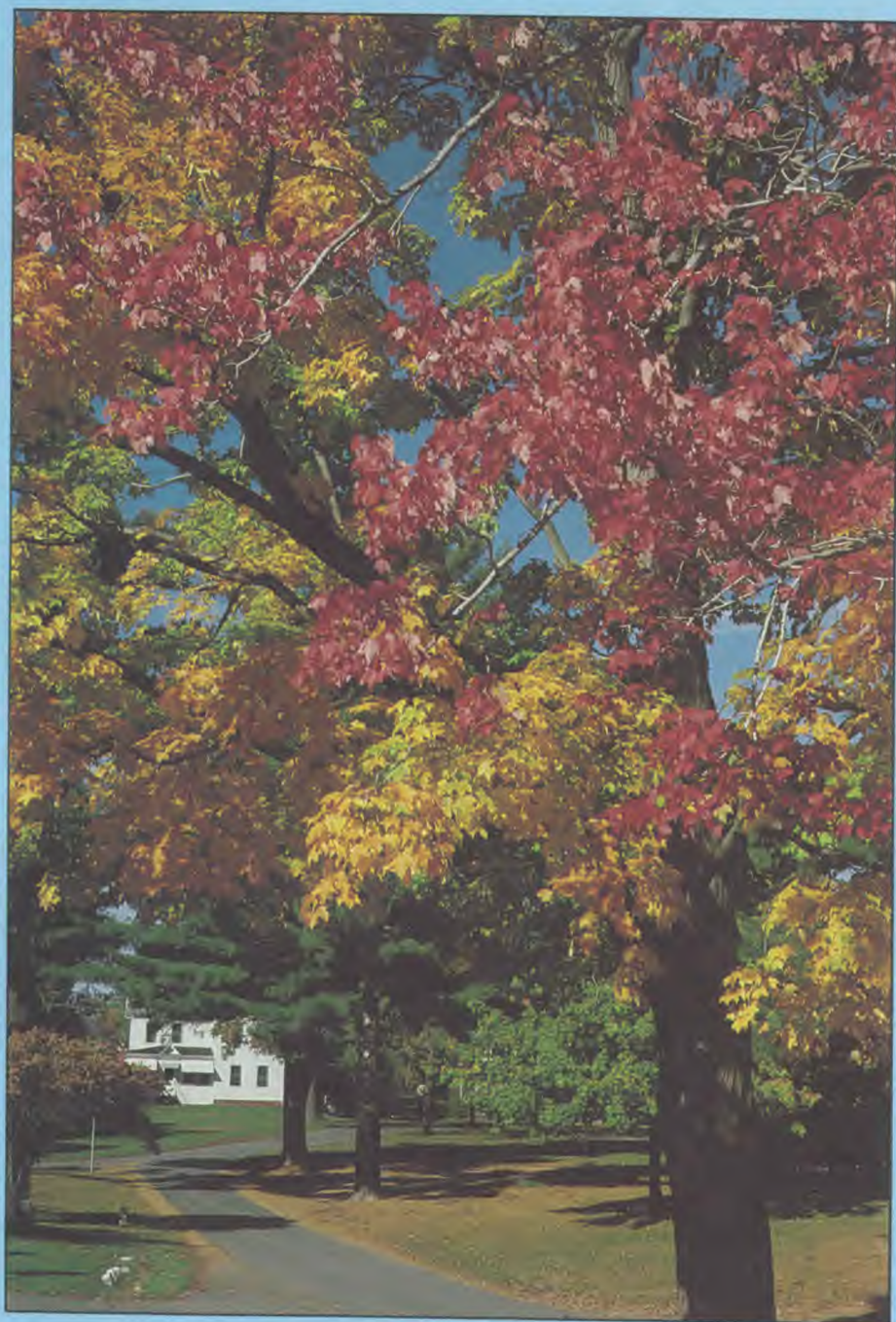


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EDITORIALY SPEAKING...



Ted T. Jones
Atlantic Union Gleaner Editor

Have you ever heard questions like "I wonder why our church doesn't grow? In many overseas areas there is lots of growth but why can't our local church grow?"

The question is a good one, worthy of a good answer. The simple fact is—any church can grow if its members develop a deep hunger for making friends and extending arms of love and kindness and friendship. Implementing friendship can be an exciting experience and often tremendous results will follow.

Less than a decade ago I rushed into a state office building in Stockton, California, to leave some forms with a state official. As I was going back down the elevator, two ladies were on it when it reached my floor. I spoke to both ladies and they responded cordially. Suddenly the Holy Spirit triggered "soul

hunger" in my heart and things began to happen.

Turning toward the black lady I asked, "Which church do you attend in town?" A shocked expression immediately registered on her face. Getting composed quickly she responded, "I attend the Ebenezer Baptist Church. And where do you go to church?" she fired back.

What a question to ask of an Adventist pastor! With a big smile I said, "I pastor the Seventh-day Adventist Church on the corner of Market and 'E' Streets." Instantly there was a serious look on her face and as we stepped out of the elevator, she took me by the arm and said, "Come over here a minute, Sir. I need to talk to you."

"Why did you ask me that question on the elevator?" stated this middle-aged woman, whose name I learned minutes later was Parthenia Long. "That was so unusual and unexpected," she said. "Well, the Lord placed a burden on my heart today and I asked Him to lead me to someone who needed His help and guidance" was my reply.

Within five minutes, Parthenia gave me the rest of her story. She had been baptized into the Adventist faith 12 years earlier by evangelist B. R. Spears in Long Beach, California, but left the church a few years later and became a Baptist. It was difficult for her to embrace the Adventist life-style in its totality and she had slowly drifted away. And then, moving to a different city, she sought and found Christian fellowship in a large Baptist congregation. Now, the Holy Spirit was calling her back home.

Exchanging business cards and phone numbers, we parted with the

promise that I would visit her and her mother (also a former Seventh-day Adventist) that very week. My wife and I were so anxious to see these ladies that we arrived early at their home, which was just a few minutes away from our residence.

It took only a few months before our Bible studies were completed and Parthenia Long and her dear mother were baptized on the same Sabbath. What a time of rejoicing it was for all of us! Five other people were baptized on that memorable day.

