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70 Years of Love

HARVEST 90 is just as concerned with keeping people in the church as it is with winning new souls to Christ! As we continue to march forward in our diversified activities to share Christ and the gospel message with our friends, it is altogether fitting and proper to pause, take a good look around, and see that there are vital ingredients in the truth that have keeping power.

Today we honor a couple who have a most interesting experience in the church. Morris West, born on March 7, 1898, in Union Hill, New Jersey, and his dear wife, Marjorie, born in South Glastonbury, Connecticut, on May 22, 1898, have something in common. Morris and



Mr. and Mrs. Morris West

Marjorie have been married to each other for 70 long and rich years.

It takes a good understanding of the Scriptures to make one a contented and solid Adventist Christian. Sister Mary Walsh, the former Catholic, renowned lecturer, theologian and author, gave Bible studies to the Wests. Marjorie was baptized in 1934 and Morris was baptized in 1935. Elder Arthur Sanderson was pastor of their church in Hartford at that time.

When asked if there was any counsel they would give to today's young couples, Marjorie said, "They need to stay married! What else would we do besides stay married to each other?" Morris emphasized the heart of the matter from a male perspective, "My wife is a good cook! There was always the smell of food in the house. That keeps a man happy!"

Both Morris and Marjorie have been active in church work. He has served as a deacon and treasurer while she was a Sabbath school teacher, deaconess, and cooking school instructor. They feel that living for Jesus means keeping busy in service for Him.

As we discussed HARVEST 90 and the nearness of the return of Jesus to this world, Marjorie stated, "I think it had better be soon! When you look around, how can we go on much longer the way we're going? In the church and outside the church, things are all twisted up. It needs to be soon!"



Marjorie and Morris West

Morris West said that he tries to stay prepared. "In the days when I was in business, I was always straight as an arrow with no tricks! I've tried to live that same way in the Christian life. Anytime the Lord wants to come, I'm ready for it," Morris replied, "and I hope it is soon!"

The Wests have three children living, Richard in Sacramento, California, Marjorie in Glastonbury, Connecticut, and Robert in Colchester, Connecticut. The family circle includes 14 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren, and one great-great grandchild on the way. Morris and Marjorie hope to see all of them saved when Jesus comes. And, they plan to **STAY MARRIED** to each other!

Editor's note: Arrangements for this interview were made by Bill Weisher, assistant ABC manager. Bill has known and loved the Wests since his childhood days in the Hartford, CT, area.

Ted T. Jones

About Our Cover Photo

John Carter, a teacher in Riverview School in Norridgewock, Maine, snapped this picture of the Union Church in Mercer, Maine, with a Nikon FG camera. The photo placed second in the 1985 *Gleaner* Cover Photo Contest.



Guest Editorial

Have You Squared up with the Lord?

We live in a world filled with confusion. There is much uncertainty and a great deal of sinfulness and ungodliness, and yet God still is leading His remnant people through to victory.

God is so anxious that His people trust Him and render faithfulness to Him in all things. Our spiritual condition is in direct proportion to the giving of our time, talent, treasure and temple to the cause of God. Matthew 6:19-21, urges us to lay up our treasures in heaven, for where our treasure is, there will our heart be also. In Matthew 6:33, God specifically instructs us to seek "first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."

God wants us to trust Him, to have faith in His promises, and to obey His Word. Therefore, for the good of mankind and for the good of the church God has ordained the tithing system in order that every child of God may return unto Him a tenth of his income.

God asks for only one tenth of the income of the people to support the public worship of God. Moses declared to Israel: "'All the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land, or of the fruit of the tree, is the Lord's; it is holy unto the Lord. And concerning the tithe of the herd, or of the flock. . .the tenth shall be holy unto the Lord'" *Patriarchs and Prophets* p.525.

"In the days of Israel the tithe and free-will offerings were needed to maintain the ordinances of divine service. Should the people of God give less in this age? The principle laid down by Christ is that our offerings to God should be in proportion to the light and privileges enjoyed. 'Unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall much be required.' Said the Saviour to his disciples, as He sent them forth, 'Freely ye have received, freely give'" Ibid, p. 528.

