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Dear Jesus,

I received Your invitation some weeks ago. I thought at the time that it would be wonderful to accept Your generous offer and live in the mansion You've secured for me. But I've been thinking about it. I realise now that my acceptance was somewhat premature.

Life in Your city would be quite different to what I'm used to. What about my tennis on Tuesdays? I wouldn't be able to make it if I moved away. What about my computer games? And there are a few movies I just have to see before I could even think about moving.

There's so much I have yet to do that I just can't take the time to organise and coordinate a major change in my life.

I realise that You have my best interests at heart and I'm thankful for that. And I really do appreciate Your eternal support and care. I know that when You see how happy I am You'll understand my choice and give me Your blessing.

Please don't think I'm rejecting You, but I'm a single, assertive, middle-class young woman of the 90s. I value my independence. I need room to grow so that I can truly become myself.

With all my love,

Jane

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A Conversation

Lord, I've been asked to be the editor of the RECORD. That's quite an honour and I feel good about the confidence the committee has shown in me.

But Lord, I'm happy doing what I've been doing. I'm getting a lot of satisfaction out of my work. I'm not sure that I need a change right now. Are You sure You want me in this role?

It won't be easy.

Your church is so broad. There are so many cultures within the church in this division. There are the very young and the very old. There are those who have a simple approach to their faith and others who also have a valid faith, but question many things. There are those who have had little education and those who have more letters after their name than in their name. And we try to reach them all through the pages of the RECORD.

And then there's the huge range of positions that people within the church take on various subjects. I mean, we openly talk about the left wing and the right wing of the church. But no matter what label we give these people, they still fit under the umbrella of the Adventist Church. As editor I want to effectively minister to the whole church. Is that possible?

I guess it won't be long before I'm labelled, too. I've already heard reports that say that I'm too conservative for the job. Are they cancelled out by the reports I've heard that say I'm too liberal for the job?

I don't like labels. They make people into caricatures and ignore the reality.

But with such a broad range of thinking within the church, Lord, I know that, at times, I'll be in a no-win situation. What I write or allow to be printed on sensitive areas will alienate some people within the church.

And because I believe in openness and have a tell-it-like-it-is attitude I think that there'll be times when I'll be misunderstood and my motives questioned. Some may even question my loyalty to You and to Your church.

I admit, Lord, that I've been tempted

to think that the easiest thing to do would be to make the RECORD so bland that everyone would call it a "nice" magazine. But surely that's not Your will for Your church's magazine. I sense that there'll be times when You'll want to challenge us through its pages.

It's daunting when I think about those who have sat in the editor's chair before me. They've left awfully big shoes that I'm expected to fill. Lord, my feet seem so small.

There'll be some who will want me to be a James Coffin, others will want a Geoff Garne and still others a Robert Parr. And what about Anna Hindson—the longest serving RECORD editor? But I can't be any of them. I don't have the ability to readily articulate my thoughts like a Jim Coffin. I don't have the depth of a Geoff Garne. And I don't have the wit of a Bob Parr.

Yesterday morning I accepted the call to the position of editor. Lord, I said yes for one simple, but basic reason. If that's what You want me to do, then that's what I must do.

Besides, You've already said, "I will instruct you in the way you should go; I will counsel you and watch over you" (Psalm 32:8, NIV).

Thank You for those who patiently helped me think through the decision that I had to make. And thank You for the terrific team I work with. Not only did they enthusiastically encourage me to accept, but they were lavish in their offers of support and encouragement. That helped.

So Lord, it really comes back to this. Having been on the RECORD team for four years now, I'm quite aware of the workload involved and some of the difficulties that I'll face. And I know that my mistakes will be there in black and white for all to see.

But I'm also aware of the joy of touching people's lives through the RECORD. And I'm aware of the impact for good that You can have through the printed word.

The RECORD has been an agency for drawing Your people closer to You. With Your help, that can continue.

Bruce Manners.

LETTERS

Adopted Missionaries

Last September, Joy Totenhofer wrote such a lovely editorial in the RECORD ("Untouchable or Huggable?," September 22, 1990). I've kept a couple of copies to pass on to friends. It was so true to life.

Another article that appealed to me was one written by Kellie Hancock ("Making Missions Special," October 13, 1990). I'm wondering how many have followed her suggestion and "adopted" a missionary, or cross-cultural worker as she likes to call them.

While I know the editorial staff have much to fill the pages of the RECORD, I wonder if you could find a corner to remind folk of this suggestion. There are many lonely missionaries who would like to be "adopted" and kept in touch with the homeland.

I realise letter writing has gone out of fashion, but surely there are some who would like to do this if they were reminded of it.

We were very sorry to learn of the departure of the Coffins, for Pastor Coffin has done a wonderful job for the RECORD.

Eunice Johanson, NSW.

Different View

Re "Spirit of the Prophets" (Editorial, November 2): The exposition of the question "What is the testimony of Jesus (Revelation 12:17)?" is not the usual Adventist interpretation of this passage, for the following reasons:

1. Adventists have understood the phrase "the testimony of Jesus" by comparing related scripture through topical and contextual interpretation (for example, compare Revelation 19:10 with Revelation 22:9-10). Hence, Adventists interpret this phrase as being the spiritual gift of prophetic inspiration.

Of course the book of Revelation is also a manifestation of "the testimony of Jesus" because it's a book of prophecy (Revelation 22:10), which has resulted from God's prophetic revelation.

2. To reason that anyone preaching, uplifting and proclaiming Jesus has the "testimony of Jesus" is to confuse the spiritual gifts. For while all gifts of the Spirit in their broad-spectrum pur-

pose uplift Jesus, it isn't conversely logical to say that anyone uplifting Jesus has the particular gift of prophetic inspiration (see 1 Corinthians 12)! Hence, testifying for Jesus isn't the same as having "the testimony of Jesus."

3. Concerning the related phrase, "the spirit of prophecy," in Revelation 19:10, the small "s" is semantically a non-issue. The Greek letter used doesn't conclusively tell us whether or not the word is referring to the Holy Spirit.

However, to interpret this prophetic passage on the basis of whether or not there's a small "s" is to miss the passage's significance. Adventists have consistently understood this phrase in light of related passages such as 1 Corinthians 12:4-11, as being the gift of prophecy that is a particular "manifestation of the spirit" (1 Corinthians 12:7).

Gary C. Roberts, Qld.

Thank God for Ministers

Re the article "Why Do They Do It?" (September 14): When I read it I was glad that someone else was aware of the need to make the church and its services more meaningful to the world in the 90s. But I was disappointed to read reactions from readers.

Young and not-so-young people have been voting with their feet and leaving the church by the droves for

years. Oh, and don't make the church more meaningful for them. It might upset some older members. Let's keep the church cold and unfriendly.

What's so wrong with an overhead projector? At least we have the opportunity to sing and learn the songs. And everyone can see the hymn or chorus.

