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# **GLEANER**

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The Statue of Liberty, facing the channel of New York Harbor, stands as a symbol of American liberty and as a beacon of refuge for immigrants. It was given by France to the United States.

Featuring

Greater New York Conference

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## MY FIRST JOB

By Esther White  
of Dixfield, Maine

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My days of schooling were over. I had completed high school and would need to go into the work force right after graduation. How well I remember the interview with the employment manager. Here I was asking him for a job and having to tell him that I would not be able to work Friday nights or Saturdays.

My girlfriend had gone with me. She was not of my religious convictions regarding the keeping of Sabbath. She was put to work immediately. I was not.

After three weeks of what seemed like rejection, I received a call from the employment manager telling me that he found just the right job for me.

In my mind I thought of all kinds of "just right for me" jobs. The next morning my fears were realized as I was shown my place in the factory. I followed the employment manager's secretary through the factory, into the supply room, and down a dark aisle to where I would be working. I was given the task of counting the buttons, buckles, bows, et cetera, that were to be used on the shoes made at the factory.

Day after day that summer I counted 2-4-6-8-10 until I was counting in my sleep at night.

The purchasing agent would come in daily to check on the supplies to make sure everything was ready for the orders to be filled. Often he would take a few minutes to stop to talk with me.



One day towards the end of summer a surprise awaited me. The purchasing agent told me his private secretary had married a teacher and would be leaving because her husband had accepted a teaching position in another area. He asked if I would be interested in replacing her.

Little did I know when I applied for a job and was given the menial task of counting buttons in that dark supply room that God had a Jewish purchasing agent in the front office that would need a secretary by the end of the summer.

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Esther White was the communication secretary of the Carthage, Maine, church when this article was submitted.

## HOW I AM PUTTING MY FAITH TO WORK

By Phyllis Moore  
Laconia, New Hampshire, Church

For several years my husband and I have had the privilege of working in Community Services in our area. This has given us a terrific opportunity to show our faith by our works. People have sometimes lost their homes and even family members in a local disaster. They need food, clothing, and shelter. Most of all, they need the Lord Jesus Christ to fill the void left by this loss. We are able to pray with them and present Christ to them. He became their Provider and Healer of broken hearts. My prayer is that we may always be found in the will of God and able to be in service for Him.

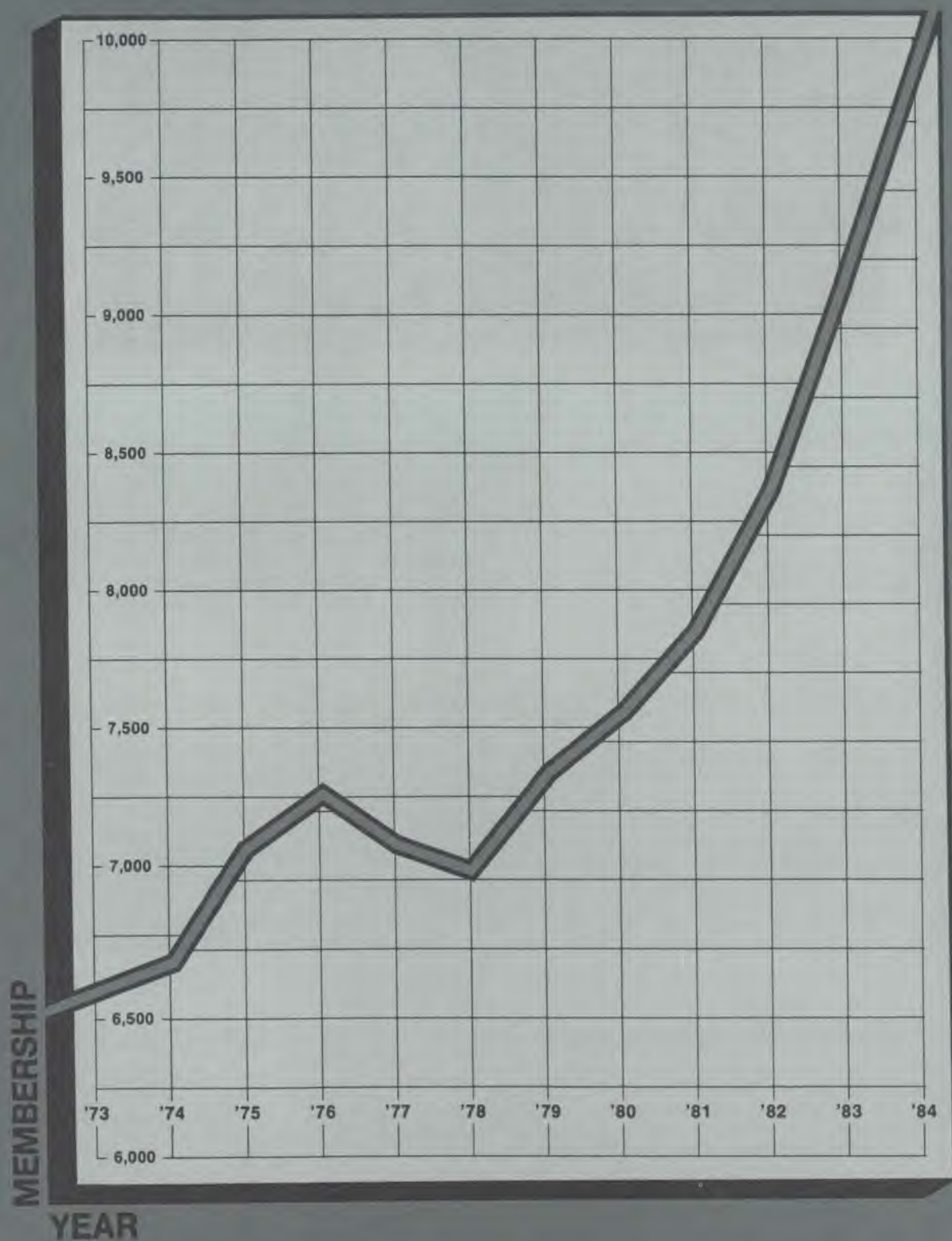
"...LORD,  
WHEN DID WE SEE  
YOU HUNGRY...?"

MATTHEW 25:37





## MEMBERSHIP GROWTH GREATER NEW YORK CONFERENCE, 1973-1984





# Church Growth in the Metropolis



*Some of the pastors and departmental workers of Greater New York Conference.*

It's said to be a nice place to visit, but not to live in.

Its cost of living is one of the highest in the nation.

It has such chronic traffic problems the term "gridlock" was coined here.

Inner-city churches of many faiths are losing the struggle to survive, as congregations dwindle and costs of maintaining their large sanctuaries mount.

This is the kind of information on which many people base their view of metropolitan New York. At one time, the area conjured up such gloom and foreboding in Seventh-day Adventists' minds that denominational workers hesitated to come to the area. Added to the problem of bringing the Adventist perspective on the Gospel to a commuter-area population of 17 million was the fact that the church has no hospital close to its population center to help project Adventist identity and convey services.

Adventists have traditionally been rural oriented, placing emphasis on leaving the cities as a result of counsel given by Ellen White. Greater New York Conference President Merlin Kretschmar points out that when Mrs. White's counsel on the matter was given, the United States population was essentially 80 percent rural and 20 percent urban. "Today," he says, "the reverse is true. With 80 percent of the United States now urban based, Adventists need to focus on the major task of reaching the cities."

## *An Urban Case Study*

Individuals noting the steady, healthy growth rate reflected on the graph on page 3 frequently express curiosity as to the reasons for such growth. Attempts to respond to such inquiries must include recognition that, along with its problems, New York City has a unique energy and excitement. These have traditionally been thought to rest in the city's diversity of people involved in a multiplicity of creative businesses and services. The vitality of Greater New York Adventism may also be generated by persons, and a Person, at work in a variety of ways.

Pastors in the Conference number about 59, the large majority of whom came from other parts of the United States and the world, so New York's image may now be more challenging than formidable. Pastors shepherd 90 churches and groups in the Conference; some of them serving on a stipend-volunteer basis.

Total membership reported at the end of 1984's third quarter was 9,824. Activity scheduled through the remainder of the year suggested that Conference worker's goal of 10,000 members would be met.

## *Large Churches the Exception*

On the roster of churches in Greater New York, the largest congregation (Grand Concourse church, is in the inner city and has more than 600 members. Membership of less than 20 churches is between 200 and 400, and all but one of these are located within the five boroughs of New York City. (Livingston, the exception, is approximately three hours' drive from the city, and is located on the grounds of the Adventist Health and Retirement Center.) Though the emphasis in the Conference is clearly not on churches with imposing congregations, it is on brisk evangelistic activity.

As established churches in Greater New York find their pews filling, the typical response has been to "spin off." Branch Sabbath Schools or church companies fostered by burgeoning churches become healthy churches themselves when regular outreach is maintained. The spin-off groups form districts with parent churches, and are nurtured by them as long as there is a need. Members from the establishing churches usually volunteer to help form the nucleus for the new groups, which are often initiated with evangelistic series or seminars.

