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# A LOOK AT THE SAVIOUR

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**C**hristmas time is always a time of rejoicing for those who look forward to seeing their family members again, receiving gifts from friends, and the blessing of hearing those seasonal songs which are so heartwarming and inspirational. It seems that Christmas and Easter are the main seasons in American tradition when Jesus is the focus of attention.

He left the mansions of glory in heaven, the ivory palaces, and descended to earth. He was born in a stable and placed in a manger because there was no room available in Bethlehem's inn.

He came as a Stranger to a world which sat in spiritual darkness, and proclaimed Himself as the Light of that darkened world.

He came into a world where men were hungry for want of spiritual food, and declared that He was the Bread come down from heaven.

He came where sin had dried up the hearts of men and left them wasting on the deserts of dissipation, and He overflowed toward them as the River of Life.

He saw that humanity had lost its sense of values and discernment, so He became the Pearl of Great Price.

He saw men wandering as sheep in the wilderness of life, so He took up His staff and became the Chief Shepherd.

He looked at leprosy, crippled limbs, blindness, and demon possession, and stepped onto the platform of human necessity as the Great Physician.

He never preached a funeral sermon, but destroyed Satan's prison house as He came forth from Joseph's tomb as the Resurrection and the Life.

He looked upon guilt-ridden hearts with pity and mercy, and prepared Himself as the Sin-bearer for the whole world.

He gave up His life upon a cross made for criminals but refuted all of Satan's claims by dying for the sins of the world in one unselfish act.

He left the world in a cloud but promised to return with all the holy angels and with power and great glory as the Saviour of men of all the ages.

He is all in all. . .for all people. . .for ever and ever. His way is the only way. By being who He was and loving as He did, He has painted a picture of His Father in terms which can never be erased by the honest in heart.

This Jesus, born in Bethlehem, reared in Nazareth, is anxious to come again, this time to bring eternal salvation and everlasting joy. Let us not only adore Him, sing about Him, think about Him, but let us make a new commitment to let His Spirit fill and use us to finish the work of the Gospel in this generation so that the long hoped-for day will at last become a reality.

God bless you for now and for the New Year!

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## About Our Cover Photo

Again we are favored with another cover picture by Marquise Knight from South Lancaster, MA. On a beautiful blue-sky day Marquise captured details of the Federated Church on Main Street, Bolton, MA, with interesting bare tree-limb patterns crisscrossing its snow-white siding. The snow looks new fallen and somewhat drifted by cold northeast winds. It is not hard to detect that Marquise thoroughly enjoys taking pictures with her antique Exacta-Varex II camera purchased in 1957 in Munich, Germany. This picture received Honorable Mention in the 1987-88 *Gleaner* Cover Photo Contest.

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Guest Editorial

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# POWER IN THE EAST

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**T**he Lord bids us proclaim the message once more with *power in the East*” (*Testimonies*, vol. 9, p. 99, Emphasis supplied). With these words, Ellen White in 1909 challenged the church to refocus its energies upon the territory where God was pleased to initiate His special message in the mid-1800’s.

On Sabbath, January 2, 1988, the leaders of the church in the Atlantic Union Conference are urging all of our members and congregations to share in a special day to “PRAY FOR POWER IN THE EAST.”

God chose to initiate this last-day movement in the territory of the Atlantic Union Conference. After it took root here, the message moved westward. At first, central New York State was considered “the west.” Then, Ohio, Michigan, and Iowa proved fertile soil for nurturing this message. At last, with the help of Easterners Loughborough and Bourdeau, the Word was established in California. At the same time, other messengers reached overseas to plant the banner of the Second Advent hope.

Some thought these new territories were more receptive and promising than the areas which first responded to the Three Angels’ Messages. But God did not forget the people where He first proclaimed His truth. So, He called for the church “to proclaim the message once more with power in the East.”

Ellen White’s special emphasis in this appeal was in behalf of the cities. In fact, in her next words she enlarges her plea to include many cities “of the East and of the South and of the North and of the West.” God wants to

reach people. People are concentrated in cities. So God sends His messengers to the cities.

New York City held a special place in Ellen White’s conscience. But she also mentioned Boston, Buffalo, and Portland, as centers of evangelistic need.

On the first Sabbath of 1988, let us devote special time in our family worships, Sabbath Schools, and Sabbath morning worship services praying for God’s power to reach the East. Pray for our great cities. Pray for our rural people. Pray for our pastors, evangelists, teachers, and health workers. Pray for our faithful members in every walk of life. Pray that we may “send messengers all through these fields and support them liberally.” (*Loc. cit.*) Pray for the power of the Holy Spirit, for He is the true Power God wants to send to the East.

Beyond January 2, I want to make all of 1988 a time to “Pray for Power in the East.” Why not let that be the theme of our family devotions, our Sabbath Schools, our classrooms, and our church services? Why not organize small groups to seek God’s guidance in fulfilling His purpose here? The power of His work is in prayer. So, I invite you to join me and thousands of others, who in 1988 will

“PRAY FOR POWER  
IN THE EAST”

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PHILIP FOLLETT  
President, Atlantic Union Conference

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# “SHARING THE LIGHT” FESTIVAL

**T**hey spoke of God's power to change lives—their own and others. They sounded a call for temperate living. They encouraged their brothers and sisters to go out and do more for the Lord. But, most of all, they shared some of the many ways God touches and uses individuals to tell the good news of His soon coming. Lay evangelists spoke from their richly varied background of experiences during an afternoon rally held on Sunday, October 18, at Colden Auditorium (Queens College) in Flushing, New York.

Mary Ruggio, a Long Island legal secretary, gave a testimony of gratitude for the love and unity she saw in church members when she had

lost interest in spiritual matters. She stressed the importance of such a consistent, loving witness in leading people to Christ. Russell Anwar shared his story of a serious ski accident which could have left him paralyzed. Instead, he was healed, and recently made his decision to be baptized. Al Moller is a newly baptized member from the Poughkeepsie church who is already planning to share through a Revelation Seminar.

Pastor Mattahais Patrick of the Ebenezer church in Brooklyn expressed thankfulness for the team spirit of his congregation, who had given extensive help before and during a recent crusade. Pastor Omar Grieve told of a Presbyterian lay

leader attending a Revelation Seminar who was sharing what he had learned at the seminar with his Presbyterian members on Sunday.

Alex Fulop brought news of “Elijah,” a new group in Ozone Park, for which he is lay leader. A crusade led by Noel Ashley in the Bronx resulted in nine persons being baptized. Bible worker Donna Sugra, of the Poughkeepsie-Newburgh district, and Danny Gordon of Victory church brought encouraging stories of how Revelation Seminars have blessed both the lives of those leading out and those who have attended them.

Pastor Willie Oliver reported on a temperance rally held the day before in Brooklyn. When he asked for guidance from the local police precinct as to the best location for such an event, he was directed to a spot in front of a “crack house.” Undeterred by their surroundings, young people and other church members handed out literature and spoke on the value and importance of living drug free.

Texas Conference evangelist, Elder John Carter, was the featured speaker, with a message entitled “Three Angels over New York City.” A full complement of special musical selections was presented throughout the afternoon, including choral numbers from the Hempstead church and Korean choirs. Ruth Dwyer, director of the Grand Concourse church choir, conducted a mass choir in the “Hallelujah Chorus” at the close of the meeting.

Photos by: D. A. PHORNE



Lay person Leila Brathwaite (center, holding mike) presented a Festival report on her Times Square street preaching activity during the summer.