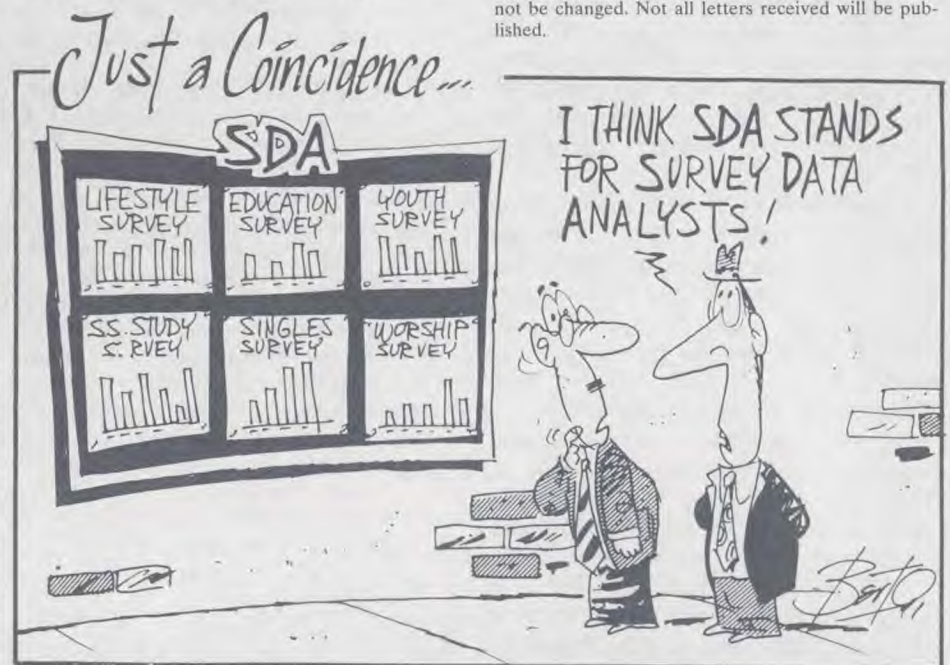
Some members talk and write about "the biblical pattern of worship." Could someone please quote a few Bible texts to support this worship pattern?

Another reader says that "members are starving to hear deeper expositions of those truths. ..." I hope he's referring to the truth of salvation and not just the specifics of doctrine.

I, too, thank God that our young ministers are fresh, energetic and have a vision for the future and the needs of all members of the church.

Brian Walker, NZ.

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Louis Conradi's Afro-Pacific Connection

by D. E. Hay

Adventism's Pacific islands' witness had made a lasting impression in the corridors of government power of one of the world's leading nations.

In 1901, 45-year-old Louis Conradi became the first president of the European field. Energetic and well-organized, he accomplished at times the work of several men.

Ever ready to advance the Adventist message in new territories, he entered Russia in June 1886. He was the first Adventist minister to visit there. However, shortly after organizing the first Adventist church in Russia (at Berdebulat, near the Black Sea), Pastor Conradi was arrested for preaching "Jewish heresy."

He languished 40 days in Perekop gaol. But the experience didn't dampen his enthusiasm. He later continued his whirlwind of activity directing Adventist openings in the Balkans, the old Turkish Empire and Egypt.

Pastor Conradi's vision widened in 1902. From his Hamburg office in northern Germany he dreamed of opening up new and exciting possibilities for the Adventist message in Germany's overseas East-African territories.

Undaunted by a small membership of less than 4000 and unmoved by the lack of recognition, rights and privileges that were afforded to the mainstream churches, Pastor Conradi forged ahead with his plans. He scurried to Berlin to seek guidance from the prestigious Colonial Society.

Predictably, Pastor Conradi became entangled in bureaucratic procedures. But he didn't lose heart. He hadn't come this far to be told he had come to the end of his overseas dream.

A September 4 interview led to a referral to the Colonial department of the Imperial Government. Here he was urged to discuss his plans with the

governor of East Africa. Count Goetzen would be returning on furlough shortly and he could speak with him personally.

And as if these instructions weren't enough, he was urged to visit the officer in the Colonial department who

supervised overseas missions. When he did, Pastor Conradi was greatly surprised to learn of the man's acquaintance with Adventist missionaries. While serving in the German administration at Apia, Western Samoa, he had come to know and

Ellen White in the South Pacific

How Practical Is a Prophet?



This must be a sample settlement to tell what can be raised here," Ellen White wrote of Cooranbong in 1896. Undeterred by the "discouraging testimony" that the land in the area "will not raise anything," she set about making her farmlet into what she called "an object lesson."—Letter 162, 1896, page 3.

Around her "Sunnyside" home, close to the newly started Avondale School for Christian Workers, Ellen White planted trees, vines, vegetables and flowers. She set out a wide variety of fruit trees: apricots, citrus, figs, mulberries, persimmons, plums, pomegranates and quinces. She included elderberries and grapes, and added tomatoes, beans, peas and potatoes. For beauty she chose roses, dahlias, gladioli, geraniums, pinks and pansies, plus evergreens.

In her copious writings, Ellen White had much to say about the value and beauty of creation, the benefits of country living, and the link between nature and Christianity. An important subtheme of her writings is well-expressed in these lines:

"Families and institutions should learn to do more in the cultivation and improvement of land. If people only knew the value of the products of the ground, which the earth brings forth in their season, more diligent efforts would be made to cultivate the soil. All should be acquainted with the special value of fruits and vegetables fresh from the orchard and garden."—Manuscript 13, 1911; quoted in *Counsels on Diet and Foods*, page 312.

Evidently, growing peaches, potatoes and pansies goes well with being a prophet!

admire the staff of the Adventist Sanitarium in the suburb of Tuifuiopa.

When Pastor Conradi happened to mention that there was already an Adventist mission there, the Colonial officer interrupted him and excitedly asked, "Is that your mission?" He then went on to speak warmly of his personal association with and appreciation for the institution's doctor. Finally, he stated that in his opinion the sanitarium was a model institution and that he could only have a sympathetic attitude toward Pastor Conradi's request.

While he had silently prayed for a positive response to his mission of faith, he hadn't anticipated the overwhelming support he received. In this fortunate meeting he saw the evidence of God's leading. Here was a sign indicating that God's blessing was upon his plans. Without delay he returned to Hamburg.

Six weeks later his application was on its way to the Colonial department. It sought permission to commence Adventist Mission activities in East Africa, and asked about conditions for such an undertaking, as well as procedures for land acquisition.

In response, the Colonial department prepared a favourable statement about Adventists. The influence of the friendly overseer of missions was clearly evident. The statement highly commended medical work by Seventh-day Adventists in Apia because it improved health conditions among the general populace and promoted excellent nursing care for the sick.

It also pointed out that the German administration of Western Samoa appreciated the Adventist medical work in its uplifting influence in the community. It also commended the Adventist mission for maintaining a strictly neutral stance during the political tensions of 1898 and 1899, occurring in Western Samoa between the Germans on the one side and the English and Americans on the other.

It seems certain that the Colonial department recommended to the Imperial Government the acceptance

of Pastor Conradi's application. Attached to a prepared statement on Adventist medical activities in Samoa, and to an encouraging report on the Adventist Church in Germany prepared by the Hamburg police office, it would have been treated with respect.

The positive evaluation of the medical activities of the Adventist sanitarium in the Samoan islands proved beneficial to the Adventist Church in Germany. On receiving requests for information about Adventists, Hamburg city police would supply their colleagues in other centres with excerpts from a statement kept in their official files—the statement that the Colonial department had prepared in response to Pastor Conradi's application.

Frequently quoted references drew attention to the Adventist emphasis on improving community health and encouraging acceptable nursing care for the sick.

Gradually the government and community gained a new appreciation of the Adventist Church in Germany.

In time respect and recognition came. In 1914, when problems arose, particularly in the area of literature evangelism, the valued assistance of influential friends proved very helpful.

Pastor Conradi returned from an itinerary in Egypt during December 1902. Remembering East Africa's governor would be home on furlough at this time he hurried off to Berlin once again to meet him. He eventually made contact with Count Goetzen in the Hotel Bristol on the famous boulevard known as *Unter den Linden*.

After warmly greeting Pastor Conradi, Count Goetzen smiled reassuringly and told him that the Adventist Mission's work had been highly recommended. He welcomed the church to East Africa. Pastor Conradi was elated. This new venture for God would stir the imagination and zeal of the German church.

