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OUR COVER: Mrs. Payar Juman, wife of the Minister of Education of Sabah, cuts the ribbon to open a new lamb shelter in Kintampu, Sabah. Photo by Grady.

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## Where There's a Will . . .

MOTHER Alkire did not give up easily. She had read in Volume 6 of the **Testimonies**: "Wherever there are a few Sabbath-keepers, the parents should unite in providing a place for a day-school, where their children and youth can be instructed. . . . **Schools should be established, if there are no more than six children to attend,**" pp. 198, 199. She was determined to follow the counsels, though there were a few difficulties in the way.

First of all, her husband had just died, leaving her with five children to support. Secondly, the only living she had was what she and the children could wrest from their farm in Bear Lake, Michigan. Thirdly, a letter she had received from a prospective teacher was not too encouraging. "Where will you hold the school?" the applicant wanted to know. "And will I have a private, comfortable room? Is there a bathroom? How far are you from town?"

Mrs. Valkire didn't have much to offer a teacher. Her house was small, with living room, kitchen, and woodshed on the first floor, and three unfinished rooms upstairs. The family took their weekly baths in a washtub by the kitchen stove. The "bathroom" was the outdoor variety. School would have to be held in the living room, and the teacher would sleep in a small, unheated room upstairs.

It didn't take the first applicant long to refuse the offer. But Mrs. Valkire told her children, "Your father wanted you to have a Christian education, and by God's help I'll see that you get it." She rallied the church members to her support, and sent in another request to conference headquarters in Battle Creek.

## FROM THEIR SHOULDERS

Now it happened that in December, 1897, a group of students at Battle Creek College volunteered to go out and pioneer the work in elementary education. Among them was Maud Wolcott, a girl still in her teens. Bravely she accepted the call to teach in Bear Lake.

Snow was piled high that December day when Maud arrived after a long ride by train, stagecoach, and wagon. The whole family was lined up to meet her. Underneath Mrs. Alkire's welcoming smile was a feeling of anxiety: would this girl be homesick and self-centered, unable to bear the burden? "Oh God, let her be one who can carry the load, who will love the children, who is consecrated in heart and soul," she prayed.

Maud was as nervous as the mother, wondering whether she would be able to manage the children. And she **did** get





homesick. Oh that first night, when sleep would not come, and she soaked her pillow with tears! Then in the morning she saw little eyes peering through the knotholes in the rough board partition. Soon Jenny, the youngest, jumped into bed with her, and the boys spun their tops for her, and Laura (downstairs making breakfast) began to sing happily, "Rock of Ages." Suddenly Maud's homesickness fled. "These are my people!" she thought. From then on she was one of the family.

Thirteen students showed up for school that day, some from the church and neighborhood. Maud organized school in the living room. The black-

gone over their goals. The goal for the rest of Malaya Mission is \$15,000, of which \$3,835 has been reported.

Another successful mission is Sarawak. With a goal of \$33,500, it has already turned in \$29,164. Sarawak's project is the new auditorium-science-library complex for Sunny Hill School. Mr. Choo Wee Fong, principal of Sunny Hill School, reports that the 750 students and faculty members collected \$12,337, the largest amount ever raised by the school. Ayer Manis School has also reached its goal and one student, Gilbert Tan, brought in \$650.

Thailand Mission has raised \$11,192 toward its goal of \$18,750. This is for a number of projects, mostly educational. Sabah Mission is raising money for the Sabah Adventist Secondary School. It is over a quarter of the way to its goal of \$25,000.

Ingathering time always brings many interesting experiences. In Sarawak, Elder Robert Grady, Union Lay Activities Secretary, and Mr. Tan Kong Hwee spent an hour visiting Datok William Tan, Speaker for the Sarawak Legislature, and received a \$400 donation. Datok Tan stated that he, as well as many other leading men in Sarawak, were indebted to mission schools for their education. They also visited the Minister of Home Affairs, who expressed gratitude for the work of Sunny Hill School and gave a personal donation, as well as one from his business.