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BY BETTY COONEY

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**Awardees Elizabeth Thomasian, Essay; and Leroy Scharfenberg, Magazine Sales. Two awards were also designated at the meeting for a poster category.**



**Temperance orators Patrick Grandison, Loraine Rhoden, Vanessa Vanzie and Demishia Owens were awarded certificates and congratulated by platform guests. Jim Stoicheff (left, rear), a Van Program staff member, presented the awards on behalf of the Conference Health/Temperance Department.**

Lay persons in attendance expressed appreciation for the program's affirmation of lay leadership. "A number expressed renewed determination to work for the Lord," Robert Kennedy says, "and that was the intent of this special event. The Lord blessed."

*Betty Cooney is Communication Director for Greater New York Conference*



**Robert Kennedy, Personal Ministries director, presented the festival audience with the challenge for the day, and introduced Lay Person of the Year Bill Jimel (right front). Also on the platform were (l. to r., front row) Elders Louis Torres, Conference secretary; James Hicks, Atlantic Union Conference Church Ministries director; (rear) John Carter, guest speaker, Merlin Kretschmar, president; and Philip Follett, Atlantic Union president.**



**Sixteen leading lay persons formed a procession opening the "Sharing the Light" Festival. The leaders were selected on the basis of their participation in nurture and evangelism in the local churches. A number of them were also graduates of ALBI, seminary-style classes offering training in personal ministry and offered Sunday mornings during the school year.**



# Seedling Churches

One hundred three congregations are worshipping in the Greater New York Conference, according to a recent count, representing a 100 percent increase in the past decade. Elder Merlin Kretschmar, Conference president, says "Greater New York's diversity of cultures and gifts has resulted in a wide variety of methods being regularly experimented with and put into use. As pastors and members alike have stepped out in faith, many souls have been won." But he is quick to cite his conviction on the true source of growth: "The most innovative plans mean little unless the Lord is in them. The blessings we have been privileged to see in the work here are the direct result of prayer. God has proven Himself eminently trustworthy as we submit our plans and needs to Him. We can only praise Him for what He is doing."

Elder Kretschmar cites one blessing in particular that he feels has played a part in the formation of new groups or "seedling" churches; the dedication and enthusiasm of pastors and lay persons eager to minister wherever the Lord leads. In addition to praying for souls to be reached, many members have faithfully trained for evangelism in one of the lay Bible institutes that are conducted during the academic year in English and Spanish. This year, classes in French have also been scheduled for Haitian members. Institute graduates and others have been zealous in conducting seminars and other evangelism, as well as in assisting with the establishing of new congregations.

One of these, the Warwick Company, is a new group in Greater New York Conference that meets northwest of New York City in the Catskill Mountain area. This company was begun after layman Victor Zaric and

his wife moved to that part of the Conference in semiretirement. Sharing with Conference Personal Ministries Director Robert Kennedy his desire to be a witness in his new location, Victor was counseled to think about establishing a branch Sabbath school or small company.

To enlist help with the pioneering project, Victor visited the Middletown church, which is in the Warwick vicinity. There, he spoke with one of the congregation's local elders, Jack Soldano. "I called him," Victor recalls, "and we met in my home. Then I broke the news to him about my dream of starting a church company." Though it seemed more than they could handle, as they prayerfully discussed the idea, they targeted Warwick as a potential location.

Soldano began by writing to all the Adventist families nearby to let them know of their plans. Members responded positively to news of the new missionary venture. Months later, as many as 20 persons attend services each week, meeting in the Soldano home while a search is being made for a public meeting place to rent. Members meet and study ways to reach out to the targeted community. Brother Zaric participates by distributing quantities of magazines and other literature throughout the area, work he had been doing in New York City before moving upstate.

Warwick members are planning to sponsor free *Signs of the Times* magazines to the community. A special bulk-rate mailing of an introductory issue mailed to the 2,600 households of the village will include a free subscription offer. Within two weeks, \$350 was set aside by members



MIGUEL GUZMAN

Graduates of Revelation Seminar held by the Huntington Hispanic Company, an outreach of the youth department of Bay Shore Hispanic church on Long Island.

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toward mailing costs for the project, and giving was planned to continue at a steady rate until the amount needed for mailing costs was raised. In the meantime, plans to help create awareness of the church group among the Warwick community are being explored.

Some distance away, an Hispanic group has been meeting in the basement of the Huntington (English) church on Long Island. From its outset, the congregation included a number of persons from El Salvador. With changes in immigration law, many of the group's original members returned to their country; others were drawn away by the strong Pentecostal influence on Long Island. Attendance dropped approximately 50 percent as a result.

But this group has had a unique reserve of strength for just such a major challenge: by Board action of the sponsoring Bay Shore Hispanic church, the development and nurture of the congregation had been made the responsibility of Bay Shore's youth department. The ages of the group's nurturers thus ranged from 17 to 21.

Leader Miguel Guzman notes that the Hispanic work in Huntington began when it was observed that the community has a sizeable Hispanic population. He recounts, "The

youth went out and witnessed. They handed out literature, gave Bible studies and assisted with a Five-Day Plan led by Dr. James Arocho. Pastor Samuel Orozco, Bay Shore's former district pastor, held a one-week series of meetings; then the church's Bible worker, Pastor Jose Portorreal, held a two-week series. We praised God as we saw the first fruits of these efforts a short while ago, when two persons were baptized after a follow-up Revelation Seminar conducted by Brother Alsidis Irizarry and myself."

Does taking a core group of young people and their leader from one church to start another, weaken the sponsoring congregation? Current Bay Shore pastor, Orlando Newball, says no. "Other persons take their place," he affirms. "We assigned another person to lead the youth in Bay Shore and he is studying and working hard to meet the challenges. The Holy Spirit has blessed and he is doing very well."

And the processes of planting and sprouting continue:

—In East Elmhurst, Queens, a group that began as a branch Sabbath school and was organized on September 26 has a membership of 50 and regular attendance of approximately 35. Bible worker Andrew Hospedales serves as leader of the



MIGUEL GUZMAN

### The Warwick Company meets in the Soldano home as a search is made for a building to rent.

company. Angela Griffith, a member from the New Haven church who helps with the company, brings half a dozen youngsters from her Brooklyn neighborhood each week. A rented Baptist church serves as home for the congregation.

—The Fordham Hispanic company in the Bronx has 12 members who began meeting in a Methodist church located at 2543 Marion Avenue September 2. They launched a Revelation Seminar in September intended to help with their goal of baptizing 18 persons by the end of the year. The group is sponsored by the University Hispanic church in the Bronx; Abel Rosario is the pastor.

—In Hempstead, Long Island, a Hispanic group meets in the home of Anna Alegria, a member of sponsoring Rockville Centre church. About 35 persons—15 of whom are visi-

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MIGUEL GUZMAN

### The Alpha Company in East Elmhurst, Queens, began as a branch Sabbath school and was officially organized as a company on Sabbath, September 26.



# “SHE CAME ‘ROUND THE CORNER!’”

**W**hat a happy and memorable day October 7, 1987, was for the students of Browning Elementary School and South Lancaster Academy in South Lancaster, Massachusetts.

As their very own shiny new Thomas Ford diesel bus rolled down George Hill Road behind a police escort with sirens and turned onto the school grounds, cymbals clanged, clowns floated balloons and more than 200 children and young people with noisemakers in addition to parents, teachers, and friends, added to the festive mood.

This new bus with automatic transmission, now a reality, is tangible proof of what can be accomplished through concerted efforts of many willing people with a common goal. A “New School Bus” Committee was formed—Herluf Johnson, Brenda Wright, Robert Rodgers, Alfred Aastrup, and John Nosek to evaluate makes of busses and their various specifications and features.

After the decision to order the Thomas Ford bus was reached last January, the wheels were quickly set in motion to raise money to purchase the \$36,400 bus. Students, teachers, par-

ents, and friends actively participated in various fund raising projects throughout the year.