The Adventist Mission in East Africa would enjoy the same legal status already given to existing mission

organisations in the territory. Such recognition was in advance of that granted the Adventist Church in Germany itself, as well as in some other European countries. And land could be purchased cheaply at three acres for a dollar.

Ten months later, on October 20, 1903, Germany's first Africa-bound Adventist missionaries were on their way by boat to East Africa, now known as Tanzania, Rwanda and Burundi. Twenty-three days later, J. Ehlers, a gardener with some ministerial training, and A.C. Enns, an American-trained male nurse, arrived in the colony's administrative centre of Dar es Salaam, ready for a new adventure.

After obtaining guidance, assistance with carriers and promises of military protection from the governor, they set off for the Pare Mountains, lying between stately Mount Kilimanjaro and the small coastal centre of Tanga in the north-eastern section of the country. Here they established Germany's first Adventist mission station in East Africa, naming it *Friedenstal*, meaning 'Peaceful Valley.'

Adventist Mission activities spread quickly with additional outposts flourishing at Vuasu and Vunta. The first baptism, of six people, took place in 1908. As the first world war approached there were 20 stations either completed or under construction, with a total membership of 500. Today, in modern Tanzania, there are 113,847 members meeting in 495 churches.

The medical and health emphasis of the Samoa Sanitarium, under the capable guidance of Dr Frederick Braucht, hadn't gone unnoticed by the German administration of the time. The institution's program had made a positive impression for Adventism.

Its influence extended far beyond the glistening white sands and turquoise-blue lagoons of the tropical isles of the South Pacific. Adventism's Pacific islands' witness had made a lasting impression in the corridors of government power of one of the world's leading nations. And it had opened doors in Africa for the advancement of truth. [7]

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I Remember . . .

by Harold E. Carr

Another of my early memories centred around the preaching of Sister E. G. White.

My mother was a good Bible student and began attending tent meetings in McKean Street, North Fitzroy (Melbourne, Victoria), being held by Pastor J. C. Corliss. His subject as advertised was on the seal of God and the mark of the beast, the very thing that mother was particularly interested in at that time.

The tent was located five miles from where we lived and she walked to get there. Needless to say, the presentations cleared up many of the questions in Mother's mind, and she made up her mind to keep God's Sabbath.

As a result, along with my two sisters and two brothers, we walked the five miles over to the tent where the Sabbath meetings were held and five miles back again. I was six years old.

Thus we were among the earliest observers of the message and in fact became foundation members of what later became the North Fitzroy church. Mother was baptised by Pastor A. G. Daniels about 1890.

It wasn't long before the meeting place was changed to the Federal Hall, part of the old Echo Publishing Company's building. It was here that Sister E. G. White preached her first sermon after her arrival in Melbourne.

In 1893 we held our first camp meeting in Australia, at Brighton, a suburb of Melbourne. Camp meetings were entirely new to Australia, and naturally aroused a good deal of interest both from the press and the pulpit. There was no open opposition to our work and the number of believers increased rapidly.

Our first efforts to spread the message through the printed page were made by Brother Scott, a printer who set up the type for the early issue of the *Bible Echo*. The formes of type were wheeled on a small handcart to the printers and thus the work of the publishing house began.

One of my most cherished memories of that time was becoming acquainted with A. W. Anderson and his family. They had a music shop in Lygon Street, Carlton. A. W. Anderson was organist for one of the big city churches (not of our denomination).

Another of my early memories centred around the preaching of Sister E. G. White. She was a powerful speaker. She didn't raise her voice to a high pitch, but she had the art of making her voice carry well so that she was able to hold large audiences. She had a deep tone of voice that carried well, without shouting.

I've heard her speak many times. In fact I have a copy of the first sermon she preached in Melbourne and I later heard her preach her last sermon before she left for America. This was preached in the old Avondale church.

In 1900 I went to Avondale College as a full industrial student. There I became acquainted with the Drs Kress, Sister Boyd (Ella Boyd's mother), Metcalf Hare, Harry Constant, John Paap, and a number of others. Remaining there for a year or two, I was about to go over to New Zealand to work for Brother Aymes. While waiting for some plans to work out I

Pastor Harold Carr

Harold E. Carr was born in Parkside, a suburb of Adelaide, South Australia, on November 5, 1882. He was two and a half years old when his father died of typhoid fever. When he was about four, the family moved to Melbourne, Victoria. They settled in the suburb of Richmond. Seventh-day Adventist workers came to Australia and settled in the same suburb around that time. He died in his 95th year at Cooranbong, NSW.

assisted my brother-in-law, Charlie Walton, who was working for Pastor A. W. Anderson, preparing his land for occupation.

At that time the publishing work was being moved from Melbourne to Warburton. Circumstances changed my plans and the then manager, Brother W. D. Salisbury, persuaded me to stay and help with the building work in Warburton. At first the work was almost wholly out of doors. Brother Salisbury told me that if I joined the staff I would have the honour of being the first employee of the new "Signs Publishing Company."

While living and working in Warburton, the officers of the church were encouraging young men to prepare for greater usefulness, so they gave some of us the opportunity to take church services. On the occasion when I took such a service the effect was such that responsible leaders thought that I should connect with the conference field workers.

After an interview with Pastor W. I. P. Baker, who was the president of the Victorian Conference at the time, it was arranged that I should commence field work under Pastor J. H. Wood, one of the finest Christians and trainer of young workers that I know of. I commenced work as tent master at Elsternwick, a suburb of Melbourne. When the mission tent season closed, I expected to take up canvassing work as it was called then, until the next tent season commenced.

It happened that my sister, Mrs Charlie Walton, was at the Sanitarium taking treatment. One day Brother A. W. Semens, the manager, asked my sister if she knew of any young men that would be available for training as nurses. "Yes," she replied, "my brother." So he wrote to me asking if I would consider taking up the nurses course. I replied that I had no desire to go nursing. I was going canvassing.

Shortly after this, Pastor J. E. Fulton, who was the union conference president at that time, came over to Warburton on conference business. He asked me if I would reconsider my attitude and go to the "San" as it was called then. I told him that I would give it a trial, which I did. So that led me into the nursing profession. I have had many occasions to be glad that it did.

When we were expecting to graduate, Pastor J. E. Fulton came to me again and asked if I would consider

going out to the New Hebrides in company with Brother C. H. Parker. After my marriage to Clara Patterson, we had the interesting experience of being the first Australian workers to go to a cannibal field.

On the way out we stopped off at Norfolk Island for a period of five months and were able to be of considerable help in medical work. Then we moved on.

Our first work was the building of a house in the capital, Vila. While doing this, an interesting experience occurred. Pastor Parker had developed a housemaid's knee from kneeling on the rafters of the house. He had to go to the Presbyterian Hospital just across the water about half a mile to have the fluid drained off. While waiting to be attended to, Pastor Parker wandered around the wards a bit and came across Dr Robertson who was a missionary on the Island of Eromanga. He had fallen on the slippery deck of the steamer and broken his leg at the point where the femur joins the hip bone. In conversation it appears that the surgeon, Dr Crombie, did not hold out much hope that he would be able to walk again.

Pastor Parker told him that his colleague, Mr Carr, was a trained masseur, and that he might benefit from treatment. After consulting with Dr Crombie, it was arranged that I should see what could be done. The result of that treatment put Dr Robertson on his feet.

After searching the island carefully for a place that would be suitable for headquarters for our work, we were drawn to a little island just a little way across the water from the large island of Malekula.