Sometimes people say that they just can't afford to pay tithe. There are too many bills pressing in, too many needs in this life that there just doesn't seem to be anything left for tithe and for the church. E. G. White gives us this counsel in regard to this matter: "The man who has been unfortunate, and finds himself in debt, should not take the Lord's portion to cancel his debts to his fellow men. He should consider that in these transactions he is being tested, and that in reserving the Lord's portion for his own use he is robbing the Giver. He is debtor to God for all that he has, but he becomes a *double debtor* when he uses the Lord's reserved fund in paying debts to human beings. 'Unfaithfulness to God' is written against his name in the books of heaven. He has an account to settle with God for appropriating the Lord's means for his own convenience. And the want of principle shown in his misappropriation of God's means will be revealed in his management of other matters. It will

be seen in all matters connected with his own business. The man who will rob God is cultivating traits of character that will cut him off from admittance into the family of God above" *Testimonies*, vol. 7, 391.

"The Lord requires that we return to Him in tithes and offerings a portion of the goods He has lent us. He accepts these offerings as an act of humble obedience on our part and a grateful acknowledgment of our indebtedness to Him for all the blessings we enjoy. Then let us offer willingly . . . He knows whom to bless and who are deserving of His curse. He makes no mistakes, for angels are keeping a record of all our works and words" *Testimonies*, vol. 5, pp. 267, 268.

As we come to the close of another year, would it not be a good idea for each of us to look over the past year and recognize that God holds the whole world in His hand? The cattle on a thousand hills are His. We of ourselves can do nothing without Him.

This is the time of the year for us to really square up with the Lord. God will bless you. He loves us all so much. He is anxious for us to respond to His call to come unto Him and He will give us rest. It is only as we yield all that we have and all that we are to Him that we can be totally happy and live in peace and know that someday our Saviour will come to take us to that better land.

Dale R. Beaulieu is Treasurer of the Atlantic Union



BAPTIZE



BROOKLYN, NY—Pastor Willie Oliver of Maranatha church is pictured with two groups—six persons who have signified their acceptance of Jesus as their Saviour through baptism. Left picture—Cleveland and

Tesla Graham (husband and wife), Shirva-Gale Stephans, and Snowbell Kennedy. Right picture—Anthony Edwards (left) and Lloyd Allen. After visiting the church faithfully, Anthony gave his heart to the Lord. Lloyd now rejoices that he has found happiness and peace by returning to the Lord he left when he drifted away for many years from the influences of a Christian home.



SHARE



SOUTH LANCASTER, MA—As a community service, the entire eighth grade of 29 pupils from Browning elementary school under the direction of their teacher James Norcliffe and Ernie Peckham, Lancaster area Youth

Coordinator, conducted a free car wash in the Atlantic Union Conference parking lot on October 4. The young people enjoyed a good time for about three hours sharing their time, talents, and energy with the public and making cars sparkling clean.



E. ELM HURST, NY—Elder D. Robert Kennedy, Conference Personal Ministries director, greeting (L. to R.):

BAPTIZE



Kara Tameka Taylor, Ella V. Horne and Mildred H. Thompson following their baptism. Andrew Hospedales follows him. The Alpha East Elmhurst Company met for some time as a branch Sabbath school and was organized as a company in 1987.



NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCE

—Reports are encouraging from two churches—Washington, NH, and Bath, ME, which held Vacation Bible Schools last season. The Washington, NH, church (left) held VBS for the first time with nine children attending, five of whom are non-SDAs. Three of the children and their father now attend church on Sabbath and their mother comes to Bible studies.

In Bath, ME, (right) 27 children attended VBS with half of them from non-SDA homes. VBS throughout the conference report that 22 non-SDAs are now enrolled in Sabbath Schools, one person has joined a baptismal class and a Bible study interest is being followed up.

ATTEND



TRAIN



BRONX, NY—A special dedication service was held for 92 persons completing "The Faith of Jesus" Bible study series at



the University Hispanic church. Conference Ministerial Director, Elder John Williamson, and Pastor Abel Rosario awarded diplomas to the graduates among whom were some who had been baptized a month earlier.

New Home for Snowville-Conway, New Hampshire, Church

By Ruth Bettie

From a humble beginning in 1986 when the church site was cleared, to the actual start of construction in August, 1987, a small but happy and capable group worked faithfully every Sunday throughout the year. They worked together efficiently toward their common goal—"A light upon a hill." A very fitting slogan as the church rests on a rise of land in a wooded lot and on a very choice piece of property on Route 302 in Center Conway, New Hampshire.

The Lord has been working alongside the group, intermittently surprising them with unexpected gifts, helps, and definite answers to prayers. He gave strength and courage to the little but determined group of 18 adults and 17 children as they worked tirelessly to overcome some difficulties before September 10, the date the church set for the first meeting. By working together and with the help of 15 members from other churches one special Sunday, the grounds were fully landscaped as the town engineer required before the church could be occupied.