In Singapore, one of the college students, Peggy Chaw, found that forgetfulness can be a blessing in disguise. She solicited a Chinese man in a small shop and was given ten dollars. Then she discovered that she had forgotten her receipt book. When she returned, the man decided he should give her \$20 because she had gone to so much trouble!

Of course, the real opportunity of Ingathering is the chance to acquaint large numbers of people with our work and, by enrolling them in the Voice of Prophecy Bible Course, with our message. May God bless these seeds sown with a fruitful harvest of souls for the kingdom.

## A BROADER PERSPECTIVE

board was a homemade affair of pine boards, sanded and painted. The desks were rough tables. The only reader was the Bible.

Maud taught them all through that winter and spring, and then went back to Battle Creek for summer school. When she returned in the fall, she found that the family had made great efforts to improve her living conditions. The rough wooden walls with the knotholes were all neatly papered over with old *Youth's Instructors*, and a wood stove had been installed. Along with room and board, Maud received \$15 a month—a sum that the church members found hard to raise. Of course her reward was not in dollars, but in young lives trained for service in God's cause.

God is still calling for parents who have the vision of Christian education for their children, no matter what the obstacles may be. And He is still looking for young people willing to dedicate their lives in willing sacrifice to Him.

—B.S.N.

## Successful Ingathering Campaign Underway

**H**ARVEST Ingathering, the annual opportunity for our church members to invite their friends and neighbors to support our work, is now in progress. Some missions are already nearing their goal.

In the Malaya Mission, Singapore has a separate goal of \$65,500. Latest reports show that the Singapore churches have raised \$65,280. This will be used for building the new Better Living Center planned near Youngberg Hospital. The first church to reach its goal was the College Church, which celebrated its victory dinner just one week after beginning its campaign. This success was due to careful organization and faithful support by the church members. The Dunman Road and Balestier Churches have also



Sunny Hill School Ingathering Victory Day. Rejoicing are Phoon Chek Yat, Bible teacher; Paul Nyungga, Lay Activities Secretary; Jonathan Ng, PR Secretary; Richard Hall, Mission President; and Choo Wee Fong, school principal.





# NEWS FROM THE MISSIONS



## MALAYA

### Reach Out for Life Crusade

ON July 30th the Reach Out for Life Crusade began at the Khék Association Hall on Burmah Road, Penang. Pastor Dayton Chong, of the Penang English S.D.A. Church, led out in the meeting following much preparatory work such as the visiting of interests, securing enrollments for the VOP correspondence course, working out the diorama illustrations, arranging for the special music, and of course much prayer. One unusual feature was the health lectures held in conjunction with the evangelistic meetings. A first for Penang, it reflects the interest of our physicians in the spiritual phase of our work.

The 300 people who attended the opening night were much impressed by the lecture Dr. Standish presented and the sermon by Pastor T. K. Chong, President of the Malaya Mission.

The attendance was very good throughout the two weeks, averaging more than 200 people each



President T. K. Chong of the Malaya Mission gave the opening address.



The crowd was fascinated by Dr. Standish's demonstration of an electro-cardiogram machine.

night. When a call was made toward the close of the meetings, 74 signed decision cards, signifying their desire to keep the commandments of God and accept Christ as their Saviour. Thirty-seven responded to the altar calls made on the last two nights.

There were quite a few Indian Moslems who attended faithfully each night, whose interest was aroused by the illustrated, easy-to-understand health lectures by Dr. Standish on the various common diseases, their treatment and cure. Specimens and X-rays exhibited at the close of the meetings also helped to maintain the interest of the people.

Pastor Dayton Chong is following up the meetings with a Bible Study Class held two nights a week. We solicit your prayers that many of these will, under the convicting influence of the Holy Spirit, join the remnant church.



An average of 200 people attended the meetings each night.





Mr. and Mrs. Heisler with their family (left) are welcomed at the Penang airport by the staff of the Penang Adventist Hospital.

