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## EDITORIAL



# A Green Church

I'm turning a darker shade of green these days. And it has nothing to do with envy—it's all about environmentalism.

No, I'm not ready to tie myself to a tree to protect a rainforest, or to join Greenpeace, or to stand in front of duck shooters. Nor do I think that everything the "greenies" advocate makes sense. In fact, some of the ideas I've heard expressed are ridiculous. But some definitely aren't.

Reports in the media have certainly helped to raise my awareness of environmental issues. But the real reason I'm becoming more green is because I'm a Seventh-day Adventist. Let me explain.

Seventh-day Adventists worship on the seventh day—it's part of our name. God created the earth and then

Certainly, God's handiwork has been tainted. It no longer has the beauty or wholeness it once had. But it's still His creation.

And there's another reason why I'm turning a darker shade of green. As Seventh-day Adventists we wait for the second coming—Jesus' advent. That's also part of our name. And, as strange as it may sound, it's another good reason for caring about our planet.

Just because Jesus is returning to fix it doesn't mean that we should ignore it or destroy it. We need to care for what God has entrusted to us. Conversely, we must avoid the other extreme in which, as could be said, we become "so *earthly* minded that we're of no *heavenly* good."

Jesus actually tells those waiting for His return to care for the planet.

Matthew 24 makes significant comments about the second coming. But we tend to get to the end of the chapter and close our Bibles. However, Matthew 24 is only the first half of Jesus' discussion.

After talking about the signs of His coming (chapter 24), He continues with the parable of the ten virgins (chapter 25). He says there will be a waiting time. We who have proclaimed the second coming in the South Pacific for more than 100 years understand about the waiting time.

Jesus answers the what-do-we-do-in-the-waiting-time? question with the parable of the talents (chapter 25). The parable is about our stewardship of what the Master has given us.

In the parable, the master returns and asks, "What have you done with what I gave you?" God will ask the same question about our life, about our influence, about our children, about our finances, and about our planet.

He gave it to us. We have a responsibility to care for it. That's what stewardship is about.

I'm a Seventh-day Adventist. The name itself suggests that I should be concerned about our planet. That's why I'm turning a darker shade of green.

Bruce Manners

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rested on the seventh day. He blessed the seventh day. He made it holy. It's a memorial to His creative work.

The Ten Commandments emphasise the need to remember the Sabbath day. They state that we should keep the day holy because of God's creative power. And the three angels' messages of Revelation 14 emphasise yet again the worship of the One who created. The Bible begins and ends with a call to worship on the Sabbath.

Every Sabbath is a memorial of creation. We who take the time every week to remember the Creator should be concerned about His creation. And we have better reasons than any New Age-inspired activists who chain themselves to bulldozers.

Every tree felled unnecessarily, every animal killed for vanity, every bit of preventable pollution should concern those who worship the Creator.



# LETTERS

## Cross Words

The crosswords in the RECORD are a good way to keep children occupied on Sabbath afternoons. However, it's disappointing if they experience difficulty in one or two clues and there are no solutions printed. All other magazines give solutions, why not the RECORD? M. Fehlberg, Tas.

## Search for the Carnival

Re "Carnival Spirit" (Letters, August 17): The writer refers to "large crowds" of Seventh-day Adventists who are worshipping with the "pulsating throb of band and rock music and who enthusiastically join in the clapping, swaying, singing and resultant bedlam of noise." The mind boggles.

I'm interested in where I can find such an Adventist church. Will the letter writer tell us? And if so, could that church tell us whether the description is accurate, or whether it's merely hearsay? Philippians 4:8.

Ron Lewis, New Zealand.

## Thanks

My husband and I wish to thank the editors for the article entitled "Blind Student Sees Brighter Future" (August 10). May those who give to the Simeon Tunjio fund through ADRA be blessed by God for their willingness to help this greatly loved student.

K. Thompson, Papua New Guinea.

## Congratulations

The RECORD is to be congratulated on presenting the articles on child abuse (August 17, 1991). Our church has a responsibility to inform its members of issues that can cause profound, long-term pain. An increased knowledge better equips us to serve others struggling with past hurts.

It's worth noting that 90 per cent of all reported cases of sexual abuse among children are alcohol-related. Let's not be blind to the very things happening "under our noses."

Andrew Booker, NSW.

## About Time

Re John Ludlow's article "Playing God," (Viewpoint, August 10): It's about time that someone alerted the church members to the dominant role

that America is playing and will play in world affairs. America is depicted as "another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon" (Revelation 13:11). In the final stages of this world's history, isn't this the image to the beast?

P. C. Thompson, NSW.

## Dismay

I'm dismayed with the writer's attitude (in "Playing God") in identifying America as playing God, and representing Americans as being only self-centred. It's true that America is a world power. That's a position that carries a heavy responsibility.

It's logical that America's government would protect its own interests, but it doesn't stop there. Its fundamental belief in democracy and freedom for all often carries it further to protect other nations and their right for freedom. The costs of this, in terms of human life and financial support, far exceeds the over-inflated benefits suggested by the writer.

As Adventists we must be concerned and aware of the beast and its image, but it's discriminating and wrong to label a nation and its people as the perpetrators. Satan carries this responsibility! Prophecy will be fulfilled regardless of the countries involved. Rather than casting stones, we should welcome these events as an

avenue to show our faith and be encouraged by the soon arrival of Jesus. Alan Neilsen, NSW.

## Relying on the Lord

I read with great interest the article "Schools in Crisis" (August 24). Our New Zealand schools are facing a crisis, but the three options listed did seem to reflect our modern-day short-sightedness and, maybe, forgetfulness. We should never forget to trust in the Lord (see Proverbs 3:5, 6).

Earlier this century, John Howell established schools in South America. His main objective when establishing a school was to make it self-sufficient by growing crops, raising cattle and educating the locals into their own self-sufficiency. His schools were an example to the education department and the community. Each and every school prospered.

I write to encourage the study of John Howell's experience (in the book, *Surely God Led*) and that we get back to the basics of self-sufficiency and more reliance on the Lord.

Barry Clark, Qld.

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# Adventists and New Age Health

Biblical Research Institute

**Jesus warned: "False Christs and false prophets will arise and show great signs and wonders."**

**I**n recent years some Seventh-day Adventists have participated in a variety of strange metaphysical experiences. Do these phenomena herald the expected outpouring of the Holy Spirit (as sometimes claimed)? Or do they disclose a subtle attempt by Satan to ensnare unwary members? A few instances will highlight the problem:

- A nurse places her hands in certain positions on her own abdomen for 20-minute periods several times a day. Although formerly a sufferer from chronic constipation, she now has relief, by correcting the disordered electrical currents of her body.

- A concerned mother swings a pendulum over her cancer-afflicted son to discover which herbs are needed to cure his diseased condition.