With everything in order, on September 17 guests entered by a newly cemented walkway and were welcomed into a carpeted Fellowship Hall tastefully decorated with gifts of flowers and plants. Sabbath school rooms were decorated and even had dainty curtains at the windows. A Guest Book, church bulletins, and pictures of the project from beginning to the present will be part of the memories of each member.

Friends from the Berlin, New Hampshire, and the Brunswick and Bath, Maine, churches came to share in the joyous occasion. Dr. Peter Schroer from the Berlin church presented a practical and uplifting sermon. The local congregation rendered the special music by singing "Sing a New Song to the Lord" from the new *Adventist Hymnal*. They had reserved this song for this particular day as being most meaningful to them.

Following the service the congregation enjoyed a hearty Fellowship Luncheon in the incomplete sanctuary. The tables were festively

decorated with sprays of beautiful fall leaves and yellow marigolds.

So far, the entire building has been built on a cash basis. A group from Maranatha International gave their time to help put up the walls of the building. A contractor from Massachusetts came with two of his men and put up the siding without charge.

Many marvelous ways did the Lord provide. To Him they give the glory for what has been accomplished. ★

Ruth Bettie is a special contributor of the Snowville-Conway church.



The new Snowville-Conway, New Hampshire, Church as it looked while under construction. The grounds are now beautifully completely landscaped.

Union Vice President Elected

At the last executive committee meeting of the Atlantic Union Conference, Elder Juan R. Prestol, Under-treasurer of the Union and Treasurer of the Union Association, was elected to the office of Vice President. He replaces Pedro Geli, Jr., who was called to the Adventist Media Center in California as a Vice President for Field Services.

Prestol is uniquely qualified for his new role since he has served in several administrative, financial, and departmental responsibilities overseas and in North America.

In his position as vice president, Prestol will:

a. *Share in the leadership of the Union Conference together with the President, Secretary, and Treasurer, as a duly elected officer.* As a member of the management team, he joins the other administrators by sharing counsel, formulating policies, and making decisions. Through these means service to the organizations and institutions of the Union is provided.

b. *Represent the Hispanic conscience in the administrative circles of the Union.* He is to coordinate the Hispanic work in the Union and help envision its future. As such, he is a *resource person* rather than a final authority or primary doer of the work on behalf of Hispanics.

c. *Serve as a communication link* between the Union administration and the foreign language (non-English speaking) congregations worshipping within the Union territory. He is to serve as an *advisor to the local conferences* in the affairs and concerns of the foreign language groups.

If and when needed, Elder Prestol will serve as a facilitator for the resolution of conflicts and for the formulation of harmonious working relationships on the conference level among language groups.

He will continue to hold the position of Treasurer of the Atlantic Union Conference Association. In that capacity he will be responsible for the financial activities of the Association Funds.

Prestol will also be accountable to the Board of Trustees together with the other two Association officers, Philip S. Follett, President, and Dale R. Beaulieu, Association Secretary.

The Union Executive Committee will fill the under-treasurer vacancy soon.



Elder Juan R. Prestol

President Shares Views on Hispanic Work

A special meeting of the Hispanic Coordinators convened October 20 at the Union office, directed by President Philip S. Follett. At this meeting, Elder Juan R. Prestol was introduced as the new vice president of the Union and his role was articulated as it relates to the Hispanic work.

Elder Follett presided over the session and Juan Prestol served as recording secretary. Elder Humberto Hernandez represented the Greater New York Conference; Elder Ireneo Martinez, the Northeastern Conference; Elder Fred Hernandez, the Southern New England Conference; and Elder Alvin Goulbourne brought timely observations as Secretary of the Union.

After the devotional, each coordinator gave a report of the outreach and evangelistic activities of his conference.

Elder Follett then shared insightful comments in regard to the work among Hispanics. Although his ideas were focused upon the concerns for the Hispanics within

the Atlantic Union, the span of his thoughts may well apply to the Hispanic presence in North America. We summarize his comments as follows:

1. As one of the fastest-growing segments of the SDA church in North America, Hispanics must be recognized, respected, and supported.

2. The church must continue to devote major outreach energies and resources to first-generation Hispanics.* However, increasing resources should be allocated to reaching second-generation Hispanics.

3. The Hispanic segment of our church must emphasize the need for Christian education for members and leaders. The challenge of having Hispanic youth attend our schools and colleges requires definite attention and strategy.

4. In addition to teaching English to already successful pastors who have come from overseas, there is a necessity for more pastors and leaders who are bilingual and bicultural. They will provide a balance between the first- and second-generation Hispanics now being targeted and reached.