## Heisler Becomes Business Manager of PAH

**M**R. Edward J. Heisler, with his wife and four children, arrived in Penang at the end of September to be Business Manager of the Penang Adventist Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Heisler have both had wide experience in conference and mission work. Formerly Treasurer and Secretary of two Canadian conferences, Mr. Heisler has been Business Manager of Andrews Memorial Hospital in Kingston, Jamaica, and of Nicaragua Adventist Hospital in Esteli, Nicaragua. Mrs. Heisler was Director of Nurses at both hospitals. We welcome the Heisler family to Southeast Asia Union Mission.

## Better Living Sign Unveiled

**A** SIGN identifying the site of the planned Better Living Center was unveiled in a special ceremony held September 26. The Better Living Center, with charity clinic, storage clothing depot, and auditorium for health classes, will be located by Youngberg Memorial Hospital at the junction of Upper Serangoon and Upper Aljunied Roads.

Robert L. Grady, Chairman of the Center's Board of Trustees, related the history of Adventist welfare work, based on the philosophy that the church cannot prosper without helping the needy. He stated that in 1971 alone, ten million people were helped through Adventist welfare services.

Doctors Robert Gan and Roger Heald stressed the need for health education to prevent disease. Through classes in proper nutrition, physical fitness, and how to stop smoking, the Better Living Center can help Singapore citizens avoid heart disease, the second greatest cause of death in the Republic.

K. T. Kong, Secretary of the Southeast Asia Union, and George Ho, architect from James Ferrie & Partners, unveiled the large color sign while scores of people watched. Representatives from the press who were present for the ceremony, gave good coverage to the event.



Dr. Standish (extreme left) and Dayton Chong (extreme right) stand with the baptismal candidates.

## PAH Doctor Gives Bible Studies

**D**R. Russell Standish, Chief of Staff of the Penang Adventist Hospital, recently held a series of Bible studies in his home for a number of patients who were interested in our message. Chaplain John Lai assisted. As the truth was unfolded to them, three decided to be baptized.

The baptismal day brought double joy to Dr. Standish. First, his patient, Mrs. Yeo, was baptized with her husband. Then, his oldest son, Stephen, who had listened to the Bible studies, asked to be baptized too.

Seven individuals have been baptized this year as a result of the spiritual program of the hospital.

—Dayton Chong, Pastor  
Penaug English Church



A 6 by 8 foot colored sign, picturing the Adventist Better Living Center, was unveiled on September 26.





Dr. R. R. Standish explains the evil effects of smoking to an attentive audience.

## Five-Day Plan Conducted in Penang

**T**HE recent 5-Day Plan to Stop Smoking Clinic held by Pastor Damron of the Southeast Asia Union and Dr. R. Standish at the Pulau Tikus Community Hall was well appreciated by approximately 40 smokers who attended faithfully each night. There were more in the audience but we took a record only of smokers anxious to kick the habit.

While Dr. Standish discussed the medical aspects of smoking and its effects, Pastor Damron touched on the psychological side, emphasizing the importance of strengthening one's will power in order to overcome the pernicious habit.

When the smokers were asked to share their experiences in their struggle over the first couple of days, they gave interesting accounts of their battle, thus encouraging others who too were fighting their battles in their own ways. One man said that when tempted to smoke he substituted the motto "I Choose Not to Smoke" to "I choose to live longer" and it worked. Another was so impressed by the clinic that he said probably we should have a 5-day plan to stop gambling too as his mother promised that should he attend the clinic and stopped his smoking, she would stop her gambling.

A few RAAF personnel were among the successful ones who gave up the habit after 5 days; the total number of these was more than 30.

## Attention, SAUC Alumni!

**P**LEASE note that transcripts will be issued to institutions as requested only if they are accompanied by the transcript fee and postage of US\$2 for overseas requests or S\$3 plus postage per copy for requests from the Southeast Asia Union area.

This is to eliminate a lot of paper work in the different offices of the school, Union, and missions making out charges of small amounts for various ones.

Remember, then, to remit the fee the next time you need a transcript, particularly if it is needed urgently. Do not send cash—a money order or check by mail is safer.

—SAUC Registrar



## Sabah Youth Attend Training Camp

**T**HE mission-wide Pathfinder Staff Training Camp held in Pulau Gaya, northwest of Kota Kinabalu, July 31 to August 6, will always be remembered by the 120 campers who enjoyed the six-day activities.