"Let us now take up the work appointed us and proclaim the message that is to arouse men and women to a sense of their danger. If every Seventh-day Adventist had done the work laid upon him, the number of believers would now be much larger than it is" (*Testimonies*, Vol. 9, p. 25).

Your church, too, can grow if all members will ask the Lord to help them to have a "hunger for souls." Lost sheep are to be brought back into the fold. Lost pearls are to be found and claimed for Christ.

Harvest 90 is our vehicle for doing everything possible to be instruments in God's hands for the joyful experience of saving souls! The greatest days of winning souls for the everlasting Kingdom of our God and His Christ are here!

Everyone, young and older alike, may share in the privilege of meeting, befriending, teaching and leading souls to Christ. Pray for soul hunger! Be ready for good things to happen. See what God will do for, with and through you. The time is now!

ATTENTION: ACADEMY/HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS PLAN TO ATTEND AUC'S COLLEGE DAYS

October 26 and 27, 1986

Registration, Sunday, October 26, 1:00-3:00 p.m.
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Ranjan Fernando

mathematics and physics he received from Andrews University.

The Fernando family includes Ranjan, his wife, and one child.

Janelle Bingham

The new smiling face in the Advancement Office belongs to Janelle Bingham, Secretary to the Executive Director of Institutional Advancement, David Osborne. Her present responsibilities are quite a departure from the world of nursing which she occupied for the past ten years. Following her nurse's training at Durham College in Oshawa, Ontario, Canada, Bingham worked primarily as an ICU/CCU nurse at the Branson Hospital in Toronto, Canada.



Janelle Bingham with her husband James and their son Daimian.

Travel Abroad with AUC!

The Modern Language Department of Atlantic Union College is planning its annual tour of England, France, Switzerland, West Germany, and Spain, for March, 1987. It can accommodate a few non-students who are interested in this opportunity. Low student rates will apply. Contact the Modern Language Department at AUC for further details. Ask for Dr. Pichot, Mrs. Biddle or Mrs. Wasmer. Write to AUC, Main St., S. Lancaster, MA. 01561, or call (617) 365-4561, extension 284.

Tom Verrill Earns Rare Scholarship

Tom Verrill, a senior at Atlantic Union College, received a \$700 scholarship award from the National Society of Public Accountants as a result of his

outstanding accomplishments in accounting. On a national test, Tom scored 95 percent on the Level I test and 78 percent on the Level II test. These tests are extremely difficult and his scores are exceptional.

The chairman of the Scholarship Foundation, Leslie S. Shapiro, writes, "On the basis of his outstanding record, Mr. Verrill was selected as one of 22 recipients from over 1,000 applications which were submitted. For this achievement, both this student and your school deserve tribute."

At a spirited chapel convocation, James Segar, Professor of Business, presented the award.

Tom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Verrill of West Paris, Maine.

Ruth Brand
Publicity Coordinator

New Full-time Faculty at AUC

Ranjan Fernando

The Mathematics Department at Atlantic Union College is enhanced this year with the addition of Ranjan Fernando, Instructor in Mathematics. Fernando's teaching experience includes teaching in the Lakpahana Seminary Kandy in his native Sri Lanka, teaching in Ethiopia and in Pakistan.

Fernando received his B.A. degree in mathematics from Spicer Memorial College, Poona, India. His Master of Science degree with an emphasis in

Four years of oncology nursing in Chicago and a year as Director of Nurses at Whitcomb Tower, a retirement center in St. Joseph, Michigan ("I loved every minute of it!"), found Bingham reluctant to move to Massachusetts when her husband, James Bingham, presently Associate Professor of Music at AUC, responded positively to the opportunity to join "That New England School."

Now ensconced in a job that is refreshingly different from nursing, Bingham says, "I love the students here and I love AUC.!"



Tom Verrill (left) receives scholarship award from James Segar.

Helene Pooler

The new Admissions Supervisor, Helene Pooler, accompanied her husband Terry Pooler, College Church pastor, and two boys Michael and Nicholas, to South Lancaster from Shenandoah Academy where she had been employed as the school nurse. After 15 years of nursing, Pooler brings enthusiasm to her new responsibilities. "I wanted a change from nursing," she smiles.

After two years of college at Pacific Union College, Pooler finished her Associate Degree in Nursing at Southwestern College in San Diego.

Atlantic Union College welcomes the Pooler family.

Gene Johnson

Gene Johnson, his wife Verta, three teenage daughters, two horses, one cat and one canary have moved from Washington state to Massachusetts where Mr. Johnson has assumed his responsibilities at Atlantic Union College as Assistant Professor of Biology.

Johnson completed his Bachelor and Master degrees at Walla Walla College where he majored in Biology and



Gene Johnson

minored in Education. He has had a varied career. His teaching responsibilities began at Union College in Lincoln, Nebraska, and finally led him to Middle East College in Beirut, Lebanon, where he taught for four years. Johnson has also been self-employed, manufacturing three-dimensional nature scenes in cork frames, and is the founder of Naturecraft, Inc., and High Country Enterprises.

Bermuda

Pastor Carlyle Simmons Elected Secretary of Bermuda Conference

On Sunday evening, September 14, 1986, the Bermuda Conference, through its Executive Committee, chose Pastor Carlyle Simmons as the first Bermudian to be elected Secretary. In the past, all others who have held this post were from the United States and were not pastors. They were generally businessmen. Thus Bermuda continues to make history as it moves forward in its early days of Conference status.

Pastor Simmons was born on September 21, 1946, in Somerset, Bermuda. He was educated in Adventist schools and received his M. Div. degree from Andrews University Theological Seminary. Presently, he is working on a D. Min. degree while serving as Pastor of our 490-member church located in the city of Hamilton. He is married to the former Miss Marilyn Outerbridge who is presently Assistant Head Nurse at the



Pastor Carlyle Simmons

King Edward VII Memorial Hospital. They have three fine children Julian, Michael and Marilyn-Rose.

Pastor Simmons was an associate pastor of the Hamilton church in 1974 as well as Bible teacher for the Bermuda Institute of Seventh-day Adventists. Later that year he was sent to pastor the Somerset church and there he purchased land, built a church free of debt and

doubled the membership. He has served as Religious Liberty Secretary and Communication Secretary and is presently our Educational Superintendent. While abroad he served on the Andrews University Advisory Committee. He has served on the Bermuda Mission Committee, on the Board of Trustees, and has also represented Bermuda on the Executive Committee of the Atlantic Union Conference. He has experience in evangelism and radio work and has worked in close cooperation with visiting evangelists such as C. D. Brooks and Raymond Saunders. Simmons is a good preacher and evangelist in his own right.

