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EDITORIAL



They're Eating Weet-Bix, Lord

You and I belong to an avowedly evangelical church. That means we take the commission of Jesus seriously.

Remember the commission? We're to take the gospel into all the world. That includes the South Pacific Division.

We send our missionaries to Papua New Guinea and Fiji and the Solomons and Kiribati and . . . We read and hear success reports from the South Pacific—some of them phenomenal.

But what about the "home field"? A quick look through the Division's statistical report (RECORD, May 6) shows we're not doing too well.

During 1988 overall membership increased by 943 in the Trans-Australian and the Trans-Tasman Unions.

It's great to have 943 more people worshipping with us now than a year ago. But 247 of them have immigrated from overseas into our unions. Actual growth in Australia and New Zealand has been 696 people.

Now, each person is important. And we can see we're certainly not going backward. But maybe we shouldn't sing the doxology just yet.

I think Jesus had in mind something a little more dramatic than a growth rate of 1.49 members per church per year.

According to the latest census (in Australia), Seventh-day Adventists make up 0.3 per cent of the population. We have a lot more than 1.49 people per church per year to contact.

In fact, for every Adventist you know there are 283 other Christians and 50 non-Christians! We have a big challenge. But we can do some things to address this problem.

The first is, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, gain a vision of the needs and what can be done. This involves a personal commitment to God by those who wish to achieve with Him.

We should take time to determine what we want to accomplish. Our goals need to be challenging. They have to be achievable. They also need to be ex-

panding.

Then, each individual or church will have to work out a strategy. The "everlasting gospel" is always the same, but the packaging and presentation needs to meet a continually changing society.

The strategy should fit the personality, strengths and gifts of the individual or church. It should also keep in mind a target audience.

There are other things to consider. Will the strategy involve an up-front gospel presentation? Or, will it start with a non-threatening approach?

This is going to take time. But a little more time spent on planning will create a lot more success.

Finally, evangelism (and I use the term broadly) should be a high priority. Fellowship, nurture and all the other things that make a church are important. But a church that doesn't evangelise will eventually die.

Evangelism needs priority in our thinking and in our discussion. Let's encourage those chairing our committees to at least put it on the agenda before discussion of leaking cisterns and cracked paint.

Jesus was serious when He proclaimed the great commission. It deserves serious consideration on our part.

But take heart! Only 0.3 per cent of the population (that's us) have *already* changed Australia and New Zealand once! We brought about a major change in the eating habits of these two nations, thanks to the excellent work of Sanitarium Health Food Company.

But changing eating habits is only part of our goal. And there are some things the SHF can't do for us. We have to do it as individual church members. We have to tell others about the Saviour.

If God asks me at the time of accounting what I've done for Him, I really don't want to have to say, "I tried to talk to a few people about You, but no one listened. So I gave up. But at least the SHF got them eating Weet-Bix, Lord!"

Bruce Manners.

LETTERS

Buzz Words

How unfortunate that Pastor Manners should use the 1980s buzz words "boring" and "Baby Boomers" in his editorial "Ho-Hum" (May 6). Frankly, I've heard enough of both expressions. Unless there's a thrill a minute, most high-school students will never admit to being anything but bored. It's a sad legacy from our high-tech, scintillating world. It's also a state of mind.

Jesus' question to John the Baptist's followers—"What did you expect to see?"—is just as valid today. Surely we go to church to worship God, not to be entertained. There's no shortage of free entertainment in the world.

To the bored I say, "Be bored. No one ever died of boredom. Listen to the sermon and learn patience. It's the currency of heaven. It's a fine attribute at any age, and we all need it." R. M. Stanley, Qld.

More Info, Please

In the RECORD of May 6 we read of the marvellous success of the Adventist World Radio station on Guam. Many articles have appeared in the RECORD keeping us up to date with the station's progress and accomplishments. But nowhere are we advised where to tune in to this short-wave station.

Please increase AWR's listening audience by publishing frequencies and times of broadcasts in English.

Euan Moffitt, NSW.

Long Overdue

The editorial "Ho-Hum" (May 6) is long overdue. It has concerned me over the past 30 years that our major pulpits and our camp-meeting appointments aren't always occupied by our most inspirational speakers.

Excellent administrators may be boring, out-of-date preachers. And excellent pastors aren't necessarily speakers who can inspire a congregation about the joys of Adventism.

None of this would be of deep concern were it not for the fact that we have many excellent inspirational speakers in the South Pacific Division who aren't being used outside their own communities.

The ho-hum of our church services must be replaced by the cry of Christian joy "I love Him." Is it relevant whether this cry of Christian delight is aided by the soul-warming message of a non-traditional speaker—be it a female, a

youth, a school teacher, a small-town church pastor, or someone who for any other reason isn't typically chosen to address large gatherings?

John R. Godfrey, WA.

Waiting and Bored

I read with interest "Ho-Hum" (May 6). I think it was a good editorial. But I believe we may be reaping what we've sown. Active church members and active congregations don't easily get bored—and age isn't a factor. A working church is an excited church.

The church was established by God for service—to take the gospel to the whole world. But too many of our members are waiting instead of working. And waiting is always boring. Let's arise and be about our Father's business, each one of us.

Les Barrett, WA.

Danger! Beware!

I think Pastor Bruce Manners (editorial, May 6) should be alerted to the dangers of making sermons too interesting. Luke 4:20-32 outlines the consequences of powerful preaching. "If they do these things when the timber is green, what will happen when it is dry?" Luke 23:21, Amplified Bible.

Linda Driscoll, Vic.

Pluralism

With so many language, cultural and ethnic groups making up the church in the South Pacific Division, the tra-

ditional rivalry between liberals and conservatives is under threat as the chief source of difference.

We've always had varying views in the church—and pluralism isn't something to fear. It's only a threat to those who insist that others think as they do, and that the church follow their brand of orthodoxy.