The ferry "Gaya Express" had to make two trips each way to transport the campers from Kota Kinabalu to the island and back. The first group, led by Mission M.V. Secretary Edwin Siagian and composed mostly of students from the Sabah Adventist Secondary School, arrived one day ahead to prepare the campsite, put up cabins, and get the place ready for the campers. The second group, arriving the following day, consisted of young people from the churches of Sabah Mission. They were accompanied by Pastor Bernie Donato, M.V. Secretary of the Union, who had arrived in Kota Kinabalu that morning from another mission-wide camp in Sarawak. There was bedlam as friend greeted friend and rushed about carrying belongings and looking for their living quarters. Order was established the first night when the units were organized and games were played.

During the week the campers learned the art of Pathfinder leadership under the instruction of Pastor Donato, Edwin and Edmund Siagian, Jison Mun, and Jimmy Kidjai, assisted by Nony Sha'ah, Linda Sibadogil, and Julia Kula. Teachers from Goshon and the other church schools served as unit counselors. The 12 units of campers, all senior youth, were treated as juniors to help them understand how to work for boys and girls.

The camp was a success in spite of nature's temperamental behavior. On the first night, when everyone was sleeping blissfully after a tiring day, rain came pouring down with a vengeance. Campers might have enjoyed the downpour if the cabin roofing had been waterproof! As it was, many a poor



Girls at Sabah Mission Camp finish up their rattan baskets.





Hill Cabins almost finished.

Joe or Jane woke up dreaming that he was under the shower. On the following day the assembly hall was dismantled and its galvanized-iron roofing was used to roof the cabins of the campers.

The joys of living outdoors, making new friends, forgetting worries and troubles for a while, and worshipping God amid the scenes of nature, enabled one to face life with more vigor and enthusiasm. Thanks be to God for the wonderful six days in camp.

—Geoffrey Gaban

Sabah Adventist Secondary School

### Dorcas Societies Demonstrate Practical Christianity

A HEALTH and Welfare Institute for the Sabah Dorcas Societies was held at Tamparuli in October by Elder Robert Grady, Union Lay Activities Secretary. It turned out to be an occasion for a practical demonstration of the Dorcas Society in action.

The day before the Institute, the home of a nearby family burned to the ground. The next morning, armed with a supply of clothing, several of the ladies set out to look for the site. They found the place, but could see no one around. At last, under a tree at the top of the hill, they located an old grandma and two small children. The old lady seemed to be almost in a state of shock and could hardly speak. With patient questioning they finally determined that everything had been lost in the blaze. The parents had gone to consult the witch doctor to find out why their home had burned.

While some of the women went back to get food supplies, the rest began to clean up and salvage what they could from the burned house. The little grandmother protested, "I cannot pay you." When she was assured that they wanted no pay, that they were helping because they were her neighbors, she could not understand.

"Our God sent us to help you," they explained.

Soon reinforcements arrived in the form of some boys and teachers from the school, Elder Grady, and Elder Wendell Wilcox, Mission President. They

all pitched in and began cutting bamboo and building a new home for the unfortunate family. About then the father returned. At first he couldn't believe what was happening, but as it dawned on him that everyone was there helping him because of the love in their hearts, he tried to express his amazed gratitude.

A little over a year ago there were no Dorcas Societies in Sabah. Today there are twelve active, enthusiastic societies helping to spread the gospel through practical Christianity.

The first Dorcas Society was organized at Kitabu by Mrs. Payar Juman, wife of the Minister of Welfare for Sabah. A little later, the teachers and students of Sabah Adventist Secondary School in Tamparuli organized a society under the direction of Mrs. Lily Thannie. More recently, societies have been started in Goshen, Togop, Tenghilen, Rani, Rangalau K. B., Lotong, Gaur, Kiulu, Kapa and Malangang.

These societies have been active in making and distributing clothing and conducting classes in baby and child care, doing home nursing and, in general, being friends to those in need of help.