We are very proud of Pastor Simmons and welcome him to the administrative officership of the Bermuda Conference. With his commitment, experience, zeal and rich background, we are certain that he will be a great asset to our team.

E. L. Richardson
President

Baptism at Midland Heights Church

On August 23, 1986, the Midland Heights Church of Bermuda experienced a high day in Zion when two Spirit-filled individuals united themselves with God's true church by baptism.

Edna DeRosa, a staunch student of the Word, was introduced to Adventism by Calvin White, Sr., a literature evangelist and local church elder. He invited her to a Revelation Seminar at the church conducted by Elder Roland Hill. Night after night Edna DeRosa attended and was convicted, but she wanted to see the truths for herself. Many a night would find her with Bible searching the Scriptures and asking God for guidance. We can truthfully say that she studied and prayed her way into the church. But this was only the beginning.

On the day that she took her stand she asked Pastor D. Randolph Wilson, church pastor, to find a job for her since she formerly was the church secretary in the Pentecostal Church. He hinted to her that she could assist Pat White as a Bible Instructor. Since her baptism, Edna DeRosa has given many Bible studies on the Sabbath, including giving studies to her husband who is not a practicing Christian. At the time of this writing Mrs. DeRosa is actively involved in soul winning and possible baptism of a dear friend who also attended the Revelation Seminar.



Pictured left to right: Mr. and Mrs. Roland Hill, Revelation Seminar conductors; Edna DeRosa; Rodney Outerbridge; Mr. and Mrs. Calvin White, Sr.; Pastor D. Randolph Wilson; and Pastor Wilson's son Michael.

Rodney Outerbridge, a quiet young man, had been a former member but when he became a part of the Revelation Seminar, Christ took on new and added meaning. Present every night during the twenty-four lesson series, Mr. Outerbridge even came on one occasion two hours early. He often assisted setting up and taking down tables and chairs. Pastor Wilson recalls a visit with Roland Hill to Rodney Outerbridge's house. His mother said that she noticed the change in her son's life. Rodney was greatly in-

fluenced by his cousin Nolan, a baptized member of only four months at the start of the Revelation Seminar. Rodney Outerbridge is now working for a friend of his who came to church the first Sabbath after his baptism.

We, the pastor and members, give God the glory for these two individuals and the others whom the Lord has blessed us with in seeing the fruits of our labor.

D. R. Wilson

Pastor, Midland Heights Church

news and interest in a Mission Impact Program involving help on a Caribbean Island.

Youth Federation: The Spanish Youth Federation of Long Island formed recently at the Bay Shore church. Miguel Guzman, youth leader for that church, was elected to lead the group.

Other federations now forming or functioning within the Conference are Brooklyn (Maranatha, New Haven, Ebenezer and Brooklyn churches) and French (comprised of young people from the French churches in the area).

Seven VBS Reported in Conference

From Livingston to Crossroads, Vacation Bible Schools in seven locations drew youngsters to consider Jesus.

Held for one or two weeks, and at varying times of the day, the schools scheduled Bible stories, crafts and activities to appeal to the children who came from neighboring communities as well as from the church membership.

A sign of the times was seen in the VBS at the North Bronx church as a precinct officer told youngsters of the dangers of crack. Other churches reporting the hosting of sessions were Brooklyn, New Haven and Hempstead.

NEW DEACON AT PELHAM PARKWAY



The Lord has blessed the Pelham Parkway church with its newest deacon, Jay Ayala. Jay, along with his wife Yolanda, has been doing an inspiring work for the Lord, and the members of Pelham are very happy to have them. Pictured with Jay (right) at his ordination is Pastor Lloyd Scharffenberg.

*Eileen Ann Quinn
Communication Secretary*

Greater New York

News Briefs

Evangelism Update—29 Hispanic crusades and more than 15 series in English or other languages began in Greater New York in September. Early reports indicate that more than 200 persons are already preparing for baptism.

Union Square—Summer street evangelism, aided by the Van Program, which conducted much-appreciated blood pressure testing and helped distribute information about the street meetings, reaped 300 enrollments in the Amazing Facts Spanish Bible course. Elder Pedro Claussell reports that ten persons of that number finished the course, and one of the ten was baptized recently—during prayer meeting.

A Wednesday-night baptism? "We wanted to build interest in prayer meeting, so we scheduled the baptism

without prior announcement," the pastor says. About 100 persons presently attend prayer meeting each week.

Port Washington Hispanic Company—was formally organized on Sabbath, September 28. The Long Island Group is pastored by Elder Samuel Orozco and is part of the Rockville Centre-Far Rockaway district. Twenty-eight charter members participated in the service.

Chinatown Congregation—has established a branch Sabbath school that has been meeting regularly at the Jackson Heights church. Pastor Robert Tseng is the pastor for the two groups.

Youth Department—A newsletter for Pathfinders, "The Go Getter," will be sent out monthly for Pathfinder leaders and members. First issue calls for club

Evangelism for Children

Little children came unto Jesus as the Spanish Dyckman church in New York City focused on "Evangelism for Children" August 16 and 23.

Sabbath School Director, Asela Luna, and Elder Alfonso Juarez successfully directed two evangelistic programs geared to attract children to Jesus.

In preparation for small children, a small room was selected for the first program. However, last-minute changes had to be made as God willed that about 200 children, accompanied by adults, attended the program. The program on the following Sabbath was equally successful.

The program featured a five-year-old preacher, children's choirs, songs, Bible

stories, surprises and an interesting movie.

Jesus said, "Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God" (Luke 18:16). Following that command, Spanish Dyckman leaders are committed to show little ones the way to Jesus.

Martha Marquez
Communication Secretary



Children's choirs from (L.) Washington Avenue and (R.) Dyckman Hispanic churches sang during the special "Evangelism for Children" services held recently.

Seven Persons Baptized in the Atlantic Ocean

On September 6, a beautiful Sabbath afternoon, seven people were baptized and joined the remnant church at Sunken Meadow Beach, Long Island.