- A woman suspends a lead crystal pendant over a handful of vitamin C pills to determine her daily dosage. The number varies from day to day.

- A sick young man is tied to a tree with his back to its "window" or "door." The aperture has been located by means of a pendulum. It's believed that electrical energy will flow into him to bring renewed vigour.

- A man attends a Pathfinder dinner and dangles a nail tied to a string over a small amount of food in his hand to discover what he may safely eat. In a similar manner a child checks her lunch at the school cafeteria.

- A practitioner places one hand on a patient's pain-racked leg. With the other hand he directs a pendulum over several pictures of a variety of diseases. The positive spinning of the pendulum over a picture of tuberculosis of the bone indicates this disease as the cause of the patient's affliction.

- Housewives, shopping for groceries, hold their pendulums over lettuce and other products to determine freshness or wholesomeness.

- Participants in a 14-hour videotape course entitled "Achieve Your Potential" are taught to exercise the "god power" that "everyone" has "within."

These experiences, which all involve Seventh-day Adventist Church members, could be multiplied. In some cases they involve Adventist employees. Professional and tertiary-educated persons as well as individuals with lesser educational backgrounds engage in these practices.

Actually, the experiences described above have a common denominator. They reflect an intrusion here and there of some aspects of the so-called New Age Movement into the ranks of Seventh-day Adventists.

Although the New Age Movement is of recent origin in countries such as the United States, it merely revives in new forms the "ancient wisdom" of paganism. It's a modern union of Western occultism and Eastern Mysticism, fully committed to a pantheistic world view. The movement is a complex of religions and organisations, and to some degree its views and practices have penetrated every area of our culture.

The New Age Movement presents a serious challenge to Christians because its worldview is unbiblical. Yet its emphasis on holistic health has led many Christians, including some Seventh-day Adventists, to adopt certain of its techniques and therapies.

The bewildering array of techniques, therapies, seminars and workshops—some of which appear quite

neutral in tone—has produced confusion in Christian circles about whether the holistic health aspect of the movement would be dangerous to Christian faith and experience. As in most deceptions, truth and error are mixed in varying proportions.

Clearly the Bible condemns ancient occultism and identifies the power behind it as demonic. Its teachings likewise deny pantheism and the false views developed from that source. Neither of these false philosophies has changed from ancient times. Thus, the Bible's condemnation of both remains valid regardless of what new guises they may assume. In a similar manner the writings of Ellen White reject both occultism and pantheism, and foretell the appearance of similar teachings in modern times in "more pleasing forms of spiritism."

For Seventh-day Adventists, the Bible and Ellen White's writings should be sufficient to safeguard members from New Age deceptions. We're a health-conscious people, realising that physical health affects our spiritual well-being. From its beginning our church has upheld a rational approach to health care and has qualified its medical and paramedical personnel with the best scientific training possible.

Occult or psychic healing has never been accepted as consistent with our biblical world view. However, in recent years some members have become enamoured and involved in holistic health to the point that they're reluctant to believe they're in any spiritual danger. Let's address briefly three claims commonly raised.

**1. It works.** "I had such and such a problem. The practitioner diagnosed

and treated me by using the pendulum, and I enjoy good health now."

There's no question that healings take place with the use of occult methods. That's what makes them deceptive. We shouldn't seek evidence in the healing or the miracle—both God and Satan can heal.

Consequently, the Christian must look beyond the miracle or healing to the teachings being endorsed. Healing by occult-mystical methods simply endorses the occult-mystical worldview and places both the practitioner and the patient on Satan's ground to be oppressed by him at will.

Dr Kurt Koch (now deceased), a German Lutheran pastor of some 40 years experience, discovered the following solemn fact in counselling people involved in the occult noted that "pendulum therapy can accomplish certain relief and healings in the organic field." But he also noted that "this organic relief must be paid for with disturbances in the psychic field."

Ellen White makes similar observations. "Those who give themselves up to the sorcery of Satan may boast of great benefit received thereby, but does this prove their course to be wise or safe? What if life should be prolonged? What if temporal gain should be secured? Will it pay in the end to disregard the will of God? All such apparent gain will prove at last an irrecoverable loss."

**2. The technique is neutral.** Some argue that a holistic health practitioner may interpret its use in one manner; the Christian healer may interpret its use in another manner.

However, a technique distinctly linked to an occult-mystical background can't be treated as neutral. For example, no Christian can regard the Ouija board as neutral. This is a distinctive occult instrument that will always be linked with demonic powers.

Psychometry and the use of the pendulum are other examples of distinctive occult procedures. Apart from an occult-mystical explanation, they're irrational. They make sense only in the occult context. As their advocates admit, these methods are examples of psychic healing that can never be explained on a scientific basis. It takes a psychic or someone sensitive to developing psychic powers to heal by these means.

Forms of meditation that alter con-

sciousness are also linked to Eastern mysticism. Can a Christian safely adopt these procedures by cutting away their roots? Some have observed: "There is often a change in one's belief system that accompanies meditation—a change that reflects the assumptions of pantheistic theology underlying most of the proposed healing techniques."

God explicitly forbade Israel to adopt the occult techniques of the pagan Canaanites (Deuteronomy 18:9-14; Leviticus 19:26). There's no consistency in a Christian functioning like a holistic healer by using techniques and therapies that are the distinctive property of the occult-mystic program. Nothing can prevent the demonic powers from intruding into the processes to affect either the practitioner, the patient or both.

**3. Gray areas.** The complexity of the New Age Movement and the numerous practices of its holistic health emphasis inevitably present a mix of the true and the false. While its philosophical base is antibiblical, it has incorporated certain practices of proven value. For example, vegetarianism, deep-breathing exercises, and possibly some relaxation techniques may not be distinctively occult. Yet

## No Christian can regard the Ouija board as neutral.

such a blend presents a deceptive face to the inquiring Christian. Dr Warren Peters suggests some criteria to assist the Christian in analysing a given holistic practice of therapy. The Christian should ask:

**1.** Where did it come from? In other words, what is its source? Does it have psychic roots?

**2.** What company does the technique keep? Who uses it and what other therapies are included?

**3.** What is the ultimate direction to which this therapy leads? Am I led toward Jesus Christ or away from Him? Do I still need Him as a Saviour, or have I become my own saviour?

**4.** Does the therapy or technique follow the known laws of physiology? It's important to study the physiology or methods of action that have been delineated by those not involved in

the therapy itself. The explanation given by the ones pushing the technique, who profit from the product or method, is rarely reliable.

Does a given meditation technique alter my consciousness and close down my rational thought processes to such a neutral, passive state that I would be open to satanic intrusion? The mind, under the influence of the Holy Spirit, is my only means for detecting truth and error. I'm never wise to let it slip out of my personal control.

Robert Burrows writes that we should be particularly cautious "if a therapy, seminar, or worship is (1) explained in terms of harmonising, manipulating, integrating, or balancing energies or polarities; (2) denigrates the value of the mind or belief; and (3) makes extravagant claims—if it seems too good to be true, it probably is."