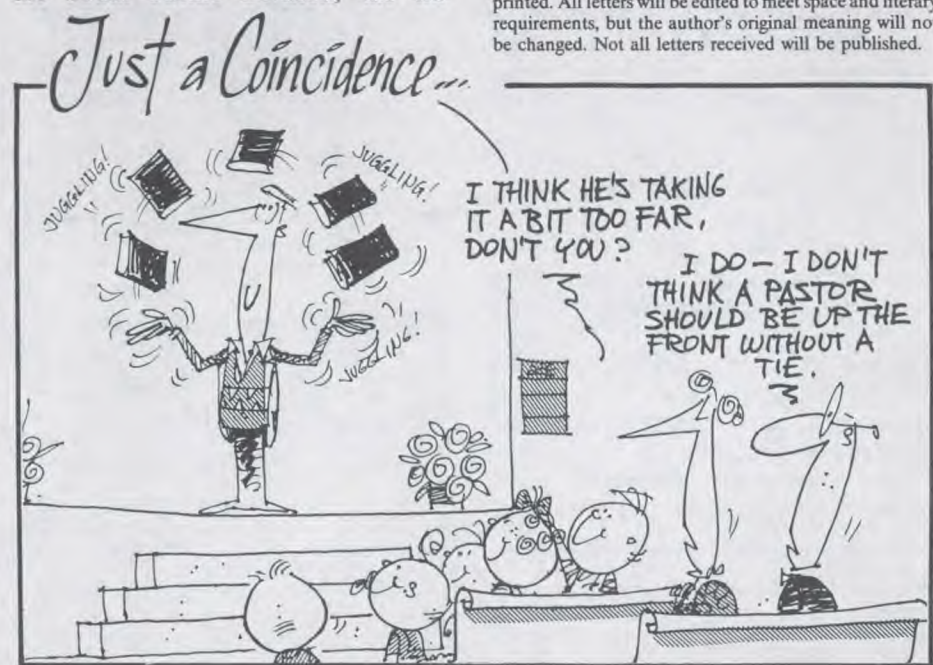
If we're accepting of the views of other committed Adventist Christians who happen to differ from us on certain issues, there's a chance that our own understanding will grow. But while dialogue helps understanding, it doesn't necessarily eliminate diversity. Nor should we expect it to.

I've been 40 years in a church dominated by Anglo-Saxon males. I could just as comfortably be part of one in which women and ethnics are able to find a larger place.

Undoubtedly the church will survive the controversy over who should be allowed to play which role. And it will emerge stronger, not weaker. Further, the faith of those who trust in Jesus won't be weakened by it, either.

David Potter, Vic.

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The Kindness God

by Ronald N. Heggie

**In the whispered, measured tone of the aged he said,
"I come to find the lost God. Where is He?"**

The last of the wise men of the Wurligunyah race—from far beyond the last black stump, deep in Never Never Land—came out of the haze and swirling dust of the desert.

The man beside the road said, "Where are you going, old man?"

At this the ancient one ceased his shuffling through the desert dust. He leaned his bony frame—burnt and dried-out as the age-old gibber stones—against the shady side of a great rock. He pondered so long that it seemed he might have forgotten that a voice had spoken.

Then, slowly, his hoary head quivered. In the whispered, measured tone of the aged he said, "I come to find the lost God. Where is He?"

To avoid the directness of such an unexpected question and to gain time for thought, the man beside the road parried, "Surely God is not lost or dead, is He?"

The whole wide wilderness waited in silence for the wise man's answer. Not so much as a lizard stirred. The wedge-tailed eagle hung as a far-distant speck above, and all the flies sat motionless. Then, as the sad, deep throb of the didgeridoo re-echoed from the distant mountains, the wise man spoke:

"There were gods many, and lords many. They were strong, fierce, brave, cunning. The land was as filled with people as the desert grass is filled with little parrots after rain. We fought those who weren't our people, and they fought us. We exalted in our gods of strength and wisdom as they did in theirs. We killed them till not a man was left to come across the mountains. But few of us were left alive, either."

Silence settled deep and still as the last of the wise men of the Wurligunyah race

pondered the things of long ago—scenes strange, and mysterious, and beyond the understanding of modern people.

"In the long, long, long ago," he said, "even further back, in the far-distant dreamtime—when this land was filled with the sound of running water where now the sun burns the rocks and sand—there were trees and flowers and grass. Our old men sat in the shade, with time to talk. The women had many children. People spread over the land as do the kangaroos after years of grass and plenty.

"We heard everywhere the chatter of feeding birds. Their wings beat the air like distant thunder sweeping across the plain. In the evening and morning the laughter of the young women was more

beautiful than music. Every man's stomach was full, and we were happy.

"Never in the night did a man jump to his feet in fierce fear and hate, with his hand on his woomera, with his shovel-nosed spear ready to split the chest of his enemy. For in those days all people were friends. All were kind to others. No one was greedy for what the other person had.

"In the dreamtime so long, long, long ago, we must have known another God—now forgotten and unwanted. Perhaps he was the Kindness God. Do you, O man beside the road, know where the Kindness God lives, that I may find Him?"

Again, a great silence that could almost be felt settled upon the desert, almost enshrouding the two men. Two dark eyes gazed intently at the man beside the road as the last of the wise men of the great Wurligunyah race waited for an answer.

The man beside the road felt that his very soul was being probed for a wise and honest answer. A strange fear seized him. Must he admit that he had known of the Kindness God from childhood—yet had rarely worshipped Him?

"Old wise man of the great



Ronald N. Heggie, a well-known minister, wrote this article only a few weeks before his death some six years ago. It was part of a larger, unfinished, unpublished manuscript.

Wurligunyah race," he replied, "you have come far. But further you must go—beyond forests and more mountains, to where there are many people living not in little huts made only for a day or night, but in houses stretching to the sky and built to last, not for days, but for years without number.

"These people also have great machines, before which your polished stones, woomera and boomerang are as small straws gathered in a sand ripple of the great desert. These people are as many as the grasshoppers that fly with the wind on the edge of the great sandhills. They, too, worship your gods of strength, wisdom, cruelty, greed and cunning—only they worship in a strange tongue that you do not speak.

"Many years ago, when I was very young, I knew people who really worshipped the Kindness God. If you search long and hard, you may find a few

"People spread over the land as do the kangaroos after years of grass and plenty."

people left who still worship Him with all their hearts.

"O wise man, go! Find the Kindness God! Find Him quickly before all people perish from off this earth as did your people, the great Wurligunyah race. But leave your killing stick behind."

Have you found yourself on the same search as the last of the wise men of the great Wurligunyah race? Are you also lonely for the Kindness God? Are you tired of sin and its results? Are you looking for those who truly worship the Kindness God? Do you want to be one of their number?

With just such questions in mind, the Kindness God inspired His servants to write a book. It's called the Bible. For thousands of years the wicked gods have sought to ridicule it, to tamper with it, to counterfeit it, to proscribe it, to burn it and destroy it. The hatred of the wicked gods has known no bounds.

But the Bible lives on. With infinite love and mercy toward all who search as did the wise man of the great Wurligunyah race, the Kindness God has watched over the Bible. His Word tells about Himself—the Way, the Truth and the Life.

"You will seek me and find me; when you seek me with all your heart." Jeremiah 29:13, RSV.