"If we would humble ourselves before God, and be kind and courteous and tenderhearted and pitiful, there would be one hundred conversions to the truth where now there is only one." 9T 189.



The grandmother and two children who were burned out of their home receive clothing from the Tamparuli Dorcas ladies.

Pieces of twisted roofing are all that remain of the place that was home for a grandmother and two small children.







## SARAWAK

### Medical-Ministerial Evangelism in Miri

THE field is ripe and ready to harvest in Miri, Sarawak. Hundreds attended a crusade held there recently by Elder Chester Damron and Dr. Roger Heald, Union Ministerial and Medical Secretaries, respectively. They were assisted by Pastor Jonathan Ng, Sarawak Mission Lay Activities Secretary, and Pastor Patrick Ngau, pastor of the Miri district.

There is no Adventist church in Miri, and only a few scattered believers. Groundwork for the crusade had been laid by our faithful colporteurs and by contacting Voice of Prophecy students and graduates.

Believing that "it is impossible for men and women while under the power of sinful, health-destroying, brain-enslaving habits to appreciate sacred truth," the team began early to help people realize the harmful effects of cigarette smoking. Just before and during the first week of the crusade lectures on the harmful effect of smoking on health were given to approximately 3,000 students of the secondary schools in the area. They were received with a great deal of enthusiasm. Also, a Five-Day Plan for smokers was held during the first week, following the regular meeting. About 30 smokers attended and all but one reported success in their battle to stop smoking. Many of the smokers came early to the regular meetings, so a close rapport was established between the two programs.

Overflow crowds packed the Miri Community Hall for the crusade meetings. During the first week, the meeting began with a health lecture by Dr. Heald on the theme of "Better Living at Your Fingertips." The health talk led naturally into the gospel presentation, so that there was no break as Pastor Damron began his sermon. Minister and doctor worked hand-in-hand to present a unified gospel.



The Crusade team that led out in the Miri meetings.

A friendly and informal atmosphere soon developed during the health lecture as Dr. Heald answered various questions on healthful living. Then, as Pastor Damron's sermon neared its close, team members sometimes felt the audience become unusually quiet, as if hushed by an unseen visitor. It was gratifying to see the Lord's Spirit at work on men's hearts. At the end of three weeks, a baptismal class of 55 was formed, 21 of whom are Voice of Prophecy students.

Pastor Ng and Pastor Ngau will continue the meetings for another five weeks, as well as conducting the baptismal class. They will be assisted by John Lee and Mah Chee Ping, recent ministerial graduates from South China Adventist College. With the blessing of the Lord and the guidance of His Holy Spirit, a new young church will soon be raised up in Miri.



The Sunny Hill School Auditorium, recipient of this year's Ingathering funds, is now under construction. (See story, page 3.)

### Pilot Assists in Sarawak

HUGH and Bonnie Johnson arrived in Sarawak as Adventist Volunteer Service Corps workers on September 12. Johnson, a military and commercial pilot, decided that he wanted to "fly for the Lord in Southeast Asia." He will assist Mission President Richard Hall in piloting the mission plane, public health work, and evangelism.

Johnson, a major in the Air Force Reserve, saw active duty in Korea and Vietnam. While in Vietnam, he was shot down six times and received a number of medals, including the Silver Star and Distinguished Flying Cross. He helped to build a church school in Danang for the Vietnam Mission. Before coming to Sarawak, he was Chief Pilot for Governor Pat Taylor of North Carolina, and a flight instructor for United Airlines; he also taught aviation at Monterey Bay Academy in California.

Mrs. Johnson became a pilot under her husband's instruction, and also does radio work.





Eight Master Guides were invested before Union and Mission officials.

### First Silver Award in Sarawak

**F**OR the first time in the history of Sarawak Mission, a Missionary Volunteer Silver Award Medal was given to one of its active young people. Hsu Liang, a student of Sunny Hill School, received this award for physical, cultural, and mental excellence. On the same day, September 22, he was also invested as a Master Guide, along with eight others.