A few of the districts formed in this manner in the recent past include:

JACKSON HEIGHTS  
Pelham Parkway  
Flushing Center

NORTH BRONX  
Victory

GRANDCONCOURSE  
Tabernacle of Joy

OLD WESTBURY  
Massapequa

HEMPSTEAD  
Macedonia

KOREAN NEW YORK  
Korean Pearl River  
Korean Staten Island

ROCKVILLE CENTRE  
Far Rockaway Hispanic  
West Babylon Hispanic

SPANISH BROADWAY  
Dyckman Hispanic  
Fort Washington Hispanic  
Central Manhattan Hispanic



In some instances, groups have sprung up following outreach of lay persons or other sources. A new Hispanic congregation in Astoria resulted from a crusade conducted by Elder Jorge Grieve, Hispanic evangelist for the Conference. A small Hispanic group is now meeting in Port Washington on Long Island. Laurie Woods, a lay person, has begun meeting in the Grand Concourse church facility in the Bronx each Sabbath with Khmer (Cambodian) refugees. (Laurie served earlier as a nurse with SAWS [now ADRA] among the refugees on the border of Thailand.) The Korean membership plans to establish a fourth group soon in Flushing. A second Urdu (Pakistani) group now meets in Pearl River.

Threaded through the accounts of new groups begun, and others developed, is evidence of a growing sense of urgency on the part of lay persons and workers alike about preparing for the Lord's coming. An increasing number speak of this urgency as they are tending to devote more means, time and energy to sharing the Gospel with others.

Urgency leads individuals to consider how they may bring their religious beliefs—and commission—into their everyday lives. Such considerations have borne fruit in spurring the work in Greater New York.

#### *Aids to Witnessing*

To assist members in their desire to witness, a number of resources have been developed:

Seminary-style courses are conducted once a week during the academic year. Hispanic churches have been conducting two of these for the past two years. Conference Hispanic Coordinator Humberto Hernandez now oversees the two training programs: SAMPLI, meeting on Long Island; and IBLA in the Bronx, which began under the leadership of Pastor Juan Radhames Fernandez. An English course (Adventist Laymen's Bible Institute) conducted by Conference Personal Ministries Director John Aitken, has been meeting during the present school year.



*Elder John Aitken, personal ministries director, conducts the Adventist Laymen's Bible Institute Sunday mornings during the academic year in a classroom at the Jackson Heights church school, Queens.*

Noteworthy about the thrust of these courses has been the rapid transition from theory to practice. Immediately following graduation from earlier Hispanic courses, the lay persons were involved with public crusades and seminars. Courses running currently are planned to foster similar action, and the enthusiasm and interest of the students are marked. For the first time, too, some evangelism funds are being earmarked by the Conference for use by trained lay persons in conducting Revelation Seminars.

Other personal-ministry seminars have been held in the churches with the goal of helping members discover talents and consider ways for putting them to good use for the Lord. Seminars in Christian business ethics have also been conducted to assist Adventist business and professional persons in their desire to bring Christ into the work place.



*Graduates from the Hispanic "seminarios" have already been active in giving Bible studies and in the conducting of evangelistic meetings. Above: graduation ceremony for the initial Hispanic (IBLA) classes.*



*New maintenance workers (l. to r.) Adarbil Rijo and Thomas Ortega load sections of a baptismal tank for transporting to a local church. Calls for a portable baptismal tank have increased to the point where a second unit was purchased, and both are regularly kept in circulation. One church purchased its own to assure having it when needed.*

The Adventist Information Center at 12 West 40th Street in Manhattan also lends support to outreach. Naomi Sica, Ph.D., serves as information receptionist at the Center. Numerous calls and callers come in there, many of which result in referrals for Bible studies, church attendance, health counseling and the various programs offered periodically in local churches. Frequently, individuals receive spiritual counseling and Bible studies at the Center itself from Mrs. Sica. Members are encouraged to keep the Center's number (212-382-2939) on file for referral purposes, and in order to call in notices concerning any meetings or services being offered in area churches.

The Publishing Department is a solid partner in Gospel ministry in the metropolitan area. Five assistant publishing leaders join Director Wally Quedzuweit in managing a work force of more than 60 literature evangelists. These workers take seriously their task of bringing literature directly into the homes and offices of New Yorkers. The Greater New York L. E.'s



reported 73 baptisms and \$533,960.00 in book deliveries as of December 15, 1984.

Young people are increasing in activity in the area's churches, too. Some thirty Pathfinder clubs function in the Conference, many of which lend a hand with flyer distribution and other tasks when evangelistic series are held. Some young persons have conducted meetings themselves. Youth Ministries Director Lloyd Scharffenberg attended the recent Pan American Youth Congress in Mexico City with approximately 55 persons representing the youth membership and work in Greater New York.



*Van ministry continues touching individuals in a caring health service even as it helps reach tens of thousands via media and the feeding and health programs it coordinates with churches in the Conference.*

The Conference Van Program, with the Health and Temperance Department, serves as both a strong supportive witness for the churches in Greater New York and as a resource for lay person involvement in outreach. The program continues its initial free blood pressure testing in the area, and coordinates a weekly feeding program in the inner city with local churches.

With the vans serving as a constant reminder of Adventism to New York's population mass, the program also offers free health-education materials and a Bible correspondence school that initiates and also develops interest in tens of thousands of persons annually. A booklet listing all churches in metropolitan New York is made available, and these have helped the many individuals wanting to visit Adventist churches. An increasing percentage of persons is coming to the vans, asking for such direction and spiritual help rather than blood pressure tests. Periodic advertising of Bible stress guides, plus "Power to Cope" a half-hour weekly television program on stress control from a Christian perspective, extend New York's "right arm" considerably.

During November of 1984, Community Health Services provided a Conference-wide opportunity for witness by coor-

inating nineteen simultaneous Five-Day Plans throughout the Conference. Extensive logistics were involved in securing personnel, films and materials for the sessions (six of which were in Spanish and one in Portuguese). Pastors, members, Van Program personnel and the Conference Communication Department helped with the various phases of the concerted outreach, right up to inviting and transporting friends or contacts to individual sessions.

Offering the Five-Day Plans in locations around the Conference made it possible to run joint advertising and publicity that lent strength and credibility to the effort. (Paid advertising was made possible through donated funds of the Van Program.) The outreach was an example of the whole equaling more than the sum of its parts, and Adventism in general will be the beneficiary of this awareness campaign.

Approximately 460 persons registered for the stop-smoking programs, with many reacting in pleasant surprise to their first encounter with Adventist health approach. By the time of the Five-Day Plan follow-up sessions, some of which were scheduled to coincide with the Great American Smokeout one week later, one new nonsmoker expressed gratitude by calling a popular radio personality about the good work Adventists were doing on behalf of smokers. Because of this endorsement on the day the Cancer Society was encouraging smokers to go without cigarettes, the Van Program's 800 number was aired a number of times during the program as a resource for listeners wanting to stop smoking.

Additional simultaneous series are planned for 1985. Quite apart from the primary focus of such series—the persons reached and helped—the awareness aspect has the potential of drawing public attention and good will in much the same way as the Van Program's work has done on a long-term basis.



*Conference L.E.'s enjoyed a record year in 1984.*

God is helping Seventh-day Adventists face the enormous soul-winning task in Greater New York. As the results of His help are being seen in the metropolitan area, Conference President Merlin Kretschmar encourages continued faithfulness to the task. "We are just beginning to scratch the surface of what can, and needs to be done in Greater New York. Mrs. White wrote that 'a glimmering of light has been shining in the cities, but just enough to make the false shepherds feel that it is time for them to be actively at work in presenting fables and falsehood....'"\* We need to continue praying for more light to fall on New York City and in every other urban area in the world field as time draws to a close."

\**Evangelism*, p. 228.



# UNION CONFERENCE PERSONNEL INVOLVED IN EVANGELISTIC OUTREACH

by L. H. Davis

In recent weeks, several of the union conference officers and staff members have participated in church evangelistic outreach. Elder Earl Amundson, Atlantic Union Conference president, who is involved in numerous boards and committees of the General Conference, division, union, and local conferences and institutions, conducted a series of meetings at the Warwick church in Bermuda. Pedro Geli, recently elected vice-president of the Atlantic Union, conducted a series at the Worcester Spanish church. Lee Kretz, ministerial director of the union, led out in a Revelation Seminar at the Utica, New York, church, and Earl Parchment, personal ministries director, held revival meetings at the Springfield, Massachusetts, church. Other union personnel have participated in shorter weekend meetings.

The inspiration and guidelines for the Caring Church program for the North American Division comes from the pen of Ellen

White in the book *The Ministry of Healing*, pp. 143, 144, "The world needs today what it needed nineteen hundred years ago—a revelation of Christ. A great work of reform is demanded, and it is only through the grace of Christ that the work of restoration, physical, mental, and spiritual, can be accomplished."

The example of reaching out and touching people is found in Jesus Christ, "whose method alone will give true success in reaching the people. The Saviour mingled with men as one who desired their good. He showed His sympathy for them, ministered to their needs, and won their confidence. Then he bade them 'follow me.'"

According to E. W. Carnegie, communication director for Bermuda, 42 visitors attended Elder Amundson's revival meetings at the Warwick church.



Elder Amundson in the midst of his appeal at the Warwick church in which 42 visitors attended.



A singing group from the Bermuda Institute provided special music.



Part of the audience who attended the revival at the Worcester Spanish church. Aleksander Davidovich is pastor.



Elder Earl Amundson (center) was assisted by Pastor P. D. Baker (left) and first elder, Louie Grant, in the Warwick church revival.



Elder Geli (left) is shown counseling a group of people who responded to his appeal to surrender their lives to Christ. A number are looking forward to baptism.