Seventh-day Adventists have long taught that such baffling delusions would precede the second coming of Christ (2 Thessalonians 2:9-12). Jesus Himself warned: "False Christs and false prophets will arise and show great signs and wonders, so as to lead astray, if possible, even the elect" (Matthew 24:24).

The New Age Movement embodies one of the "more pleasing forms of spiritism" preparing our society for the final deception. Members and health-care personnel presently advocating or participating in holistic health or in other programs of the New Age Movement should give serious thought and prayer regarding their involvement. All such persons—patients and practitioners alike—should separate themselves from the movement and its distinctive practices.



*Adapted from a paper prepared by the Biblical Research Institute, General Conference.*

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# Using All of God's Gifts

by Ann Campbell

**Many of us tend to value some gifts more than others.**

**T**hat males and females perceive the world quite differently is a generally accepted fact. Yet until recently little has been done to build on this truth. At creation, God didn't make male and female the same. Rather, He chose to create two individuals who would complement each other in every aspect.

Further, every human has unique God-given gifts for use in ministering to the Body of Christ—His church. For some, ministering may mean preaching a sermon. For others, it could be listening to someone who has recently been abused. It may mean sharing a meal and fellowship with someone in need. Such gifts have been given to women as well as men.

Scripture identifies a range of gifts including administration, creative ability, discernment, encouragement, evangelism, faith, giving, shepherding and teaching. (See Romans 12:7-21; 1 Corinthians 12:8-10, 28-30; Ephesians 4:11-13.)

However, recognising and valuing these unique gifts can sometimes be difficult. Many of us tend to value some gifts more than others. The value we place on those gifts depends to some extent on our daily experiences, our education and our social and cultural conditioning.

Understanding traditional group behaviour of men in Western culture, contrasted with female group behaviour, helps us appreciate the complementary roles God designed.

The following are tendencies in men-only groups:

- They're more highly motivated by problem-solving than women's groups.
- They're impersonal.
- They're competitive.
- Active participants dominate the group and attend meetings regularly.
- Less-active participants attend less or drop out early.

● Remarks are made to the group as a whole and tend to be impersonal.

● The topics chosen are task-oriented.

● Recognition is accorded to achievements.

● Mateship is achieved through discussion of events—especially sport and telling of jokes and news.

● Members repress feelings, show their strengths and hide their weaknesses.

● The emphasis is on competition, winning and gaining power.

By contrast, the following are tendencies of women-only groups:

● They're less motivated by problem-solving than are men's groups.

● The focus is on personal themes and self-development.

● They adopt a collaborative approach.

● They have a wide variation from one meeting to another in the level of member participation and attendance.

● They make remarks directly to individuals most of the time and the remarks are often personal.

● They choose topics that are process-related.

● They recognise relationships between people.

● They achieve closeness through discussion about personal and family experiences.

● They enable members to show their feelings, hide their strengths, and reveal their weaknesses.

● The emphasis is on self-revelation, relationships, drawing out other members of the group, and support.

While these descriptions aren't true of all men's groups and all women's groups, they indicate significant differences in expectations. An interesting comparison with both of these models is the summary of behaviour patterns of participants in mixed groups.

A mixed group demonstrates superior

problem-solving ability to that of a single sex group. Men tend to talk twice as much as women, and the average man, who is not dominant in men's only groups, tends to initiate more action in a mixed group. Research reveals that women, even those prominent in women's groups, tend to defer leadership to men. Usually lower status is accorded to women in the group.

These research findings suggest that both women and men need to identify and develop appreciation for different skills in order to work effectively together.

Over the past few years, the church at the General Conference level has recognised the need to cultivate the skills of women. Most recently it has established the office of Director of Women's Ministries, with Rose Otis appointed director last year.

Mrs Otis's responsibilities include creating programs that minister to the needs of women in the Adventist Church, as well as representing to the General Conference president the views of both denominationally employed women and those not employed by the denomination.

Mrs Otis spent two years working with her minister husband representing the GC in the Soviet Union. She and her husband negotiated with government officials and assisted in the development of a ministry for women and children in the USSR—an area that Mrs Otis will continue to foster.

Mrs Otis will be guest speaker at a gathering sponsored by the Association of Adventist Women at the Kellyville church in Sydney, 10 am to 4 pm, Sabbath, October 19. All are welcome. (Bring a plate of finger food for the noon meal.)

**R**

*Ann Campbell is president of the Adventist Women's Association. She lives in Sydney.*



# This Year's Projects

by Brad Kemp

I'm a veteran collector for the Adventist Appeal. Having started as a loyal assistant to my father when I was six, I graduated and went solo when I joined Pathfinders. But as time passed, the joy of knocking on doors and asking for donations lost its attraction. "Appealing" became a dreaded chore each year.

Since that time, my vision has changed—and so has my place of residence. Living and working in Papua New Guinea, I've seen many needs. Each year specific projects are chosen to benefit from the Appeal. This year three projects in PNG have been selected: The Aume Medical Centre, Carr Memorial Central School and Rabaul Central School.

## Aume Medical Centre

Aume is situated on the Sepik River west of Ambunti, and is surrounded by large tribal groups. In this region there are many basic health problems including endemic grille, malaria, dysentery and a host of other parasite-caused diseases. Aume is accessible to a large, densely populated area in which there are no medical facilities. It's also close to an old run-down airstrip, which is redeemable.

For these reasons it has been selected as an Appeal project. It's proposed to establish a medical centre at Aume to service the people in this region of the Sepik.

## Carr Memorial School

The Carr Memorial Central School in Port Moresby is named in honour of a former missionary who worked in PNG at the start of the century. Seventh-day Adventists in the city established this school for primary-aged school children.

Across the Waigani Valley from the PNG parliament building, and just along the road from the university,

Carr Memorial School has caught the public eye. Visitors from parliament are frequent, and many have said they consider it a model school. But it's incomplete.

The four rooms built in Stage 1 still leave the school three rooms short, and many parents are waiting to enrol their children. In fact, some complain that there's no room for the children of many who have sacrificed and supported with money and effort. In addition, there's no library area and a storeroom serves as an office.

With an enrolment of 260, and at least 120 of these needing a classroom next year so they can continue their education, the need is clear. The local community has so far funded three-quarters of the cost, but it's beyond them at present to find the money for the rooms that are needed immediately.

## Rabaul School

The Adventist school in Rabaul operates at Matupit—sometimes an isthmus and sometimes an island. This school began almost 30 years ago, but distance and irregularity of buses has depressed the enrolment significantly. Today the school enrolment is 89.

There's a demand for a school with easy access to all in the town. An excellent harbour-side school site, complete with building foundations, has been obtained next door to the church in Rabaul.