Browning Elementary School conducted a Walk-A-Thon on May 8. Everyone worked diligently to make it successful. How excited and thankful everyone was when the final tally was made, nearly \$20,000 was received. This was more than the pledged amount.

South Lancaster Academy realized approximately \$1,000 from the Talent Program they had on May 21, and private donations were nearly \$4,000.

All the effort and planning culminated in the celebration ceremony. Alfred Aastrup, Browning-SLA principal, cut the ribbon to the new bus and said a few words of appreciation for the active support given to the new bus project. The spectators then broke into a rousing version of “She’ll Be Coming ‘Round the Corner When

She Comes,” accompanied by an accordian.

It was the happy privilege of Alfred Aastrup to accept a check for \$3,400 on behalf of the Southern New England Conference from Ronald Scott, Southern New England Conference Education Superintendent, for the new bus project. Fund-raising projects will be continued to complete the full purchase price of the new bus.

The gala event ended with a “Walk Through Tour” of the new bus and candy for all the students.

Parents and teachers can now be assured that school trips for the students will be safer and more sure with the new bus with heavy-duty suspension. Furthermore, the bus sports two ample outside storage compartments and inside over-the-seat racks for luggage to accommodate 71 children or 48 adult passengers. And, everyone will be kept warm by the heavy-duty heater during cold weather.

How rewarding it was to see everyone’s happy smiling face as they were satisfied with the progress and success achieved through many willing hands working together. Many hands *do* make light work!



The new Browning Elementary-South Lancaster Academy bus approaching the school grounds with police escort and sirens.





**Browning-South Lancaster Academy principal Alfred Aastrup cutting the ribbon during the welcoming ceremony for the new school bus.**



**Alfred Aastrup, principal, accepting a check for \$3,400 for the new school bus on behalf of Southern New England Conference from Ron Scott, Conference Education Superintendent.**



**Clowns lead the song, "We will all run out to meet her, Hi Bus," as part of the festivities for the arrival of the new bus on the school grounds.**



**New School Bus fund raisers, wearing their "I'm Behind the Bus" shirts, welcome the bus.**



# CHURCH IN ACTION

## Atlantic Union College

### Ganter Returns to AUC

In late September President Lawrence Geraty of Atlantic Union College announced the appointment of Dr. Kurt Ganter as AUC's new Vice-president for Advancement. Dr. Ganter arrived on campus early in October. For the Ganter family it is a homecoming. Kurt and his wife Leilani both graduated from AUC (1966, 1976) and feel a strong commitment to the institution. From 1970 to 1980 Dr. Ganter taught English and directed public relations, recruitment, and admissions at AUC. Both his son and his daughter are students here now. So he has a deep personal interest in the college.

"AUC provides a rational Christian environment for our young people, and that is important in this turbulent and exciting stage of their lives," says Ganter, who earned a Doctor of English Education degree from Boston University in 1978 and



**Dr. Kurt Ganter, Vice-president for Advancement at AUC.**

will be teaching the English methods course second semester.

Commenting on his return to the college campus after eight years working for Adventist Health System, he says, "Of all the places one can work to help the church, the col-

lege is probably the best. Being away has made me aware of how valuable a well-rounded Christian education can be and how important continuous development is to the contributing professional. We want AUC's young people to see the process of 'becoming' and growing as lifelong activities, both professionally, and in their relationships with friends and with the Lord."

Ganter was administrator of Parkview Memorial Hospital in Brunswick, Maine, for the past three years and Senior Vice-president for Strategic Planning at Simi Valley Adventist Hospital in Simi Valley, California, from 1980 to 1984. Atlantic Union College is privileged to welcome back one of its own who has returned to share his wide experience with today's students.

Mary Norcliffe  
*Publicity Coordinator*

### Browning Children Participate in Community Service

Kindergartners from Browning Elementary in South Lancaster recently went on a pumpkin-picking spree. They didn't know community service could be so much fun. The twenty-five youngsters, shepherded by their teacher Phyllis Crand and some adult helpers, walked several blocks to AUC teachers Clifford and Ruth Pope's garden near the Nashua River behind Thayer Conservatory.

But none of the 93 squashes and 63 pumpkins the children picked were going home with them to become pies or jack-o-lanterns. They lugged their heavy plastic shopping bags to a van driven by school secretary Debbie Gifford, who took the whole

crop to the Nutritional Satellite Center (Food Shelf) operated by AUC's social work department in Prescott House.

The Food Shelf, which according to AUC social work field coordinator Karen Guthrie "is intended to help in limited and crisis situations," was well stocked with fall produce for awhile. The kindergartners felt the joy of service; the college social work students gained experience operating a community agency; and people got food they needed along with the knowledge that Adventists are people who care.

Mary Norcliffe  
*Publicity Coordinator*



**Melissa Velez is happy picking pumpkins for The Food Shelf.**

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Mary Noncliffe, Publicity Coordinator

### The Elderhostel Impact

A new group of students brought something special to AUC this fall—perspective. For four weeks during September and October, senior citizens from 24 states came to Atlantic Union College to participate in one-week Elderhostel programs. They came prepared to learn and also to share.

Among such diverse classes as Archeology, Astronomy, Oral History, and Nutrition, the senior citizens shared the AUC experience with current students. Sophomore Sharlene Acosta was impressed by the Elderhostelers she met. "They have such a valuable perspective on life," she mentioned, "and they make us notice little things we take for granted that are major improvements from



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**Raymond Sorensen, a retired fire department chief from Massachusetts, listens intently to the lecture in Nutrition by Connie Badillo.**

their college days." Though retired, the Elderhostelers bring with them years of experience in their personal vocations, including doctors, nurses, government workers, a fire department chief, and crisis counselor, to mention some of this year's participants.

Many Elderhostelers who have attended similar programs around the world exhibit remarkable enthusiasm for learning. While the participants benefit from the program, AUC and its students gain even more.

David Valdes  
*Special Correspondent*

# Finally, an adult degree program that treats you like an adult.

You're out on your own, maintaining a house, working eight hours a day, or raising a family. And you decide now's the time to continue your college education. The last thing in the world you need is to be treated like a kid. After all, you are a person of responsibility—an adult. And we think you should be treated like one.

That's the very reason why Atlantic Union College designed a continuing education program for people like you.

Created for your convenience, the program invites you to spend two consecutive weeks on our campus followed by independent projects at home. These two weeks on campus can conveniently take the place of your two week vacation from work.

So instead of all the hassle of going to work, then going home, then rushing off to class at night, you can enjoy doing your classwork in a real academic environment.

The program is complete with intensive seminars where you can exchange ideas, present papers and oral reports, and do library research. All in a very civilized way.

If you're interested, we advise you call now, since it's a very popular program which fills rather quickly. Our number is TOLL FREE: Nationwide 1-800-AUC-2030. In Massachusetts call 1-800-325-0099. The Adult Degree Program at Atlantic Union College. Think of it as an educational, grown-up approach for grownups.

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## Free Bibles for the Community

The Hamilton Bermuda, Seventh-day Adventist Church distributed more than 500 free copies of the Bible as part of its observance of the International Year of the Bible. Every Wednesday from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. some officers and members were in the booth outside the church enthusiastically giving the Bibles and several study guides to persons who desired them.

The Free Bible Project was designed to aid interested individuals to learn about the Good Book and to provide an alternative to the avalanche of poor reading material available at newsstands and stores today. The project was jointly sponsored by the Church Ministries, Communications, and A.Y. departments.