Besides Hsu Liang, the other Master Guides invested were Thomas Yapp, Wee Hun Been, Albert Phua, Christina Leong, Doreen Ng, Adeline Cheah, Moira Sibarani, and Sally Phoon. Three Friends, four Companions, two Explorers, two Rangers, two Guides, and eight Pre-JMVs were also invested.

—Phoon Chek Yat, Director  
Sunny Hill Pathfinder Club

### Temperance Society Sponsors Contests

**T**HE Temperance Society of Sunnyhill School was activated during the month of August by Mission Temperance Secretary Jonathan Ng, with an enrollment of 350 students, under the sponsorship of Gordon Chong and Phoon Chek Yat. Temperance jingle, poster, and oratorical contests were held in three languages—Bahasa Malaysia, Chinese, and English. Prizes for the winners, worth \$50 in all, were awarded by Pastor Ng.



Winners of temperance contests pose with Pastor Jonathan Ng, Gordon Chong, and Phoon Chek Yat.

### Sarawak Mission Holds First Pathfinder Training Camp

**S**EVENTY campers attended the first Pathfinder Training Camp to be held in the Sarawak Mission at Simbo Valley during the week of July 24 to 30. Mission M.V. Secretary, Paul Nyungga, chose as his theme for the camp, "Reach Out for Life."

The program helped the campers develop their physical, mental, spiritual, and social powers. Every morning they ran the whole length of a landing strip near the campsite and did calisthenics. Campers learned how to organize and operate Pathfinder Clubs. Pastor B. U. Donato, M.V. Secretary of the Union, taught special classes in how to work with juniors. The spiritual activities of the camp inspired the young people to be more faithful to God and more zealous in working for juniors. The evening campfires provided entertainment and fun marching to the tune of Pastor Donato's tape recorder.

At the closing ceremony, every one felt that the week had passed by too quickly. Friends parted in Christian love and fellowship.

—Attie Gara  
Ayer Manis School



Sunny Hill Pathfinder leaders with Director Phoon Chek Yat (second from right) flash welcome smiles to campers arriving in Simbo Camp.

Campers demonstrate how to cook rice inside bamboo.







Sunny Hill Pathfinders marched with red banners in the Malaysia Day parade.

## Pathfinders Witness on Malaysia Day

**T**HE Sunny Hill Pathfinder Club was given the honor of participating in the colorful parade at the Kuching Central Padang on Malaysia Day, August 31, this year.

This was the second time our Pathfinder Club was invited to join in the parade. Thirty smartly-uniformed Pathfinders, under the leadership of Deputy Director Albert Phua, formed one contingent. Each of them carried a red flag during the four-mile march.

The public got a better idea of the Pathfinder Club and the Seventh-day Adventist Church during the parade. Several of our Pathfinders were interviewed by a number of people concerning the club and its objectives and about the Seventh-day Adventist church and its mission. The Pathfinders were happy to be able to testify for their faith.

—Phoon Chek Yat, Director  
Sunny Hill Pathfinder Club

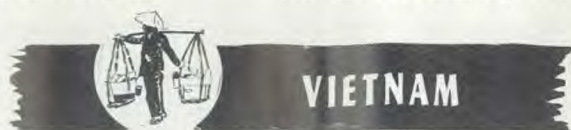
## Wong Conducts Week of Prayer

**"I**t's a Wonderful Life" was the theme of the Week of Prayer conducted by Mr. Wong Yew Chong, Assistant Dean of Southeast Asia Union College, at Sunny Hill School, September 5-8. Simultaneously, he conducted a revival meeting for the members of the Kuching Church.

Mr. Wong's talks on the wonderful Christian life brought about 57 decisions for Christ. At the revival meetings he urged all believers to be steadfast in their beliefs and not to give up the wonderful life in Christ.

The young people who responded are now being followed up with Bible studies by their teachers. We request our readers to remember these students of Sunny Hill School in their prayers.

—Phoon Chek Yat, Assistant Pastor  
Kuching Church



## A Church in Can-Tho

**O**NE of the first places entered by Seventh-day Adventists in Vietnam was the delta city of Can-Tho. That was about four decades ago. Since then the work has grown to a membership of 3,000 scattered all the way to Danang and beyond. And in all of the places where we have work, we have built chapels in which our people can worship—well, almost every place! Can-Tho, where the work began, has a church school and pastor's home, but no church building.