We Didn't Understand

by Oren Hess

Something strange was going on, but I just couldn't put my finger on it.

After such a long walk—and then having to climb that flight of stairs—we were more than ready to sit down when Jesus invited us to do so.

Judas was on my right, Matthew on my left. I was facing Jesus. We were exhausted—and dusty. *Who's going to wash everyone's feet?* I was thinking. *There doesn't seem to be a servant around.*

But before I had time to give it further thought, an argument started—or should I say, *resumed*. It had been going on all day—for months, actually. It was the same as always—"Who's the greatest?" I think the others had also noticed that there was no servant.

Just then Jesus arose and walked to the table near the door. Picking up a full bucket of water and a towel, He proceeded to wash Judas's feet.

You could have heard a pin drop. We were all too stunned to speak—until Jesus reached Peter, that is. That crusty old Galilean fisherman always had something to say.

"No-o-o, Lord. You're not washing my feet."

"If you don't let me wash your feet, Peter," Jesus answered gently, but determinedly, "you'll have no place with me in heaven."

I'm certain Peter didn't really understand what Jesus was trying to get across. Because, he blurted out, "Then wash me all over!"

"No, Peter. Your feet are enough," Jesus said.

When everyone's feet had been washed, Jesus returned the bucket to the table and sat down with us again. No one said a word.

After we'd finished the Passover ceremony, Jesus picked up some bread and tore off a piece for each of us. He then gave us each a sip of grape juice, telling us to eat the bread and drink the juice in remembrance of Him.

It didn't make sense. Why do something in remembrance of Him when He was right there with us? And what did He mean when He said that He wouldn't do this again till we all met in heaven?

We sat in silence—until Peter put into words what all of us were wondering. He asked Jesus what was troubling Him.

"One of you is going to betray me," Jesus replied.

A murmur swept through the group. Everyone wanted to know who it was.

About that time Judas left the room. Then we sang a hymn, and Jesus suggested that we take a walk over to the Garden of Gethsemane.

Something strange was going on, but I just couldn't put my finger on it.

Only after the resurrection did I finally understand.

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Keeping the Message Healthy

by Norman D. Pluim

Sometimes we get hung up on the rules and reject the whole Jesus-given plan as legalistic.

Martin Luther used to wear a horsehair shirt. I eat Nut Meat. Martin Luther used to go without food and slept on the cold floor in winter. I go cold as I pass McDonalds, and manage to forgo cheese and chicken only by straining my willpower.

But is this what health reform is all about? Is vegetarianism a kind of penance? I don't believe so. Health reform was given to God's last-day church for good reasons.

1. To help us physically. God said to Israel, "If you pay attention to these laws and are careful to follow them, . . . you will be blessed more than any other people. . . . The Lord will keep you free from every disease."¹

Statistics show the Adventist lifestyle to be "conducive to lessened morbidity, delayed mortality, and decreased call on health services in comparison with the rest of the population."² Imagine the possibilities if we as a people became even more health-conscious!

2. To help us spiritually. In case you're tempted to say, So what?, think about the temptation that started the sin problem—appetite. And what about the first temptation of Jesus in the desert? Eating against God's will.

Remember the first temptation Daniel and his three friends overcame in Babylon? Eating the wrong thing. What tempted the Israelites to return to Egypt? The fleshpots and the spices. The sins of Sodom included selfish overeating.³

Jesus wants His last-days church to be "a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing."⁴ The spiritual, moral and physical parts of our being are linked together. He says to us,

"Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth."⁵

3. To help us to witness. God has given His church something very relevant to say on health. We have guidelines that, when followed, prevent many of today's top killer-diseases.

If we can live according to these guidelines and teach them, people will listen and ask us about the Source of the information. What an opportunity to introduce them to Jesus the body-healer—who's waiting to heal their souls, too.

I believe that people want to know two things: Do you religious people really care? Can you prove this thing called faith?

Is there any better way of demonstrating that we care than by helping the sick

to be well, and the well to stay that way? And evidences of inspiration's scientific accuracy provide hooks on which to hang our faith (see box).

So, "much of the prejudice that prevents the truth of the third angel's message from reaching the hearts of the people, might be removed if more attention were given to health reform. . . . I can see in the Lord's providence that the medical missionary work is to be a great entering wedge"⁶ for Jesus!

4. To increase our usefulness. A sick person is a less-effective person. And there's wisdom in the proverb "Great eaters are rarely great at anything else." "There are men of excellent natural ability whose labour does not accomplish half what it might if they were temperate in all things."⁷

More Reading

1. *None of These Diseases*, S. I. McMillen (UK: Lakeland, 1984). Written by a medical doctor with a gift for putting things simply, this book will establish faith in the Bible as a guide to healthy living. Order through your local Adventist Book Centre.

2. "Health Status of Seventh-day Adventists," Ian W. Webster, Head of the School of Community Medicine, and Graeme K. Rawson, Lecturer of the School of Health Administration, both of the University of NSW. Intellectually heavyweight but readable, this material is in the *Medical Journal of Australia*, 1979, 1:417-420. Reprints are available from Pastor George Burnside, 95 Browns Road, Wahroonga NSW 2076.

3. "A Church Whose Members Have Less Cancer," by John Cook, *The Saturday Evening Post*, March 1984. Available at your local library periodicals section, or from the Adventist Health Network, Berrien Springs, Michigan 49104, USA.

4. "Science Catches Up With a Prophet," a chapter from Rene Noorbergen's book *Ellen G. White: Prophet of Destiny* (Pivot, USA: 1972). Available from Adventist Book Centres.

5. *The Story of Our Health Message*, by D. E. Robinson (Southern Publishing, USA, 1965). Available from Adventist Book Centres.

5. To help us be like Jesus. This should be our ultimate aim. Christ spent more time healing than preaching. He broke down prejudice and demonstrated love in His healing ministry. "If the church would manifest a greater interest in the reforms through which God Himself is seeking to fit them for His coming, their influence would be far greater than it now is. . . . The work of health reform is the Lord's means for lessening suffering in our world and for purifying His church."⁸

If all this is such a marvellous plan, why isn't it already working?

1. Sometimes we get hung up on the rules and reject the whole Jesus-given plan as legalistic.

2. We soon tire of extremists and their fads. We sometimes think that adopting a different diet for religious reasons borders on fanaticism. And, as Ellen White says, "We must be careful

not to carry our views on health reform to extremes, thus making it health deform."⁹ Unfortunately, most of us aren't in any danger of being labelled fanatics!

3. Sometimes when the stomach craves a cream puff we find it easier simply to give in. But health reform does involve cross-lifting, self-denial. Sometimes it's easier to ignore the truth that God gives us, because if we listen, we'll have to change.