Our first child died and now lies buried on Atchin. Then a disturbing condition of Mrs Carr's health forced us to get her as quickly as possible to Ambrym Presbyterian Hospital, where she was restored sufficiently for us to leave the hospital. But the doctor advised Mrs Carr to return to Australia. So we were obliged to leave the island work on November 6, 1913.

We located in Collins Street, Melbourne, in treatment rooms. But the first world war threw everything into confusion. We were not sufficiently entrenched to stand the business strain, so were forced to close up and turn our attention back to field work. The conference sent us to South

Australia and we first engaged in working with the forces that were working for the early closing of liquor bars. Along with all the others working for that end we had the satisfaction of seeing the "six o'clock" closing act brought into operation.

We were then asked to locate in the town of Millicent, where our stalwart dentist Brother T. A. Brown had aroused some interest in our message. As a result of our work there, the foundation was laid for what is now the Millicent church.

Our second daughter, Verna, was born there. In 1916 we were called to

Our first daughter, Dorothy, was stricken with appendicitis and later died in the Taree Hospital

Avondale. Changing our line of work to some extent we began to work on medical lines in the old Avondale Health Retreat as it was known at that time. Our son Ray was born in 1918.

Because my work called me to travel in every direction, using Avondale as a centre, I covered a good deal of the ground that had been covered by Sister White. She and her nurse Sarah McInterfer had gone out to render medical aid wherever there was a need. Sister White was well known in the district. Even the locals affectionately spoke of her as "Sister White."

While at Avondale it was a privilege and a joy to conduct the orchestra. With the very valuable help of a dear and talented friend of many years, Roy Anderson, we put a little stimulus into the musical life of Avondale.

I was then asked to connect again with the field work. I was under transfer to North New Zealand, but a shipping strike caused the conference to change my location and I began work in West Wallsend. After a short term of eight and a half months we had the joy of seeing a church raised up.

My next move was to Inverell, in 1920, where our daughter Ruth was born. We found a few folk who had been brought into the message and again it was our privilege to labour to build up a company who were later organised into a church. The conference then asked us to transfer to Armidale, where we laboured for three years. Owing to conference changes,

we left Armidale and went to Wingham were our first daughter, Dorothy, was stricken with appendicitis and later died in the Taree Hospital.

While the hand of doubt caused many a heartache, we had the joy of seeing her dear little life bound up in the work and message of God. Though only 10 years and 10 months old, her heart and life were fully dedicated to her Lord and Master. She is now in His keeping, quietly sleeping in the Maitland Cemetery.

Sometime later we moved to Brisbane, where for several years we conducted medical work in the valley and were much bound up in the work of several churches. Owing to a serious break in my own health, it became necessary for me to take up farming pursuits for a while and locate in Woombye, close to Nambour. We had a large "upper room" that we used as a meeting place on Sabbaths, and there the folks from Nambour and Yandina used to meet for worship.

Two of our children, Raymond and Ruth, were growing into the place where we had to consider their education. So we decided to move to Avondale again. While living there I found deep satisfaction in visiting the churches in the near vicinity.

Mrs Carr's health was beginning to give way under the strain of the years, so we decided to sell our home—which we had built ourselves. For a while we travelled, and worked in Dubbo and Bowral.

Owing to Mrs Carr's deteriorating health, it was necessary for almost constant medical supervision. I had to devote myself to nursing her and in every way make her end as pleasant as possible. She finally lapsed into unconsciousness. Four days later, on April 6, 1964, she passed away without regaining consciousness.

I must say that I have never forgotten the great kindness and love shown to us by the Bowral church members who certainly loved her dearly.

I decided to go to Queensland where my youngest daughter, Ruth, was living with her husband, Jack Pearce. It seemed very difficult for me to find something to fill the gap that had been made in my life by the death of my dear partner. I eventually decided to come back to New South Wales.

Whatever I have been able to accomplish has been with the eye single to the glory of God. [7]

SDAs Featured

The work of the Adventist Church in Papua New Guinea is featured as part of a British Broadcasting Corporation documentary series on the ABC on Sunday nights. The series is called "Missionaries" and is being shown on television at 10.25 pm over six weeks (it began on November 3).

Fiji Open Heart

The first open-heart operation conducted in Fiji was performed recently by a team of Australian volunteers coordinated by the



Photo: N. Zaska

Sydney Adventist Hospital. Thirty-six people, consisting of doctors, nurses and support staff gave up holidays and paid their own air fares. The history-making operation was performed on 33-year-old Kashmir Singh, who had a four-centimetre hole in his heart. Pictured is a child recovering from rheumatic fever (a disease that causes a form of heart disease).

Angola Goal

Angolan Adventist youth directors recently had their first training seminar in 23 years. They discussed various topics including the organisation and function of youth ministry. They set a Youth Ministry membership goal of 80,000 by 1995. The youth group will be

split into five sections, and 10,000 youth leaders and 200 youth directors will care for them. Approximately 50 per cent of Adventist members in Angola are under the age of 30.

Singles Travel

Canadian and American singles are some of the 200 people expected to attend the Adventist Singles Ministries Convention scheduled for December 30 to January 5, at Avondale College. Applications are available from local ASM chapters and Pastor Bob Possingham, Trans-Tasman Conference youth and family ministries director.

Leper Homes

Thirty-eight European youth have volunteered to build houses for lepers and their families in Khokana, Nepal. ADRA Germany and the Adventist Youth Service of the Euro-Africa Division are supporting the project. Ingathering by

Pathfinders in the Euro-Africa Division provided initial funding. Each house and materials will cost \$20.

School Increase

The number of Sabbath school members throughout the world increased by 767,052 members for the year ending December 31, 1990, according to the General Conference statistical report. The 3,185 Sabbath schools in the South Pacific Division, with 265,415 members, gave \$3,953,890 to missions in the same period.

Designer Meteor?

The theory of random evolution may be threatened due to a meteorite that fell to earth in 1969 (in Murchison, Victoria). Astronomer Dr David Sargeant says that very old rocks such as the meteorite should show traces of "the primeval soup hypothesis." Rather, he says, it gives evidence of a complex micro-

biotic ecosystem so close to the birth of the planet there "is no time for their evolution." He adds, "It seems to me that an argument can be made that, if signs of design can be found in the process, the whole system in which stars, planets and life occur is purposeful and therefore intelligently directed."—*The Bulletin*.

Russian Ministers

Ministerial trainees are being turned away from Zoaski Adventist Seminary, near Moscow, Russia, due to a lack of available beds in the dormitory. Of the 83 applicants this year, only 23 were accepted. Many people wish to train for the ministry in Russia, despite modest ministerial wages.

Russian Baptism

Crusades recently held in St Petersburg, Russia, led to the baptism of 2010 people. In July, 460 people were baptised in Moscow in one day. A new church is open in Moscow with a membership of 500.

Chinese Hospital

Loma Linda Hospital (United States) has been invited to cooperate with the Zehjiang Provincial Government (China) in the planning, construction, equipping and operation of a 14-floor, 400-bed hospital—the Sir Run Run Shaw Hospital. It will be built in Zehjiang and modelled on an American-style hospital. The Loma Linda Hospital has entered into a five-year agreement with the Sir Run Run Shaw Hospital. It will provide a hospital administrator, financial administrator, and board-certified department chairs for each of the various medical services. The hospital's name-sake, Hong Kong philan-



Photo: Murray Hunter

Adventist Primary School Raises Funds

The 20 students of Rockhampton Adventist Primary school(Qld) have raised \$1000 for ADRA to finance the drilling of a well in the Highlands of Papua New Guinea. The Australian government matched every dollar raised for ADRA with three of their own, so the students' \$250 became \$1000 with the government's additional \$750. Pastor Harold Halliday, the South Pacific Division ADRA director, is pictured receiving a cheque from Rockhampton students (left to right) Dawn Sudy, Timothy Witworth, Sherrie Sudy and Adam Keeble.

thropist Sir Run Run Shaw, conceived of and funded \$10 million toward its construction.