After seeing some of the needs in Papua New Guinea, and the way that ADRA and the church are helping to meet them, I want to be involved in inviting the community to share in our concern by giving a donation. As you collect this year, please remember these three special projects and the people you'll be helping. **R**

Brad Kemp is church ministries director for the Papua New Guinea Union Mission.

# Twice the Fun

by Heather Marshall

Millie loved to share. She often shared her school lunch, and she always shared her toys, and her cubby house. She even shared her pet dog, Barkus.

When Millie's friends came over, which they did often, they shared something else. They always shared lots of laughter and fun.

One day, Millie noticed a new boy in her street. He sat alone on his front doorstep. He had a beautiful toy car in his hands. It looked new. Millie called out to him and said, "Hello." He only looked the other way.

*He must be shy, thought Millie. I'll ask him to come over for a game of chasings with my friends this evening.*

Millie opened the gate and started up the front path to his house. When he saw her coming the boy took his car inside the house and then came to the door without it.

"Would you like to come and play with me and my friends this evening?" Millie asked brightly.

The boy's face, which had appeared so unfriendly, suddenly broke into a wide smile.

"Yes, please. I'd like that. My name is John. What's yours?"

Millie and John talked for a while. Then as Millie was about to leave, John said, "I'll bring my new toy car with me, and my football. We can play with them too."

That evening John joined Millie and her friends. In Millie's cubby house. John soon became good friends with the entire group.

John and Millie are still good friends. Today, they're both grown up, but they're still sharing. Now they don't share their toys, but they share the love of Jesus with everyone they know and meet. **R**

Heather Marshall writes from Karama, a suburb of Darwin, Northern Territory.



## Anniversary Appeal

The 75th Anniversary Adventist Appeal has gotten off to an outstanding start, according to South Pacific Division Appeal director Alwyn Salom. The North New South Wales Conference commenced early and the first weekend report was double that of last year. Bruce Garrick, of the Ocean Shores church, had a personal best donation of \$500 in the business area, and collected \$2,261 in one day! One of his regular donations has climbed from \$10 three years ago to \$250 this year—despite the recession! A Singleton businessman gave Barry Satchell \$100 following his first canvass this Appeal. “Sure, business is a bit slower,” he said, “but we’ve all just got to get into it and make things happen.” Sounds like good advice to churches just starting their Appeal!

## Megavoice

A simple talking book device that may be solar powered has been designed by New South Wales Bible Society secretary Tom Treseder. Named Megavoice, it has the potential to spearhead the world of evangelism in a way previously only dreamed about, according to Dr Alvin Martin, secretary of the Christian Missions Council of Jerusalem. Delegates at a UNESCO conference in Hamburg, Germany, expressed amazement with what they considered a revolutionary new educational tool when Mr Treseder demonstrated Megavoice. The device has no moving parts, fits the smallest pocket, and needs no electricity to operate. A world cham-

pion sculler, Mr Treseder designed Megavoice in response to the need of one billion people in the world who are unable to read the Word of God for themselves. It seems probable that the first two production quantities will go into the Soviet Union and Madagascar.

## 62 Collections

Bill Willis, a farmer at Nokaning, Western Australia, is taking part in his 62nd Appeal for Missions, and according to a report in *The Wheatbelt Mercury* of September 4, he is still as keen as the day he started back in 1929. Each year Mr Willis drives his old Falcon sedan about 650 km collecting north of the Great Eastern Highway to Mukinbudin and surrounding areas in WA. He said driving to farms has been

made easier with the improvement in cars—and roads. In the early 1930s roads were mainly bush tracks and it took many weeks to complete the appeal. Mr Willis told the newspaper that the success of the appeal was vital to help relieve the economic troubles being experienced all over the world at present. He also stressed that all money raised by Adventist Development and Relief Agency goes to its designated purpose, and that all collecting is done by volunteers who even use their own vehicles and fuel to travel and collect.

## Dangerous Drugs

The total economic cost of drug abuse in Australia in 1988 was estimated to be, at a minimum, \$A14.3 billion—42 per cent of the amount attributed to alco-

hol abuse. According to the recent publication *Estimating the Economic Costs of Drug Abuse in Australia—January, 1991*, by two University of New South Wales staff, alcohol fatalities numbered 5,624. This was 22.5 per cent of all drug induced deaths.

## PNG Crusades

More than 100 persons are now preparing for baptism following a week-long evangelistic crusade in Waput conducted by Trans-Tasman Union Conference president Pastor Harold Harker. Two Pacific Adventist College students, Ilisoni Lalakobau and Eric Restuetune assisted with the campaign and spent a further five weeks in followup and visitation in the mountainous district. “At Ingrue, the small church building collapsed when villagers crammed into it to hear the students preach,” says Matupit Darius. In Bigei, 25 people are having Bible studies following interest created by a young woman who is not yet baptised. In Suman village, where Reuben has been the only Seventh-day Adventist, he is erecting a building to accommodate the 60 people who have indicated they want to join the church. “The lay people are witnessing with very little material to work with. They need basic picture rolls and leadership manuals,” concludes Mr Darius.

## Congress

Some 357 young people made decisions for baptism during the first national youth congress held in Romania for 57 years. Adventist Press Service director John Graz was guest speaker at the Bucharest congress, which



Photo: Voghi Mota.

## Students Succeed in Campus Ministry

Four students were baptised following a “Back to God” series conducted at Madang Teachers College, Papua New Guinea, by two Pacific Adventist College students in July. Pictured with leis (from left): Joanitha Iha, Kompí Opetha, Sion Dengri and Graham Hatas. It was the first baptism ever conducted within the college grounds and was witnessed by hundreds of students. Joe Tesese and Narayan (pictured first and second left) led out in the programs, for which United Church students provided musical items. Local mission treasurer Voghi Mota and college staff member Caleb Lola organised the series. A non-Adventist student who attended said it was the best religious program he had ever attended and that he had been richly blessed by the meetings.



was attended by 6,000 youth and held from August 23 to 25. The Adventist youth movement is likely to become one of the most important Christian youth organisations in Romania, according to Ion Bucuman, organiser of the congress.

## Difference

Agricultural technician Harold Mattner recently returned from Mozambique where he had worked under the auspices of the Save the Children organisation to improve crop yields. Despite early failures, Harold persisted until he achieved crop yields double what the farmers had been accustomed to, according to a recent Save the Children newsletter. Harold started the project working with 80 farmers and by the time he left the number had grown to 1,300. Harold and his Portuguese wife, Filomena, recently returned to South Australia, where they attend the Brighton Adventist church.

## White Wedding

On August 24 the oldest Adventist church in Australia—Collinsvale, Tasmania—witnessed a reenactment of the wedding of Ellen White's son, William, and May Lacey, which took place in early 1895. The event was captured on video in preparation for centenary celebrations marking Ellen White's visit to Australia, which will be especially remembered on Heritage Sabbath, November 9.