Major Albert Benjamin of the Salvation Army and President of the local chapter of the Bible Society, wholeheartedly endorsed the project by both his presence and participation. "I am thrilled to behold this wonderful



Among the persons who actively participated in the distribution of the Bible and the guides were (L. to R.): Tina Williams (seated); Dianne Williams; Dr. Inez Dixon, church communications secretary and initiator and coordinator of the Free Bible Project; Major Benjamin from the Salvation Army; Pastor Carlyle Simmons; Michelle Wainwright; and Palmer Wade.

sight," he beamed. "It is unquestionably a unique and gratifying response to promoting the International Year of the Bible. I shall be extremely

pleased to acquaint the headquarters about this novel way you have chosen to celebrate the Year."

## Active Worker Moves to Northeastern

Miss Linda Marilyn L. Bell has been called to Northeastern Conference of the Atlantic Union to serve as a full-time Bible Instructor. Linda has been employed at Bermuda Institute as a teacher and library aide since 1982. October 1986



Linda Marilyn L. Bell

she was asked to assume the responsibility of front desk operations in the administrative office.

Miss Bell's jovial nature, winsome personality and contagious smile have been a real asset to her place of employment.

For the past eight years Miss Bell has been actively involved as a Bible worker in local crusades and at times for the Devonshire Seventh-day Adventist Church of which she is a member. She is also a faithful volunteer of the Drug Program and supporter of the Prison Ministry.

We will be praying for Linda as she leaves for her new post of duty at the Linden and Lebanon Seventh-day Adventist churches of New York.

Joan Rogers, *Public Relations*

## VOP Harvesttime Rally Stirs Bermuda



The Voice of Prophecy Harvesttime Team includes H. M. S. Richards, Jr., (center), Gordon and Phyllis Henderson (left) and Joey and Phil Draper.

More than 700 people came and nearly 100 filled out prayer requests. We were pleased that some made decisions for baptism as well.

Marian Bakker, *Treasurer*



## New Workers Welcomed

Joyce and Andrew Hospedales have been workers in Greater New York Conference since September. Joyce is serving as office secretary in the Personal Ministries, Sabbath School and Religious Liberty departments, of which Elder Robert Kennedy is director. She has had 13 years' secretarial experience, having worked in both the Caribbean Union and Northeastern conferences.

Brother Hospedales is a Bible worker in the Five Towns church and the Alpha Company in East Elmhurst. He served most recently in



The Andrew Hospedales Family

community services work for the Northeastern Conference. He has also had seven and one-half years of experience with the State of New York in rehabilitation work with retarded young people, and additional experience doing restitution work in the criminal court system for the City of New York.

The Hospedales have two sons, Russell (left) a music major planning to teach and compose; and Ray, who is majoring in media. Both sons are studying at Andrews University.

## Community Relations Update

•Yonkers Church Bulletin outlines year's activities for community—Prayer meeting and Sabbath school are listed as free weekly Bible classes in a calendar listed on the back of the Yonkers church bulletin. Guests are also made aware of a variety of weekly health programs planned for the community currently through December, including a newly inaugurated van program sponsored by the church.

In addition to the customary order of service for Sabbath school and church, the inside page contains air times for denominational TV programs, birthday wishes, an expression of gratitude for church volunteers and a meditation thought.

The informative hand-out is, in effect, an economical newsletter for both members and guests.

•English School develops interest in the Word—Two students of the John Wycliffe English School have requested studies for baptism, according to the school's director, Anibal Silva.

Twenty-five students attended the free orientation lecture on American life and values which opened the summer quarter. Twenty signed up

for the course work, which is based on the Bible.

A Sunday afternoon Revelation Seminar initiated by Brother Silva during the first quarter, regularly draws 15 to 20 students who came early because of their interest in the extra class. The Church of the Advent Hope is the location and sponsor of the school. For information, contact Brother Silva at (212) 996-7202.



Prior to retiring after combined service of more than half a century, Elder and Mrs. Kenneth Harding were feted at a number of farewell dinners and events. Shown here is Elder Harding, (right) receiving a plaque in appreciation for service to the community throughout his pastoring of the Hempstead church. George Milheim, Mayor of the Village of Hempstead, presented the award. Elder John McFarlane, former Hempstead pastor and current Ministerial director of the Southwestern Union, looks on. The Hardings' retirement home is in Charlotte, South Carolina.

### CLINICAL SPECIALIST: NEURO-REHABILITATION

Loma Linda University Medical Center—a 548-bed tertiary care trauma center in southern California 60 miles east of Los Angeles in the San Bernardino mountain area. The medical center is seeking a master's prepared clinical nurse specialist for the adolescent-adult neuro-rehabilitation unit. Responsibilities include:

- Coordinating patient/family education, function as an expert practitioner through direct patient care, clinical staff development,
- Consulting with medical and nursing staff throughout the institution on rehabilitation problems,
- Acting as a liaison and resource to the unit staff, students and faculty in the various disciplines at Loma Linda University,
- Participating in and coordinating rehabilitation projects, research, and quality assurance activities, as designated.

The ideal candidate will be CRRN certified, have recent experience in rehabilitation or neurological nursing and adult education.

Please send resume to:

Paula Wahlberg, Nurse Recruiter  
P.O. Box 2000, Loma Linda, CA 92354

Or call collect: (714) 824-4347



## Anniversary Celebration at Plattsburgh Church

A special celebration highlighting the Battle of Plattsburgh and the 125th Anniversary of the New York Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, took place recently at the Plattsburgh church. The importance of the Battle of Plattsburgh to our spiritual experiences highlighted the 11:00 a.m. service.

William Miller, churchman and spearhead of the "Advent Awakening" of the 1830's and 40's, was stationed at Plattsburgh during the War of 1812. He was an eyewitness of the land and sea battle for Plattsburgh Bay, September 11, 1814—just 173 years ago. Excerpts from his personal letters to his wife Lucy and from his diary follow, which show how the Battle of Plattsburgh later changed him from a Deist to a believing Christian.

September 4, 1814, 9:00 p.m.  
"The British are within ten miles of this place, and we expect a battle tomorrow; and I think they must be fools if they do not attack us, as they are ten or eleven thousand strong and we are only fifteen hundred..."

Miller wrote Lucy on September 12, the day after the battle: "Yesterday was a day of great joy. We have conquered! How majestic, how noble, our fleet lay in Plattsburgh Bay... The fort I was in was exposed to every shot. Bombs, rockets and shrapnel shells fell thick as hailstones. Three of my men were wounded and one killed... In one



Some of the drawings on display in the church for the afternoon historical program at the Plattsburgh church.

hour and forty-five minutes, the enemy's fleet was conquered... At sundown our forts fired a national salute accompanied by a tune called 'Yankee Doodle.'

"A naval and land engagement, within the compass of a mile or two, and fifteen or twenty thousand engaged at one and the same time, is superior to anything my eyes ever beheld before. How grand, how noble, and yet how awful!"

The Seventh-day Adventist Church grew out of the Advent Awakening of which Miller was a part. In 1862 the New York-Pennsylvania Conference was organized. Many historical anecdotes were presented with colored slides and narration by Elder Wright during the afternoon service.

Don Wright



Acting Mayor Art Lamarsh bringing greetings from the mayor's office to the guests and members of the Plattsburgh church assembled on Community Guest Day.

## Pathfinders Enjoy Camporee

On a beautiful cool and clear Sabbath Day at Forest Lake Campground in central New York, pathfinders of the New York Conference felt blessed to have a heated pavilion in which to have their meetings, protected from the cool breeze. The

theme of the camporee was "Living Waters."