# Atlantic Union College

## AUC Graduate Gets Legal Scholarship

Nine graduates of Seventh-day Adventist colleges and universities won Taft Scholarships to study law. Sharon Anderson Wilson, a 1983 graduate of Atlantic Union College, was awarded one of these scholarships. A native of Hinsdale, Illinois, she graduated (cum laude) with departmental honors in both English and Business Administration. In addition, she was an Honors Core student. Today she is a second year law student at Suffolk University in Boston.

The Office of General Counsel of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists established the scholarships in 1978 to honor Judge Millward C. Taft, the first full-time General Counsel to the General Conference. The scholarship program is underwritten by the General Conference in recognition of the contributions of the legal profession to the Seventh-day Adventist Church and to society as a whole.

Sharon met the following criteria:

1. A currently graduating senior of a Seventh-day Adventist college or university in the North American Division.
2. An overall undergraduate grade-point average of not less than 3.5 and a Law School Admission Test (LSAT) score of not less than 35 (or a grade point average of not less than 3.5 in the senior year and an LSAT score of not less than 39).
3. The recommendation of the academic dean of the under-

graduate college certifying that the candidate is representative of the highest traditions of that institution.

4. Acceptance by a law school accredited by the American Bar Association and enrollment in the law school in the academic year immediately following graduation from a Seventh-day Adventist college or university.

Gary Gray  
*College Relations*

## Campus Ministries Seeks Quality Growth

Several vans pull up and stop in the middle of the small central New England town of Clinton, Massachusetts. Several college-aged people disembark from the vans and begin guiding the jostling young people into the vans. No, this is not a mass kidnapping, but one of the programs for the youth of Clinton sponsored by Atlantic Union College Campus Ministries under the direction of Campus Chaplain, Pastor Rick Trott.

This year, Campus Ministries has taken a somewhat different view of their role on campus. They are more interested in the qualitative growth of the church rather than quantitative growth and believe that in order for a church to grow, the growth must come from

within. Their first goal for this year is to help train people to find and use their own spiritual gifts. "We're not so interested in door-to-door witnessing," says this year's director, Carlos Rodriguez. "That may not be someone's gift, but we do want to help each person who wants to be involved discover what their spiritual gifts are and to feel comfortable using them for Christ."

Although the Black Christian Union and Theology Club have been actively involved this year with Campus Ministries, their second goal for this year is to involve more and more people until every department can have an active part in spiritual growth on campus. Included in these so-called "Inreach" programs designed for the campus and for which 75 percent of their budget goes, are devotional films, a spiritual impact newsletter "The Gentle Shepherd," a student Sabbath school, and occasional joint worship for the entire student body. In their "Outreach" programs are included the Adopt-a-Grandparent which ministers to nursing home residents, Shut-in-Ministries, and Human Ministries which involves weekly fellowship and visits to local Mental Health Units.

There are student leaders for every Inreach and Outreach program and these people, along with those participating, feel they are gaining a rich blessing by being involved in these programs. "It would be hard to say who is being blessed more by our ministry," said one regular participant, "the people we visit or ourselves."

Wendy Ripley  
*College Relations*



Sharon Anderson Wilson, a 1983 graduate of Atlantic Union College, has been awarded a Taft Scholarship to study law. She is studying law at Suffolk University in Boston, Massachusetts.

## Greater New York

### Baptism at Staten Island Church

On December 15, 1984, the Staten Island church received two new members into membership. In a service conducted by Pastor Steve Bauer, Catherine Smith was baptized and Mary (Blanche) Gillmore was received on profession of faith. Catherine attended an Adventist school in New Jersey as a child. When a brochure for a Revelation Seminar at the Staten Island church came in her mail, old memories were

stirred. She came to the spring seminar and to follow-up meetings. Individual studies continued through the fall, when she made her decision to be baptized.

Blanche studied with the Staten Island church for 12 years and is a faithful George Vandeman viewer. She too, came to the Revelation and follow-up seminars. Shortly before the baptism date, she studied the teachings of the church with Pastor Bauer and made her decision soon after. These are the first converts of Pastor Bauer's ministry.





*Pastor Bauer with Blanche Gillmore (left) and Catherine Smith.*

An appeal was given after the service, and seven people indicated a desire to study for baptism or profession of faith. We thank God for the way He is working in Staten Island.

Steve and Leslie Bauer  
Staten Island Church

### **"The Messiah" Presented at Old Westbury Church**

The blessings of the holiday season were shared in a special way during the second annual presentation of "The Messiah" Sabbath afternoon, December 1, at the Old Westbury church. A 60-member choir directed by Robert H. Bullis was composed not only of local church choir members but also musicians from other area Adventist and Christian churches.

A special highlight and joining the choir in praise were 30 members of the New England Youth Ensemble with their director, Virginia-Gene Ritzenhouse. Congregational singing of carols began and ended the well-attended musical extravaganza.

Professional guest soloists included Eugene Carter, tenor; Albert Craz, bass; Frances Hunter, contralto; and Carol Poppenger, soprano. Naomi Sica was organist for the presentation.

Robert Bullis, director, has served as church organist for 25 years at the Old Westbury and Jamaica churches. Presenting "The Messiah" in his home church was a dream he set out to fulfill "because I love to praise the Lord in this way," Bullis says. Also serving as organist in the Queens Baptist Church presents Bullis with opportunity to become acquainted with many area Christian musicians.

To express their appreciation to those who joined them in their own presentation, Old Westbury choir members joined in the presentation of the same program in the Queens Baptist Church on December 23. They decided it was the best way to say "thank you" for helping make December 1, 1984, a day members of the Old Westbury church won't soon forget!

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### **Christmas Oratorio Featured in Church Service at Crossroads**

Instead of a sermon in prose, a rarely heard choral masterwork was the major feature for the morning worship at the Crossroads church in Manhattan on the last Sabbath of 1984. Preempting the usual service, the Crossroads choir presented the Camille Saint-Saëns *Christmas Oratorio* under the direction of Mildred Vassell, choir director.

The concert opened with the organ prelude played by organist June Simms, followed by the recitative for tenor, alto, soprano, and bass voices then choral response. The work begins with the announcement of Christ's birth to Palestinian shepherds and ends with praise and rejoicing at His coming. It is an inspiring composition and provides a spiritually rewarding experience for the listener, and an especially appropriate and moving setting during the Christmas season.

### **NOTICE**

The Adventist Health and Retirement Center in Upstate New York is here to serve the senior citizens of our Union. A senior citizens' organization has been established to keep in touch with all our senior citizens and friends. If you are 65 or older and interested in becoming a member, please write to Mr. Jose Acosta, P.O. Box 95, Rt. 9, Livingston, NY 12541; (518) 851-9182.

We will be happy to put you on our mailing list so that you will always be informed concerning the Center.

Soloists were Kenneth Springer, tenor; Eleanor Barreiro, alto; Monica Goodrich, soprano; Jose Barreiro, bass; and Gina Goodrich, mezzosoprano.

Charlene Whitney  
Communications Secretary  
Pacito Rodriguez  
Crossroads Church

### **Hungarian Adventist Witness through Media**

Each Sunday, a half-hour program in Hungarian carries a 15-minute sermon by Elder Imre Petrik, pastor of the Hungarian church of Greater New York Conference. Called the Voice of Hope, the program has a potential audience of 25,000. Pastor Petrik's work to reach his fellow countrymen includes additional media work: each week he prepares a column for which space measuring 2" x 12" is bought in a Hungarian newspaper. Approximately 80,000 Hungarians in North America have access to the publication.



*Choir and New England Youth Ensemble presenting "The Messiah" in Old Westbury church.*



*For the Crossroads choir, which traditionally presents the Christmas portion of Händel's "The Messiah" during the holiday season, this was the first performance of the Saint-Saëns oratorio since 1977.*



Assisting in media outreach is Sister Sharolta Drechsler, communication secretary for the Hungarian church. To date, six of her articles on ethical concerns have been published in the same newspapers carrying Pastor Petrik's writing. Her picture has appeared with each article. Becoming known in New York Hungarian circles by this means is very helpful, she states, in connection with yet another media project of the congregation.

"When we are selling our own paper, *The Voice of Hope*, my name as editor is already well known," Sister Drechsler points out. The influence of her writing witness on the sale of the church magazine is being seen. The entire membership of the Hungarian church participates in the distribution of "Remenyseg Hangja" (Voice of Hope), as well as in the sale of other Hungarian literature. As interested persons respond, Bible studies utilizing tapes and films are conducted by Pastor Petrik.

Though scattered, the Hungarian community of the metropolitan area is receiving a faithful witness from their Adventist brothers and sisters.

## Middletown Church— An Update

The Middletown church calendar was filled with activity during 1984. In July, members bade a fond farewell to Pastor Fred and Linda Rogers, and their two sons, Sean and Keith. Pastor Rogers is now pastoring at Indiana Academy in Cicero, Indiana.

In July we also said farewell to Fred Dana, church school teacher for grades 5 to 8, and his wife Lorrie. Fred also accepted a position at Indiana Academy, where he is the boys' dean and sophomore and senior Bible teacher. Lorrie is directing the academy's tutoring program.

In August, we were pleased to welcome new teachers for the 1984-85 school year. Our new teacher for the upper grades is Shawn Monks. He and his wife, Sherry, are recent graduates of Atlantic Union College.

Our teacher for grades 1 to 4 is Patricia Veach. Miss Veach came to us from Iowa City, Iowa, and is a graduate of Southern College.

In October, we were pleased to welcome Pastor and Mrs. William Broadwell with their children, Lanny, Sherry and Jacqueline, from Agoura, California.