On this warm and sunny afternoon, members set up two tents by the seashore for the convenience of the baptismal candidates. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Benjamin Soh.

Those baptized were Mr. and Mrs. Eui Sup Kwak (former Baptists), Mr.

and Mrs. Moon Uk So (Mr. So is the pastor's brother, a returning Adventist), Mr. Sung Won Hong (formerly a member of the Full Gospel Central Church in Seoul, Korea, the largest church in the world), Mrs. Heung Sook Kim (a former Buddhist) and Mrs. Eun Kyung Kang (a former Presbyterian).

September 6 was a cheerful day for everyone by that shore, and a fruitful harvest day for Queens Korean church.

Pastor Benjamin Soh
Queens Korean Church

Seminars at Newburgh Make Friends in Community

An "Eight-Days to Resolving Stress" seminar at the Newburgh church drew 27 from the community. Of the 24 persons completing the series, two are now taking baptismal studies with Pastor Tony Cirigliano. Six others enrolled in the "How to Make Christianity Real" seminar conducted immediately after by local elder Charles Carrico. Phil Tarallo, one student who attended with his wife Sandra, said, "I have been going to an analyst for two years, but this seminar has done more for me and has really given me an interest in Bible study. It had a tremendous impact on me."

A "Positive Parenting" seminar was conducted next, by the pastor, who says, "I find these Caring Church seminars from Concerned Communications to be some of the best tools we have to make friends in the community and to create an interest in spiritual things. They are also ideal for church lay persons to conduct."

Mary Ann Cirigliano
Acting Communication Secretary



The seven persons who were baptized in the Atlantic Ocean on September 6, 1986, standing in the water with Pastor Benjamin Soh.

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NEW YORK CAMP MEETING—1986



Left picture shows two fine gentlemen who hold a unique distinction of having attended New York Conference camp meetings for 60 years. Elliott Schermerhorn (Left) divides his time between his home in Jamestown, New York, and Leesburg, Florida. Carl Chapin (Right) who presently resides in Fort Myers, Florida, started coming to New York Conference camp meetings in 1921, the first year they were held on the grounds of Union Springs Academy. He also has the unusual record of serving as camp meeting sound technician for 50 years. Both of these men were given recognition for their excellent record during camp meeting even though they are presently transplanted New Yorkers.

In the picture on the right Elder D. E. Wright, Communication Director of the conference, is presenting the Church Communication Secretary Award to Mrs. Ramona Bruinix of the East Palmyra church. This plaque was given in recognition of outstanding performance over a period of two or more years. She has been a strong proponent of Community Relations Day in which non-Seventh-day Adventists are featured and honored for their contribution to the community.

D. E. Wright
Communication Director

children. This was the first time that a VBS has been held at this location and another is planned for next year.

At the graduation ceremony, held the last day of VBS, two Bibles were presented as honor gifts. According to Lanette Peikarek, leader of the VBS,

"I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with mine eye" Psalm 32:8

When I went out to the hospital that November night to see my grandmother who was very ill, the weather was clear and the roads were good. What a change met my eyes when I came out late at night to start for home! It was a regular blizzard. It wasn't too bad while I was driving through town with the street lights to help me but soon I was away from the lights and driving along my road the visibility was zero. I had to stop and get out often to clear the windshield as the wipers just could not take care of the rapidly swirling snow.

As I left the lights of town behind me, it was so dark with all the lights out in the houses along the way and everyone gone to bed. I could no longer see the center line of the road nor could I see anything along the side of the road. There was absolutely nothing to guide me—it was like driving blindfolded. I met no cars and I had never felt so alone and completely helpless in my life. My

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two boys were introduced to Jesus and two more children are in our church school as a result of the VBS.

Other leaders were Bonnie Krawczyk and Raya Abadir with Kevin Sullivan as playtime leader. The usual activities of songs, crafts, Bible study, games, snack time, and special speakers rounded out the program. The Primary Division studied about Peter and the Juniors learned that love is honest, with scriptural truths from Psalm 16.

Joy Cook

Big Success for VBS

Vacation Bible School in the Buffalo, New York, Suburban Seventh-day Adventist Church held last August ended with an attendance of 37 children with half of them being non-member



Happy Primary Division children participating in their activities.



Junior young people studiously completing their lesson study.

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eyes filled with tears so I could barely see as I was so filled with discouragement. "At all times and in all places, in all sorrows and in all afflictions, when the outlook seems dark and the future perplexing, and we feel helpless and alone, the Comforter will be sent in answer to the prayer of faith." (*The Desire of Ages*)

These words came to me as I drove along and immediately I sent up a prayer for help. God surely guided me home that night. I sang and prayed all along that long, stormy road. How thankful I was to see at last the lights of home and drive in my own driveway. Surely the angel of the Lord guided me that terrible night!

Beverly Meacham

It Was Fun!

When you think of Vacation Bible School, what comes to mind? Kids! And when you think of kids what comes to mind? Fun! And shouldn't knowing Jesus be fun? Yes!

This was the approach Debbie Patten and Linda Willumson took in planning VBS at Vestal Hills last summer. Everyone who assisted them caught the spirit of fun, too. Just ask one of the 41 children who attended, (19 of whom were non-Adventists). When you say to them, "How was Vacation Bible School?" They answer, with a big smile, "It was lots of fun!"

A couple of the "fun" times were when the zoomobile visited and craft time had the kids asking for more time! The finale was the last evening when the parents were invited. The evening's activities were videotaped and as they watched the replay the parents had fun in pointing out, "There's my Johnny!" The 19 visitors were given Bibles that night, too.

Because Jesus was presented to the children in a spirit of joy and friendliness 41 kids know that knowing Jesus is fun!

Debbie and Linda want to thank all who had a part in VBS: Deria and Ron Gadsden, Alyna and Pastor Bernard Taylor, Sharon Colavito, Brenda Belles, Evelyn Belles, Mary Belles, Elaine and Ken Lester, Brenda King, Dawn Crerar, Bobbi Tripp, Grace Ralph, Bernice Hoose, Clynton Taylor, Arasorn MacIntyre, John Willumson, Jr., the pathfinders and friends and all those who donated items so VBS could be such a success.

Weezie Lyons
Communication Secretary

USA NEWS

Exciting things are happening in the Campus Ministries Department at Union Springs Academy.