5. The church is in need of well-prepared Hispanic leaders at all levels. These times require talented, well-trained, world-view Hispanic voices in every level of leadership. Together with leaders from all other cultural extractions, Hispanics are to serve not only because they are Hispanics, but also because they have distinguished themselves in some areas of leadership.

6. Hispanics have a much greater role to play and a larger contribution to make to the work than to labor only for Hispanics. They should have a broad view and help solve problems and build the work among other groups. Hispanics should expect their leaders not only to press for Hispanic causes but also to maintain integrity, competence, and vision in behalf of the church at large.

7. Hispanics have been and should continue to be an inspiration to all Adventists for their spirituality, missionary zeal, and deep desire to finish the preaching of the Third Angel's Message.

Elder Follett expressed his confidence in the Hispanic coordinators and stated that with the new leadership the Hispanic work will see great days ahead in growth and strength.

*Hispanics born outside of the continental United States.



From top left to right: Elder Alvin Goulbourne, Secretary of the Atlantic Union; Elder Fred Hernandez, Southern New England Conference Hispanic Coordinator; Elder Juan R. Prestol, Atlantic Union Vice President; Elder Philip S. Follett, Atlantic Union President; Elder Ireneo Martinez, Northeastern Conference Hispanic Coordinator; and Elder Humberto Hernandez, Greater New York Conference Hispanic Coordinator.

CHURCH IN ACTION

Atlantic Union College

AUC Reaccredited

Atlantic Union College has recently been reaccredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges for ten years, the maximum term. The self-study, co-written by Dr. Otilie Stafford and Dr. Myron Wehtje, will be used as a model self-study for other colleges. The NEASC felt the study was a well-written, honest self-evaluation. This definitely played an important role in receiving the ten-year accreditation.

On September 15, 1988, Dr. Geraty met with the NEASC Commission to give them the opportunity to ask questions about the self-study and the whole process. Dr. Geraty also gave his response to the self-study evaluation done by the NEASC. The evaluation summarized the strengths

and weaknesses of the school. Some of the weaknesses were master planning, teacher loads and time for research, additional staffing in small departments, and the General Studies program. Strengths were the physical plant and campus, the good condition buildings are kept in, the popularity of the president, and the dedicated and hard working faculty.

AUC was first accredited in 1947. Since then it has been reaccredited four times. "They don't give ten-year accreditation as easily as they used to," says Dr. Stafford. She attributes this to a changing idea as to what accreditation is. They see it now as an ongoing process instead of a single look at the present status of the organization. The institution

must not only identify problems, but also report on how it plans to deal with them as well. Therefore, they are more likely to give shorter periods of accreditation in order to help institutions continue to improve. AUC, having received a ten-year accreditation, will prepare an interim report in five years, as is the custom. This report will cite progress on our ameliorations.

AUC is in an especially tough region of accreditation because it is in an area with a number of top-notch educational institutions, and the standards are the same for all the schools.

Michele Smith
Special Contributor

Nursing Program Receives Top Rating

1988 has been a report card year for AUC, and so far the college has straight A's. The Bachelor of Science in Nursing is the most recent program to get a top rating.

Receiving the maximum eight-year term of accreditation is no mean accomplishment. The associate degree program at the college has been accredited since 1967. Now the degree earned by students at the upper-division level is also fully recognized by the National League for Nursing.

"This action provides well-deserved recognition by the accrediting agency of the significant efforts and high quality academic experience provided by faculty in nursing and other disciplines at the college," says Nursing Department chair, Dr. Marjorie Sczekan.

The scrutiny of college programs culminated in several site visits by accrediting teams last school year. Following a November campus visit,

the Bachelor of Science in Social Work degree was fully accredited in March. Tandem visits by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges and the General Conference Board of Regents teams in April resulted in a ten-year extension of accreditation for the full college program. (See accompanying article.)

Commenting in chapel on the nursing accreditation accomplishment, college President Lawrence Geraty said, "I think we're on a roll. That makes four out of five. We have just one more to go."

This year's challenge is the reaccreditation of the Education Department's elementary teacher certification program. In addition, five departments that participate in the education of secondary teachers are being evaluated: business, English, history, music, and physical education. The team from the Massachusetts Department of Education

visited the campus November 14-16.

Beyond the value to the college and its students of having fully accredited programs, the discipline of self-evaluation and the rigorous preparation required by the accreditation process are valuable in themselves. Successful completion gives participants the security of knowing the quality of their program. ★



News Notes

● Dr. Wayne Judd spoke about "Common Sense Religion" to Atlantic Union College students and faculty during the week of spiritual emphasis, October 24 to 29. Judd, who holds a M.Div. degree from Andrews and a Ph.D. in American religious history from University of California, Berkeley, opened the week with "I Only Get Scared in the Middle of the Night."