4. We nervously laugh it off! Says the proverb, "One horse-laugh destroys a thousand arguments." "Some have stood directly in the way of the advance of health reform. They have held the people back by their indifference or condemnatory remarks, or by pleasantries and jokes."¹⁰

5. Unbelief. This is fostered by comments such as, "The Bible and the writings of Ellen G. White contain

invaluable information about salvation—but they just aren't scientifically accurate."

The writings of Ellen White have suffered numerous attacks in recent years. If your faith in the prophetic gift needs strengthening, read some of the books listed in the box. Follow their counsel. And then experience the fullness of life that God is wanting for us each. **LE**

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STORY

Grapes

by L. J. Schultz

Jeremy had been busy outside in the hot sun. Tired and thirsty he came into the kitchen. And seeing some grapes, he decided that a drink of sweet grape juice would not only quench his thirst, but would revive his spirits as well.

With his bare hands Jeremy began to squeeze and crush the grapes. Their juice dripped down into a glass. When it was full, Jeremy drank all of it. And, indeed, he was satisfied.

But perhaps you're wondering why I'm telling you about Jeremy's grape juice. It's because Jeremy's grape juice reminds me of what Jesus did on the cross for us.

Just as Jeremy crushed the grapes to make sweet, refreshing grape juice, Jesus allowed His body to be crushed and broken on the cross so that you and I could live eternally.

And in the same way that the grape juice went through Jeremy's mouth and into his stomach, giving him new energy and life, the message of what Jesus did for us goes through our ears and into our minds and hearts, giving us spiritual energy and eternal life.

And every time the members at your church celebrate communion—which they'll probably do again very soon—remember that the bread and the grape juice are to remind us of what Jesus did for us. **LE**



L. J. Schultz writes—and draws—from Cooranbong, NSW.

Photo: David Colheart.



Darwin School Adopts a Telephone

A recent Telecom initiative has led the Darwin Adventist School to adopt a telephone booth as part of a Telecom attempt to reduce phone-booth vandalism and to promote care for public property among school children. The 24-student Adventist school, taught by Graham Hancock, accepted Telecom's challenge to paint the phone booth to their own design, and to periodically check function by dialling a test number. Linda Dias, daughter of church pastor Gilberto Dias and his wife, Renee, won the competition for a design for the outside of the phone booth. The school students, Telecom officials and a professional artist celebrated the transfer of the design to the wall of the phone booth. The event caught media attention, since the Adventist school is among the first to respond to the Telecom project. So far nine Darwin schools have joined in, and Telecom is exploring the possibility of making "Adopt a Phone" a national promotion.

A Record?

The nominating committee at the Ulverstone church (Tas) recently commenced its work at 6 am Sunday! "Tasda News" suggests that this early timeslot is a record. Unless that contention is successfully challenged, Ulverstone will maintain its claim.

Missionaries to UK

Avondale College students will assist theology lecturer Pastor Graeme Bradford in conducting evangelistic meetings and Revelation Seminars in Coventry (England) during July. Concurrently, fourth-year theology student Steve Wold will conduct a mission series geared to

youth. Newbold College students will also be involved in the overall program, which aims to strengthen the churches around Coventry and inspire students with the potential of public evangelism.

ICPA Promotion

The International Commission for the Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Dependency is to provide a series of anti-drug articles for education and law-enforcement journals in Zimbabwe, Burundi and Kenya. This action represents a major breakthrough in disseminating anti-drug information in Africa, says ICPA executive director Thomas Neslund.

Morobe Mission

The Morobe Mission (Papua New Guinea) is planning 200 three-week evangelistic campaigns in the towns and villages of its territory, commencing July 24. The meetings, to be conducted by ministers and laymen, are part of a larger plan to conduct 2,000 such programs throughout Papua New Guinea.

New PNG Schools

A new Adventist primary school is being built in Port Moresby, and land has become available in Lae and Rabaul for schools in each of these centres.

Youlden Report

Following Geoff Youlden's evangelistic campaign in Christchurch earlier this year, the owner of one of New Zealand's largest retail chains was among those who have decided to be baptised.

AAH Growth

The Auckland Adventist Hospital has almost completed work on two additional operating theatres. Already these facilities are heavily booked.

Island Membership

Some 74.11 per cent of the South Pacific Division membership is now in the island unions. "We need to work toward the day when island nationals will serve at Division-office level with Australians and New Zealanders, serving the whole division constituency," said SPD president Pastor Walter Scragg, speaking at the half-yearly meetings of the Division.

Student Convention

Guest speakers for the annual Adventist Student Association Convention, to

be conducted from June 30 to July 9, will include Gary Krause and Glenn Townend. Special features include a trip to Brisbane. Direct inquiries to Darren Leeson on (07) 844 5246.

Church Burned

A group of 15 new Adventists at Indagen—a village five hours walk from the government station of Kabwum (Papua New Guinea)—have been threatened, treated violently, and their church burned to the ground. Other mission groups already established in the area have forced the members to seek police protection, reports area supervisor Pastor Sid Griffiths.

Avondale Sets Lead

The Science department of Avondale College has urged the college administration to discontinue using aerosol products containing chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs). All departments have been so advised of the college's contribution to the maintenance of the earth's ozone layer.

Couple Grateful

Two Avondale College students who witnessed to Kerry, a Scotsman, and Diane, an American, at Kings Cross, Sydney, one Friday evening 18 months ago probably had no idea of the outcome. The couple pondered the meaning of life, married, and are now preparing for baptism—grateful to the unknown Avondale students.

Soviet Publishing

Negotiations on a contract to build an Adventist publishing house in the USSR are progressing. Several stipulations originally requested by the govern-

ment have been changed or deleted, giving the church more freedom and management control. Two Soviet officials in charge of publishing in the USSR visited the USA recently, including a stop at the Review and Herald Publishing Association on their itinerary.

Harvest 90 Report

A total of 1,572,192 baptisms have been reported during the Harvest 90 period thus far—more than 300,000 above the goal through to December 89, according to Carlos Aeschlimann, project coordinator. Fifty union and local fields have already reached their Harvest 90 goals, and four divisions are expected to do so during 1989.

Partner Plan

The South Pacific Division plans to introduce a proposal designed to give churches in Australia and New Zealand the opportunity to enjoy a closer re-

lationship with churches in the island fields. The "Partner Churches" plan matches a church in the Pacific islands with a congregation in the "homeland." It is believed that such a partnership will lead to a greater understanding of each other's mission and, to a limited extent, a sharing of ideas and resources. The plan, designed by Sydney laymember John Morris, will be reviewed to determine its effectiveness.