Sabbath service, by Elder J.C. Hicks, challenged the 131 pathfinders to dare to stand firm as did Daniel and the three Hebrew worthies. Even under the influence of

flattery, social pressures, trials or temptations, Elder Hicks emphasized that God's arms surround us and He is counting on us to stand firm. Furthermore, the pathfinders were told that some may have to stand and tell why they expect God to deliver them.



## Seven Persons Recently Baptized in Two Churches

Pastor Arthur Carlson of the Syracuse West Genesee church recently baptized three persons. It was a special Sabbath for Lisa King, reports Joan Payne, communication secretary, as it was also her twelfth birthday.

Also, in the Ithaca church as the result of a Revelation Seminar Pastor Werner Stavenhagen conducted, he baptized four persons. Several additional baptisms are expected in the near future from this effort. The enthusiasm and commitment of the members during the meetings were truly inspiring, reports Esther Spielman, communication secretary of the Ithaca church.



**(L. to R.) are: Stephanie Doty, Lisa Kind, and Stacie Doty. Also shown is the special cake which was made for them. Right picture: first fruits of Ithaca's Revelation Seminar who were baptized (L. to R.) are: Solomon Peterson, Richard Davidson,**



**Mrs. Hye Hwan Han with daughter Katherine, and Mr. Wang Boem Han with daughter Kyung Joo. The Han Family is from Korea and attend Cornell University. Pastor Werner Stavenhagen (right) smiles his approval.**

## William Miller Farm Restoration

The selection of the William Miller Farm for restoration is most appropriate because of its importance in Adventist history. This site was literally the birthplace of the Advent Movement in America. William Miller built the house in 1815 and lived in it until his death on December 20, 1849. It was here that sometime between 1816 and 1818 he discovered the 2300-day prophecy of Daniel 8:14.

Here also on that memorable August morning in 1831, Miller covenanted with God, that if ever asked, he would go and share what he had discovered in Scripture. A few minutes later, the knock came on the front door that changed the course of history. It was the first request for his services as a preacher, by his nephew. William Miller retreated to the maple grove behind the barn to pray for an hour leaving the boy waiting, hoping to find release from the covenant he had just made. He did not, and so the Advent movement was born. An old barn with a

grove of maple trees behind it still stands.

Throughout the Millerite movement, time and again Miller would return to his home between speaking appointments and during periods of illness. It was in this home that he awaited the Lord's return on October 22, 1844. Although desperately disappointed when the advent did not happen, Miller continued to live here another five years, never faltering in his belief that the return of Christ was near. Within walking distance of the house are his grave, the chapel that he built in 1848, and Ascension Rock, believed to be the place where local Adventists awaited the Lord's return in 1844. When he was confronted with the disappointment, his clarion response was, "I am waiting for the Lord to come today, Today, TODAY!"

The prospect of Adventist students and teachers across North America working together to restore this beginning place of modern Adventism is thrilling. Academies may want to

organize outings to the farm itself so that the students can actually participate in the work that needs to be done. Such an undertaking will have a twofold purpose. First, it will provide an ideal opportunity for them to explore again the origins of the church along with their families and fellow church members. Second, there will be an evangelistic outreach at the property for visitors, both from the church and those outside the church which could reach 25 to 30 percent of the visitors.

Besides learning facts about the past, students, through such a project, will also better understand the prophetic mission of the church and be stimulated to explore ways that they could individually participate in that mission. Such a program for the North American church, carefully thought out, prayerfully supported, and broadly implemented will have a lasting impact on all church members.

*Donald Wright  
Communication Director*



## Senior Member Honored

It was a pleasant surprise when the oldest Harrison, Maine, church member, Ruth Roy, was wheeled into church on her 90th birthday. She has been unable to attend church services for the past three years due to various medical problems.

Mrs. Roy has always been very active in the church and even though unable to attend, she has worked at home sewing handiwork and making quilts for the Dorcas Society. She has been the leader of the Dorcas Society for many years.

It was the happy privilege of the church members to present to Mrs. Roy a birthday card and a beautiful bouquet of gladiolas from Virginia Merrill's garden. We praise God for all His many blessings and pray that Mrs. Roy will be able to attend church more often and that her health will be good for the year to come.

Imelda May

Asst. Communications Secretary



Louis Andrews presented the gorgeous gladiolas to Mrs. Roy on that memorable Sabbath morning.

## Seven Persons Baptized in Poland Spring

On a bright blue-sky Sabbath afternoon Pastor William Jackson baptized seven precious persons in Range Pond at Poland Spring, Maine; (seated in front) Elinor Zuccola and Maria Hansen from the Harrison church; (standing) Robert Slocum, Oxford church; Arlene Bachelder, Harrison church; Wanda Noel and Carol Dulac, Auburn church; and Kevin Lanais of the Harrison church.



*"It was pitch black. Nobody was in there trying to help my kids. If they were hurt, they wouldn't just leave them in there alone. If they were OK, why didn't they let my kids come out to me? . . . I turned to the attendants and in almost a whisper I said,*

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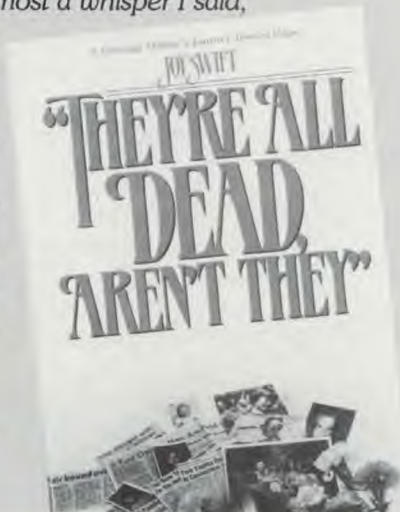
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## Bethel Haitian Company Organizes

The second Haitian Company in Southern New England Conference, the Bethel Haitian Company, was organized with 22 members. The organization took place in the chapel of Preston Hall, Atlantic Union College, where they are meeting temporarily.

Officiating in the ceremony were Elder Stanley Steiner, President, and Elder Larry Davis, Secretary-treasurer. Elder Fred Hernandez, Coordinator of the Foreign Language work, participated in the program.

Members from the Boston Haitian company were also present.

A year ago, after camp meeting, a group of Haitian believers residing in the Worcester and Lancaster areas met with Elder Hernandez to make plans for establishing a church for the French-speaking believers and ministering to the growing Haitian population in these areas. A proposal was submitted to the Conference administrators. Approval was granted and the facilities of Bailey Hall were made available on a temporary basis

until they could find some other place that would better meet their needs. Officers were elected and the group began to work. More members joined them and now there are over fifty people that meet.

The leader of this new company is Jean-Allah Monestine, a former pastor in Haiti and a graduate of the SDA Haitian Institute in Port-au-Prince, Haiti.

They are already looking forward to the day when they will be organized as a church.

## All Heaven Rejoices

It was an especially joyful Sabbath for Pastor Terry St. Clair of the Warren and Quinebaug churches as he baptized ten persons in the Worcester Airport Drive church following vespers.

At the invitation of Pastor St. Clair, parents and other relatives of the candidates stood near the baptism and happily observed and prayed as their family members sealed their vows. Nine of the candidates were children who had studied the Bible with the pastor at the Quaboag church school.



The persons baptized are standing with Pastor Terry St. Clair (left). Front row (L. to R.): Todd and Dolly Savoy, Brandi Herlinger, Heather Vinton, and Richard St. Clair; back row, Al Peck, Michele McDonald, Sonja Witter, Thomas McDonald, and Jill Savoy.

## Church Program Strengthens Family Ties

The second Saturday evening of each month is special at the Worcester, Massachusetts, Seventh-day Adventist Church—it is Family Fellowship Night. Co-ordinated by Betty Jo Fladger and Mrs. Gepka Penney last fall, this program is an extension of the Sabbath school designed to strengthen family ties and promote Christian fellowship among church members and the community. About seventy people attended the first evening and a steady interest has been maintained.