The Campus Ministries room has taken on a new look as a result of the financial support of parents, alumni, and faculty. The room has been repainted and framed pictures have replaced posters. Our art instructor, Mr. Gary Hunt, recently painted a beautiful picture of Christ on one of the walls of the Campus Ministry room. We now have a new couch and chair, bookcase, stereo, desk, filing cabinet, and fish tank to help make the Campus Ministry room a favorite with the students.

Students are gearing up for a spiritual-filled year of off-campus ministry programs. Our witnessing team is preparing to travel around the Union visiting churches and spreading the message of Jesus' Second Coming. We are preparing to plan a clown ministry similar to

the one at Atlantic Union College. A religious drama club is being formed under the direction of Lance Kelly, the Assistant Dean of Boys. Bible studies, temperance programs, Christmas In-gathering, and other community programs are also being planned.

Three Weeks of Prayer will be held at Union Springs Academy. Pastor Gene Thomas, a minister in the New York Conference, will present our Fall Week of Prayer using the theme "Special People." Elder Richard Carlson, currently the Chaplain at Union College, will be our Spring Week of Prayer speaker. In January, students will participate in a Student Week of Prayer.

We are thankful for the support and prayers of the constituents in the Atlantic Union Conference. Please pray for a successful, spiritual year in the Campus Ministries Department.

Tim Simon
Campus Chaplain

Northern New England

Evangelism in Wiscasset

As you enter the town of Wiscasset, Maine, you will see a sign that says, "You Are Entering the Prettiest Village in Maine." That is quite a statement to make! But, as one drives down the tree-lined streets along the bay, the meticulously kept lawns and the color-

coordinated homes, one senses this is no ordinary town.

The closest Seventh-day Adventist Church is located in Bath, ten miles south. Pastor and Mrs. Richard Bullock and the Bath members are taking the Harvest 90 challenge to heart. They sought the Lord's direction for outreach from their church and unitedly decided



Members of the Bath church in front of their church on their way to Wiscasset to invite interested individuals to evangelistic meetings.

to prepare a sequence for evangelism approach in meeting the needs of the town of Wiscasset.

Members of the Bath church knocked on the doors of 400 homes on Sabbath afternoon, August 30. They personally invited those they met to a series of evangelistic meetings that would begin on Sunday evening, September 7. The speaker was to be Pastor Bullock.

Pastor Bullock and his church members pitched a tent in a field in Wiscasset. The town soon became aware of the meetings and local residents came. The meetings continued through the month of September. The church also sensed an opportunity for spiritual renewal and revival.

Pastor Bullock and those members who live in Wiscasset but attend the Bath church are continuing to study with the individuals who attended the meetings. The Bath church is happy to accept the challenge of the "Doables" of Harvest 90. They hope to have a sister church soon, "In The Prettiest Village In Maine." ☆

Corrie Tripp Baptized in Lake Mascoma

On Sabbath, August 30, members of the West Lebanon, New Hampshire, church rejoiced as one of their own, Corrie Tripp, daughter of William and Terri Tripp of Lebanon, was baptized in the waters of Mascoma Lake. "It's special," she replied to Pastor Philip Johnson when he asked her what her thoughts were as they prepared to walk into the lake. And special it was indeed, both for Corrie and all her family and friends. Her decision for Christ came after more than a year's study with Pastor Johnson in his baptismal class. The day was originally slated for late December, but a case of the flu kept Corrie home. Eight months later she finally had the chance again.



Elder Philip Johnson and Corrie Tripp.

Pray for Corrie and the other young people of the West Lebanon district that God will continue to use them in these last days. It is their commitment which insures that the gospel light will keep burning.

Nancy Barcelow
Communication Secretary

Plymouth, New Hampshire, Member Receives Silver Poet Award

Mrs. Helen (Weston) Govaya of Paradise Road, North Woodstock, New Hampshire, along with others, was recently honored with the Silver Poet Award for 1986 at a poet's convention sponsored by the "World of Poetry." The World of Poetry is an organization with a membership of 689,000 poets worldwide. About 3,000 poets from the United States, Canadian Provinces and other countries attended the three-day convention with 300 poets receiving the Silver poet award. This is one of the highest awards given to their poets by the board of directors.



Mrs. Helen Govaya

Mrs. Govaya, an active member of the Plymouth, New Hampshire, Seventh-day Adventist Church, prior to receiving the Silver award, has had three of her poems published in their anthologies and has received an award of merit certificate for her poems. The convention was held at Marriott's Orlando World Center in Florida. The awards were given by John Campbell, Poet and Drama artist of Shakespeare's plays. His love for poetry led to the founding of this poet's organization in 1975 of which he is publisher and editor. Eddie-Lou

Cole, his poetry editor, assisted Campbell with the poets' awards.

Mr. and Mrs. Govaya for a number of years designed and wrote their own cards as a personal evangelistic project. They also designed a sympathy card for the Community services of the Plymouth church to send to those in the community who had lost a loved one. Mrs. Govaya wrote the verse on the sympathy card which launched the General Conference cards. She is now taping Gospel songs she has composed.

Mrs. Govaya desires that the talents the Lord has given her be used for His honor and glory—to bring others closer to Him. For twenty-two years she worked for the Southern New England Conference as a Bible Instructor.

Evelyn Dunn
Personal Ministries Secretary

Southern New England

Cape Cod Church Hosts Newstart Cooking Class

A successful Newstart Cooking Class under the direction of Mrs. Nancy Wall has just been concluded at the Cape Cod church. Mrs. Wall attended Weimar Institute for a 25-day course to improve her own health and to bring back information to share with others.

Nancy chose to start her outreach with a Newstart cooking class of ten people and to hold it in her home to keep it informal. However, the first class turned out to be 25 people instead of the ten expected. Needless to say, the classes were then moved to the fellowship room in the church. The classes were held for a period of 12 weeks. Each week the group grew in number. Sometimes as many as 36 attended.

Prayer and songs of praise opened class on Tuesday evening at six. The evening menu was discussed by Mrs. Wall and eight groups of three or four in number were given assignments to prepare a part of the menu. Many shouts of "What do I do now?" and "Does this look right?" came from the group and sent Nancy scurrying from one unit to another to reassure or give added help.