Siberian Steps

Adventists in Kotzebue, Siberia, recently gave 60 Russian *Steps to Christ* to Siberian Eskimos. The eskimos had travelled 500 kilometres by boat across the Bering Strait to attend the annual Native Trade Fair. The books were wrapped and distributed with other gifts to the eskimos. It was the first time in 45 years they had been able to attend the Fair. "We wanted to give them Russian Bibles, too, but were out of them at the time," says student missionary Dianne Merrill. "It was an incredible feeling to give spiritual literature to those who had come from a country closed to such literature."

First Class

The first graduating class at Mission College, Muak Lek campus (Thailand), consisted entirely of ministerial students. This year's class of nine graduates, one female and eight male, received internship assignments.

Youth Congress

More than 6000 youth recently attended the first Adventist youth congress held in Bucharest (Romania) for more than 50 years. As a result of the two-day congress, 350 people were baptised.

Low Dose

Since 1986, almost half the regular drug-using population of the United States have stopped using drugs. Seventy-two per cent of Americans who regularly used cocaine stopped, according to 1990 figures from the National Institute on Drug Abuse.



Child Ministry Workshop Held in Fiji

Over 50 women attended a 10-day children's ministry workshop held recently in Suva, Fiji. Alice Lowe, retired General Conference child ministry director (seated, second from left), Naomi Nasausil, Fiji's child ministry director, and Val Ferris coordinated the classes.

Representation

The number of women participating in Adventist Church union executive committees in North America has increased by 37 per cent in the past five years. "Before the 1991 elections 57 women served on union committees, now there are 78. Sixty per cent of the church's total membership in North America is female, yet they make up 20 per cent of union committee members," says Elizabeth Sterndale, North American Division women's ministries director.

Doctor Recognised

The director of Shanti Sadan, the drug rehabilitation centre at Pune Adventist Hospital (India), recently received professional qualification from the American Society of Addiction Medicine. Dr Rohini Virathan is the first Indian to receive this recognition. Her greatest interest, she says, is in seeing young people released from chemical addiction and heading toward a fulfilling life. "I dream of the day when our church will be a hospital for the recovery of

people with addiction problems and a pillar of strength and support to the families of recovering addicts," says Dr Rohini.

Anniversary

Karachi Adventist Hospital (Pakistan) celebrates its 40th anniversary this year. Established as an outreach to the Muslim world and run as a charitable institution, KAH depends largely on donations for its survival. The hospital sponsors 80 students in its school of nursing and matches funds with an ADRA-operated child-survival project. KAH uses 12 per cent of its operating budget for outreach programs.

Newbold Grows

Newbold College (England) has recorded the highest enrolment figure of its 90-year history—374 students, with representation from each world division. One-third of the students are married. The Institute of Islamic studies is located at Newbold, which is also one of the major sites for the European Institute of World Mission.

Congress in PNG

Community Service congresses held during September and October at the Western Highlands Mission and Central Papuan Mission were attended by more than 3800 people. Workshops for witnessing were held at the same time and 40 people were baptised.

SAH Landings

A neonatal emergency helicopter transport service was the first to use the new helipad on the front lawn of the Sydney Adventist Hospital recently. The lawn was made accessible to helicopters by relocating taps, replacing the flagpole with two new flags on the front awning roof, and strategically placing windsocks.

Teachers Learn

Primary and secondary teachers attended a three-



day workshop at the Fiji Mission headquarters in Suva recently. Max Miller, the primary curriculum coordinator for the South Pacific Division (pictured left), and Dr N. Tausere, education director for the Central Pacific Union Mission, presided over the workshop.

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.

New RECORD Editor Named

At its year-end meetings, the South Pacific Division executive committee appointed Pastor Bruce Manners as RECORD editor. He replaces Pastor James Coffin who recently accepted a pastoral appointment in the United States.

Pastor Manners, who is currently *Signs of the Times* editor, has been an associate editor of the RECORD for the past four years. Originally from South Australia, he entered the ministry in 1975 and has had 14 years of pastoral experience in Victoria and South New South Wales.

"Naturally I'm pleased to be asked to serve as RECORD editor," says Pastor Manners. "I appreciate the confidence that the SPD committee has shown in me and I'm looking forward to this new challenge. I also see my appointment as a vote of confidence in the editorial approach that the RECORD has taken over the past few years. I plan to continue that approach."

He and his wife, Margaret (nee Oaklands, also from South Australia), have two children: Travis, 19, and Kristel, 16.

New Assistant Editor at Signs

Karen Miller recently joined the Signs editorial team. She is the new assistant editor, replacing Joy Totenhofer, who is retiring in December. Her major role will be editing news for the RECORD.

Karen comes from Melbourne, where her mother, Pat, has continued



to live since the death of her husband, Cedric. She has two younger sisters—Lorraine and Sandra.

Karen took time out from study to spend 1980 as a student missionary in Thailand. She lived in a village and taught in a refugee camp and mission school on the Thai/Laotian border, where she says her experiences changed her outlook forever.

"My year as a student missionary made me aware of how fortunate we are and how difficult life is for many others in the world, especially refugees," Karen says. "I feel we need to be more welcoming to migrants and people of other cultures. God has given us so many advantages. It's our

responsibility to share."

Since leaving Avondale College in 1982, Karen has taught in church schools at Warburton, Albury, Doonside and Sydney Adventist High School.

"I've always enjoyed writing and I also like working with children and youth," she says. "So I see my new role as an opportunity to develop written communication with these groups and the rest of the church. I'm pleased to join a team with such a high editorial standard and I look forward to serving the Lord in this capacity. This job opens new doors in understanding the progress of the church both in the South Pacific Division and around the world. It's an exciting prospect!"

Liberty Congress Held in Kenya

The All-Africa Religious Liberty Congress was held in Nairobi,



The main platform speakers at the IRLA Congress held in Nairobi, Kenya, Africa, September 8-11.

Kenya, from September 8 to 11. Keynote speaker Dr Daniel Arap Moi, President of the Republic of Kenya, addressed problems faced by African nations—poverty, refugees, AIDS, racial discrimination, violence and religious disharmony.

Dr John Pobee, Anglican theologian and member of the World Council of Churches, said religion and community are basic characteristics of "Africaness." He saw religious liberty as a shared process where Christians, Muslims and others work together toward achieving peace.

Muslims, Hindus and Christians each shared their perspective on religious liberty. Monsignor Roland Minnerath, a Catholic, asked, "Are all religious organisations willing to accept freedom of conscience?" This question is especially pertinent in Nigeria, where Muslims and Christians compete politically.

"The enjoyment of religious freedom cannot be guaranteed," said Professor Daniel Nserko from the University of Natal, South Africa. "There are limitations to freedom. Individual rights have to be kept in balance."

According to Pastor Ray Coombe, director of public affairs and religious liberty for the South Pacific Division, the congress voted significant resolutions that highlighted the importance of religious liberty as a means to achieve national unity and peace.

Some 8,000 Adventists gathered for Sabbath services and a Religious Liberty Rally in Uhuru (Freedom) Park in the centre of Nairobi, following the conclusion of the congress.

"The IRLA hopes to host a similar regional congress for Pacific Rim countries in 1993," says Pastor Coombe.

13th Sabbath Funds Growth in Africa



A mother in Harare, Zimbabwe, brings her baby for dedication. Offerings have made possible the spread of the gospel in Eastern Africa.