After a light supper and a short family devotional, the children par-



ticipate in age groups in a Vacation-Bible-School-type program. The adults have been watching a "Focus on the Family" series of video presentations by Dr. James Dobson, renowned psychologist and author, after which they have a short discussion. Another series of films or lectures is planned to continue this educational aspect for the adults. Children and adults come together for fellowship and games to end the evening on a fun note.

Mary Maki  
Communication Secretary



# Adventist Health System

## Workshop at New England Memorial Stresses "Whole Person" Care

Wilbur Alexander, Ph.D., professor of theology and clinical ministry at Loma Linda University, presented a series of programs at New England Memorial Hospital on, "Providing Whole Person Care."

Alexander specializes in helping hospital personnel understand the importance of spiritual care in health-care planning. From October

14 to 16, he conducted specialized sessions for New England Memorial physicians, nurses and department heads. On October 14 he met with hospital senior management and later that day attended a medical staff luncheon. Alexander discussed "Religion and Psychiatry" with the human services department on October 15 and on October 16 he met

with clergy from Stoneham, Massachusetts, and the surrounding communities which New England Memorial serves. Two general sessions were also held for hospital employees.

Andrew Demsky, Editor  
*Corporate Communications*

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tors—are somehow accommodated in her living and dining rooms Sunday evenings. A Revelation Seminar conducted by Pastor Samuel Orozco, plus a follow-up series, have developed strong interest. The Sunday-evening meetings are devoted to Bible study, with members helping to answer visitors' questions. A local Episcopal church recently agreed to rent space to the group for Sabbath mornings and Sunday evenings, beginning January 1988.

Because the efforts of many workers and lay persons continue to be

employed in the heaven-blessed work of planting, this report is not conclusive but merely part of the growth process. Detailed reports have yet to come in on other companies that have begun meeting in recent months. A new Hispanic group is meeting in the Bronx, with 40 in attendance. Pastor Pedro Orue directs the new outreach sponsored by the Mott Haven Hispanic church. Julio Urena, a Bible worker, is the leader. A new English-speaking group is being sponsored in Ozone Park, Queens, by the Jackson Heights church, with Tony Mazzella as leader. And the newest planting to be reported is a congregation in York-

town, upper Westchester County, sponsored by the Peekskill church.

The continuing flurry of church-planting activity reflects adherence to an unwritten law whereby a church beginning to find its sanctuary comfortably full begins at once to consult spiritual seed catalogs rather than automatically considering plans for enlarging their sanctuary.

The joy of seeing God's power at work in these seedlings and their growth is heightened by the awareness that this is only an infinitesimal fraction of what God WANTS to do for all His children in this field and elsewhere. He awaits, only, more hearts and hands that are willing.



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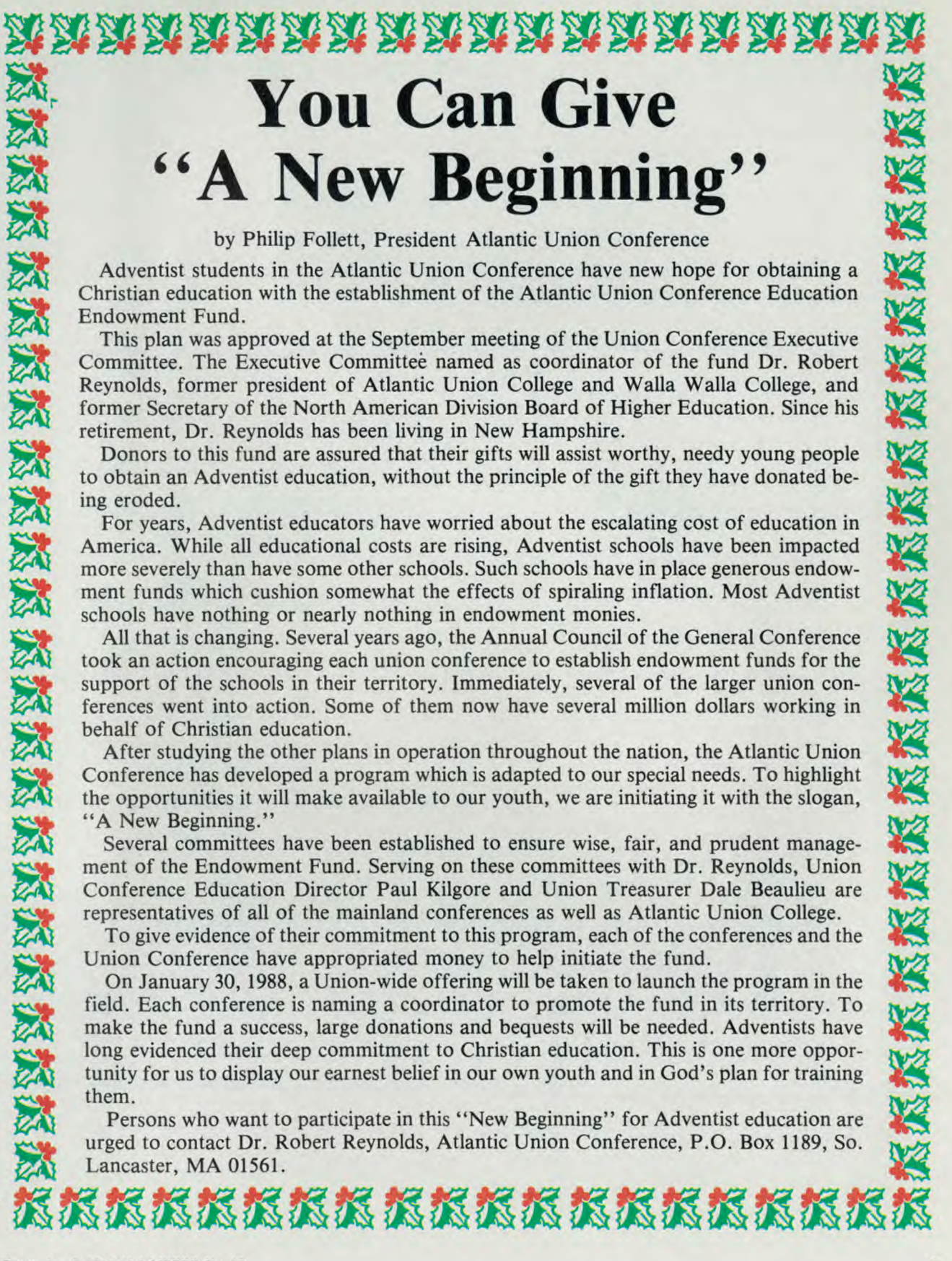
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# You Can Give “A New Beginning”

by Philip Follett, President Atlantic Union Conference

Adventist students in the Atlantic Union Conference have new hope for obtaining a Christian education with the establishment of the Atlantic Union Conference Education Endowment Fund.

This plan was approved at the September meeting of the Union Conference Executive Committee. The Executive Committee named as coordinator of the fund Dr. Robert Reynolds, former president of Atlantic Union College and Walla Walla College, and former Secretary of the North American Division Board of Higher Education. Since his retirement, Dr. Reynolds has been living in New Hampshire.

Donors to this fund are assured that their gifts will assist worthy, needy young people to obtain an Adventist education, without the principle of the gift they have donated being eroded.

For years, Adventist educators have worried about the escalating cost of education in America. While all educational costs are rising, Adventist schools have been impacted more severely than have some other schools. Such schools have in place generous endowment funds which cushion somewhat the effects of spiraling inflation. Most Adventist schools have nothing or nearly nothing in endowment monies.