Aside from the comings and goings, we were also kept busy with various programs such as our citrus fruit fund-raiser program, which started once again in November.

Dr. Ihor Bekersky held a Five-Day Plan at one of the area hospitals, and had 100 people in attendance. Another 100 people have signed up and are waiting for the next plan to begin.

Ten food baskets were prepared by the Community Services Committee for Thanksgiving distribution. Another fifty baskets were prepared and distributed for Christmas. Local stores contributed stuffing mix, cranberry sauce and wrapping paper. Church members baked breads and goodies.

1984 was a busy, yet prosperous year. Twelve people are now studying with the pastor for baptism, and we praise the Lord for all His blessings.

The officers chosen for 1985, and members, look for a bright and prosperous New Year with the Lord's blessing.

Sandra Whiteman

*Communications Secretary*

## Christmas Praise Offered at Hempstead Church

Tucked away in the Christmas memory book of Hempstead church members are rich treasures of word and song from special seasonal services conducted at the church. Traditional scarlet poinsettias provided a rich background for the joyous occasion.

During the Thirteenth Sabbath program that commenced the day's activities, real live Cradle Roll dolls, led by Hortense Gibbs, sang "Silent Night"

and "Away in a Manger." Primary children, dressed in their holiday best, offered a wreath of songs and poems, accompanied by their teacher, Mrs. Dorothy McGregor.

Peter Thompson's Juniors presented a "broadcast via satellite television" of live news with choir selections directed by Vivienne Hayles. Rose Stickle's rendering of "Glory to God" was an exultant hymn of praise from the Far East. Anchorman James Puzzo "aired" correspondent Tricia Ferrell from Midian, Caleb and Joshua (in safari garb), portrayed by Corponn Lake and William Lacy, fresh from their spying mission. Outstanding women leaders and the prophetess Deborah were interviewed, and that extraordinary homemaker Jael was cited for her capture of the enemy commander, Sisera.

Soprano Marcia Green closed Sabbath school with an original arrangement of spirituals sung a cappella.

During the worship service following, the story of our Saviour's incarnation was read from both the Old and New Testaments. Scripture readings alternated with choir selections, directed by Vivienne Hayles. "Listen to the Lambs" was sung, with Madge Thompson as soloist. Guest Birchall Huie was the soloist for "Comfort Ye My People." Following a reading from Revelation 19, "O Holy Night" was sung. The choir's finale was the soaring "Hallelujah Chorus" from Handel's *Messiah*. Pianist Evelyn Decson was the accompanist.

Memories of these moving services will remain in Hempstead's memory book, a joyous commemoration of the birth of Him who is truth and love.

Colsome Logan

*Communications Secretary*

# New York

## Pastoral Changes

During 1985 certain pastoral changes will take place in the New York Conference.

John Portney, who has been pastoring the Lincklaen Center and Oneida churches, will continue pastoring Lincklaen. The work in the Lincklaen area has been supported by special contributions for that particular project, therefore,

Brother Portney will be concentrating all of his efforts in that area.

Elder H. Eugene Thomas will continue pastoring the Vienna and Rome churches and the Conference Committee has asked him to assume the responsibility of the Oneida church. Previously he also had the responsibility of Turin, but that church will no longer be in his district.



### OFFICIAL NOTICE New York Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

Notice is hereby given that the thirtieth session of the New York Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held April 14, 1985, at Union Springs Academy, Union Springs, New York. The session is to convene at 10:00 a.m. The purpose of the meeting is to receive reports, elect officers, appoint an executive committee and directors of various departments, make any necessary changes in the constitution and the by-laws of the Conference, and transact such other business as may properly come before the delegates.

Each organized church in the Conference is entitled to be represented by delegates duly elected by the church in the following ratio: one delegate for the organization and one additional delegate for each fifteen members or major fraction thereof.

Clinton Shankel, President  
Ross Lauterbach, Secretary

### OFFICIAL NOTICE New York Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists

Notice is hereby given that the Triennial Session of the New York Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in connection with the thirtieth session of the New York Conference of Seventh-day Adventists at Union Springs Academy, Union Springs, New York, on April 14, 1985. The meeting will convene in connection with the New York Conference Session at 10:00 a.m. The delegates to the Conference are also delegates to the Association. The purpose for the meeting is to elect a Board of Trustees for the coming triennial period, to receive reports, and transact such other business as may properly come before the delegates.

Clinton Shankel, President  
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Clinton L. Shankel, President  
Clyde Newmyer, Principal  
Don Wright, Secretary

Elder Jose Barrios, who has been pastoring the Utica Hispanic church along with new work in the Syracuse area, has been asked to assume the responsibility of the Turin church.

Elder Gerald Greene, who has been pastoring the Ellisburg, Watertown and Natural Bridge churches, officially retired December 31, 1984. James Drake, from the Andrews University Theological Seminary, has been asked to assume the responsibility of this district.

We invite the members to remember the pastoral staff in their prayers. Over the years, our pastors have been asked to assume additional responsibilities due to the financial difficulties that not only our conference but the nation has experienced, thus most of them have heavier loads. We appreciate the faithfulness of our pastors.

Nikolaus Satelmajer  
Ministerial Secretary



### Vestal Hills Church Dedication

It was a special day. It was special because of the 4,015 days previous to it. It was special because of the unceasing prayers, seemingly endless hours of planning, working and dreaming that were behind it. It was special because of special people who sacrificed and gave of their time, talents, efforts and money. People who without knowing each other became a family that is eternal because of a shared love for their Lord. They made this love evident by building Him a sanctuary. The special day was the Dedication Day at the Vestal Hills Seventh-day Adventist Church in Binghamton, New York. On October 20 we burned our mortgage.

The day, August 22, 1895, started us on our journey. On that day, 18 believers met to organize a Seventh-day Adventist Church in Binghamton. In 1901, thirty-nine members had the privilege of meeting in a newly constructed church. The next step on our journey was in 1908 when seeds of truth were planted in Endicott, a neighboring city. Elders Nicola and Turk held evangelistic meetings at this time. Several people were baptized. But not until 1958 were plans made to organize a

Greater Endicott church. The membership totaled 45. Only three steps remained to bring us to today. The first was the affirmative vote taken on July 31, 1968. The Binghamton and Endicott churches agreed to join together and build a new church. This dream became reality on May 5, 1973, as the Lord and His children dwelt together in His new sanctuary. And it is this sanctuary that the Vestal Hills family gave to our Lord on October 20, 1984.

To give the honor and glory due to our Lord for His blessings on our church, to treat with respect the people our Lord used in establishing this church, and the memories they hold dear of the years past, our Dedication Day was planned so that it became a precious memory to all.

We thank Elder and Mrs. Leonard Tessier for sharing their missionary experiences in India with us. Elder Tessier is a former pastor here. And we thank Donald Wright for presenting an interesting Sabbath school study. Elder Haysmer Cox, a former pastor, and now Associate Pastor at the University church in Loma Linda, California, broke the bread of life for us in a sermon that explained "new wineskins."

A delicious dinner was served to members and guests. From all the comments I heard, not only were the food and service excellent, but the fellowship we shared with old friends and past





Participants during the morning worship service were (L. to R.) Donald Wright, Leonard Tessier and Haysmer Cox.



Burning of the mortgage with Fred Austin, Louis Rodman, Jean Martin and Pastor Robinson participating.



Removal of the cornerstone to insert records.

members added to the flavor of the moment.

The dedication service was the highlight of the day. Ross Lauterbach read the Scripture reading. Jean Martin, Anne Whitaker and Louis Rodman told us the history of our church. How very interesting that was! We met some beautiful people through the history and learned background on some of our current members.

Elder Earl Amundson had our dedication sermon, Pastor Edmund Robinson led in the Act of Dedication, and Elder Clinton Shankel presented a challenge to us to be a church aflame for our Lord.

Three of our members, who hold the honor of being the oldest members in

standing of our church, Mr. Fred Austin, Mrs. Jean Martin, and Mr. Louis Rodman, had the earned privilege of actually burning the mortgage. And as the song states, "To God Be the Glory."

There are many details, many more things that contributed to the beauty of the day. We had our hearts uplifted many times by those who sang and played on instruments to praise our Lord. Those who sang were Tom, Rhonda and Lori Willumson, Deria Gadsden, Heber Belles, Vondell Stephenson, Tony Villeco, Pastor and Mrs. Robinson, Brenda Belles, and a choir directed by Ronald Gadsden. We all were blessed by the beauty of the music presented by Marcia Johnson on the harp, and Pastor Robinson and Madelyn Mosher as they accompanied each other on the piano and organ respectively. Lori and Peter Willumson and Heidi Conibear played a trumpet trio. We thank each one for sharing their talents with us and lifting our thoughts heavenward.

We give a special thanks to Anne Whitaker, Chairman, and the Dedication Day committee; Ellen Cady, Sallie Cady, Deria Gadsden, Ferne Robinson, Dianne Schutt, Rose Willumson and Pastor Robinson who worked closely with the committee. They worked as if working for God, not man, and their work did give honor to our God. There are many who worked in the background, again, not for glory, but for God, and we thank them also.

As a babe in the church I'm sure my observations and thoughts on Dedication Day were different from those of our members who actually had a hand in the building of the Binghamton, Endicott and Vestal Hills churches. These are the ones who occupied my thoughts that day. It was their dreams, their prayers, their hands, guided by the Lord, who made it possible for youngsters, like me, to feel a part of the family with the original 18. They gave us a home, and I for one, am grateful. Blest be the tie that binds me to the other members in our church, the members who have moved away, those who sleep, and to our Father. It is this tie that made our Dedication Day so special.