## Recycled Rabbits

Pathfinders throughout Australia and New Zealand will soon be wearing Akubra hats rather than the old forage cap. The move is in response to heightened awareness of skin cancer. Genuine Akubras are made

## Donated Beds Bring Thanks in Fiji



On August 30 Sydney Adventist Hospital board member John Morris (front) was present for the handing-over ceremony of 15 cardiac recovery beds donated by the SAH to the Colonial War Memorial Hospital in Suva, Fiji. The ceremony attracted media attention and, according to Fiji Mission communication director Wapole Talemaitoga, the hospital superintendents (pictured) were very appreciative

of rabbit fur, and bulk buying has enabled considerable discounts for the Pathfinders.

## In Yugoslavia

The General Conference reports that the West Yugoslavian Conference has notified their need of medical and surgical supplies for hospitals and ambulances in Croatia. Some 75 per cent of Adventist congregations in Croatia are located in risk areas and many have fled their homes because of extremist activities. According to the report, regular evangelism is now impossible in Zagreb where Trans-European Division Ministerial secretary David Currie conducted a successful campaign earlier this year. Pastor Currie, who was formerly Ministerial secretary in the South Pacific Division, had to run two sessions nightly at the University hall to accommodate the crowds.

## Sonoma Sound

A South Pacific Division-led educational team has granted Sonoma Adventist College, near Rabaul, Papua New Guinea, the maximum possible accreditation term of six years. According to Sonoma principal Martin Ward, the team were happy with the growth and direction of the college, but made recommendations to improve and support the program. These will be implemented before the next accreditation inspection. Neville Taylor, on holidays from Victoria, assisted the college by taking classes in agriculture and repairing machinery, while his wife, Glenyse, also proved a godsend by typing the accreditation documents.

## Home Schooling

Home schooling appears to be growing in popularity in the USA, according to a report prepared by Dr John

Wesley Taylor V following demographic studies of 224 qualified participants. Conclusions suggest that children who are home schooled develop a higher self-concept—a significant factor relative to academic achievement and socialisation. The report calls for greater cooperation between conventional schools and home schools to maximise benefits. Complete copies of the study are available in book form from University Microfilms International, 300 N. Zeeb Rd, Ann Arbor, MI 48106, USA.

## Successful Author

Glenville Pike, who attends the Mareeba church in North Queensland, is a successful author—even though he never attended a formal school. Glenville was home-schooled for all of his education. His first effort was rejected by southern publishing houses so Glenville published the work himself and has since sold more than 143,000 copies of his personal efforts. In addition, he has edited 22 books by other authors. His interest in writing came after developing a fascination for local history when he was 10. In 1947 he commenced contributing a weekly column entitled "Around the Campfire" to the North Queensland *Register*. The column has run continuously since then! The *Tablelands Advertiser* recently featured the success story of Glenville Pike.

*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 transceiver for immediate release.*



# Adventist Appeal Celebrates 75th

**Y**es, 1991 is the 75th anniversary for the Adventist Appeal! And that means the Appeal this year is something special—in every respect.

It's special this year just because it has been around for 75 years. There are few public appeals that have this sort of a track record. The Adventist Appeal is one of the longest-existing in the South Pacific region. It isn't a "here today, gone tomorrow" event. It's something the public can trust because it has stood the test of time. This is a record of which we may be justly proud.

It's special this year because it's part of our larger ministry strategy, which is encompassed in Global Mission and is concerned with "Reaching Our Community" during this decade. The Adventist Appeal is another way we can reach out to our community. We as a church can share with the people of our neighbourhoods something of our world mission, and we can give them the opportunity to share something with us by supporting this mission.

The 1991 Adventist Appeal is special because we're aiming to top the \$1.5 million mark. And to accomplish this we're looking for a full commitment from you as you participate in this year's Appeal, and generous support from the public as we meet them.

This year's Appeal is special because there are additional resources to assist you in making the Appeal in your church an "Anniversary Success." To assist with the Appeal in Australia, we've provided an insert entitled "How Adventists Are Helping in Australian Emergencies."

This 1991 version grew out of the innovative and successful effort last year to answer the question commonly asked by the public: Yes, the Appeal provides aid to the South Pacific nations, but do Adventists do anything in Australia? This insert is available in Australia with the Appeal supplies.

Another innovation is the "Adventist Appeal: Collector's Manual." This is particularly geared to the needs of first-time or relatively new collectors for the Appeal.

Supplies of this manual will be made available to churches by the conference personal ministries director.

Church communication secretaries have available the Adventist Appeal Media Kits as usual, and there is the Appeal Promotion Video for use in your church. There are also Appeal TV spots for use by your local television station in preparation for the Appeal. All these supplies are available also through the conference personal ministries director.

And, of course, the Appeal brochure for this year is an anniversary edition. You will find it a joy to use as you participate in the 1991 Anniversary Appeal.

But the bottom line of what makes the Appeal special this year lies, as always, in the words of Jesus, "Inasmuch as you have done it unto

one of the least of these. . . ."

The 1991 Appeal is designed to provide funds for schools and a medical centre in Papua New Guinea. The physical needs there are so much more than are ours in Australia and New Zealand. We can provide funds and a sense of partnership with them as we participate in the Appeal.

Yes, let's make it a happy anniversary for the Adventist Appeal. You can be part of the celebrations by participating. Your contribution is needed if the Anniversary Appeal is to be a success.

While some churches will start early because of local circumstances, the official launch date for the 1991 Adventist Appeal is October 12. See you then!

*By Alwyn Salom, personal ministries director, South Pacific Division.*



## Congregation Formed in Townsville

**F**ollowing an initial six-month trial, the new Upper Ross congregation in Townsville, Queensland, was officially organised as a church company on August 3.

Northern Australian Conference president Pastor David Blanch (centre), Dr Warren Shipton (left) company leader, Ray Givney (second from left) Sabbath school leader, participated in the service, along with conference secretary-treasurer Bill Paynter and Shirley Givney, treasurer (right).

The idea of a church in the Upper Ross area was sown 15 years ago during Bible study, according to reporter Bob Baillie. The new congregation is the second spawned by the original Townsville church.

Overcrowding in the Aitkenvale church, which was formed around 25 years ago, was one of the factors that launched the new company. Some new members joined the company as a result of seminars and Bible studies conducted in the area for a number of years by Dr Shipton and other church members.

Photo: Leigh Rice



## Administrators Retreat Held in Collaroy

**M**ore than 70 Adventist Church administrators from the South Pacific Division attended an administrators council from August 7 to 11 at the Salvation Army Centre in Collaroy, Sydney.

"Many said it was a rare treat to be ministered unto rather than to minister," says Western Australian president Laurie Evans.

Highlight of the program was a Friday evening communion service celebrated under the ministry of Dr Benjamin Maxon, Ministerial Secretary for the Upper Columbia Conference, USA.