With this need in mind, the Mission Committee moved young Pastor Sau down there. He soon found that he had a congregation without a church in which to worship. He got busy at once, making friends with the U.S. military officers who were left in the area. He knew that they were interested in helping churches in need. It wasn't long before he had some of them over to his house for dinner. He wasted no time in laying his need before them, and secured promises of help with materials for building. One of the chaplains took up an offering to help in the building of the new Seventh-day Adventist church.

Since the materials were contingent on immediate construction, the request was sent for permission to build. The ground breaking found the place filled with military "brass," genuinely interested in the church and its activities. Special seats were placed for needy people who were given bags of clothing at the close of the ceremony. The "golden book" was signed by many present, each one writing down the amount of money he pledged to contribute.



Pastor Duong Sau thanks Chaplain (Capt.) Harry Timm for the generous offering his church gave to the Adventist building project.



As the building progressed, more and more materials were brought. Today the entire shell of the church has been erected. We believe that it won't be long before the inside will be completed. This building will give us a solid base from which to build the work in this most important city of the populous delta region.

—Clyde R. Bradley, President  
Vietnam Mission

## Saigon School Shows Progress

**P**ASTOR Le Huu, Principal of the Saigon Adventist School, reports a total enrollment of around 1,300 students for this school year. Of this number, 252 are Seventh-day Adventists. During the past two years more non-Adventist students have been baptized than of those from Adventist homes.

The students have done well in the Baccalaureate examinations, with 32 out of 49 passing the First Baccalaureate Examination and seven out of 13 passing the Second Baccalaureate Examination.

The first eight grades of the school are now staffed entirely with Seventh-day Adventist teachers, and in the near future it is hoped that all non-Adventist teachers will be replaced by Adventists. We thank God for these signs of financial, evangelistic, and academic progress.

## SAUC News Notes

by  
Maggie Tan

### DEPARTURES

\* JESSICA GOH MUI KIANG left for Andrews University on September 14. She stopped over in Manila for a couple of days to visit her brother, MENG NGEE, before proceeding to Andrews. Jessica already has her LRSM and plans to earn higher degrees in music at Andrews.

\* KELVIN LIM, only son of Mr. & Mrs. Lim Khng Seng, has been accepted into the graduate school of Andrews University. Kelvin completed his Bachelor's degree in Business at the University of Singapore and will work toward a Master's degree in Business Administration at Andrews.

\* WENDY LIM left for Loma Linda University, La Sierra Campus, on September 18. She will study the course in Laboratory Technology.

\* CHEW GEOK LEH has been accepted into Pacific Union College where she will continue her studies in the field of science and mathematics.

\* GAN KIM SIANG left for Walla Walla Community College on September 10 to study Physical Therapy. Gan had been teaching for several years at our Sabah Training School.

\* MR. & MRS. C. K. TAN left by Sabar Airline to the United States via England where they will visit their son VINCENT whom they have not seen for many years. They plan to make their home in the States with their sons DR. DONALD TAN and ROBERT TAN.

\* RODNEY TAN, youngest son of the C. K. Tans, left for the United States the day after his parents' departure. He plans to continue his studies at California State College in Bakersfield.

### ARRIVALS

\* WINNA (CHEN) & NEWTON TAN arrived in August to spend a few months with their folks. Winna was working as a dietitian at Glendale while Newton has completed his academic requirements for a master's degree in Education.



Thirty-five nurses graduated from the Bangkok Sanitarium and Hospital School of Nursing in July.

## Bangkok School of Nursing Graduates Thirty-Five

**O**N the weekend of July 7-9, the Bangkok Sanitarium and Hospital Schools of Nursing and Medical Technology conducted their twenty-first annual graduation. The School of Nursing, directed by Aporn Dabanand, R.N., B.S.N.E., graduated 35 nurses; while the School of Medical Technology, directed by Gerhardt L. Dybdahl, M.D., graduated six.

