacksonville, Florida. She served the Southern Union in the South Atlantic and Southeastern Conference.

In the South Atlantic Conference she served as Bible Instructor for seven years and in the Southeastern Conference as Teacher for Ephesus Jr. Academy, Jacksonville for seventeen years. She has also served the church as Sabbath School teacher, pianist, and in the Treasury department.

She is survived by her daughter, Francenia Bethel, a graduate of Oakwood College; aunt, Kathie Walker, and a host of relatives and friends.

TO THE KIND AND LOVING FRIENDS OF CELIA CLEVELAND

You have helped make me one of the happiest persons alive with your gift to me of the electric mobility cart for the handicapped.

Words cannot convey the emotions that stir within me as I write this letter. You have opened up a new world to me. I can now go shopping again and be able once again to go to our large church gatherings without putting so much pressure and strain on my darling husband. Though he has never complained, I am happy that this gift will bring him some relief as he has cheerfully borne me up through the years of my infirmities.

I am eternally grateful to you for all of this and heaven alone can reward you for your kindness and love.

May God ever richly bless each of you is my prayer.

Appreciatively and lovingly,
(Mrs.) Celia M. Cleveland

COOPER RECEIVES EXCELLENCE AWARD

Dr. Emerson A. Cooper, professor of chemistry at Oakwood College is one of 29 persons in the nation being awarded a certificate of merit for outstanding achievement in academic advising for 1984 in a national awards competition sponsored jointly by The American College Testing Program (ACT) and the National Academic Advising Association (NACADA).

Dr. Cooper was nominated for this competition by Dr. Roy E. Malcolm, vice-president for instruction at Oakwood College.

For 36 years, Dr. Cooper has served as the principal advisor at Oakwood for students pursuing careers in medicine, dentistry, chemistry and allied health professions. As a result of his teaching ministry, scores of Oakwood students, many of whom took all of their early chemistry courses from him, have gone on to earn doctoral degrees in medicine, dentistry and chemistry.

The award will be presented to Dr. Cooper during the NACADA annual conference to be held October 14-17 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. This program is designed to honor individuals and institutions making significant contributions to the improvement of academic advising on college campuses.

NEWS NOTES:

Brother and Sister Joseph Williams, members of the Bethel Church in Grand Rapids, lectured, demonstrated, and provided delicious samples at the "No Cholesterol Cooking School" held in connection with the 1984 summer evangelistic program which was conducted by Charles R. Graham, pastor of the Bethel Church in Grand Rapids, Michigan. This was the third summer evangelistic campaign held on the church parking lot. Fifty-six (56) members were baptized into the Bethel Church during 1984.

Martha L. Graham
Communication Secretary

Oakwood College hosted the Chamber of Commerce Breakfast Club at the Sheraton Inn of Huntsville, Alabama, on November 13. President Calvin B. Rock addressed the community of businessmen and women on the topic of "Running the Race." The program included the film about Oakwood College entitled "Winning the Race" and Oakwood College's contribution to the Huntsville-Madison County Community.

Oakwood College and the Huntsville community sponsored activities for the Lou Rawls National United Negro Fund (U.N.C.F.) Telethon aired on WHNT-TV (Channel 19) on December 29 from noon to midnight. The twelve-hour telethon included participants from the Huntsville and North Alabama area.

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