Other guest speakers included Dr Winton Beaven, assistant to the president of Kettering Medical Centre in Ohio, and Dr Joshua Owen, director of the Institute of Administration, University of New South Wales.

"Dr Maxon's devotional series centred around knowing Jesus Christ so well that He would become the consuming passion of our lives," says Pastor Evans.

"Dr Beaven presented a stimulating series on Christian ethics. He reminded administrators of the ethical issues they face every day and the importance of following correct criteria in arriving at resolutions."

Dr Owen reminded the administrators that it is necessary for administrators to lead with a vision and help those they lead to see that they are part of a team "building a cathedral."

"The spiritual emphasis of the program was most helpful to me," an island national administrator told Pastor Evans. "It strengthened my ministry." Another, a conference secretary-treasurer, said he appreciated the spiritual focus given by Dr Maxon because it "brought a balance to our preoccupation with programs and goals."

"It appeared to me that all who attended were grateful for this mountaintop experience," concludes Pastor Evans.

"We've returned home enriched and more committed to administration that truly reflects the imprint of the Master."

Photo: Elva Fietz



## Darwin Church Holds Yearly Campmeeting

**T**he baptism of four young people proved a highlight of the annual camp held by Darwin church members over a long weekend early in August. Some 93 people attended the camp, which featured the theme "God Will Prevail."

Guest speaker Pastor Harold Harker, president of the Trans-Tasman Union Conference, officiated at the baptism of (from left in photo): Heidi Sutton, Leslie Manners, and Natalie and Jacki Newman. The baptism took place in a portable tank at a Christian retreat centre.

"We enjoyed the tropical surroundings and abundance of wildlife, and the meetings proved a great encouragement to those who attended," says reporter Elva Fietz.

## Homu Hosts First Lay Congress

**S**ome 213 local church leaders from around the Eastern Highlands Simbu Mission, Papua New Guinea, came together August 19 to 25 for the first ever laymen's congress at the mission's training school at Homu, 40 km south of Goroka.

The congress provided practical assistance to lay leaders who make a vital contribution to the rapidly expanding work of the church in many districts. It gave encouragement and further training to those who had already developed basic skills in

church pastoring and administration.

"The local missions in PNG depend heavily on volunteer leadership," says Doug Robertson, assistant director of the Department of Church Ministries and Island Leadership Development, who attended the congress. "Full-time pastors in this region are each attempting to care for up to 15 churches, so the contribution made by lay leaders is much appreciated."

Pastor Brad Kemp, Church Ministries Director in the PNG Union Mission, was also a guest speaker. Material presented emphasised the nurturing needs of the many new members joining the church in PNG.

"Membership in the Eastern Highlands Simbu Mission has increased from 17,604 in 1983 to 44,119 in 1990," says Pastor Robertson.

## Churches Focus on Children

**C**hurches throughout the world will pray for children born into poverty on a chosen day between September 27 and October 20. This will highlight the promise made a year ago by 71 heads of state to dramatically reduce child deaths and malnutrition by the year 2000.

"Almost 40,000 children under the age of five die each day from malnutrition and disease," says Mike Stickney, convenor of the World Summit for Children Anniversary Committee. UNICEF director James Grant attributes this to lack of knowledge about the special feeding needs of a young child.

Goals set at the World Summit for Children include: To reduce deaths by one third, to cut malnutrition and reduce maternal mortality rates by half, to provide basic education and safe drinking water and sanitation for everyone.

"An understanding of the opportunities that now exist to help the world's poorest children must spread through our community to engender more prayers and support and bring pressure on our leaders to keep their promise," says Mr Stickney.

Worship and reference materials relative to the world's children are available from: Keeping the Promise, GPO Box 351, Canberra, ACT 2601.



## Over 70—But Still Appealing

A resident of the Adventist Retirement Village at Redland Bay, Queensland, has participated in the Adventist Appeal for almost 50 years—and she will be collecting again this year.

Even though she is now over 70, Elsie Cain collected \$530 last year and a similar amount the previous year. All this in spite of the fact that one year she was petrified after vicious dogs attacked her.

"While appealing in a residential area in Brisbane, Elsie was attacked by two dogs at the same time," says reporter Betty Joseph. "They bit and tore at her lower legs, inflicting wounds that required 22 stitches and three weeks off work. For some time she was scared to visit in unknown territory, and now mostly collects from business premises."

Elsie, who was born in Northern Ireland, spent some time at Newbold College, England, after becoming a Seventh-day Adventist. Later she trained as a nurse and has travelled widely, living in Ireland, England, the USA, New Zealand and Australia.

"Elsie's canine encounter has not deterred her from doing her part each year," says Miss Joseph. "When asked if she would be participating next year, she replied, 'If I'm still here I surely will.'"

## Aboriginal School Solicits Support

Mirriwinni Gardens Aboriginal Academy, situated near Kempsey, New South Wales, is facing an acute shortage of funds. The school, begun by Pastor and Mrs Edward Rosendahl in 1977, caters for Aboriginal children from kindergarten to Year 10, with Years 11 and 12 completed by correspondence.

The school receives no official church funding and has operated by faith, according to Darcy Malycha, a Mildura (Victoria) businessman. Mr Malycha, who last year organised volunteers to build a chapel at the school, believes Adventists will support an association formed to relieve the

school's financial pressures.

"Mirriwinni incorporates academic tuition, practical skills and physical training, but most importantly, the opportunity to experience conversion," says Mr Malycha. "Last year 12 students were baptised. That's a quarter of the enrolment, and is a remarkable achievement considering 90 per cent of students had no knowledge of Christianity prior to coming here."

Principal at Mirriwinni Fay Oliver has qualifications that would command a high salary in government employment. She is the only woman Aboriginal principal in Australia—and she is a dedicated Seventh-day Adventist. She has never drawn a salary since coming to Mirriwinni 12 years ago.

"If even 2,000 church members paid a joining membership fee of \$20 and then an annual subscription of \$20, it would help make the school a viable financial institution," says Mr Malycha. "The association, registered through Corporate Affairs, enjoys tax-deductibility. It is non-profit and administered by a board of dedicated Seventh-day Adventists."

"The original purchase price of \$33,000 for the 200 hectare run down farm—the Rosendahl's mortgaged their home to buy it—has now increased in value to more than \$2,000,000," says Mr Malycha. "At present the school facilities are adequate, with two dormitories, a school building and gymnasium, plus the chapel, which is used as a community church each Sabbath. In addition, Mildura members last year built an



Principal Fay Oliver lived for years in this tiny hut while helping to establish Mirriwinni Gardens Aboriginal Academy. Miss Oliver has worked as a volunteer at the school for 12 years.

implement shed and manual arts centre. Other individuals and churches have also supported." Mirriwinni invites visitors to call. From Kempsey take the Armidale road, then the Nulla Nulla Creek turnoff, 3 km east of Bellbrook. Phone (065) 67 2011. Donations can be sent to Mirriwinni Gardens Aboriginal Academy, Via Kempsey, NSW 2440.