All that is changing. Several years ago, the Annual Council of the General Conference took an action encouraging each union conference to establish endowment funds for the support of the schools in their territory. Immediately, several of the larger union conferences went into action. Some of them now have several million dollars working in behalf of Christian education.

After studying the other plans in operation throughout the nation, the Atlantic Union Conference has developed a program which is adapted to our special needs. To highlight the opportunities it will make available to our youth, we are initiating it with the slogan, “A New Beginning.”

Several committees have been established to ensure wise, fair, and prudent management of the Endowment Fund. Serving on these committees with Dr. Reynolds, Union Conference Education Director Paul Kilgore and Union Treasurer Dale Beaulieu are representatives of all of the mainland conferences as well as Atlantic Union College.

To give evidence of their commitment to this program, each of the conferences and the Union Conference have appropriated money to help initiate the fund.

On January 30, 1988, a Union-wide offering will be taken to launch the program in the field. Each conference is naming a coordinator to promote the fund in its territory. To make the fund a success, large donations and bequests will be needed. Adventists have long evidenced their deep commitment to Christian education. This is one more opportunity for us to display our earnest belief in our own youth and in God’s plan for training them.

Persons who want to participate in this “New Beginning” for Adventist education are urged to contact Dr. Robert Reynolds, Atlantic Union Conference, P.O. Box 1189, So. Lancaster, MA 01561.



## Calendar

### GREATER NEW YORK

#### Brooklyn Youth Congress

Dec. 4 & 5  
Bay Ridge Hispanic Church  
5318 Fourth Ave.  
Brooklyn, NY 11220  
Sponsor: Brooklyn Hispanic  
Youth Federation

### NEW YORK

#### NA Youth Resource Seminar

Dec. 12  
Syracuse SDA Church  
Speakers: Steve Case, Andrews Univ.  
Stuart Tyner, Review & Herald

### NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND

#### Friday Night Alive

Freeport, ME, SDA Church  
All programs free & begin  
7:00 p.m. Social time  
7:30 p.m. Feature

Dec. 4 Leclare Litchfield,  
Pastor & Teacher,  
GA/Cumberland Academy  
Jan. 8, '88 Film *Sandi Patti Concert*  
Jan. 22, Film *Harley*  
Feb. 5, Ron Hyrchuk, Youth Pastor,  
Sligo Church  
Feb. 19, Buz Menhardt, Pastor  
& Teacher SVA, VA  
Mar. 4, Stacy Nelson, Phy.  
Ed. Dept., AUC

### SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND

#### Adventist Singles Ministries

Dec. 12  
Christmas banquet  
Information: Lucy Santana  
(617) 368-8453 after 6:00 p.m.

### ATLANTIC UNION

#### Church Ministries Congress for Youth & Young Adults

May 5-8 1988  
Springfield, MA

## Update

• There was a record attendance of 275 at the Southern New England Conference Spanish Family Camp held at Camp Winnekeag, Ashburnham, MA. The speaker was Jose Argumedo, former Catholic priest presently from southern California.

• The first Southern New England Conference Spanish Youth Camp was held in October at Camp Winnekeag. 160 young people, ages 15 to 30, attended and six students from Andrews University observed as Edwin Hernandez, a doctoral student told about his special area of study—spiritual growth of Spanish youth in American culture.

• Pastor Ernest Stevens from Pine Tree Academy, Freeport, ME, will be dividing his time and effort between the Academy and the Freeport, ME, Seventh-day Adventist Church.

• As a result of the meetings held in the Brunswick, ME, Seventh-day Adventist Church by Evangelist Gary E. Ford from the Southeastern California Conference, there have been four baptisms and one profession of faith. More persons are studying the Bible and will be taking their stand in the near future. Three persons joined the Brunswick church and one each by baptism and profession of faith into the Bath, ME, church.

• The third Hispanic church in New York Conference and the second in two years was organized on October 31, 1987, with 22 charter members and could reach 30 when those who could not attend that day are added to the charter list. Last year the Hispanic church was organized in Rochester, NY. The new Amsterdam, NY, Seventh-day Adventist Church is an outgrowth of the evangelistic meetings held last summer by Pastor Johnny Ramirez, assistant professor of religion at AUC, and students from the college, with the assistance of the church's pastor, Jose Perez. There were 12 persons baptized and 17 professions of faith as a result of the evangelistic series. Elder Pedro Geli, Vice-president of the Atlantic Union, was the speaker during the organization. The new church is meeting in rented quarters until a church home can be available.

## Sunset Table

### Eastern Standard Time

	Dec 4	Dec 11	Dec 18	Dec 25
Bangor, ME	3:55	3:54	3:55	3:59
Portland, ME	4:05	4:04	4:05	4:09
Boston, MA	4:13	4:12	4:13	4:16
So. Lancaster, MA	4:17	4:16	4:17	4:20
Pittsfield, MA	4:21	4:20	4:22	4:25
Hartford, CT	4:21	4:20	4:22	4:25
New York, NY	4:29	4:29	4:30	4:33
Utica, NY	4:27	4:26	4:27	4:30
Syracuse, NY	4:31	4:30	4:31	4:34
Rochester, NY	4:36	4:35	4:37	4:40
Buffalo, NY	4:42	4:41	4:43	4:46
Hamilton, Bda. (EST)	5:13	5:13	5:15	5:19

Add one minute for each thirteen miles west.  
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## Announcement

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Nora and Herbert live and work at the Living Springs health and restaurant facilities in Manhattan and Putnam Valley, NY. In the weeks prior to their wedding the couple conducted a Revelation Seminar that resulted in the baptism of five persons.

Helene Mattenson  
*Communication Secretary*

# Deaths

BARTLETT, Francis J., born June 10, 1903, in Adams, NY, died at his home April 11, 1987. For many years a member of the Syracuse, NY, Seventh-day Adventist Church, he was baptized as the result of meetings conducted by Elder Claude Eldridge. A carpenter by trade, he had retired to Inverness, FL, where he has been a faithful member of the church for 12 years while living in the Eden Gardens retirement community.

Survivors: his wife Marion Kruger Bartlett, a former assistant treasurer of the New York Conference; and two sisters Dorothy and Doris Bartlett of Kissimmee, FL. Graveside services were conducted by Pastors Vasilli Tkachuk and Ben Hartman with interment in Oak Ridge Cemetery, Inverness.

Elder Ben F. Hartman

BOOTH, Vera W., born May 13, 1889, in Waltham, VT, died February 28, 1987, in Leominster, MA. She and her husband Ralph, who predeceased her in 1970, were faithful members of the Bristol, VT, Seventh-day Adventist Church since their baptisms in 1959. They lived most of their lives in N. Ferrisburg, VT.

Survivors: two sons Donovan H. of Springfield, VT, and Arthur C. of Lancaster, MA; six grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held in the Brow-McClay Funeral Home of Vergennes, VT, with Elder W. W. Menshausen and Christopher Roeloffs, first elder of the Bristol, VT, SDA Church, officiating. Interment was in Prospect Cemetery, Vergennes, VT.

CHAPMAN, Althea, born May 25, 1910, in Skowhegan, ME, died December 28, 1986. She joined the Williston Seventh-day Adventist Church. Mrs. Chapman was a teacher in Athens and Harmony, ME.

Survivors: three children B. Wayne and John of Colchester and Elizabeth Gillespie of Delaware; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted by Elder W. E. Menshausen and his son W. W. Menshausen III in addition to John Ryder elder of the Williston church. Interment was in Mount Rest Cemetery, Harmony, ME.

FOOTE, David William, born March 29, 1949, in Canton, NY; died January 1, 1987, at N. Las Vegas, NV.