Mary Louise Lyons



## Union Springs Academy

### Student Finalists in Scholarship Exam

Two senior students, Jennie Robert and Sue Caster, who have attended Adventist schools for their entire education, placed second and fourth respectively in a specially arranged scholarship test administered by Bryant and Stratton Business School of Syracuse, New York.

Because the examination is given on Saturdays, four students from USA were granted exception to take the one and one-half hour test on Friday, November 16, 1984. Recently, Mrs. Ruth Satelmajer, Instructor of Business Education at Union Springs Academy, was notified by Bryant and Stratton of Jennie and Sue's exceptional ranking among the other 80 students who took the test in the state of New York.



Sue Caster (left) and Jennie Robert who are student finalists in the Bryant and Stratton Business School scholarship test.

Miss Robert has been awarded a one-year tuition-free scholarship to attend the business college because of her second-place finish. Miss Caster is first runner-up to receive a half-year free tuition should one of the other three decline the award.

Union Springs Academy commends these two students for their high academic achievement and performance in the area of Secretarial Science.



# Northern New England

## Rochester Church on Fire for the Lord

The smoldering embers of the Rochester church burst into flame this fall as the Holy Spirit brought to fruition the ambitious program laid out by Pastor and Mrs. Kenneth Blake and the local church leadership.

It all started last spring at the Caring Church Seminar. Pastor Blake had just moved to the district when he and Winthrop Loring attended the very inspiring seminar at A.U.C. They came away determined to put the exciting knowledge to use.

Material for a stress seminar was ordered on the spot and three weeks later the first Stress Management seminar was used as a follow-up for a Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking. Using the sequence evangelism plan, these first seminars were followed by "How to Make Christianity Real" seminars. The results were not overwhelming but good experience was gained and the interest of other members excited.

Meanwhile, a Church Growth Seminar was conducted, and members, seeing that God's will was for their church to grow through their efforts, faith and prayers, unanimously endorsed plans for mass advertising of Total Health seminars leading to evangelistic meetings.

*Signs of the Times* magazines were distributed to neighbors, friends and colleagues of members; "Something Wonderful" Bible study invitations were mailed and 20 new Bible studies begun; a medical screening van was purchased and refurbished in conjunction with the Portsmouth church and Clayt's Auto Body; and Better Living booths were active at four area fairs during the summer. Following the Rochester Fair the church conducted a Five-Day Plan and then a Stress Control seminar and Natural Foods Cooking school running concurrently, all conducted by laymen and ladies of the church and all well attended.

It was evident that God's Holy Spirit was touching members as well as local people. Everything was going according to what we thought was God's plan. But God had something different in store. First came the news that Evangelist Rocky Gale had taken a call out of the conference. Not knowing what God had



*Twelve of the sixteen persons added to the church during Prophecy Expo.*



*Evangelist Michael Szczekan teaching from the Scriptures during Revelation Expo.*



*Sue Blake lectures on the advantages of natural food cooking.*



*Steven Loring conducting the Stress Management Seminar.*



*Winthrop Loring tending the table at Frisbie Memorial Hospital during The Great American Smoke-Out in cooperation with the American Cancer Society. Many Five-Day Plan program interests were gleaned.*



*Elder Wilbur Quittmeyer fascinates a group of children whose parents were attending the Revelation Seminar.*

**A BIG THANK YOU.** . .to all of the dear people of the Northern New England Conference for a wonderful achievement for God in the recently concluded Ingathering program. Our final total was \$96,136.29. This is certainly a marvelous tribute to your faithfulness under the blessing of God's Holy Spirit. What a wonderful thing it is to see what can be accomplished when human effort is coupled with Divine power. Thanks again so much for what you did for the cause of Christ in this important endeavor.

With deepest Christian gratitude,  
John R. Loor, President



in mind for the church, all programs continued in full force, with follow-up plans changed to Daniel and Revelation seminars to begin late in the year. But it was not long before God's plans were revealed in the person of Michael Sczekan, the new Conference evangelist.

The date of the evangelistic thrust had to be moved up to accommodate the conference program planned for Pastor Sczekan. But, led by the Holy Spirit, the Rochester church took up the challenge with three weeks to prepare. A bulk mailing was prepared and in the mail the week before the start. Bible interests, seminar attendees, friends, relatives and former members were notified and many prayers offered. Then the opening night—October 20. "What had God prepared?" was the question inquired by all.

What a blessing! Opening night and the church sanctuary filled to near capacity. Over one hundred in attendance plus thirty children at their own meeting. Varied interests along with those who responded to mass advertising resulted in 75 non-members in attendance. The attendance swelled to over 115 adults one evening.

As testing truths were presented and decisions called for at the meetings and in the homes, attendance fluctuated and then dropped some. But by the time Evangelist Sczekan moved on at the end of December, sixteen souls had already joined the church by baptism or profession of faith. Out of another 50 who expressed considerable interest during the meetings, eleven are preparing for baptism, ten more are attending church, and Bible studies and *Signs of the Times* magazines are being delivered to the remainder in hopes of clarifying issues and strengthening conviction of truth and the love of Christ.

We can only praise God for the way He has led and blessed and for how He has brought the Rochester church together with one purpose: to see souls in the Kingdom. Final results will not be known until our Lord Jesus returns.

Winthrop Loring  
*Communications Secretary*

## Baptism at Richmond

On Sabbath, December 15, William Jolly was baptized by Pastor Norman Deakin, and joined with the Richmond, Maine, Seventh-day Adventist church. William, after watching "It Is Written" and sending for the book written by



*William Jolly (left) with Pastor Norman Deakin.*

Elder Vandeman, entitled "A Day To Remember," was strongly impressed to search out and find the nearest Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Prior to this, William Jolly was a policeman in the Richmond Police Department, but because of an injury sustained while on duty was forced to leave police work.

After learning of the Sabbath and desiring to know more about Sabbath-keeping people, William Jolly called the Brunswick Seventh-day Adventist Church and learned from the pastor that there was a church in his home town, Richmond. Pastor Frank Ricks of the Brunswick Church gave him Pastor Deakin's telephone number. William called Pastor Deakin and Bible studies were started. Having had previous training in the Salvation Army, William eagerly grasped each new doctrine as presented, coming to love the Lord Jesus Christ with all his heart.

Recognizing that Jesus died for Him, William desires to return His love by giving the only thing that he has of value to Christ, his heart. Thus, William was baptized in the Lord Jesus Christ, giving himself unreservedly, at a time when most people were thinking what they were going to get. With God's continued blessings, William will follow wherever the Lord leads him, from this day forward, even forevermore.

Pastor Norman Deakin

## Perseverance Rewarded

One little boy was enough to raise the morale of the Bristol, Vermont, Vacation Bible School leaders and to assure them that their efforts were worthwhile. This little boy was Bobby Warner. He happened to be visiting his cousins the second day of the school and came with them. Immediately, he wanted to attend

for the rest of the session but because he lived some distance there was no ride that could be routed by his home. But where there is a will, there is a way, and for the remainder of the school, Bobby was in his place. How did he manage it?



*Bobby Warner's smiling enthusiasm for Vacation Bible School held in Bristol, Vermont.*

Bobby was up at 5:30 a.m. and caught a ride with his aunt on her way to work. She dropped him off at his grandmother's and he went with her to work and waited for his ride to Vacation Bible School at 8:45. It is the enthusiasm of boys like Bobby that make Vacation Bible School worthwhile. Who knows what the seeds of the love of Jesus sown in young hearts like Bobby's will produce for fruit!

Helen P. Willard  
*Communications Secretary*

## Fall Festival '84— Another Success

October is a special month for Kellogg elementary school and its students located on Back River Road in Bedford, New Hampshire. The combined efforts of the Home and School Committees from the Concord, Manchester and Nashua, New Hampshire, churches sponsored the annual Fall Festival for the benefit of Kellogg school on Sunday, October 14, 1984. Coordinator for this event was Mark Wine, Home and School Leader from Manchester, for the second consecutive year.

As in the past, a gigantic white elephant sale was held in the school yard; many quality items were donated by church members and friends. A craft table laden with lovely handmade items displayed sweaters, mittens, hats and other needlework. Another table offered baked goods such as breads, muffins, cookies and apple pies. Even plants and



fresh produce from gardens were brought in. Mt. Missionary was also there with an excellent variety of nuts, dried fruits and grains. Pony rides were also made available through the generosity of Robert Johnston. Our biggest attraction was the luncheon tent where complete vegetarian lunches and beverages were served and enjoyed by everyone.

This yearly event is only one means used to raise funds for school needs, and

it is very well supported by church members, friends and neighbors. Our thanks to Mark and Dorothy Wine and the many volunteers who worked very diligently to make this project another success in 1984. The festival proceeds of \$723.00 will go towards the purchase of a new copier machine. Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

Lise Gilbert

*Communications Secretary*

## Adventist Book Center Seeks to Fulfill Statement of Purpose

"The Adventist Book Centers are established as distribution centers for denominational books, periodicals, audio-visuals, foods, music, Bibles and other items to *serve the needs* of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. They are the recognized conduits through which materials produced by our publishing houses should be distributed to their customers."

Thus reads the first paragraph of the statement of purpose prepared recently by a special committee appointed by the General Conference Publishing Task-force.