## Mount Diamond Needs Funds

The Adventist High School at Mount Diamond, 25 km east of the Papua New Guinea capital of Port Moresby, desperately needs financial support, according to teacher Des Garrick. The school relies entirely on fees to supply operating budget, but the present difficult economic climate has severely reduced the numbers of students able to pay for schooling.

In cooperation with Adventist Development and Relief Agency, the Mt Diamond High School is seeking student sponsorships or donations toward school maintenance. Tax-deductible receipts are available for amounts over \$2, which should be forwarded to ADRA, PO Box 129, Wahroonga, NSW 2076, marked account No. 4803.4.

"The school enrolment usually numbers around 300, and operates from Grades 7 to 10," says Mr Garrick, who is one of the staff of 15. "But at the present time we are faced with the difficult task of asking some keen students to leave because they cannot find fees of K612 (around \$A800)."

"In addition, it is hard to keep school equipment functioning efficiently in the tropical climate," says Mr Garrick. "Tractors, mowers and buildings all need constant maintenance, involving extra outlay that is just not available from our meagre budget."

Mount Diamond High School, pioneered about 25 years ago, is situated on the coast amid lush vegetation and coconut palms. "It is a tropical paradise, yet I write with a heavy heart because of our desperate needs," says Mr Garrick. Churches seeking ideas for a special project or group fundraising should contact Mr Garrick at PO Box 1753, Boroko, PNG.





Greenvale church, both one of the oldest and newest in Victoria, was recently dedicated.

## New "Old" Church Dedicated in Vic

Victoria's newest church is also one of its oldest. Not only is it around a century since the original congregation was formed, but the membership has recently purchased a complex at Greenvale on the city's northern boundary that includes a 160-year-old chapel with seating for 150 people, a hall, cry room, office and kitchen.

The new facilities were dedicated on July 26. Situated on the corner of Section and Somerton Roads, Greenvale, it is just 15 minutes from the old Coburg church, which it replaces. Formerly a church, community centre and school, the complex, which has been fully refurbished, is situated on nearly a hectare of land in a rural setting.

Documents relating to the original congregation have been lost, but oral history states the church was formed more than 100 years ago in the inner Melbourne suburb of Brunswick. It resulted from a camp meeting and evangelistic program held by Pastor C. A. Paap. On April 12, 1902, the church moved north to the suburb of Coburg, and in the 1920s a building was erected in Woolacot Street, Coburg.

Another move saw the church located further north in Dorset Road, Pascoe Vale, during the 1960s. Again responding to the needs of the congregation, and the outward growth of Melbourne, the congregation is now located in Greenvale, not far from Melbourne's Tullamarine airport.

## New Members Join Longwarry

When Bronwyn Coburn and Debbie Nyhuis were baptised by Pastor Jeff Webster at Longwarry, Victoria, on August 3, it was a day of triumph for two dedicated mothers, he declares. Marj Kimber and Doreen Jones had never given up working for their daughters.

"Both girls had grown up in the church, lost their way, married, and drifted from church fellowship," says Pastor Webster. "Doreen introduced the Cox videos to Debbie and her husband, Robert. After viewing them, Robert was so impressed he went to the Victorian campmeeting to hear Pastor Cox in person."

Robert responded to Pastor Cox's appeal and the next Sabbath attended church for the first time. It was communion Sabbath so Robert was immediately introduced to the ordinance of footwashing, and soon commenced Bible studies with Pastor Webster.

"Longwarry's usual attendance of around 20 swelled to overflowing for the memorable Sabbath baptism," says Pastor Webster. "A Melbourne group—Frontier—provided special music for the occasion, which climaxed with a fellowship luncheon."



Pastor Jeff Webster baptised Robert Nyhuis at Longwarry in August. Also baptised was Robert's wife, Debbie, and Bronwyn Coburn.

## Snakes Assist Church Outreach

More than 360 visitors, plus 40 Adventists, attended the Ferntree Gully church's wildlife out-



Wildlife lecturer Andrew Wegener (left) creates interest in nature through live exhibits.

reach weekend held in early August. Ten new families joined their mailing list, which has risen from 25 families in October, 1990, to the present total of 170 families.

On the Sabbath afternoon top bird artist Nicolas Day joined professional wildlife lecturer Andrew Wegener to present a program on North Queensland, illustrated with slides, artwork and live and preserved specimens. The display in the church complex was also open on Sunday, with Nicolas Day's artwork and vegetarian snacks available for purchase.

"A highlight of the weekend was the involvement of non-church members," says reporter Ray Boehm. "Some who have become keen attenders of our wildlife programs, assisted with the display. And our neighbours are now glad to join in church programs."

"But for many it was an opportunity to see the interior of an Adventist church for the first time. Already six families have indicated they would like to attend the next church baptism."

The outreach proved a double blessing. Donations totalled \$550 and a further \$120 was raised from food sales and \$128 from book sales. "Please continue to pray for this unique witness that features God's creation," says Mr Boehm.

Previously, the Ferntree Gully church ran a wildlife display for the Anglican church in the Bass-San Remo-Phillip Island district. This was in response to a request from the Anglicans, some of whom had attended Ferntree Gully's Sabbath afternoon programs. The shire president and local councillors attended and suggested the display become an annual event.



# NOTICEBOARD

## Weddings

**Nurzynski—Nurzynski.** John Peter Nurzynski, son of Jerzy and Herta Nurzynski (Forey, Canberra, ACT), and Beata Stanislaw Nurzynski, daughter of Stanislaw and Justyna Bonuchowski (Poland), were married on August 4 at the Canberra National church. John, Beata and boys will live in Latham, ACT.

Warren G. Price.

## 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 Signs Publishing Company staff join the church family in expressing sincere sympathy to those who have lost the loved ones recorded below.

**Bailey, Doreen Gwyneth,** born May 21, 1925, in Mildura, Vic; died suddenly on August 6 at her home in Mildura. Doreen was baptised in 1939. Following her marriage to Harold Bailey, they developed a citrus and dried fruit property at Gol Gol, NSW, where they lived for 40 years. For eight years during the 1960s, Doreen conducted a non-denominational Sunday school, with up to 50 children attending. This was much appreciated in the community. She is survived by her husband (Mildura); daughters and sons-in-law, Gwenda and Brian Dellar (Mildura) and Miriam and Stuart Hedditch (Melbourne); and grand-daughters, Janine, Lisa and Camille. Pastors Claude and Tom Judd, and their brother, Charles, all long-time family friends, were associated with the writer in a memorial service in the Mildura SDA church. Paul Goltz.