Eastern Africa is the fastest growing of all 11 world divisions. Overall membership doubled during the past five years.

The division's current membership now numbers nearly one million spread throughout 5000 congregations. They aim to baptise 800,000 within the next five years.

Ten countries, with a combined population of 160 million, make up the Eastern Africa Division, according to Janet Leigh Kangas, editor of *Mission*. The EAD will benefit from the Thirteenth Sabbath Special Projects Offering this quarter.

Plans are to build a seminary in Nairobi, Kenya, to train literature evangelists. In addition, a girls dormi-

tory and library are needed at Tanzania Adventist Seminary. Currently books remain piled high in boxes, and students using the inadequate library facilities are forced to study in shifts. Female students are denied enrolment due to lack of housing.

"Statistics show that first-quarter offerings are always lower than fourth-quarter offerings," says Dr Kangas. "Don't allow Eastern Africa to be a statistic. The cost of conversion isn't expensive—it's priceless."

The 13th Sabbath special offering will be taken in late December.

Sopas Hospital Is Tops in PNG



Eight of the 10 nursing graduates from Sopas Adventist Hospital who received hospital certificates.

Sopas Adventist School of Nursing graduates received the highest average ranking of all nursing schools in Papua New Guinea in 1991. The class motto, "Our Hands His Love," was elaborated on by guest speaker Pastor Yori Hibo, president of the Papua New Guinea Union Mission, who also presented the hospital certificates to the 10 graduates. All graduates are now working as Registered Nurses.

Several new extensions to Sopas Adventist Hospital were completed recently by two ADRA and Waitara church (Sydney)-sponsored fly'n'build teams. A new infant nursery, medical store, three toilet blocks and major renovations to the operating theatre and outpatients area are now in use.



Robert Erceg, of Waitara church (Sydney), with national workers, renovate the outpatient area.



The 13th Sabbath Offering will help to finish this building at Tanzania Adventist Seminary.

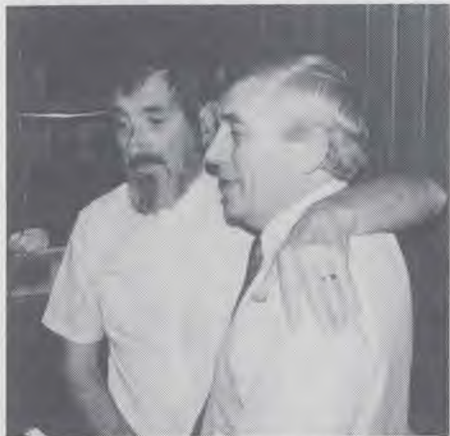
Sydney Crusade Climaxes in Baptism

Greater Sydney Conference evangelist Stephen Jakovac held a baptism on the most solemn day among Jews—Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement). And among the eight baptised was a Jewish rabbi.

The baptism follows a crusade conducted by Pastor Jakovac at the Blacktown Civic Centre from June until August.

"It was a great joy for the Blacktown members," says Pastor Jakovac. "The story of Rabbi Joshua's conversion is one of the many miracles that we have witnessed. We rejoice that a Jew would embrace the faith of Jesus and become a member of the remnant family of God."

Pastor Jakovac reflects that we should not be surprised, because Ellen White wrote: "Converted Jews are to have an important part to act in the great preparations to be made in the future to receive Christ, our Prince. . . . How? By men whom God has appointed being converted to the truth. There will be seen 'first the



Pastor Stephen Jakovac (right) baptised a Jewish Rabbi following an evangelistic campaign in Blacktown, Sydney.

blade, then the ear, after that the full corn in the ear.' The predictions of prophecy will be fulfilled."—*Evangelism*, page 579.

According to Pastor Jakovac, Joshua is a friend of the Israeli Prime Minister and many other influential people in Israel and the USA, as well as in Australia. "Perhaps," he says, "he may be that 'first blade' of the harvest among the Jewish people."



Children from the Karen school use a nearby river for bathing and washing. Sometimes the river floods.

Karen School Survives Floods

Helen Hall's mission school on the Thai-Burmese border near Mae Sot recently experienced severe flooding following heavy rain in the area. The boys dormitory and teachers houses had to be evacuated during the night when the river at the base of the school grounds was rising at the rate of 8 cm every 20 minutes.

The young women used torches and lamplight to help teachers and boy students to the safety of the girls dormitory and the classroom block on higher ground. Some teachers and students swam to the inundated dining room to try to tie down tables and chairs, while others dived for cooking pots on the floor that were in danger of being washed away.

"At first light water stretched as far as the eye could see," says Miss Hall, who has been volunteer principal of the school for the past nine years. "All the teacher's houses except one were under water or had just the tip of the roof exposed. Some of the boys sat on the dining room roof in an endeavour to prevent it drifting away.

"We floated everything to the shore and the girls carried them up the hill to safety—exhausting work as the tables and benches were very heavy. The water rose about 10 metres and peaked that afternoon."

After it receded, the students and staff surveyed the damage. Lost were mosquito nets, blankets, mats and all the walls from the boys toilets. Mud was cleared from walls, floors and cooking pits in the clean-up. Students camped in the classrooms and dug

cooking pits in the manual arts room floor.

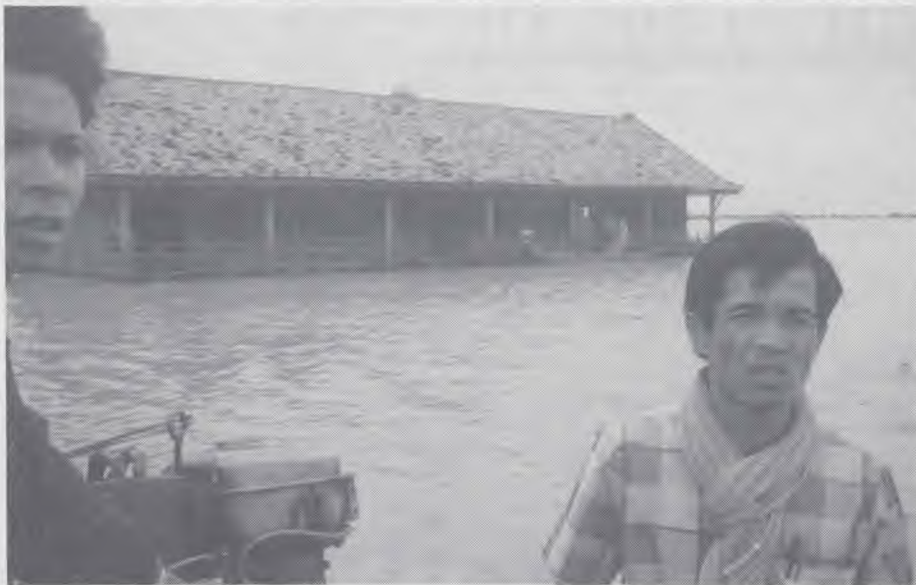
Just as it had dried up enough for the students to move back to their dormitories, Burma radio issued a cyclone warning. The school was directly in its path.

"There was nothing we could do, so we just packed all our belongings into tin trunks, and prayed the Lord would protect us," says Helen. "But the rain that fell was not as heavy as the flood rains. The cyclone dissipated into a severe depression and we survived."

The school supplies the educational and spiritual needs of the Karen tribes-people. It is a laypersons outreach, unsponsored by the church. Academically the school has been blessed by volunteers—Caron Shaw, Simon Lewis and Calvin Dever are there this year and according to Helen "they are enthusiastic, level-headed hard workers."