What made the classes so interesting was the enthusiasm from many who had



Newstart Cooking Class members who attended a twelve-week course recently concluded at the Cape Cod church. The leader was Nancy Wall, front row in white coat.

never before prepared a meal. Some husbands attended by themselves and found this new role interesting. There was a diversification of ages. One ten-year-old boy from Ireland who was staying with a church family attended with his host mother. He was concerned about cancer in his family and returned to Ireland with a syllabus of information to share with them. He was active in preparing the food and enjoyed it thoroughly. Each week the group would bring information about improvements in their eating habits and the changes it was making in their health. Many found a gradual weight loss. Diabetics noticed changes in their blood sugar levels. Those with a lactose intolerance found interesting ways to prepare meals without dairy products.

Several doctors from Weimar brought information on video tape on different aspects of the diet and natural remedies and the part each played in the health of the body. A syllabus to record this information for future help and study was given to each member.

As a prayer of thanksgiving was offered and the group ate the evening meal there was a sense of eating not only to satisfy the appetite but to eat to prepare our bodies for the health and strength God chose for us.

The last Tuesday evening a gift of appreciation was presented to Nancy Wall and Barbara Strassberger for their part in making the class a success. Certificates were given to each one who attended the classes.

The following week a dinner was prepared by the class and the church family was invited to attend. It was a wonderful opportunity for the graduates

to show their expertise and for those who were not able to attend the classes to share in the good food and fellowship.

Barbara Strassberger
Communication Secretary

Quaboag-Quinebaug Baptism at Winnekeag

On a weekend last spring, members of the Quaboag-Quinebaug district gathered for a delightful season of fellowship at Camp Winnekeag. They came for spiritual uplifting and unification of spirit. There were special periods for study, prayer, and enjoying the great outdoors.

Sabbath afternoon Dr. David Greenlaw conducted a seminar on interpersonal relationships within the church. The climax of the day was

Spiritual Gifts Seminar Held at Camp Winnekeag Well Attended

Twenty-two churches of the Southern New England Conference were represented by the 93 individuals who attended the Spiritual Gifts Seminar at Camp Winnekeag September 19 through 21. From the very beginning it was evident that the Holy Spirit was in control.

For some unknown reason the scheduled speaker, Elder William Liversidge, was called on urgent overseas business by the General Conference. As an alternate speaker, Elder Tom Whitsett from Parkersburg, West Virginia, consented to condense the ten-day presentation into one weekend.

Elder Whitsett told of his reticence when he originally attended the seminar conducted by Elder Liversidge. However, at its close he returned to his church and, to the few members who responded to his invitation to a special meeting, presented a report of the

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reached as Pastor Terry St. Clair baptized six precious souls, including his daughter, Melissa, Kim Carlson, Cathy and Becky Fanton, Sherry Kittridge and Richard Melanson.

Sunday was the Quaboag elementary school picnic full of fun and games for parents and pupils under the direction of principal Gary Herlinger.

It was a weekend enjoyed by all, full of blessings and fellowship.

Cheryl St. Clair



The six young baptismal candidates at Lake Winnekeag with Pastor Terry St. Clair (left, rear).



More than ninety members from Southern New England pay close attention to Elder Whitsett's presentation at Winnekeag.



Elder Tom Whitsett leading in the *Spiritual Gifts Seminar* held at Camp Winnekeag in Southern New England September 19 through 21.

material he had gleaned from the seminar.

To his surprise, his members became so sure of their own gifts that they informed him they were going to conduct the evangelistic series he had planned to hold. Despite their need for refinement of methods, these few members, led by the Holy Spirit, were able to present the message with clarity. The Lord seemed to shut the ears of the listeners to the things they were unready to assimilate and thirty-five people were the fruits of the layman-conducted series.

Now the whole church is actively involved as the members exercise their perceived spiritual gifts. Elder Whitsett is a jubilant pastor cooperating with his members as they, under the Holy Spirit's guidance, do the work of the ministry.

Elder Fred Hernandez, Southern New England Conference Personal Ministries director, says he believes it is significant

that 120 originally enrolled in the Seminar, and he was gratified at the eager response from nearly half the churches in the conference.

Lodging was provided for the participants by the conference. Elder Stanley Steiner, conference president, spoke during the Sabbath worship hour and Elder Philip Follett, Union Con-

ference president, spoke at vespers and the report is that they both seemed divinely directed in the sermon topics chosen.

Immediate fruit was borne at the end of the seminar when two ladies requested baptism. Elder Luis Badillo had been studying with one and she had not yet decided to go forward in this sacred rite. While attending the seminar they came under strong conviction by the Holy Spirit. Elder Badillo, himself in attendance at the meeting, baptized them.

With no one in sight to do the cooking, Sarah Fanton, secretary in the Personal Ministries Department, was led to take charge in the kitchen and the report is that the meals were excellent. She was assisted by her husband, Paul, Connie Ela from the Worcester church, Kathy Shannon of South Lancaster and several children. This we feel is a beautiful example of "second-mile service."

We pray that the dear Lord will use these people to set their church on fire for Him and the inspiration of this gathering will spread throughout the conference and result in a harvest of souls such as has never been seen before in our field.

Leora DeWitt

Adventist Health System North

The Gift of Love

"I'd like to do something in memory of Lois. We were married for 53 years. A finer woman I never knew." With these words, Arthur Fuller, a successful businessman, made a Special Gift to New England Memorial Hospital in Stoneham, Massachusetts.

Fuller selected the head nurse's office in the Coronary Care Unit, in which his wife had been a patient, for her memorial. A plaque bearing the inscription "This office is dedicated with love to the memory of Lois E. Fuller by her husband, Arthur" will soon be placed next to the office door.

Recently the hospital unveiled another plaque dedicating a room in which Fran Wiener once worked. Fran, a promising young occupational therapist, was killed in an automobile accident while still in her twenties. "The outpouring of memorial contributions was an inspiration," said Bruce Jordon, Director of

Development at the hospital. "It gave me great personal satisfaction to see that room dedicated to Fran's memory by her parents and friends. It meant a lot to her parents, too. After unveiling the plaque, Edith Wiener, Fran's mother, said, "At last I feel as if we've put Fran to rest."