Visiting Speakers

Dr Samuel Bacchiocchi from Andrews University will visit Australia during October to fulfil speaking appointments in northern NSW and Victoria. Dr Paul Landa, a lecturer at Loma Linda University, will be guest speaker at seminars and ministers meetings in Victoria during August.

Qld Campaign

One hundred non-Adventists registered to attend follow-up Revelation

Seminars at the conclusion of a 10-night series in Toowoomba conducted by South Pacific Division Personal Ministries director Peter Jack. Local minister Bill Gerken says he has never had so many contacts who are openly interested. A significant number of professional people attended Pastor Jack's programs.

TTUC Seminar

The Trans-Tasman Union Conference sponsored a management seminar for conference presidents, some secretary-treasurers and union departmental directors from May 23 to 25. Conducted by David Medd of MAST organisation, the seminar covered management and skill training. "The professional approach to management was very practical and helpful," says TTUC president Harold Harker. "And having the seminar immediately following the midyear executive committee meetings saved additional travel costs."

Opening in Djibouti

Dentistry will be the key in opening the work of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in French-speaking Djibouti, one of two unentered countries in East Africa, according to Eldon Carman. The only full-service dental facility in Djibouti, the clinic will also be used to teach nationals the basics in care and prevention of dental problems. The clinic is scheduled to be staffed and operating by the end of the year on land provided by the government. Negotiations are also under way for a dental clinic to be built in Somalia—the other unentered country.

USSR Surgeons

Two leading Soviet surgeons who visited the USA in May watched Dr Leonard

Bailey perform an infant heart transplant. They were deeply impressed by their visit to Loma Linda, according to reports.

"Tokpisin" Hymnal

Papua New Guinea will soon have a hymnal in their own language, according to Communication director Pastor Matupit Darius. Veteran missionary Pastor Lester Lock translated most of the songs being used. The book will have a durable cover and cost less than PNGK10.

Seminar in Tonga

The Adventist church's Youth and Family Life director in Tonga was one of the speakers at a Family Life Seminar at Pangai, Tonga, during April. Thirty-two participants from the Ha'apai group attended the government-sponsored seminar. Pastor Faoliu Langi's presentations on marriage, child training and family communication were much appreciated, according to Tonga and Niue Mission president Pastor David Hay. Pastor Langi was invited to make presentations at a similar seminar on Tongatapu in May, and to conduct a session for staff of cooperatives on June 23. In addition, he is part of a government team visiting isolated islands in southern Ha'apai during June. An experienced teacher and minister, Pastor Langi is currently undertaking an MA course in Family Life at Avondale College. "He typifies the new generation of Adventist ministers emerging as Pacific leaders in the church and the community," says Pastor Hay.

Most Flashpoint items from outside the South Pacific Division are provided courtesy of the Adventist Review, and have been sent to the RECORD via facsimile.



Auckland Members Support Navolau Church

Mrs Maraia Gargett, of the North Shore church (NZ), and her husband, recently presented gifts of church books, wine trays, felt illustrations for Bible stories and curtain material to the Navolau church company in Fiji. Mrs Gargett (pictured) taught how to use the felt pictures, and also demonstrated cooking and sewing. "The Navolau members deeply appreciated this help from fellow believers in Auckland," says Fiji Mission Communication director Wapole Talemaitoga. "They say a big THANK YOU for the unexpected gifts of love."

Alpine Village Officially Opened



Guests at the village opening included (from left): Mr R. H. L. Smith (MP for Bega); Pastor Walter Scragg; Mr L. Norton (Shire president); and Hon T. Moore (NSW Minister for Environment).



Adventist Development and Relief Agency director George Laxton surveyed the view from the balcony of one of the chalets at the Adventist Alpine Village at Jindabyne, NSW.

Eighty visitors attended the official opening and dedication of the Adventist Alpine Village, Jindabyne, New South Wales, on Sunday, May 7. Special guests included Mr L. Norton, president of the Shire of Snowy River, Hon T. Moore, MP, Minister for Environment, NSW, and Mr R. H. L. Smith, state member for Bega.

The Adventist Alpine Village, which has a backdrop of mountains overlooking Lake Jindabyne, is just a few minutes drive from Jindabyne and offers year-

round attractions: snowfields such as Perisher Valley, Smiggin Holes, Thredbo, Guthega and Blue Cow in winter; and waterskiing and mountain walks amid wildflowers and wildlife during the rest of the year.

"We come to this place of beauty very much aware that this is part of God's creation," said South Pacific Division president Walter Scragg in his dedicatory address. Pastor Scragg emphasised that the village was established to enable Adventist families to be housed in a

"drug-free, smoke-free and grog-free environment" while enjoying all that the Snowy Mountains region has to offer.

Mr Norton paid tribute to Sydney layperson Loren Tinworth's hard work. He has worked toward the building of the village for more than 20 years. The access road is named in his honour.

The completion of the first stage of the project includes eleven modern units providing overnight accommodation for up to 80 people. The complex will house some 350 people when the central convention centre, service building and additional units are completed.

The day before, Sabbath, worshippers filled a marquee erected on the grassed recreation area. SPD secretary Athal Tolhurst reported on the progress of the church in the South Pacific. Former Division and General Conference treasurer Pastor Lance Butler welcomed the worshippers.

By Max Townend, Administration Projects director, South Pacific Division.

Tumbulgun Team Builds New Dorm at Paglum High School

Willing person needed! Not expert—just willing. Simply to drive nails into softwood." So read the invitation to join a fly'n'build.

It sounded so simple. We decided to go, and arrived there on February 21.

There were plenty of nails—enough to hold together a 40-bunk dormitory for boys. Where? At Paglum SDA High School, perched at an altitude of 2,000 metres overlooking the fertile heartland of the Western Highlands of Papua New Guinea, half an hour's drive from Mount Hagen.

There are few high schools in the highlands, and students are grateful for the opportunity to learn. The school operates a small crop farm. Profits from the produce subsidise student fees.

Our group consisted of seven other men and three women—mother, daughter and grand-daughter. Local mission carpenter David Din had most of the material needed ready for us to start. By noon Wednesday we had the floor down. By Friday the roof was on and at the end of the first week, the walls were in place.

Modern building techniques are new

to the locals and the building site fascinated onlookers. And in three weeks the dormitory was ready—40 double-decker bunks with shelving and hanging space for clothing, books, bags etc all completed.

The boys were jubilant, the girls a trifle jealous. Someone would need Solomon's wisdom in deciding who of the 100 boys would occupy the new dormitory. The 50-plus girls would only hope that another team would one day build cupboards for their dormitory.