Small regional schools conducted by pastors in many Karen refugee camps are growing under dedicated, untrained staff, according to Helen. "I'd love to have a team of teachers (retired, maybe?) who can help me get them set up," she says. "We need to develop a basic training course for these dedicated workers. Then we'd see real progress."

"I hope within the next few years to see many who have been educated here at Eden Valley carrying the gospel to unentered areas in Thailand and Burma. They could form the backbone of a solid and vibrant church."



Cambodian villagers had to rely on boats to bring supplies following recent severe floods.

ADRA Provides for Cambodia

Adventist Development and Relief Agency recently participated in relief efforts in Cambodia, reports ADRA's newly appointed director in Cambodia Charles Tidwell. Following severe tropical storms, rivers in the area flooded much of the low-lying areas including parts of the capital, Phnom Penh.

"Thousands of homes were inundated and just-transplanted paddy fields were covered to a depth of up to four metres," says Mr Tidwell. "Water control and irrigation structures were heavily damaged or destroyed and roads were impassable, making communications difficult."

ADRA joined other aid agencies OXFAM and the Cambodian Red Cross to assemble disaster kits for thousands of affected families. These included basic cooking equipment,

some dried foodstuffs, buckets and simple plastic sheets to erect temporary shelters.

"We considered ourselves fortunate to escape a second potential disaster," says Mr Tidwell. "Before the first flooding had subsided sufficiently for families to return to their damaged homes, the Mekong River reached near record levels, threatening to flood Phnom Penh. It covered many hectares across the river and forced people there to leave their homes."

ADRA Far East and ADRA South Pacific made funds available for relief work. A Royal Australian Air Force Hercules transport plane transported 180 very large plastic tarpaulins. Some of these were used to cover grain provided by the World Food Program, while others were cut into pieces to shelter families.

Photos: Charles Tidwell

Youth Outreach Grows PNG Church

A church that grew from one of the Bible Speaks programs conducted throughout Papua New Guinea Union Mission during 1989, is now the fastest growing—and the second largest—Adventist church in Lae. Although still operating as a company with a membership of 80, almost 200 people regularly attend Sabbath services at Apotiko.

Last year the church voted to establish a youth club. Initially 35 members joined and chose *We Care* for their motto. Since then they have been committed to witnessing for their faith. Their efforts climaxed on September 14 with the baptism of 14 Apotiko young people who have now also joined the youth club.

"It was a dream come true," says youth leader John Varey. "We shed tears of joy that we were able to



Young women baptised from outreach by the Apotiko youth club in uniform for their baptism.

Photo: John Varey

reach our aim for the first year."

The club volunteered to build a lamb shelter for the Junior, Primary, Kindy and Cradle Roll departments of their congregation. The building is half completed, but according to Mr Varey, they have exhausted available funds. "Adventists in California, USA, recently sent a donation of \$US50, which will help us," he says. "But as well as money, we also need Spirit of Prophecy and religious books. Please also remember us in our efforts to finish the work and hasten Jesus' coming."

Gifts should be sent through the Treasurer, PNG Union Mission, PO Box 86, Lae, PNG, for Apotiko SDA youth.

The Church in Cambodia

During the horrific period between 1975 and 1979 approximately one-quarter of Cambodia's eight million people were killed by Pol Pot's Khmer Rouge, according to a recent release supplied by World Vision Australia. Christianity and other religions were outlawed and practically wiped out as apart of "Operation Zero," which aimed to subjugate the entire populace. Pol Pot's campaign of "no culture, no families, no religion" meant the persecution of Christian and Buddhist forms of worship.

Open worship for Christian churches was granted by the government in 1975. Today 10 small house churches are government registered. The largest of these has an attendance of 175. Christianity is growing, despite the enforced government registration of new converts.

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Appreciation

Geelan. Jenny, Bob Geelan and family, Roger French and family, wish to express their thanks to all those who shared with them in the loss of Jeff, beloved husband, son, brother, son-in-law, and brother-in-law.

Weddings

Barnes—Kooyman. Mark Richard Barnes, son of Mrs Sue Hobbs and the late Carl Barnes, and Tania Teresa Kooyman, daughter of John and Ellen Kooyman, were married on October 6 at the Nambour SDA church, Qld. Mark is a storeman and Tania is a pathology clerk. They plan to set up their home in Cooroy. K. D. Grolmund.

Brinsmead—Robinson. Jonathan Brinsmead, son of Noel and Joan Brinsmead (Terranora, northern NSW), and Gina Robinson, daughter of John and Margaret Robinson (Stokers Siding), were married on October 20 at the Fingal Reserve, Fingal. Jonathan is a fisherman, and Gina is a student. They plan to set up their home at Chinderah. Jeffrey Poots assisted in the service. Clive D. Butcher.

Cameron—Phillips. Peter William Cameron, son of Phil and Anne Cameron (Gold Coast, Qld), and Janelle Louise Phillips, daughter of John and Merryl Phillips (Esperance, previously Narembeen, WA), were married on September 29 at the Carmel College church, Perth, WA. Peter is an assistant accountant for the WA Conference, and is a clerk in the Adventist Book Centre. K. L. Vogel.

Faull—French. Gary Adrian Faull, son of Brian and Leoni Faull (Warburton, Vic), and Nerolie Greta French, daughter of Roger and Greta French (Auckland, New Zealand), were married on October 21 at St Andrews Anglican church, Wairoa, NSW. Gary and Nerolie plan to set up their home in Wairoa. Both will continue their work in Sydney as accountants. Allan Butler.

Goltz—Villason. Phillip Goltz, son of Terry and Barbara Goltz (Blacktown, NSW), and Michelle Villason, daughter of Romao and Mildred Villason (St Clair), were married on October 20 in the Blacktown SDA church. They plan to set up their home in the Sydney area, where Phillip works at the Sydney Adventist Hospital and Michelle is a sales clerk for Aussie Blinds. Terry Goltz.

Jolly—Dagg. Christopher James Jolly, son of Brian and Joan Jolly (Brisbane, Qld), and Sandra Leigh Dagg were married on August 18 at the Springwood SDA church. Mr Robyn Cullen gave the bride away. Christopher is an air-conditioning mechanic, and Sandra is a nurse. They have set up their home in Brisbane. K. D. Grolmund.

Tasker—Head. Christopher Richard Tasker, son of Ron and Lorelle Tasker (Yamba, NSW), and Meredith Anne Head, daughter of Trevor and Beverly Head (Central Coast), were married on October 13 in the Gosford SDA church. Christopher and Meredith plan to set up their home in Yamba. Wayne French.

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.

Brown, Leslie Cecil, born June 13, 1899; died October 2 at the Reynella Nursing Home, Adelaide, SA, after a prolonged illness. Les never formally took his stand for the Lord, but he died with the knowledge that his sins were forgiven and with the peace in his heart that only God can give. He is survived by his wife, Audrey; daughter, Lorraine Mitchell; son, Ian; grandchildren, Grace Kane, Lyn Spain, Earlene Jeffcoate, Don Mitchell and Narell Godber; and 11 great-grandchildren. Claude Collins, Brighton church elder, assisted in the service. Lee Bowditch.

Clark, Elizabeth Grace McKenzie, born July 24, 1911, at Cue, WA; died suddenly September 30 at Sherwin Lodge, Rossmoyne. After commencing work, Grace continued accountancy studies at night classes, qualifying with the Federal Institute of Accountants before the age of 21. She worked in the Sanitarium Health Food Company, Wairoa, NSW, then taught business at the WA Missionary College, while also serving as accountant. For 20 years she worked at the SHF office in Perth. Her hobbies included floral art, for which she gained championships for 10 successive years at the Perth Royal Show. She is survived by one sister, Dorothy Palmateer (Nunawading, Vic); niece, Val Lapsley (South Perth); and other nieces and nephews throughout Australia. The writer, a previous pastor of the Perth church, conducted a service at the Karrakatta Crematorium. Cyrus S. Adams.