According to Jordon, people make contributions to meet many personal needs. Memorial contributions, ("in memory of. . ."), are loving reminders of a departed spouse, brother or sister. Tribute contributions, ("in honor of. . ."), express love and gratitude of living friends and family—frequently parents. Other contributions may celebrate a joyous family event, such as a birth or wedding anniversary.

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Bruce Jordan
*Director of Development
 New England Memorial Hospital*

of Bridgeport, Bridgeport, Connecticut. In addition, it was recommended that a representative be named from the national office of the Adventist Health System in Arlington, Texas.

In addition, Carter announced that the board appointed J. Russell Shawver, president of AHS/Eastern and Middle America, as president of AHS/North, replacing Lawrence E. Schalk as presi-

dent. Shawver will serve as a member of the merger committee. "I look forward to working with the transitional task force group during the next few weeks to bring these two organizations together, preserving the strengths and the best parts of each," said Shawver.

Lynn I. Ahrens
Director of Communication

Two Divisions of the Adventist Health System to Merge

After several months of discussion and study the board of Adventist Health System/North took actions that will facilitate a merger between Adventist Health System/North (AHS/North), Hinsdale, Illinois, and Adventist Health System/Eastern and Middle America (AHS/Eastern and Middle America), Shawnee Mission, Kansas, at the meeting of the board in South Attleboro, Massachusetts, on September 25, 1986, according to Robert H. Carter, chairman of the board. These actions followed a merger recommendation by the national board of the Adventist Health System/United States on August 22, 1986, in Loma Linda, California.

The board appointed a group of the board to facilitate the merger. This subcommittee of the board will be composed of Robert H. Carter, chairman of the board, and president of the Lake Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, Berrien Springs, Michigan; Philip S. Follett, vice-chairman of the board and president of the Atlantic Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, South Lancaster, Massachusetts; L. Earl Laurence, board member and executive officer, National Institute of Health, Bethesda, Maryland; Daniel L. Lord, Jr., board member and financial advisor, Bath, Maine; Shirley Ann Munroe, board member and vice-president, American Hospital Association, Chicago, Illinois; and Charles J. Stokes, board member and professor of economics, University

General News

NEW ENGLAND ADVENTIST BOOK CENTER 1986 Fall Bookmobile Schedule*

Date	Time	Location
Sat. nite Nov. 8	6:00 - 7:00 p.m.	Norwich
Sat. nite Nov. 8	7:45 - 9:00 p.m.	New London
Sun. Nov. 9	10:00 - 11:00 a.m.	Middletown—Portland
Sun. Nov. 9	12:00 - 1:30 a.m.	Laurel Oaks School
Sun. Nov. 9	3:00 - 4:15 p.m.	Brooklawn
Sun. Nov. 9	5:30 - 6:15 p.m.	N. Stamford—Parsonage
Sun. Nov. 9	8:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Waterbury
Sat. nite Nov. 15	7:30 - 9:00 p.m.	West Lebanon
Sun. Nov. 16	10:00 - 10:30 a.m.	Wells River
Sun. Nov. 16	11:30 - 12:45 p.m.	St. Johnsbury
Sun. Nov. 16	2:00 - 3:15 p.m.	Barre
Sun. Nov. 16	4:45 - 6:00 p.m.	Morrisville
Sun. Nov. 16	7:30 - 8:30 p.m.	Williston
Mon. Nov. 17	10:30 - 11:30 a.m.	Bristol
Sat. nite Nov. 22	4:45 - 5:45 p.m.	Canaan—Geer Mem. Hos.
Sat. nite Nov. 22	7:30 - 9:00 p.m.	Berkshire Hills
Sun. Nov. 23	10:00 - 11:00 a.m.	Bennington
Sun. Nov. 23	1:00 - 1:45 p.m.	Rutland
Sun. Nov. 23	3:30 - 4:30 p.m.	Brattleboro
Sun. Nov. 23	5:30 - 6:00 p.m.	Keene
Sun. Nov. 23	7:00 - 8:00 p.m.	Mt. Missionary Inst.

*All locations are churches unless otherwise noted.

Loma Linda Foods Celebrating 80th Anniversary Launches New School Fund-raising Program

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mula were airlifted to Poland to alleviate shortage of milk due to fallout from the Chernobyl nuclear disaster.

As a part of their 80th Anniversary Celebration, a new school fund-raising program called "Labels for Learning" is being offered to all SDA elementary schools in the United States. This program provides an opportunity to involve students, parents, and communities in a joint effort to support our schools. This is a cash redemption plan. Each school sets its own goals and determines what is needed, such as classroom equipment,

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Nov. 24; Syracuse, Marriott
Nov. 25; Rochester, Colgate Divinity School

NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND

Spiritual Gifts Seminar

Nov. 1; 3:00 p.m.
Dixfield, ME
Conductor: Doug Kilcher

Community Service Center Training Weekend

Nov. 8 & 9
St. Johnsbury, VT

Community Services Federation Presidents Meeting

Nov. 11; Concord, NH; Noon

SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND

GBA Alumni Weekend

Oct. 31 & Nov. 1
GBA Gym
Speaker: John Hayward
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Seminar: "Preparing for the Latter Rain"

Brooklawn Church
Bridgeport, CT
Nov. 7 & 8
Speaker: Dr. George Rice
White Estate

About Our Cover Photo

Our beautiful colorful photo on the cover was taken by Marquise Knight of South Lancaster, MA, here in her hometown. She used an Exacta Varex II A camera which was purchased in Munich, Germany in 1957. A wide-angle lens was used. Her photo placed second in the 1985 *Gleaner* Cover Photo Contest.

Out-of-Union Announcement

Help us find the Young Adults! Do you know a newly relocated or former Adventist Young Adult (approximate age 21-30) living in the Washington, D. C., metropolitan area who would benefit from or would like a personal invitation to Sabbath school and church? Members of the Sligo Young Adult Sabbath School Class will call or visit them, plus put their name on our activity mailing list. Just send their name, address, home and work phone numbers, and any information you think might be helpful for us to know, to: Young Adult Class, Sligo Seventh-day Adventist Church, 7710 Carroll Ave., Takoma Park, MD 20912.

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library or worthy student aid, whatever will most benefit the school.

Basically the plan redeems each label or package from Loma Linda and Millstone foods. Information and materials for implementing the program have been mailed to every SDA elementary school and all Conference Educational Directors. Just bring the labels and packages to the school and Loma Linda Foods will redeem them for cash upon receipt.