**Dobson, Jean Marjorie,** born January 26, 1911, in Seone, NSW; died September 9 at Elizabeth Lodge, Normanhurst, NSW. She was a gracious, hard-working and sacrificing person. Jean was the last of the foundation members of the Lakemba church. She is survived by her sons, Noel and Bob Hardman (Sydney) and daughter, Dorothy Crompton (Port Macquarie). Her husband predeceased her by four years. The writer is Jean's former church pastor, and long-time family friend. Allan Butler.

**Fox, Ilma Dorothy,** born March 28, 1921; died September 2 at Liverpool Hospital, NSW. Ilma was a student at Auburn SDA school. After working for a short time at Sydney Adventist Hospital, she was accepted into the 1940 nursing class. Ilma graduated in 1943, and she and her husband, Les, were married the same year. For many years she worked as deputy matron in a nursing home in Glenquarie. She is survived by her husband, Les; son, Laurie; and daughter, Lesley. A. M. Penman.

**Machado, Nora Mavis,** born September 28, 1899, in Jamaica; died August 18 in the Carina Nursing Home, WA, and was buried at the Fremantle Cemetery; She joined the SDA Church in 1946. After migrating to Australia 19 years ago, she attended the Gosnells church, then later the Armadale church. Her gracious personality and artistic abilities were much appreciated. She is survived by her daughters, Canda (WA) and Ida (USA). Merv Tonkin.

**Madrell, Connie Alberta,** born November 15, 1903, in Alberta, Canada; died August 17 at the Freeman Nursing Home, WA. She had been a faithful Adventist for many years. She was predeceased by her daughter, Lucy. The writer conducted a service at the Fremantle Crematorium, followed by a service conducted by Pastor Dale Arthur at the Boyup Brook Cemetery, where Connie's ashes were interred in her mother's grave (Alma Sargent). Ian Royce.

**Murray, Thomas Douglas,** born October 1, 1916, in England; died August 26, while travelling by bus on a day trip from Mandurah, WA. He migrated to Australia in 1937. He and his wife, Dorothy, were married on February 1, 1942. They joined the Adventist family in 1965, and Tom held offices in the church he loved. In earlier years, Tom had farmed in the Kondinin district. Following a service in the Uniting church, he was buried at the Kondinin Cemetery. He is survived by his wife; and children, Margaret Lever (Naremburn) and Richard (Sydney, NSW). Merv Tonkin.

**Price, Eva Ellen (nee Bradley),** born 1911 at Fremantle, WA; died July 17 at the Freeman Nursing Home, Rossmoyne. Eva's first husband, Edwin Barrington (Jewson) predeceased her in 1966. She later married Ernest Price, who also predeceased her. She is survived by her children, Glennis, Erwin and Judy (all of Sydney, NSW); seven grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; brothers, Jack (Perth) and Tom Bradley (USA); sisters, Neta Zeunert (Cooranbong, NSW) and May Howse (Perth, WA); and three stepchildren. Pastor Merv Chapman assisted in the service. Alec C. Thomson.

**Weetman, Charles Robert (known affectionately as "Weetie" or Bob),** born July 4, 1919, at Wellington Mills near Bunbury, WA; died August 22 in Bunbury, and was buried at the Bunbury Lawn Cemetery. Bob was an Adventist all his life. His parents' home was the regular place of worship for the pioneer Adventists who lived in the area. In his teens Bob attended Carmel College, but due to sickness in the family, returned home to help look after the farm. The rest of his life was spent as a farmer, and he was district fire captain for 35 years. Bob married Ronda Jones (widow of Ernest Richard Jones) on February 26, 1984. He is survived by his wife; sister, Millie McDonald; stepsisters, Jeanette Lockyer and Lorraine Lockyer; four step-children and 12 step-grandchildren. Pastor Don McClure assisted the writer in the church service and conducted the graveside service. Keith Godfrey.

## Advertisements

**French Teacher Needed** for Forms 1-4 at Aore Adventist High School, commencing January 1992, on a full pay basis, with fares and transportation provided as per Division policy. Inquiries and applications to: Education Director, South Pacific Division, 148 Fox Valley Road, Wairoa, New Zealand 2076. Phone (02) 489 7122.

**Day of Ministry—Ways of Ministry.** Rose Otis from the General Conference and Althea Halliday from Murwillumbah will be guest speakers on October 19 at Kellyville Church Hall, Sydney. 10 am-4 pm. (Bring a plate of finger food). All welcome. (Sponsored by the Association of Adventist Women).

**ASM/PHILOSDA Reunion, September 14.** All past members, married/single, are welcome to attend at the WallSEND Conference Office, 9:30 am. Potluck lunch, tea \$7 per head. Please advise if you are requiring tea. Billeting available. Sunday activities. RSVP Liz (049) 50 4922. Doc (049) 82 8358.

**Western Australian Conference Session.** Notice is hereby given that the regular session will be held at the Maids Vale Campground from November 1 to Sunday, November 3. The session will commence with a vesper program at 7 pm Friday evening. There will be a special Sabbath program with the session proper commencing at 7 pm Saturday, November 2. Business will be as provided for in the Constitution and will include election of officers and presentation of reports.

**Pilot-Engineer.** A licenced aircraft maintenance engineer with endorsements on engine and airframe for single-engined aircraft is required for an appointment in Papua New Guinea, effective in 1992. The applicant

should preferably also hold a commercial pilots licence. Please send curriculum vitae, copies of certificates and references to the Associate Secretary, South Pacific Division, 148 Fox Valley Road, Wairoa, New Zealand 2076, or phone Miss Jenny Atkin on (02) 489 7122 to arrange for an interview.

**For Sale.** One Dukane projector and film strips "in good order." Price \$180. Phone (049) 77 2610.

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**House for Rent.** Three years old, 3 B/R house situated in northern side of Como Park Estate, Lilydale, Vic. Has carpets and floor coverings throughout, some drapes and blinds. Unfurnished. The house will be available October 14. For details, please phone (03) 735 3959.

**Nanny—Housekeeper Required** for two young children in the Hills District of Sydney. Good conditions. References required. Please contact (02) 634 2035 evenings.

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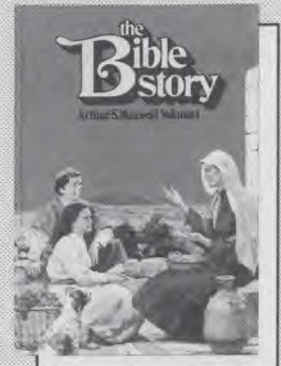
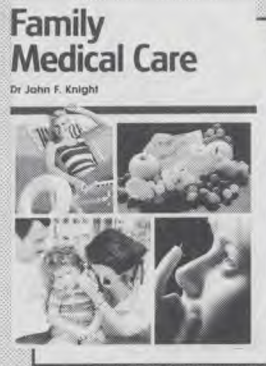
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