Manager of the Southern New England ABC, Ed Lindsay, reports that a new way to accomplish "serving the needs" of the constituency may have recently been discovered in the South Lancaster store. For years the ABC closed at noon on Friday with the Conference Office. Since mid-October, however, they have stayed open until 3:00 p.m. Lindsay states, "Nothing that I have tried in recent years has met with such immediate success. This is particularly significant when one considers that only the four local churches have been informed of this change! Apparently this has been one area of service that our people have been waiting for!"

So now if you need an item from the ABC before the weekend, you have three additional shopping hours. And if you live outside of Massachusetts and too far away to drive in, you can call on the WATS line, 1-800-435-0008—another service added this past year.

Ed Lindsay  
*Manager, ABC*

## Southern New England

### Studies in Daniel and the Revelation

The Studies in Daniel and the Revelation evangelistic outreach begins in the Wallace Civic Center, John Fitch Highway, Fitchburg, Massachusetts, Wednesday night, February 27, at 7:30. The series will continue each Wednesday and Friday evening at 7:30, with three additional Saturday morning classes at 10:00 on March 16, 30, and April 6, and two Thursday night classes at 7:30 on April 4 and 11. O. J. Mills, director of the class, and his team will be assisted by area ministers and their members.

Studies in Daniel and the Revelation is a chapter-by-chapter exposition revealing the prophetic timeline outlined in Daniel, and expanded in the Revelation. Adventists and non-Adventists alike have appreciated this uniquely persuasive unfolding of the historic-prophetic foundation of the Three Angels' Messages. Members and friends will be inspired as they attend.



*The Mills Evangelistic Team examines list of names of interested people whom they plan to visit and arrange Bible studies. They are: (L. to R.) Glenna Gimberling of California, Mrs. Mills, Elder Mills, and Ann Thrash of Alabama.*

Please send names, addresses, and phone numbers of those non-members who should have special invitations because of a known interest in these themes to Pastor O. J. Mills, Southern New England Conference, So. Lancaster, MA 01561.

We have this assurance: "Honest souls will see the straight chain of present truth. They will see its harmonious connections, link after link uniting into a great whole, and will lay hold upon it" (*Testimonies*, Vol. 1, p. 326).

Take the hand of a friend, or come alone; but don't miss this opportunity for growth. ☆

### Juanita Kretschmar to Speak in Fitchburg

A special day of spiritual celebration led by Juanita Kretschmar, director of the New York City van program, is planned for Sabbath, February 16 at the Fitchburg church, 205 Summer St. This is a preparation for the evangelistic series scheduled to begin Wednesday, February 27, at 7:30 p.m. in the Wallace Civic Center located on John Fitch Highway, Fitchburg.

Mrs. Kretschmar will speak at the Gardner church at 9:30 a.m. and again at Fitchburg at the worship hour at 11:00 o'clock.

At 2:30 in the afternoon will be an hour of testimony and song and Juanita's inspiring message encouraging the discovery of the power of prayer.

All members of the churches within driving distance are urged to invite their friends and come to this meeting.

O. J. Mills, *Director*  
*Evangelism*

### Preaching the Gospel Through Community Services

The holiday season is a time when much of the community is thinking of peace, joy, friendship and many of the other niceties associated with Christmas and Hannukah celebrations. Unfortunately, it's a time of year when the suffering, destitute, and unfortunate feel their plight the most. The holidays can be the best of times for some and the worst of times for others.

A family in north central Connecticut lost their apartment in a fire a few days prior to Christmas. The local Red Cross was involved and quickly contacted a local Adventist layman. Through a com-





Gerald Meyer, Southern New England Community Services Federation President.

munications network with the Conference Community Services program and the South Lancaster church much-needed clothing was distributed for the family as were a few timely toys for the five-year-old girl.

The situation of this family is an all-too-frequent occurrence. We have many active Community Service programs and workers who go quietly about the Lord's work in meeting the needs of the suffering. To these faithful workers we say "Thank you." However, in some communities we have no Community Services organization. We find this a sad state of affairs. We are commissioned to preach the gospel yet do not take advantage of the opportunities presented to us in our own communities. Let us try to make a concerted effort to follow Christ's example. It is our hope that, at the very least, in communities where it's not possible to have an active Community Services work, we can have a Seventh-day Adventist Red Cross representative who would become aware of local community needs and then be in a position to mobilize local SDA Community Services programs.

If you would like more information in becoming a Red Cross representative, establishing an active Community Services program or merely being part of a communications network, contact Elder Gaspar Colón at Southern New England Conference, 34 Sawyer St., South Lancaster, MA 01561, phone: 617-365-4551. ☆

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## General News . . .

### Faith For Today Launches New Weekly Series

Across the country on Saturday night, February 9, a new Seventh-day Adventist television program premiered in thousands of television households. The weekly series, *Christian Lifestyle Magazine*, produced by Faith For Today, is designed to attract religious and non-religious viewers alike.

*Christian Lifestyle Magazine*, a variety show with a format like *PM Magazine*, *60 Minutes*, and *Entertainment Tonight*, focuses on showing God's love in action in people's lives today. It will feature Christians in action helping those around them. The show goes beyond just talking about God's love, and shows how people are living and sharing God's love in a suffering world.

Since the completion of filming on *Lesson in Loving* a year ago, energies have been directed toward creating a new weekly television program. It hasn't been easy. Many factors had to be considered. How to pay for it? What will be the target audience? How will it look? What will it say? Numerous meetings and brainstorming sessions carefully weighed these and other factors.

In August two independent Adventist television producers, Bill Hunker and Jeff Wood, presented the idea of a program centering on Christian lifestyle with emphasis on healthful living. After all, Adventists have a lot to share with the world on the topic of health. The idea caught on and the decision was made to develop the idea further.

Right from the start one point was clear—the new program had to be different. There are literally hundreds of religious programmers producing over a thousand programs. This one had to stand out from the crowd. A survey of religious programs showed that no other program focused on Christian lifestyle. Right from the start *Christian Lifestyle Magazine* would be breaking new ground.

But the program's distinctiveness would not halt there. Where other programs stopped at just talking about Christian principles, the decision was made to *show* those principles in action in the lives of people everywhere. Producers Hunker and Wood brought together a team of skilled researchers to



Host Dan Matthews and Co-Host Suzanne Austin lead viewers into an adventure in Christian living each week on *Christian Lifestyle Magazine*.



Host Dan Matthews talks with Dr. Kay Kuzma, a Loma Linda, CA, child and family expert, about how busy families can develop quality time to spend together.

track down stories and find guests for each show. Each program would include stories shot on location throughout North America plus an interview done on the set.

How does a story make its way into the program? The research team finds stories in magazines and newspapers. Others are suggested by viewers. Once a story has been investigated and found to be suitable for the show, camera crews are dispatched for location shooting. Wherever possible, Dan Matthews acts as the field reporter.

Other program personnel include a field host/reporter, Rod Perry. Rod has had extensive professional experience in both film and television.

Suzanne Austin co-hosts each program with Dan. Suzanne is a Christian actress, wife, and mother who has performed for the Westbrook series. She brings a mixture of grace and professional charm that gives the program special sparkle.

*Christian Lifestyle Magazine* lets God's love shine out through people's lives. Viewers wanting to know more can dial a toll-free "800" number and request their copy of a magazine by the

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The Seventh-day Adventist Church in all of its church-operated schools, admits students of any race to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at its schools, and makes no discrimination on the basis of race in administration of education policies, applications for admission, scholarship or loan programs, and extracurricular programs.

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MT. Gilboa Rd., E. Westmoreland, NH 03467
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46 Cleveland St., Saco, ME 04072
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Southard St., St. Johnsbury, VT 05819
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South Woodstock, ME 04289
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### Academy

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- Connecticut Valley SDA School—**  
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same title. In it they will find background stories on the people and subjects touched on in the show, as well as the availability of a whole new set of courses offered by the Faith For Today Bible Correspondence School.

The new program can be seen in prime time nationwide on Lifetime Cable Network at 10:00 p.m. Eastern time Saturdays beginning February 9, 1985, as well as broadcast stations already airing Faith For Today's programming. For those with a home satellite system, the program is available at 10:00 p.m. Eastern by tuning to Satcom F3 at 4040 frequency on transponder 17, vertical polarization. Check your local listings for times and stations.

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### Final Call for General Conference Symphony Musicians

The response by Seventh-day Adventist musicians for the General Conference session has been very gratifying. There are still a few areas where we are in need of a few more musicians. The most pressing need is for violas, string bass, and cellos. We could use a few more violins, two more trumpets, two more trombones, one more tuba, one more bassoon, and two more horns.

Please consider helping if you are active, in practice, and are currently playing or have played symphonic literature extensively. We will be performing more than hymns. Our repertoire will include movements from symphonies plus complex accompaniments of choral arrangements.

Rehearsals begin Thursday at 7:30 p.m., July 4, 1985. Please respond to

Orlo Gilbert, Division of Music,  
Southern College of Seventh-day  
Adventists, P.O. Box 370, Collegedale,  
TN 37315-0370, USA.

### Important Information for Persons Attending 1985 General Conference Session

In the November 27, 1984, *Gleaner* on pages 17 and 18, travel information to the conference in June and room reservations while attending were given. This article will give you information concerning food service and special features at the 1985 General Conference Session in New Orleans.

The main dining room service with eight fast-serve lines will provide a non-select menu for noon and evening meals in minimum time. Also, throughout the day there will be a limited service cafeteria and quick food stands with a la carte pricing.