Other topics included "God Sure Killed a Lot of People in the Old Testament," "People I Wouldn't Want to Meet in Heaven," and "What Makes Your Best Friend So Dangerous?" With his experience as a teacher and guidance counselor before holding his present post as Director of Development at Loma Linda University, Judd brought a wide range of experience to share with the campus community.

● The *Gleaner* deserves credit for the strong support AUC receives from its constituency, probably for its recent enrollment boom as well. Where other union papers give an average of one to two pages per issue to their colleges, the *Gleaner* devotes two to three pages per issue to AUC. AUC salutes the *Gleaner*. ★

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NEW BEGINNING
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Class Presidents Elected



Class presidents are (L. to R.): Nina Asgeirsson, Ruth Carnegie, Hans Canosa, and David King.

The class presidents at AUC were recently elected. Senior class president is Nina Asgeirsson, Math major from Reading, MA. Junior class president is Ruth Carnegie, Psychology major from Worcester, MA.

Sophomore class president is David King, a Business Administration major from Bermuda. Freshman class president is Hans Canosa, a Business Administration major from Collegedale, Tennessee. ★

Sabbath School Pivotal to Campus Religious Life

A new Sabbath school, created by Campus Ministries to meet the specific needs of college students, has begun on campus this year. Program formats are varied so as to "meet the needs of all cultures represented on campus," according to Campus Ministries director Brian Burgess. Campus Chaplain Rick Trott commented that it's great to have the students gathering in a spirit of study

and worship. . .the best thing is that it's student-run."

The effort to reinsert Sabbath school as a centerpiece for student religious life has been significant. "This will not be a short-lived program," assured Burgess. "We have made a commitment, and we intend to keep it."

Brent Geraty
Special Contributor

Willing Workers Evangelistic Unit

During the early 70's Pastor Willie Lewis, then pastor of the Hamilton Seventh-day Adventist Church, had a vision. He could see lay persons going from house to house as harbingers proclaiming the Three Angels Messages to those who should be saved. This vision led to the conception and birth of a lay evangelistic group who would adopt the name Willing Workers and would go anywhere at their own expense and do anything to share this last-day message with hungry souls. The original Willing Workers comprised twenty men and women from the various churches in Bermuda. Membership was determined by two criteria: (1) An innate desire to witness, (2) A recommendation from the Personal Ministries department and/or the Pastor.

After such deliberation they created a statement of being: "To heed the Macedonian call and to go anywhere, to preach, to teach, and to help people regardless of country, race, status or situation." Tears came to many eyes as they would sing their theme song "Without Him," many remembering where they had come from and desiring to help others to experience this re-



Pastor P. C. Willis, Crusade Evangelist, and Elder Kenneth Dunkley of the Willing Workers baptizing two candidates during the Living Water Crusade.

warding faith. The group presently numbers more than 75.

In the summer of 1981 God through these dedicated workers did something that the most-talented evangelist in Jamaica had failed to accomplish. Working closely with Pastor David Rogers, pastor of the North Manchester District of Churches, they established a church in Alston, Clarendon. A small company of 16 believers was organized and began holding services from Sabbath to Sabbath in the little

church. One of those newly baptized members had been the assistant pastor of the New Testament Church of God.

Yet again Jamaica welcomed back the Willing Workers. This time in 1987 they worked in the Port Maria District of Churches in St. Mary. Pastor D. Cross reported that as a result of their efforts 30 souls were added to the church.

These men and women from all stations of life have preached and worked in Mississippi, New York, New Jersey and in July of this year aided Pastor Evangelist P.C. Willis in Detroit, Michigan, where they helped to baptize more than 100 persons in the Living Water Crusade.

According to the president of the group, Kenneth Dunkley, the Willing Workers have helped to baptize more than 140 souls since its inception. They are officially recognized as an evangelistic organization by the Bermuda Conference. They are independent in their administration but cooperate and maintain the standards of main line Seventh-day Adventism.

The Willing Workers will play an outstanding role in the Summer Evangelistic program of 1989. ★

Devonshire Church Welcomes Pastor and Mrs. Virgil

After spending over twenty years of his ministry in the United States, Pastor Eugene Virgil finally comes back home to Bermuda. He has taken up the challenges of pastoring the Devonshire Seventh-day Adventist Church and to coordinate the Personal Ministries Department of the Bermuda Conference.