Was our effort appreciated? We were

left in no doubt after the last Sunday night of our stay. The feast was scrumptious, the concert hilarious and the gifts unexpected and generous.

Thank you, Palgum High School. We will never forget the three weeks we lived and worked on your campus. To meet you again in God's kingdom will bring us great joy.

Written by Bernie Heaton and Greg Burgis on behalf of the team that also included Ron Brunner, Robin Cullen, Robert Johnston, Glenn Penniford, Geoff Taylor, Wayne Dawes, Mavis Worth, Nola Taylor and Kate Taylor.

Epping Group Erect New Church in Fiji



Photo: Lindsay Sleight

Twelve members from Epping recently built a church—designed by Clem Long—on Gau Island.

Twelve members of the Epping church, in New South Wales, recently completed a prefabricated steel-frame church for the Adventist members on the Fijian island of Gau—about 100 km from Suva. Epping church minister Lindsay Sleight says that they were constantly amazed at the hospitality of the local people.

"Most of our group were young and had never seen anything different from the normal Australian suburban way of life," says Mr Sleight. "But when our plane took off after dropping us on Gau, we felt our connection with the world we had known was severed."

After a half-hour journey down a bush track on the back of a two-tonne truck, the volunteers arrived at the little village that was their home for the next week. "The local Adventists had gone to great lengths to ensure our comfort," continues Mr Sleight.

When the visitors began the building, they were surprised and delighted at the

community spirit evident in the village. Many people from other denominations dropped by to help. "The religion didn't matter," says Mr Sleight. "There was a job to be done, and they were there to help."

In consequence, the building took four and a half days to complete—much faster than the volunteers had anticipated. But, according to Mr Sleight, the greatest miracle was that the building framework arrived in time—just two days before the team flew in. It had been held up due to shipping strikes, and the team considered its arrival an answer to prayer.

"We said farewell with reluctance," says Mr Sleight. "After only one week we felt so close to these brothers and sisters in the faith, it seemed we had been there for a year! As we travelled home, our team talked of plans for another visit—perhaps to extend the church, since they told us the congregation is increasing rapidly."

New Missionary Asks Questions of Home-based Members

From the crisp greenness of England to the dusty heat of Pakistan. Even in October the heat can be oppressive. As a new missionary I immediately wonder how it will be possible to survive summer if this is autumn.

The trip from the airport is one of complete confusion. In the midst of a myriad of vehicles and a cacophony of sounds it begins to dawn that this is now home.

Slowly this new world comes into focus. The creased faces of old people made wise by experiences that Westerners haven't dreamed about; smiles on the faces of the children who seem blissfully unaware that their life is a hard one; the resignation in the eye of the crippled beggar as he struggles for attention. I have one overriding impression—Pakistan is overflowing with people in need.

How is it possible to meet the overwhelming needs of this vast throng of God's children? It's not even a question of meeting all their needs—just some of the most basic ones, like an adequate diet and an elementary education.

There is hope. In Pakistan a very little goes an exceptionally long way. It costs \$12 a year to provide primary education for a child in an Adventist day school. Three thousand dollars is enough to build a small church in a village. But even these small amounts are difficult for the people of Pakistan to find.

When the average salary is less than \$50 a month, it's hard to find \$5 to pay for schooling five children. Don't be mistaken, though. The people of Pakistan don't need handouts. At least, not as much as they need skills and the ability to earn an independent living.

Many church members have little income and can barely support themselves—let alone the church. Pakistan is a mission field, not a self-supporting church organisation. But why?

Has the church failed its members in Pakistan? Has it imported Western ideas of advanced academic training when the people just need the skill to earn their daily bread? Should the church have a vocational school that would give church members the opportunity to

learn skills that would help them escape the endless cycle of poverty?

I don't have all the answers. But Pakistan is a land of opportunity. And there is an open door.—Adapted from *Light*.

By John Matthews, Adventist Development and Relief Agency and Communication director of the Pakistan Union. Prior to his appointment to Pakistan, Dr Matthews served for nine years as dean of men at Newbold College, UK.

Old Church Reactivated by New Baptisms



Photo: Ray Howes.

Nearly 200 worshippers witnessed the recent baptism of 16 Samoans at the Auburn church, Victoria. The occasion marked the restoration of the baptismal font, which had been badly damaged and unusable for some years.

Luteru Tauati, a layperson, prepared the new members for the baptismal service conducted by Pastor Aleni Fepuleai, who was on loan from the Greater Sydney Conference. Church pastor Ray Howes assisted him.

New WA Church Opened After Two Years



Photo: Maurie Peterson.

Western Australian Conference president Peter Colquhoun and Katanning Shire president Geoffrey Beek participated in the opening and dedication of a new Seventh-day Adventist church in Katanning (pictured) on April 29.

Earlier, Maurie Peterson, who built the church, taught the Sabbath school lesson, and conference secretary Laurie Evans preached the sermon during the worship service. About 150 people attended.

"The new building took about two years from initial planning to completion," says Pastor Peterson. "During

that time the congregation grew from eight members to around 20. Outreach programs are currently attracting another eight local residents, who are showing real interest in the church's teachings.

"The Katanning congregation appreciated help from the Victoria Park church, and also assistance from volunteers Ian Smartt, Ron Wier and Glen Worsley," says Pastor Peterson. "God's hand has been very evident throughout this project. The members at Katanning are now working toward filling the pews on a more permanent basis. Please pray for us."

Torres Strait Fisherman Finds Christ in PNG

Ida Waenga, a Torres Strait islander recently became a Christian through attending religious meetings while on holiday in Papua New Guinea.

Ida, from Yam Island, works as a diver on a fishing trawler. During March, while holidaying in Daru, a poster in the local shopping centre caught his attention. It advertised a Week of Praise and Joy conducted by the local Adventist youth. He decided to attend and what he heard confirmed convictions he had reached from reading the book *The Great Controversy*.

Some years beforehand he had purchased this book in Cairns, in northern Queensland. After reading it, he commenced to keep the Sabbath.

"He was delighted when he discovered that the Seventh-day Adventist Church observes the Sabbath," says reporter Willie Karara.

After three weeks Ida returned to work. But he took with him additional books presented by layman Ruhi Mea. "My people, who do not believe in the Sabbath, will give me a hard time," Ida told his new friends in Daru before he left. "I am going to tell them the whole gospel. Please do not forget me in your prayers."

ADRA Still Responding to Armenian Quake

Staff members from the Adventist Development and Relief Agency International visited the USSR last month to sign agreements with the Ministry of Health in Armenia for the construction of a children's rehabilitation centre.