Since special food supplies will be ordered well in advance of the conference and in some instances shipped from distant locations, it will be necessary to presell tickets to established quantities. The meal order form for non-delegates accompanying this article should be returned no later than May 1 along with your check or money order to

### GENERAL CONFERENCE SUPER DAY CAMP

To be conducted in New Orleans from Sunday, June 30, to Friday, July 5, 1985. This camp is for campers aged 10 to 15. Preregistration is a must because of the limited space. Write for more details today! Pastor Ron Whitehead, Director of Youth Ministries, Arkansas-Louisiana Conference, P.O. Box 31000, Shreveport, LA 71130.



**MEAL ORDER FORM**  
for 54th General Conference Session  
New Orleans, Louisiana

NON-DELEGATE

First Week

(Please indicate in the appropriate box the number of persons needing tickets for each meal.)

**PRESESSION**

	Monday June 24	Tuesday June 25	Wednesday June 26	Thursday June 27	Friday June 29	Sabbath June 29	TOTAL # OF MEALS
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Second Week

	Sunday June 30	Monday July 1	Tuesday July 2	Wednesday July 3	Thursday July 4	Friday July 5	Sabbath July 6	TOTAL # OF MEALS
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TOTAL # OF MEALS

Cost per meal (US \$4.50 to May 1)

(US \$5.50 after May 1)

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL PRICE \$ \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_

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Return completed form along with check or money order payable to:

Adventist Health System/EMA, ATTENTION: Janet Little, 8800 West 75th Street,  
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Plans are being developed for an art exhibition by Adventist artists.

Fifty organizations have requested exhibit space.

Let us all pray that the Spirit of the Lord will be allowed to pervade the 1985 General Conference Session throughout the entire time.

## Writer Seeks Sabbath Stories

Not long after a young married couple began keeping the seventh-day Sabbath and were baptized, they told the Adventist friends who had given them Bible studies, "We were convinced of the truth of Sabbath keeping when we studied the Bible with you, but we could never have kept it ourselves if we had not seen how you keep it and what it means to you."

Because she believes people's personal experiences give understanding and encouragement to both new and longtime Adventists, writer Jane Thayer is collecting stories about the Sabbath to include in a book on the meaning of Sabbath keeping.

The book Mrs. Thayer is currently writing will consist of more than 50 short readings, each designed to be read at the beginning of Sabbath. "Each reading will focus a person's thoughts on one aspect of the meaning of Sabbath," says Mrs. Thayer.

Many of the readings will use people's personal experiences to illustrate the significance of the Sabbath.

She needs stories on every aspect of the Sabbath experience: how it affects career, personal relationships, belief in God, service to others, life-style, priorities, et cetera.

Please send your Sabbath story to: Sabbath Experiences, Heritage Room, James White Library, Andrews University, Berrien Springs, MI 49104. All submissions will become part of the permanent collection of the Heritage Room. Although she prefers to have names and address included, anonymous contributions will be welcomed. ☆

the address at the bottom of the form to insure participation in the meal service at pre-session prices.

Young people, 17 years or older, who are planning to accompany their parents to the conference, are invited to apply for general food service work opportunities. Individuals with food service experience may be given preference. Inquiries for work should be addressed to:

Millie M. Kurtz, R.D.

Associate Director

General Conference Food Service

Adventist Health System/EMA

8800 West 75th Street

Shawnee Mission, KS 66204

The General Conference Session offering is for Adventist World Radio.

Daily bulletins will be printed by *The Adventist Review*.

It is planned that a health program will offer community services. These will include instruction and demonstrations for delegates and visitors. Follow-up programs are to be conducted by local churches.

The flags of 267 nations will be on stage against a background of three shades of blue.

A two-hour parade of Adventists and Adventist organizations is to begin at the close of the morning business session on Friday, June 28.

The mission Pageant will be held the second Sabbath, July 6, 4:00 to 5:30 p.m.



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## GLEANER PHOTO CONTEST SELECTIONS

The slides submitted for the 1984 cover photo contest of the Atlantic Union GLEANER received their final review, and the selections were made during the week of January 7. Ray Koken's book on quality photography was used as a guide in the selections made. Slides were judged on technical quality, interest or impact, and composition.

Good technical quality, in its simplest form, is correct focus, correct lighting and exposure, and its sharpness. To have interest or impact, the picture must tell some kind of story, express a mood, or make a pattern. This is accomplished through proper composition. Good composition is a pleasing arrangement of objects, mass, lines, and contrasts or colors to form a harmonious whole. Some pictures, even though meeting the above criteria, were not chosen because they are in stock, including color separations.

The following is a listing of the winning slides by season with the names of the photographers:

Picture	Category	Photographer	Home
		(Winter)	
Village road scene	1	Paul Miller	Vernon, VT
Houses (tree framing)	1	Paul Miller	Vernon, VT
Log cabin	1	Mary Miller	Vernon, VT
Evening church scene	2	Edith R. Leach	Auburn, MA
		(Spring)	
Lake/mountain	2	Barbara Ela	Auburn, MA
Water fall (close up)	2	NO NAME	
Dogwood/apple blossoms	3	Gene Armour	S. Lancaster, MA
Dandelions/girls	3	Anne Alner	Athol, MA
3 Indian Moccasins	H/M	Edith R. Leach	Auburn, MA
1 Indian Moccasin	1	Caroline Carter	Buckland, MA
Goose & Babies	2	Carlene Kriegelstein	Cayuga, NY
		(Summer)	
Moose & baby	1	Barbara Ela	Auburn, MA
Couple	2	Paul Miller	Vernon, VT
Church/cemetery	1	Paul Miller	Vernon, VT
White church/reflection	2	Stuart Jayne	Napa, CA
Camp Cherokee boat house	1	Sandra Doran	Cortland, NY
Train	1	W. J. Ela	Auburn, MA
Peaches	2	Edith R. Leach	Auburn, MA
Waterfalls/2 people	3	NO NAME	
		(Fall)	
Dirt road	1	Caroline Carter	Buckland, MA
Barn/1/2 reflection	1	Paul Miller	Vernon, VT
Barn/tractor	2	Anne Alner	Athol, MA
2-level barn/reflection	2	Mary Miller	Vernon, VT
Rainbow/bldgs.	1	Judy Wright	St. Johnsbury, VT
Sheep	1	Paul Miller	Vernon, VT
Sunset/choppy waters	2	Charles Wright	Bolton, MA
Red covered bridge	3	Gene Armour	S. Lancaster, MA
School children	2	Mary Miller	Vernon, VT
		(Misc.)	
New Englanders	3	Stuart Jayne	Napa, CA
Nurse	H/M	Paul Miller	Vernon, VT
Eagle	1	Barbara Ela	Auburn, MA

### CATEGORIES:

1st place  
2nd place  
3rd place  
Honorable mention

### AWARDS:

1st place—\$35.00  
2nd place—\$20.00  
3rd place—\$15.00

## At Rest

MULKERN, Robert Coleman, born July 21, 1917, on Nantucket Island, died September 20, 1984, in Meriden, CT. In 1940 he married Winifred Nickerson and six children were born in their home. He served in the Navy during World War II. After becoming an Adventist, he attended Atlantic Union College for a brief time. From 1957 to 1961 he was hired by the Southern New England Conference to drive their moving van. During the same time he planted many of the Maple trees on the campgrounds in South Lancaster.

Survivors: his wife, Winifred; three sons, Robert of Taunton, MA, Harold and Michael of Stoneham; two daughters, Janice Downing of Mansfield, MA, and Sharlene Magee of Meriden, CT; a sister Mary Pollard of Kingston, MA; a brother, John of Hyde Park, MA; 12 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Pastor Clifford Gleason officiated at the funeral held in Meriden, CT.

STERNITZKE, Angeline (May Thurnheer), born March 26, 1897, in Switzerland, died July 18, 1984. She was presently from New Carlisle, IN, but formerly of Danby, NY. Her first husband, Johannes (Hans) Thurnheer, died February 18, 1968, and she married Hermann Sternitzke in 1972 in New Carlisle, IN. She was a member of the Ithaca, NY, church most of her life. She was a Sabbath school teacher for many years, having taught many children who are now active members and workers in the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Survivors: her husband Hermann Sternitzke; three daughters, Ursula Dence of Colombia, South America; Uriel Wiseman of Chandler, AZ; Ruth Riedlinger of Berrien Springs, MI; a son, John (Mike) Thurnheer of Ithaca, NY; 17 grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren. Interment services were held by C. Archie Brown at the Danby Rural Cemetery in Danby, NY.

David R. Spielman  
Ithaca, NY, SDA Church

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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## NEW YORK

### Sabbath School Workshops

Albany Turf Inn—Feb. 18-20  
Buffalo Church—Feb. 23; 2:00 p.m.  
Pulaski Church—Mar. 16; 2:00 p.m.

### NYC Health Professional Meeting

Dexterville  
Feb. 26; 2:30 p.m.

### Youth Day

Cortland  
Mar. 2

### ABC Open

Mar. 3

### ABC Inventory Sale

Mar. 17 & 24  
10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

### NYC Music Festival

Union Springs Academy  
Mar. 29 & 30

### NYC Constituency Meeting

Union Springs Academy  
Apr. 14; 10:00 a.m.

## NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND

### Sabbath School Workshop

Pine Tree Academy  
Feb. 23; 2:00-5:00 p.m.  
For all area Sabbath school officers, division leaders and teachers.