Pastor and Mrs. Eugene Virgil

Pastor Virgil is coming from the White Plains, New York, church. He commenced his duties in the Bermuda Conference last August and already has made an outstanding contribution by his role in the Second Annual Camp Meeting. Pastor Virgil and his wife Ann have three married children, Cheryl, Ronald, and Todd. ★

Youth in Action: AYBL Teams at Greater New York Academy

The AYBL (Adventist Youth for Better Living) Teams of Greater New York Academy and its officers extend the services of the teams to any church within the Conference. Activities by the six teams include distributing literature, cleaning churches, putting on anti-drug skits, and special musical numbers. (For a fall evangelistic crusade at Jackson Heights church, approximately 30 AYBL members assisted by distributing 900 handbills inviting people from the community to the meetings.) Call (718) 639-1752 between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to arrange team assistance.

Team officers are Robert Kennedy, president; Deborah Wilensky, vice president; Heather Ashmead, secretary; Anny Garcia, treasurer; Renata Stare, student van coordinator; Ludim Clausell, public rela-



AYBL Team member shares handbills for a Jackson Heights evangelistic crusade in the community.

tions; Donville Young, executive secretary; Pastor James Clark and Miss A. Robinson, sponsors; Koren Torres and Bernette Dorvil, student coordinators. ★

OFFICIAL NOTICE

Greater New York Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

Notice is hereby given that a special constituency meeting of the Greater New York Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 11, 1988, at the Whispering Pines school, 211 Jericho Turnpike, Old Westbury, New York. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss Camp Berkshire.

Each church is entitled to one delegate for the organization, one delegate for each 30 up to 200 members, and one additional delegate for each 50 members or major fraction thereof over the 200 members.

G.M. Kretschmar, *President*
Louis Torres, *Secretary*

Manhattan Church Health Fair

The West 11th Street Health Fair, sponsored by the Manhattan church, drew more than 150 persons on a clear September Sunday. Passersby were attracted to booths featuring free podiatry and blood pressure exams, Adventist food products, mini-lectures on heart disease and substance abuse, Smoking Sam, hydrotherapy, Power to Cope videos, and freshly made juices.

The Fair was staffed by church members, four physicians and volunteers from Living Springs Retreat. The van and staff from the Conference Van were also on hand throughout the day. Church members will be contacting the 40 Bible correspondence interests that resulted from the event.

Helene Mattenson
Communication Secretary



Justin Wilson, M.D., speaks on heart disease, as Herb Pohlka of Living Springs Retreat (foreground) explains the healthy/diseased organs display at the Manhattan church health fair.

News of Note

● During Philadelphia Company's birthday celebration, many blessings were recounted and sincere thanks expressed. Pastor Philip Sica, conference trust services director, who was instrumental in finding the company's present accommodations, challenged the members to live true to their birth—"Born of God." He also added his gift—helping to make the grand total of \$1,066.73. Philadelphia has approximately 100 members, about 60 percent of whom are Seventh-day Adventists. Conrad White, assistant pastor in the North Bronx district, is the leader.



Greater New York Conference president Merlin Kretschmar (left) presenting his greetings and his gift from the conference to Ms. Verda Foster, treasurer of the Philadelphia Company.

● A large and enthusiastic audience gathered to hear Dr. Jose Fuentes of Loma Linda University School of Health speak for the youth congress held in the Bay Ridge Spanish church for Brooklyn Hispanic churches. Jaime Jorge, a young Adventist concert violinist from Chicago presented an inspiring repertoire of selected sacred music.

● Forty Pathfinders were invested during special services at which about 500 persons gathered in Gethsemane church in Brooklyn. Featured speaker was Elder Israel



Chris Bramwell, Conference Pathfinder coordinator, (at microphone) and local leaders invest Pathfinders at Gethsemane service.

Leito from the General Conference Church Ministries Department. Participation during the activities of the day was in French, Spanish, and English.

● After preparing a number of bag lunches for the hungry and experiencing firsthand the satisfaction and blessing of helping these persons, the Flushing Company members are so impressed with the importance of this work they plan to continue their efforts to share food. Flushing is one of the most recent congregations to join with more than 15 churches presently engaged in ministry to the hungry that has been coordinated by the Van Program for the past five years.