The centre will specialise in treating children maimed or crippled by the earthquake that devastated Armenia in December last year. It will be built in Yerevan, capital of Soviet Armenia and will have capacity for 70 children plus facilities to treat some 50 children daily as outpatients.

The delegation is also selecting sites for the construction of up to eight remote clinics to serve the affected region. "The Lord has opened doors," says South Pacific Division Communication

director Ray Coombe. "ADRA is the first church-based humanitarian organisation to be given permission for a project of this type."

The Armenian earthquake killed 55,000 people and left more than 500,000 homeless. ADRA began sending relief supplies as soon as the Soviet Union accepted international assistance.

Qantas flew out 12 boxes of medical supplies from the ADRA warehouse in Sydney. They were then transferred to Russian Aeroflot cargo planes and taken directly to the disaster centre. ADRA also sent \$A2,500 cash from Australian donors.

In addition, ADRA International sent

medical supplies, winter coats, boots, tents and blankets and has continued to forward relief over the past few months.

Medical supplies and medicines were forwarded to Leninakan, a city destroyed by the quake. Baby food and an ambulance were given for the children's rehabilitation centre in Yerevan. ADRA volunteers worked in Leninakan, distributing relief to disaster victims.

ADRA South Pacific, PO Box 129, Wahroonga NSW 2076, has a disaster fund open to receive donations, which are tax-deductible. They will be forwarded through ADRA International to help finance the new rehabilitation centre.

Rain didn't deter the hundreds of visitors. The Murwillumbah Adventist School band, a group of local harmonica players, and Papuan tribal dancers performed at the occasion. Various stalls set up by many Brisbane churches sold plants, clothing, food and odds'n'ends. The fair also displayed a wide range of arts and crafts, and offered guided tours of the village.

CHURCH NEWS

ARV Runs 5DP

A follow-up dinner after a recent 5-Day Stop Smoking course conducted in the Victoria Point (Qld) Adventist Retirement Village hostel lounge resulted in a further course being planned for July. The 13 people who quit during the April course conducted by Pastor Reg King brought friends who wanted to give up smoking to the reunion. Many of these registered for the next 5-Day Plan.

Top Award Winner

Kathy-Maree Michlethwaite, daughter of Dr and Mrs E. J. Micklethwaite of Goulburn, NSW, was recently awarded her Australian Music Associateship in Pianoforte. She is now at Avondale College studying to be a high school music and mathematics teacher—and according to a local reporter, Goulburn church is missing her musical talent.

All-Age Sabbath School

On May 6, Monto (Qld) Sabbath school assistant Jenny Bazley organised a program that interested the whole of the members—even though ages ranged from three to 80. It was geared to primary children, with songs and suitable illustrations adding interest. "The illustrations were contained in a 'Surprise Box' and younger children were invited to retrieve something," says communication secretary Eileen Bazley. "Older children completed a crossword on the blackboard compiled from the illustrations or song titles. It was real fun for us all." Older members took the mission story for the day in the form of a television news report complete with announcers, reporters and interviewees. "It was an excellent way to keep the interest of the younger members in a Sabbath school where there are too few to conduct divisions for all the age groups," concludes Mrs Bazley.



Photo: Redland Times.

Those attending the Redlands Bay ARV Open Day included (from left): John Golding (Manager ARV); Paul Clauson (MLA for Redlands); Pastor Harold Halliday (conference secretary); Pastor David Lawson (Conference president) and Cr Merv Genrich (chairman Redland Shire Council).

Qld Retirement Village Holds Fair and Open Day

The Adventist Retirement Village at Victoria Point, Queensland, is a model for retirement villages planned by the Redlands Shire, according to shire chairman Councillor Merv Genrich.

"Some 500 people will be living in this village within the next six months," says Councillor Genrich. "The Adventist Retirement Village has shown the way in the Redlands Shire. Other such villages are being planned with this one as a model. We congratulate the Seventh-day Adventist Church for this establish-

ment, which is truly an asset to our shire."

The village recently held an Open Day and Fair opened by Queensland's Attorney-General and Minister of Justice and MLA for Redlands, the Honourable Paul Clauson. The event also launched the final stage of development of the village.

"Keep up the good work. You are an exemplary part of life in Redlands Shire," said Mr Clauson when opening the fair. Mr Clauson also announced that the state would contribute \$180,000 toward the erection of four of the planned 43 new units and the addition of 10 new hostel rooms. Construction should be completed by the end of this year.

Nutrition Course

Most of the 32 people who attended a Nutrition and Cooking course in the Charlestown (NSW) church hall during March were non-Adventists, according to communication secretary Ray Boyce. Eunice Fitzclarence, Phyllis Wilson, Maureen Page and Julie Norris led out. As a follow-up, the Youth Health Evan-

gelism team conducted a workshop on May 13. David and Danielle Kadareanu, Vicki Clifton, Grenville Kent, Cherelle Fitzclarence, Brenda Svensson and Glen Hughes covered aspects of stress, cholesterol and exercise. More than 60 attended. Following a low-cholesterol basket tea, participants were given individual weight, height and lung capacity tests and personal advice on how to improve fitness levels.

NOTICEBOARD

Obituaries

"We do not want you to be ignorant about those who fall asleep, or to grieve like the rest of men, who have no hope. . . . For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. . . . Therefore encourage each other with these words." 1 Thessalonians 4:13, 16, 18, NIV. The editorial staff join the church family in expressing sincere sympathy to those who have lost the loved ones recorded below.

Abbott, John Laurence ("Jack"), born April 13, 1909, at Palmyra, Fremantle, WA; died suddenly on May 12 at Kingaroy, Qld. Joining the SDA Church at the age of 12, Jack first attended the Karragullen church. He was a student at the West Australian Missionary College (Carmel) and later the Australasian Missionary College (Avondale). After spending a little time in the literature ministry, Jack was to later serve at both colleges as accountant and business teacher. He also held accounting positions in the SHF wholesale and retail. In 1952 Jack commenced medical studies, from which he graduated in 1958. He set up a practice at Epping, NSW, and was a member of the Epping church for many years. After living at Glenorie for 18 years, Jack moved to Kingaroy in 1986. He is survived by his wife Lily (nee Posselt); two daughters, Connie French (Melbourne, Vic) and Beryl King (Kingaroy, Qld); sisters, Edna Younger and Phyllis Sandover; brother, Dave (all of WA); six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Pastor Elwyn Raethel conducted the service, assisted by Pastor Harold Harker and the writer. W. R. Cross.