### Association of Adventist Counselors (AAC)

Pine Tree Academy  
Freeport, ME  
Second Sunday each month  
exc. July & Aug.  
10:30 a.m.-12:00 noon

## SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND

### Sabbath School Workshops

Brooklawn, Bridgeport, CT  
Feb. 23; 3:00-6:30 p.m.  
Worcester, MA  
Feb. 24; 10:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.  
Hartford, CT  
Mar. 2; 3:00-6:30 p.m.  
Stoneham, MA  
Mar. 3; 10:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.  
Pawtucket, RI  
Mar. 10; 10:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

## Spanish Sabbath School Workshops

Boston Spanish Church  
Feb. 16; 3:00-6:30 p.m.  
Meriden English Church  
Mar. 2; 3:00-6:30 p.m.

## A.S.I. Convention

Camp Victory Lake  
Apr. 5, 6, 7

## Organ Recital

Stoneham, MA, SDA Church  
29 Maple St.  
Douglas Marshall in a  
Bach Celebration  
Apr. 28; 4:00 p.m.

## Studies in Daniel and the Revelation

Wallace Civic Center  
John Fitch Highway  
Fitchburg, MA  
Begins Wed., Feb. 27; 7:30 p.m.

## Special Day of Spiritual Celebration

Juanita Kretschmar, Speaker  
Sabbath, Feb. 16  
Gardner, MA, church; 9:30 a.m.  
Fitchburg, MA, church  
11:00 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.

## ATLANTIC UNION

### Communication Workshop

Sponsored by Southern N.E.  
Conf. and Atlantic Union  
Union Office  
April 14; 9:30 a.m.

## 1985 GLEANER COVER PHOTO CONTEST

1. All transparencies must be mailed or delivered in person so as to be in the GLEANER editor's office not later than December 15, 1985.
2. Each photographer may submit up to 10 transparencies or slides in the following way: two pictures for each of the four seasons—fall, winter, spring, summer; and two miscellaneous pictures. Pictures may also be submitted that will conform to the church calendar (write for details).
3. Transparencies can be 35 mm. up to and including 4" x 5". Preference will be given to 35mm. slides. Don't send color negatives or prints. They can't be used.
4. Only transparencies that conform to a vertical format will be given first-prize consideration. Horizontal pictures will be considered for second- or third-place prizes.
5. The slides must be taken in the Northeast, which includes the states of Connecticut, Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire, New York, Rhode Island, Vermont, and the islands of Bermuda.
6. Print your name and address on each submission.
7. Don't send duplicate slides. They won't be considered.
8. Slides submitted shouldn't be similar to covers used during the past two years. If you have recognizable people in the picture, you should be prepared to furnish a model release for each one.
9. Be prepared to furnish your biographical information as well as data on your picture if it is purchased.
10. The GLEANER pays for a one-time use for each transparency purchased as designated in each award category: \$35.00, first place; \$20.00, second; and \$15.00, third. All slides submitted will be returned promptly. Those selected for publication will be held for approximately two months, or until the color separations are completed.
11. Submissions for GLEANER covers should be mailed to GLEANER, P.O. Box 1189, South Lancaster, Massachusetts, 01561.

Leon H. Davis, *Editor*

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did not want it. The baby was not fed. Nurses who heard the baby crying were prohibited from giving it any food. Finally, the baby was locked in a closet and the door was barred.

The case of Infant Doe was taken to the courts. The lower court ruled that the baby did not have a right to live. The decision was appealed, but the appeals court ruled that the lower court had the jurisdiction to make the decision that it did. The courts then sealed the records. After six days, the baby starved to death.

We do well to take heed unto the warning of Scripture: "See to it that no one make a prey of you by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition. . . and not according to Christ" (Colossians 2:8, RSV).



# Out-of-Union Announcements

(USPS 036-280)

**San Diego Academy Alumni Homecoming**—Mar. 9 & 10. Honor classes: 1935, 1945, 1955, 1960, 1965, 1975, 1985. Information: San Diego Academy Alumni, 2700 E. 4th St., National City, CA 92050.

**Auburn (Wash.) Adventist academy 40th Reunion**—Mar. 15 & 16 for class of 1945, which will have the church service. Bring memorabilia. Information: Jeanette Schwartz-Edgerton, 23603 NE Glisan, Troutdale, OR 97060.

**Third Firm Foundation Conference by Hartland Institute**—Mar. 22-27, in Ontario SDA Church, Ontario, CA. Theme: "The Sanctuary Message." Information and program: Hal Mayer, P.O. Box 1, Rapidan, VA 22733; (703) 672-3100.

**Annual Union College Alumni Homecoming Weekend**—Apr. 4-6. Honor classes: 1984, 1980, 1975, 1970, 1965, 1960, 1955, 1950, 1945, 1940, 1935, 1930, 1925. Special presentation of newly released film, "Candle in the Wind," produced by Eugene Shirley, 1980 graduate of UC. Information: Union College, Office of Development and Alumni, 3800 S. 48th St., Lincoln, NE 68506; (402) 488-2331.

**Biblical Archaeology Conference**—July 8-11 sponsored by Institute of Archaeology. Reservation information: W. John Hackwell, Institute of Archaeology, Andrews University, Berrien Springs, MI 49104; (616) 471-3273.

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	Feb. 1	Feb. 8	Feb. 15	Feb. 22
Bangor, ME	4:42	4:52	5:02	5:12
Portland, ME	4:51	5:00	5:10	5:19
Boston, MA	4:56	5:06	5:15	5:24
So. Lancaster, MA	4:59	5:09	5:18	5:27
Pittsfield, MA	5:06	5:15	5:24	5:33
Hartford, CT	5:05	5:14	5:23	5:31
New York, NY	5:13	5:21	5:30	5:38
Utica, NY	5:12	5:21	5:31	5:40
Syracuse, NY	5:16	5:25	5:35	5:44
Rochester, NY	5:22	5:31	5:40	5:49
Buffalo, NY	5:27	5:36	5:46	5:55
Hamilton, Bda. (EST)	5:51	5:57	6:03	6:09

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## UNDERSTANDING THE TIMES—IV

BY Earl W. Amundson, *President*  
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Every law legislates either God's morality or man's morality. Every legal system must be based on a set of religious beliefs. Public policies require decisions which inevitably reflect moral judgments. Every time a law is passed, one set of beliefs is preferred over another set.

For this reason a "pluralistic" society in which "all points of view" are treated equally is unrealistic and ultimately unworkable. In reality, a "pluralistic" society is one which is making a transition from one controlling set of beliefs to another controlling set.

American law was established on the moral principles of the Bible. The colonies made this very clear by statements such as the following in their charters: "We submit our persons, lives, and estates unto our Lord Jesus Christ, the King of Kings and Lord of Lords and to all those perfect and most absolute laws of His, given us in His Holy Word" (Rhode Island Charter of 1638).

Some who cry out against legislating morality may be trying to say that you cannot force people to do what is right. This half-truth completely overlooks the function of law as a basic instruction for wise, healthy, and prosperous living.

In reality, our courts are now in confusion with two opposing legal systems. One is based on biblical principles, the other is based on Humanistic principles. This explains why court decisions are more and more unpredictable, inconsistent, and even contradictory.

One of the most obvious illustrations of a court's decision based on Humanistic principles was the 1973 Supreme Court ruling which legalized abortion on demand (*Roe v. Wade*, 410 US 113; 1973).

The Humanistic philosophy behind this decision was the belief that man is only a species of animal, resulting from the continuous process of evolution (Humanist Manifesto I, Tenet 2).

This legal decision, as any other legal decision, legislated morality—a morality of death by the shedding of innocent blood.

Since 1973, about 17 million babies have been aborted in the United States. This is nearly three times the number of Jews killed under the rule of Adolph Hitler in Nazi Germany. It should not come as a shock, therefore, to learn that the legal philosophy which allowed the Nazis to kill Jews is the same legal philosophy that allows Americans to kill unborn babies.

New York's highest court ruled that the New York State Legislature must determine which human beings are actually persons who are entitled to live (*Byrn v. New York City Health & Hospital Corp.*, 31 NY 2d. 194, 335 NYS 2d. 390, 393 (1972), appeal dismissed, 410 US 949; 1973).



If our courts can decide that unborn children are not persons, they can also decide that people over sixty are no longer persons; or that deformed children are not persons; or that Jews or Christians are not persons.

Hitler talked about building a super race, in which people who were thought to be inferior had to be eliminated. Humanistic philosophy has approached the elimination of "inferior people" from the perspective of assuming that since they will not enjoy a happy life, they have a right not to be born.

In accordance with this human reasoning, a suit was brought in California on behalf of a child who was born with a mental handicap. The California Supreme Court ruled that a child could sue for being born. The suit was brought against a Sacramento hospital. The courts required the hospital to pay \$900,000.00 in damages (*Turpin v. Sortini*, 31 Cal. 3 220; 1982).

The "damages" were a penalty for not informing the parents of a test which might have revealed the possibility of brain damage. The parents testified that if they had suspected brain damage, they would have aborted the child.

The Humanistic reasoning behind these decisions becomes even more astonishing in the following case: The Attorney General of Delaware issued an opinion stating that a doctor who had failed to kill two unborn babies with lethal saline injections could be sued for criminal malpractice! (*Philadelphia Inquirer*, June 9, 1979). When the killing of unborn children is made legal, it is not a very big step to rationalize the killing of unwanted infants, as the following case shows:

When a baby was born in 1982 with a birth defect in a Bloomington, Indiana, hospital, the parents decided that they

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