● A drug and alcohol awareness program was sponsored by the Home and School Association of Middletown church school. Guest speaker Tom Grecco, special crimes officer of the Middletown Police Department, presented a lengthy and informative discussion concerning the various aspects of drug and alcohol involvement including the effects on abusers, their families, and the community at large. ★

Crossroads Presents Two Community Service Awards

Ruth W. Messinger (top picture) of the New York City Council receives award for her long and committed representation of the community. Messinger commended Crossroads for its community service work, citing the free meal program for the homeless and indigent. Lt. Harring (bottom picture) from Ladder Co. No. 4 receiving an award for the company's outstanding record in responding to fire calls and other emergencies in New York City. ★



Hearing Impaired Ministry in Rochester

The Genesee Park Boulevard church has had an ongoing ministry for the hearing impaired for a year. Rochester, with its hearing-impaired population of over 40,000 is not only the second largest educational center for the deaf in the United States but in the World. Pastor A. Griffith, himself hearing impaired (of Christian Record Braille), has led out in this work along with Elder Dick Dale and the lay members of the Genesee Park Adventist Church. There have been seven baptisms in eight months.

Because of the success of the program thus far, the New York Conference requested that the Rochester Area Deaf Ministry be considered for part of the funds that will be made available in 1990 through Sabbath School Investment offerings. Elder Lynn Martell of the North American Division Church Ministries Department recently sent a letter to Elder Nikolaus Satelmajer stating that this request had been granted. Approx-



Newly baptized hearing impaired persons with Pastor A. Griffith (rear) L. to R. are Jason Bard, Suyapa Suarez, Christopher Hughes, Brance Long, and Robert Smith.

imately \$50,000 will be used to further this work.

Plans this year are to train five church members in the art of signing. These individuals will work to make the church more meaningful to the hearing impaired by helping to plan social activities for this special group, acting as greeters on Sabbath morning and making sure that they

understand the Sabbath school and Church services. The Rochester Genesee Park congregation will encourage newly baptized hearing impaired people to lead out in various parts of the Sabbath services. As more money becomes available in 1990, other plans will be made to reach these special people with the message of Jesus Christ. ★

Spiritual, Community Outreach Start Year at U.S.A.

The students and faculty have experienced several interesting weeks early in the school year.

One week was devoted to Disability Awareness. Each day students had to pretend they had a disability of some sort such as being blind, deaf or confined to a wheelchair. As students went about campus, they sensed how handicapped people must feel. On Saturday night a local wheelchair basketball team played against the U.S.A. basketball team, who also competed in wheelchairs. The fellows certainly had a new experience in compassion and the whole student body felt very involved in the problems of the handicapped person.

Adventist Heritage Weekend was a great success as students commemorated the anniversary of the 1844 movement. They were participants in historical sermons, skits, and communion that featured the contribution of the forerunners and pioneers of the Adventist movement.

Lyndon Elliott from Pine Forge Academy presented the Week of Prayer. He fascinated the student body with topics like: Go Yet!!!; But If Not. . .; WEAKEST MAN ALIVE; Great Late Race; Glory of the Wicked; and Vacuum Packed.

Our young people at U.S.A. are certainly being provided with the opportunity to grow spiritually. ★

Turin Holds First Vacation Bible School

The first Vacation Bible School was held at Turin church on the evenings of August 3, 4 and 5. Average attendance was 17 and Mary Pat Gale was leader.

Songs of inspiration, a story hour, crafts and group studies of Bible heroes were enjoyed by the children.

To close the Vacation Bible School there was a launching of balloons bearing a message to the finder.

Turin is planning another Vacation Bible School next year.

Clara Houck
Communication Secretary

Camporee at Cherokee

The New York Conference Pathfinders held their 1988 Fall Camporee at Camp Cherokee in the beautiful Adirondack Mountains, September 16 to 18. They had a record breaking crowd of 224 Pathfinders and staff families from 12 clubs.

The New York Pathfinder program as grown from six active clubs to 18 within the last five years through the leading of the Lord.

Two and one-half years ago, Dave Branum, formerly from Kingsbury church, reactivated the Pathfinder Coordinator program which has given new life and direction to the Pathfinder system. Besides five Pathfinder Coordinators who



Four Kingsbury Pathfinders wait for their turn to enter the Triathlon event.

oversee Pathfinding in their geographic area, (Lyman Fritz, Margaret Ahles, Robert Wielt, George Silver, Dick Bradt) there is a committee which plans and supervises the Conference-wide programs. These dedicated lay people give of their time, talent and means so the Conference Pathfinder-age children can experience a childhood rich in camping, caring and Christ.

Getting to know Christ better as their best "Friend" and "Companion" is the bottom line in the New York Conference Pathfinder program.