This will be an ongoing program beginning with the 1986-87 school year. Parents and friends, save your labels and packages, give them to an elementary student or school to expand its outreach through Christian education.

D. W. Hunter
Public Relations

NEWS FLASH

- On September 28, 1986, an appropriate granite marker was placed on the grave site in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Rochester, NY, of Mary Andrews, 17-year-old daughter of the Seventh-day Adventist Church's first foreign missionary, John N. Andrews. Elder Paul Gordon from the E.G. White Estate, Washington, D.C., was the memorial speaker; Dr. Trevor Delafield, pastor of the Rochester Bay Knoll SDA Church coordinated the program; and Robert Allen, a member of the Bay Knoll church was the moving force behind getting the grave marker.

- Nearly 40 persons attended the first lay evangelism training school (Maranatha) to be held in New York. It was held at Camp Cherokee, Saranac Inn, NY. Elder Samuel Monnier, Associate Director of Church Ministries at the General Conference who developed the program, was the instructor in public evangelism among other instructors.



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At Rest

OSTRUM, Grace Janette, born December 16, 1912, in Lakewood, NY, died in Buffalo, NY, on August 26, 1986. She was a faithful member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Survivors: her daughter Patricia Olmre; a sister; two brothers; and four grandchildren. Services were held in the Buffalo Suburban Seventh-day Adventist Church and at Alger Cemetery in Hume, NY.

Pastor Eoin B. Giller

SMART, Aura M. Furbish, born March 1, 1892, in Presque Isle, ME, died September 26, 1986, in the Clinton, MA, hospital. She was a member of the Village Seventh-day Adventist Church, So. Lancaster, MA. She attended the public school in Presque Isle, and when the family moved to Boston, she attended South Lancaster Academy, So. Lancaster, MA.

While living in Plymouth, ME, with her family she met and married Harry E. Smart. During the 30 years she lived in Plymouth, ME, she was known for her good work as a community nurse, attending the sick and assisting the local doctors.

Survivors: two sons Lawrence of So. Lancaster, MA and Jairus of Hermon, ME; seven grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; and three great-great grandchildren. Aura also gave motherly care to several foster children including Alvin Gray and James Corson and six children of the O'Conner family, Mary, Joan, Robert, Margaret and Eleanor. These join the family in the loss. Her husband died in 1942 and the eldest son Ralph in 1984.

Private graveside services were held at the Sawyer Cemetery, Plymouth, ME on September 29, with Pastor Frederick Bell officiating.

Memorial gifts may be sent to Atlantic Union College in memory of Aura Smart.

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Boston, MA	4:32	4:24	4:19	4:14
So. Lancaster, MA	4:34	4:27	4:21	4:17
Pittsfield, MA	4:40	4:33	4:27	4:23
Hartford, CT	4:39	4:32	4:27	4:23
New York, NY	4:47	4:40	4:35	4:31
Utica, NY	4:47	4:39	4:33	4:29
Syracuse, NY	4:51	4:43	4:37	4:33
Rochester, NY	4:56	4:49	4:43	4:38
Buffalo, NY	5:02	4:54	4:48	4:44
Hamilton, Bda. (EST)	5:24	5:19	5:15	5:13

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WHAT IS CHRISTIAN DEPORTMENT?

By Alvin R. Goulbourn, Secretary
Atlantic Union Conference



“Wherefore I will not be negligent to put you always in remembrance of these things, though ye know them, and be established in the present truth” (2 Peter 1:12). Some truths are applicable in all ages and are, therefore, present truth for every generation.

Have you ever seen an immaculately dressed woman or man perform a rude or unkind act? It may have been only a smug laugh or a disdainful glance at someone suffering poverty or ignorance, but which stands out in your memory? The beautiful clothing or the unchristlike deportment? The world reads our faces, our habits, our conduct, our Christian deportment long after thoughts of our outward adorning have perished.

Be polite. “Christian politeness is received only under the working of the Holy Spirit. It does not consist in affectation or artificial polish, in bowing or simpering. This is the class of politeness possessed by those of the world, but they are destitute of true Christian politeness. True polish, true politeness, is obtained only from a practical knowledge of the gospel of Christ. True politeness, true courtesy, is a kindness shown to all, high or low, rich or poor.

The essence of true politeness is consideration for others.

Christian courtesy is the golden clasp which unites the members of the family in bonds of love, becoming closer and stronger every day” (*The Adventist Home*, p. 422, 423).

Be friendly. One of the greatest drawing powers for the Christian is to be friendly. Proverbs 18:24 says, “A man that hath friends must show himself friendly.” In Luke 7:34, Jesus is referred to as a “friend of publicans and sinners.”

Be thankful. Thankfulness is something we should never, never forget. Daniel expressed thanks: “I thank thee, and praise thee, O thou God of my fathers.” Daniel 2:23. Matthew 11:25: Jesus himself expressed thanks when he said, “I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth.” The Psalmist put it this way in the 100th Psalm, “Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness: come before his presence with singing. . . . be thankful unto him and bless his name. For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations.”

Once Jesus healed ten lepers. They all went away, but one leper remembered something. He had not thanked Jesus. He hurried back and fell down and thanked Jesus. Then Jesus asked, “Were there not ten cleansed? Where are the nine?” It is important that we be thankful—thankful for the friends and good neighbors that we have; thankful for our families; thankful for all things.

Be helpful. Being helpful brings blessings to all who try it. Oh, taste and see. Paul enumerating the spiritual gifts, lists helps.

“Watch carefully, prayerfully, conscientiously, lest the mind become so engrossed with many important business transactions that true godliness is overlooked and love is quenched from the soul, notwithstanding the great and pitiful need of your being God’s helping hand to the blind and to all others who are unfortunate” (*My Life Today*, p. 243).

Be generous. The greatest sin of our age is covetousness. No one likes a person who is selfish. One of the quickest ways to spread happiness about you is to be generous. Jesus was always generous with whatever gifts he had at hand. Proverbs 19:17 says, “He that hath pity upon the poor lendeth unto the Lord; and that which he hath given will he pay him again.”

Christians who exhibit the character of Jesus in all their dealings with people are the happiest people in the world. And they share that happiness by their deportment. Are you happy? Are people around you happy? What is your deportment?