The Friday evening Consecration Service was conducted by Dr. Paul E. Gaver. The Baccalaureate speaker was Assistant Chaplain John K. S. Lee; and the Commencement speaker was R. R. Standish, M.D., Chief of Staff of the Penang Adventist Hospital.

### Lord Mayor Addresses Pathfinders

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wished that another camporee might be held in the same place in the near future. This feeling was shared by Pastor Sunti and all the camp leaders. We are confident that we achieved the objectives we had planned: to provide a positive recreational program, to develop good character and citizenship, and to give guidance in the harmonious development of the physical, mental, social, and spiritual growth of our dear young people.

As we looked at the happy faces of the campers and listened to their encouraging remarks, we could not help feeling satisfied with a work well done.

—A. L. Elumir  
Hat Yai, Thailand





The Elumir and Van Arsdell children render a special number before the Lord Mayor speaks.

## Lord Mayor Addresses the Pathfinders

**A**UGUST 24, 1972 is a day Hat Yai and Phuket Pathfinders will always remember. On this day the Honorable Lord Mayor of Songkla Municipality delivered a stirring and challenging message to the 75 Pathfinders who were gathered for a camporee at the hillside park in Songkla, Thailand. During his thirty-minute speech he spoke about "The Role of Young People in Community Development."

The Mayor visited the camp site several times to see if there was anything he could do to help the campers. But we also believe he was there to observe our activities and the way we managed the camp. At one of his visits to the camp he told us that he was impressed with the behavior of the campers and the way we kept the camp site clean and sanitary. But the best impression this distinguished guest observed in the camp was the spiritual part of our daily program. He said, "I wish to commend you and your staff for providing spiritual emphasis to these young people in your daily program. I hope they will learn from this aspect more than from the other activities you planned."

How God opened the way and provided our needs for the camp is indeed a miracle. But one thing we know was that we prayed hard and pleaded earnestly for the Lord to help us secure the needed facilities. And He did answer our prayers. The municipality of Songkla, through the office of the mayor, granted our request to use the park as the camp site, offered the use of the swimming pool, installed a lighting system, and provided us with a sufficient supply of water and water containers from the Fire Department for bathing, washing and kitchen use. These facilities were supplied to us—all

free of charge. As a security measure, policemen were assigned to guard the camp each night. The Thai Army stationed at Camp Sunanarong lent us 70 small canvass tents and a large one to be used for religious services and other social activities.

As we received these unexpected services from the different branches of the Thai government and saw that things brought to the camp were more than what we prayed for, we could not help but exclaim, "What hath God wrought!"

The camp was situated on a beautiful rocky hill just above the town's park, and overlooking the more than 2 kilometers of Songkla's white sandy beaches. One could also see a panoramic view of the town. Although the place was rocky, the presence of the tall evergreen trees provided enough shade to the campers, thus creating an inviting atmosphere.

On Sabbath morning, August 26, there were close to 150 people attending the Sabbath services at the camp site as we were joined by the Hat Yai church members and friends. After the hour of worship, our hearts were thrilled as we witnessed 7 campers march to their watery grave to bury the old man of sin. Three of those baptized came from non-SDA homes. They are students of our church school in Hat Yai.

The persons responsible for planning and coordinating the entire program of the camp were Master Guides Kittiporn, out-going Pathfinder director; Jun Atakit, church pastor; Pairat, M.V. leader; M. N. Van Arsdell; Amporn; Anusha; and the writer—all from the Hat Yai church. Leaders from Phuket were: Pastor Romulo Bartolome, Prasan Onvong, Lan Ho, Heeran Tiangthum, Sakda, Chintana Tantivit, Prani, and Supapan. The Thailand mission was represented by the acting president, Pastor Sunti.

The delicious food was well prepared by the campers themselves under the able leadership of Pairat. The mayor donated ten large bags of 'ram-butan' fruit to the campers.

The campers left with happy memories and

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Mrs. Lydia Elumir pins a welcome pin on the Lord Mayor of Songkla as he visits the Pathfinder camp.