Hammond, Enid June (nee Miller), born June 29, 1920, in Launceston, Tas; died September 13 and was buried in the Avondale Cemetery. June became an Adventist through attending a mission program conducted by Pastor George Burnside. She attended Avondale College in 1941, enrolling in the Bible Workers course. She married Wallace Hammond in 1942 and became a dedicated, dynamic partner in a ministry lasting 49 years. This ministry included working for the SHF Company in Brisbane and Cooranbong, choir evangelism, youth and pastoral ministry, librarian at Avondale College, teaching and assistant matron at Carmel College. June served with her husband in all states except the Northern Territory. In her youth she was an accomplished sportswoman, winning a sports girl of the year award in 1940. In recent years, due to Wal's failing sight, June became his "eyes" as they combined their faculties in preparing material for various church activities. June is survived by her husband; daughters and sons-in-law, Orel and Don Hosken (Perth, WA), Andrea and Alan Smedley (Cooranbong, NSW), Loina and Robert Martin (Bonnells Bay) and Corrie and Steve Beck (Brisbane, Qld); brothers, Don and Viv (Tasmania). A son, Noel, predeceased her. O. K. Anderson, F. L. Mackay.

Herrmann, Martha (affectionately known as "Nanna"), born April 23, 1901, in Germany; died October 8 in the Swan Districts Hospital, Midland, WA. Martha's strong faith in God helped her through the experiences she was confronted with in life. During the war, she was separated from her family, and her son was missing in action, presumed dead. She came to Australia 35 years ago to live with her daughter. Martha was a gracious person, loved by all. She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Margaret and Kurt Flade; and grandson, Peter (all of Darlington, WA). Her husband, Franz, predeceased her 59 years ago. M. A. Chapman.

Lupo, Fiela Nofotadne (nee Rex), born June 21, 1904, in Avatele, Niue Island; died August 9 at Middlemore Hospital, Auckland, New Zealand, and was buried at the Mangere Lawn Cemetery. She was the third child of Robert Lucas Richmond and Fisimono Rex, and was eight years of age when they accepted the Adventist message brought to Niue by Pastor Robert Carr. Fiela married Eneli Tauleva Lupo in 1940. In 1964, following studies with Pastor L. D. Vince, Fiela

was baptised in the Brentwood Avenue church, Auckland, New Zealand. She is survived by her husband; eight children; 39 grandchildren; and 65 great-grandchildren. Pastor L. D. Vince conducted the service, assisted by Pastor Stan Rex and the writer. Heinrich Rusterholz.

Malt, Ivy, born December 20, 1906, at Nihl, Vic; died October 8 at the Adventist Retirement Village Nursing Home, Victoria Point, Qld. Ivy was a fun-loving person who endeared herself to many people. Just after their marriage, Ivy and her husband, Harry, joined the SDA Church and were involved in church activities in Nihl, Sydney and Brisbane. Following the death of their only daughter, Pat, and her husband, Glen Nixon, in a road accident in 1972, the welfare of their four small daughters, Karen, Sheree, Michelle and Jenny became Ivy's special interest and concern. She is survived by her son, Charlie, from her previous marriage; nine grandchildren, and 11 great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband, Harry. Pastor Kallio, the village church pastor, and Len Harker assisted in the services. Reg Harris.

May, Vernon Bradford, born June 17, 1917, in Rockhampton, Qld; died suddenly on August 21 at the Berri Hospital, SA. Vernon was educated at Rockhampton and studied engineering at night school. In 1933 he was baptised by Pastor Tom Kent in the Folden River. Vernon and his wife Isabell (nee Jewell) were married on January 10, 1940, in the Mackay SDA church by Pastor Theo Anderson. Vernon operated a garage at Gargett, then in 1967 decided to take a working holiday. After stopping off at Berri, he liked the place, and decided to stay. He served as a church elder, gave good leadership, and was a kind and caring Christian. He is survived by his wife, Isabell; children, Alison, Dennis, Warren, Janice and Kevin; 14 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. Murray Dyer was associated in services at the Berri SDA church and at the graveside. Brian C. S. Pepper.

Mundy, Doris May, born October 7, 1903, in Adelaide, SA; died October 1 after a prolonged illness. Born into an Adventist family, Doris was a lifelong member of the church, and taught at the Kensington SDA School. She was involved in many church-related activities, especially welfare and music. Doris will be remembered for her willingness to help anyone in need. She is survived by her son, Robert (Beenleigh, Qld); brother, Colin (Adelaide); grandchildren, Margaret, Michael, Carolyne (Vic), Rodger, Carina, Christine (SA); and two great-grandchildren (Vic). W. M. Phillips, elder of the Brighton church, assisted at the graveside service. Lee Bowditch.

Reye, Egbert (Bert), born July 26, 1913, in Samoa; died October 23 at Healesville, Vic, after a prolonged illness. A funeral service was held at the Heritage chapel, Lilydale. His parents were staunch pioneers of the SDA message in the Pacific. Bert received his schooling in Samoa, and later worked as a painter in South Australia. Following his retirement, he moved to the Mountain View Hostel, Warburton, Vic, where he married Dorothy Bathgate. Bert was a member of the Warburton SDA church. He is survived by his wife (Mountain View Hostel); sons, Glen (Leigh Creek, SA) and Warren (Armada, WA); grandchildren; and step-family. Russell Wareham.

Sommerfeld, Rose, born January 15, 1926, at Gayndah, Qld; died August 19 at the Bundaberg Hospital. Rose worked hard all her life. During the war years she made soldiers' uniforms and did cafeteria work in Brisbane. Following her marriage to Holger in 1947, she helped on the dairy farm. She and her husband were baptised in 1955. The essence of Rose's character is found in a quote that she wrote in the telephone book: "The only greatness is the greatness of humility. The only distinction is found in devotion to the service of others." Rose is survived by her husband; and children, John, Coral, Bill and Margie. Phillip Downing.

Wait, Naomi Wilhelmina, born January 21, 1901, in Sri Lanka; died October 2 at Sherwin Lodge, WA. Naomi was the youngest of a large family. With her husband, Ronald, she migrated to Australia. He predeceased her in 1967. Naomi joined the SDA Church in 1969 through the Gift Bible Plan. Apart from two years spent at Elizabeth Lodge, Normanhurst, she lived with her daughter and family, and moved to Western Australia with them. In 1980 she became a resident at the Sherwin Lodge Hostel, where she won a special place in the hearts of fellow-residents and Rossmoyne church members. She is survived by her children, Kingsley (Sydney, NSW), Allan (Melbourne, Vic) and Barbara Cotter (Perth, WA); and grandchildren. M. A. Chapman.

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Physics-Maths Volunteer Teacher for Betikama, Solomon Islands. A volunteer to teach physics and maths to Form 6 (Year 11/12) is needed at Betikama Adventist High School in the Solomon Islands for 1992. The appointment would be from January 13 to November 27. Other responsibilities would be to teach maths and/or science to other forms as arranged by the principal, and to carry out supervision duties and other responsibilities as arranged. The school is the senior school for the union, with an enrolment of 350. Betikama is walking distance from the Western Pacific Union Mission compound, and 15 minutes drive from the capital, Honiara. The Solomon Islands does not have a security problem. The volunteer would be provided with a house and living allowance as per division policy. For information and inquiries, contact the Education Director, South Pacific Division, 148 Fox Valley Road, Wairoa, NSW 2076.

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