David graduated from Union Springs Academy in 1967, attended Atlantic Union College briefly, also Syracuse Business School and worked at landscaping before crippling arthritis left him an invalid.

Survivors: his parents William and Ethel; brothers Henry, Daniel (his twin), James, John, Benny, and Carl; and a sister Joan. Memorial services were held at the Paradise Adventist Church in Las Vegas and in the Canton Seventh-day Adventist Church by his brother Henry and Pastor Herbert Coe.

Pastor Herbert Coe

GRAUL, Charles W., born May 26, 1907, in Long Island City, NY, died December 15, 1986, in the Southampton Hospital on Long Island. He was a faithful member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church during the last 16 years of his life.

Survivors: his wife Marguerite of E. Quogue, NY; one brother Arthur and one sister Helen Seldomridge, both of Long Island City, NY. The J. Ronald Scott Funeral Home in Hampton Bays, NY, was in charge of arrangements and interment was in Mt. Washington Memorial Park at Coram, NY.

Pastor Carl R. Johnson

HALLGREN, Enar, born October 4, 1909, in Gardner, MA, died February 12, 1987. He was a charter member of the Gardner, MA, Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Survivors: his wife Elouise; son Leo; daughters Cynthia Coolidge and Sarah Fanton; grandsons Thomas Edward, Leo, Jr., Brian Andrew, Michael Paul; and granddaughters Patricia Ann, Lori Ann, Catherine Anne, and Rebekah Anne. Memorial services were conducted in the Gardner church with Elder Fred E. Hernandez assisted by Elders Paul Peterson and Tom Merrill.

HIRT, Ruth Jocelyn, born February 7, 1926, in Ridgewood, NY, died February 27, 1987, at her home in Ridgewood, NY.

After her graduation from Atlantic Union College in 1947, she taught one year at the Danish-Norwegian church school in Brooklyn, New York, and ten years at Browning Elementary School, So. Lancaster, MA. For the past 30 years she taught at the Willow Road School, Valley Stream, Long Island.

Survivors: two sisters, Margaret Hirt and Sophie Fay, both of Princeton, MA; and a niece, Jocelyn Fay, of Riverside, CA.

Glen A. Hixon, pastor of the Ridgewood, NY, church, conducted the funeral services.

JOHNSON, Victor H., born May 8, 1912, in Fitchburg, MA, died April 20, 1987, in Holyoke, MA. He was a member of the Gardner, MA, Seventh-day Adventist Church. He served in the Military Police in World War II after which he returned and worked as a security guard at Harrington-Richards Company, retiring after 25 years. He also served as a part-time policeman in Templeton, MA. Mr. Johnson was proficient in woodworking, making many handcrafted items and teaching woodworking to the handicapped.

Survivors: his wife Gladys of Winchendon, MA; his son Ernest V.; a stepson Leston J. Goodrich, Jr.; daughter Betty Boutelle of Templeton; stepdaughters Viola Brochu of Gardner and Pauline E. St. Martin of Winchendon; brothers Leonard and William of Leominster and Emile of Lancaster, MA; a sister Mildred Ella of Millbury, MA; 20 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren, as well as several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held in the Fletcher Funeral Home, Winchendon, MA, with interment in Pine Grove Cemetery in Templeton. Pastor Paul Peterson of the Gardner church officiated.

Pastor Paul Peterson

KIMBALL, Theodore S., MD, born in Hudson, NH, May 1, 1903, died April 25, 1987, in Hanford, CA. His roots go back to the first little Seventh-day Adventist Church in Washington, NH. As a small boy he often accompanied his mother to So. Lancaster, MA, to visit his older sister who was a student there and he also attended camp meetings there.

He graduated from Washington Missionary College (now Columbia Union College) and then attended and graduated from the College of Medical Evangelists (now Loma Linda University) in California. Just prior to completing medical school he married Nellie Elizabeth Thompson. They had two sons Ted, Jr., and William.

Doctor Kimball practiced medicine for more than 50 years. He started clinical laboratories in Glen-

dale, CA, and later in Hanford, CA. He was in practice in Eureka, CA, for some years. During World War II he served in the 47th General Hospital as a pathologist.

In October 1979 he established the Kimball Scholarship program at Atlantic Union College and more than 40 students have to date received Kimball scholarships. He also made provisions for the continuation of the Kimball Scholarship program for the indefinite future by way of endowment.

After his first wife Nellie passed away, he married Ann Sharp who survives him along with his two sons; his grandchildren Penny Kimball Johnson, Mike Kimball, Ted III, Preston Leslie; and four great-grandchildren.

Larry Smart

NEWMYER, Clyde, Jr., born December 10, 1923, in Washington, DC, died February 21, 1987, in Union Springs, NY. He was principal and business manager of Union Springs Academy at the time of his death. He was principal, guidance counselor, or registrar also of Mountain View Academy, Greater New York Academy, Pioneer Valley Academy, and Grand Ledge Academy. Survivors include his wife Gladys L.; one son Terrance; two brothers George and Walter; three sisters Harriet, Loretta, and Marjorie; and one grandson Jason.

O'SUCHOWSKI, Mary, born August 29, 1918, in Whitehall, died December 26, 1986. She was a member of the Kingsbury, NY, Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Survivors: two daughters Joan Lee of Glens Falls, NY, and Rita Howard of Milford, IN; one son Steven of Albany, NY; one brother Joseph of Bristol, CT; four grandchildren; and one great-grandchild. Her husband Joseph predeceased her.

Funeral services were held in the Jillsion Funeral Home, Whitehall, NY, with Elder James Ellithorpe presiding. Interment was in Greenmount Cemetery, Whitehall, NY.

Elder James Ellithorpe

REYNOLDS, Myrtle Weller, born March 31, 1904, in Fort Ann, NY, died in Inverness, FL, February 19, 1987. She was a faithful member of the Hernando, FL, church. Funeral services were conducted jointly by Elder Ben F. Hartman, one of her former Glens Falls, NY, pastors, and Elder John Sabo. Interment was in Oak Ridge Cemetery, Inverness, FL.

Elder Ben F. Hartman

SIHVOLA, Helmi, born April 2, 1896, in Finland, died March 28, 1987, in Fitchburg, MA. She was a schoolteacher in Finland for many years before moving to the United States in 1950. She graduated from Atlantic Union College in 1955. Helmi was a faithful member of the Fitchburg, MA, Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Survivors: Henry and Helvi Lehto, longtime friends. Funeral arrangements were by T. J. Anderson Funeral Home, Townsend, MA, with Pastor Wallace G. Frost of the Fitchburg church officiating. Interment was in Hillside Cemetery, Townsend, MA.

SUCKERT, Helene M., born in Sorau, Germany, June 18, 1910, died December 18, 1986, in Ojai, CA. Mrs. Suckert, her husband Elder Suckert, and their four sons arrived in New York in 1954 where her husband once pastored the German Manhattan church for 10 years. In 1964 she accompanied her husband to Los Angeles, CA, where they served the German church of Los Angeles until his retirement.

Survivors: her husband Gerhard; her four sons Manfred, Lothar, Gunter and Rolf; and five grandchildren. Pastor Walter Mertinat officiated during the interment service at Ivy Lawn Cemetery, Ventura, CA.



**TURNER, Nelson**, born August 31, 1916, in Jamaica, WI, died February 27, 1987, in Bronx, NY. He was a member of the Victory church in the Bronx.

Survivors: his wife Pearl; two sons Clive and Earl; two daughters Lorna and Heather all of Bronx, NY; and six grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Samuel U. Bulgin. Interment was in Woodlawn Cemetery in the Bronx.

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