Drollet, Terri Olivier (Puti), born February 19, 1906, at Pare (Papeete), Tahiti; died May 1 at Tokoroa, New Zealand. The first half of his life was divided between Tahiti and Aitutaki, Cook Islands, with the last 40 years being spent in New Zealand. He is survived by his children, Louis Mitchell (Auckland) and Dai Ramea (Tokoroa); stepdaughter, Louisa Mitchell (Auckland); 21 grandchildren and 31 great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife Anne and son Teakari. Joe Turia, head elder of the Tokoroa church, conducted a family service on May 3 and assisted the writer in the funeral service the following day. M. J. Bull.

Hill, Leila Bertha (nee Boehm), born 1902 in Wanganui, Vic; died April 26 in Hornsby, NSW, and was buried at the Avondale Cemetery, Cooranbong. As a young woman, Leila accepted the Adventist message at a mission conducted by Pastors A. W. Kent and F. H. Letts at Anakie, Vic, and was later baptised by Pastor Letts during the Brighton camp-meeting. Leila's builder father shifted to Warburton, where he not only erected the "old church on the hill," but many of the surrounding homes. In 1927 Leila graduated from the nursing course at Sydney Adventist Hospital, and in 1929 married fellow graduate, Richmond Hill. They worked in several states, assisting evangelists such as J. W. Kent, N. C. Burns and W. J. Gilson. They also spent some years in service at Sydney and Warburton Adventist Hospitals. Leila is survived by her husband; daughters, Ruth Wilkinson (PAC, Papua

New Guinea) and Lola (Sydney Adventist Hospital); and four grandchildren. Pastor Ralph Wood was associated with the writer in the services. Leo S. Rose.

Morris, Phyllis May ("Phyl") Carter (nee Bush), died April 13 at Wolper Private Hospital, Woollahra, NSW, and was buried at the Northern Suburbs Cemetery. Phyl's early years were spent in Cooranbong, and later Warburton, Vic. Her studies at the Melbourne Conservatorium of Music provided a lifelong interest in music and the arts. With her husband, Victor Carter, Phyl developed business interests in New Guinea after World War II. A member of the Rotary Club in Sydney, Phyl was president of the Bondi Junction branch of "Inner Wheel" for four terms. Under the guidance of Pastor Reg Blair, Phyl became a member of the Woollahra church, where for many years she was treasurer and church organist/pianist. She is survived by her sister, Rae Buchan, and family. Milton Krause.

Peterson, Barry Frank, born December 24, 1932, in Adelaide, SA; died May 2 in the Royal Melbourne Hospital, Vic. A truck driver for most of his life, Barry was well known in the Adelaide, Murray Bridge and Whyalla areas of SA, and in later years Griffith, Wyong, Temora and Wagga Wagga, NSW. In 1953 he married Margaret Froome and during the 1960s joined the SDA Church. Barry is remembered for his friendliness and helpfulness and strong family ties. He is survived by his wife (Wagga Wagga, NSW); children, Charmaine Haworth, Kym, Cherie Royal and Anthony; 11 grandchildren (all of NSW); parents Frank and Mollie Peterson (Adelaide); brothers, Adrian (USA), Dennis (Adelaide) and Errol (Sydney, NSW); sisters, Christine Starke (Adelaide) Felicity Jones (Sydney) and Gaye Pearce (Adelaide). Pastor Kingsley Andrews assisted the writer at the services. A. D. Campbell.

Szabo, Julia, 82, died suddenly on March 29 at the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, Sydney, NSW, and was buried at the Botany Cemetery. Julia was born in Szentgotthard, and later married in Budapest, Hungary. A widow for 55 years, she came to Australia 20 years ago. Known as "Mumma" by many in the church, as well as in the community, she had been a member of the Woollahra church for the past 18 years. Her life was lived for others—she died sewing cushions to help her son, Louis, in his business. Milton Krause.

Waters, Margaret Elizabeth (nee Withers), 50, died May 12, after a prolonged illness, and was buried in the Salisbury Cemetery, SA. Only daughter of Linda and the late Frank Withers, Margaret was baptised in the Prospect church, and later Pastor S. C. Butler officiated at her marriage to Barry Waters in the same church. A large number of friends, including council employees with whom Margaret had worked, attended a service at the Salisbury Funeral Parlour. H. G. Josephs.

Appreciation

Benham. Lillie Benham and family wish to sincerely thank everyone for the phone calls, cards, flowers and

sympathy during the illness and passing of our much-loved husband, father and grandfather, Pastor Frank Benham.

Lewis. Diann, Ron and Nadine thank each of the many friends and relatives who sent notes or words of sympathy at the time of the loss of their loved daughter and sister, Sandra. We all miss her heaps.

Reid. Mavis Reid and family wish to thank all who sent cards and floral tributes at the time of the death of their husband and father, Allan Charles Reid. The expressions of sympathy were greatly appreciated.

Advertisements

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Kitchen Worker Wanted. Quick, reliable person needed for part-time pot washing and basic vegetable preparation, five days a week. Some weekend work. Write for application form to Director of Food Services, Warburton Health Care Centre and Hospital, PO Box 300, Warburton Vic 3799, or phone (059) 66 9010.

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Sunraysia Area in Victoria has much to offer Seventh-day Adventists and now is the time to consider your move. Mildura Adventist School, set in its own vineyard, cares for Prep to Year 10 in excellent facilities. The Sunraysia district has three churches, a strong Pathfinder program, a good climate. A future for you and your children. Education and other inquiries may be addressed to Pastor G. D. Giles or School Principal, Mr Adrian Smith, PO Box 1089, Mildura Vic 3502.

Graduates Association Annual Dinner. Our Annual Dinner will be held in the hospital cafeteria at 6.30 pm on Sunday, June 25. All and any graduates of Sydney Adventist Hospital are invited and welcome. Special guests—classes of 1939 and 1964. The Annual General Meeting will be held after the dinner. Cost \$20 per person. Booking with payment to: Mr A. Stiles, Nursing Personnel, Sydney Adventist Hospital, 185 Fox Valley Road, Wahroonga NSW 2076.

Health Instructors Program, October 8-15, 1989. Warburton Health Care Centre is again running its very successful health program. *Who can attend?* Church health secretaries, church members or anyone interested in health. The program will be based on the seven natural remedies to health. Also included will be a complete personal medical checkup, hydrotherapy, workshops etc. This program will be the experience of a lifetime for every person attending. Plan now to come. Write to: Health Education, Warburton Health Care Centre, Warburton Vic 3799, or phone (059) 66 2404 for full details.

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The Manager, Adventist Retirement Village, Victoria Point Qld 4165.

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