*Michael Ortel
Youth Director*

Baptism in Cortland

Members and guests gathered at Sutton's pond recently to witness the baptism of four persons and one person accepted on profession of faith by Pastor Werner Stavenhagen of the Cortland/Ithaca district.

Following the baptism greetings of gratitude and church fellowship were extended to Donald J. Gibbs, Susan M. Prince, Gail R. Miller, Vivian S. Thornton, and Charles Goff.

Pastor Werner Stavenhagen



Standing with Pastor Werner Stavenhagen (L. to R.) are: Vivian Thornton; Susan Prince; Gail Miller; Charles Proctor, head elder; and Donald Gibbs.

Family Life— an Outreach Program

Vestal Hills church, Binghamton, New York, is all excited about what can be done through Family Life programs. Coordinator Alyna Taylor enlisted several departments of her church to reach the public. For example, the AY Department sponsored a series of films by Gary Smalley, "Love is a Decision." Of the 50 to 60 that attended, over half were from the community.

In addition, help is given church members through a sponsored subscription to the magazine, "Focus on the Family," pertinent bulletin inserts, videos featuring family life, follow-up presentations by the pastor, and a library of information in specific areas.

The members of Vestal Hills feel this is promoting stronger family bonds as well as strengthening the church as a whole.

*Mary Louise Lyons
Communication Secretary*

P.T.A. Off to a Good Start

New at the Pine Tree Academy is Principal Malcolm E. Hutchinson. Mickey, as known to his many longtime area friends, was born in Claremont, New Hampshire. After graduating from Pioneer Valley Academy in 1971 he attended Atlantic Union College, where he received a B.S. in Theology. He received a Masters degree in Education from Andrews University.

In 1974 he and Nada-Gaye Kaiser were united in marriage. He has served as an intern pastor in the Brunswick/Bath area and as pastor in the Barre, Vermont, and Calais/Lubec, Maine, districts. From Northern New England he pastored three and one-half years in southern Illinois where he built two churches while carrying full pastoral responsibilities. The Hutchinsons have two children; Sam, age 11 (currently in grade five at Pine Tree) and Daniel, age 3. To Pine Tree Academy Mr. Hutchinson brings enthusiasm and expertise in dealing with young people.

No stranger to Maine, Patty DiPietrantonio, mother of four and wife of Dr. Peter (D.O.) comes from Freeport, Maine, after a somewhat nomadic life with early years spent following an Air Force family and her married life with husband in pur-

suit of a medical education, internship and residency in Emergency Medicine. Both Patty and Dr. Peter have been involved in many phases of church work. They are currently two of the youth leaders in the Brunswick Seventh-day Adventist church. Patty, who will be teaching Home Economics, is interested in a variety of hobbies including gardening, needlework, and handicrafts. Children, Melissa, Tanya, Seth and Sarah will be enrolled respectively as a Junior, Freshman and in grades four and two.

As excited to teach, as third and fourth graders are to welcome her, is Richmond, Maine, native and eleven-year student at P.T.A., Kathy Nason. Well known in the area are parents, Carolyn (Chase) and Gary Nason and sister, Penny, recent P.T.A. graduate. Kathy finished her educational training at A.U.C. with a B.S. degree. She enjoys reading, swimming, cooking, singing, outdoor activities and children. Father Gary has driven the Richmond school bus to Pine Tree (four trips a day!) for many years.

May the Lord richly bless the teachers and students of P.T.A. during this school year.

Dot Waters

A Witness For Richmond

Four persons received the victory over smoking by attending a Breathe Free stop smoking plan put on by Pastor Norman Deakin in the Richmond Health Center in Richmond, Maine.

The program was well received by the participants and by the doctor who recommended it to them. They enjoyed learning about health as well as the samples of vegetarian loaf they

had an opportunity to taste. They are interested in changing their diets.

Pastor Deakin is looking forward to holding more stop smoking programs in the future and showing the Richmond people that there is a better way to live.

Following the Breathe Free program, a call was received from the Richmond Health Center that several persons have signed up for another

Youth-to-Youth Evangelism

No, this is not what you may think. The members of the Norridgewock, Maine, church were not trying to reach the youth; more than 20 youth were trying to reach the local churches and communities! Glen Carter and Debbie Luther, two of our members who attend Atlantic Union College, helped to plan and coordinate this very special week.

The theme, "God on Us and through Us," was chosen. Each evening a nature film was shown, questions answered from the question box, several musical selections presented by the youth, and a sermonette on God's love was given by Glen, Debbie, Jerry Phair, Jr. or Cherie Fickett.

About 60 people were present on Friday evening when the series ended with an Agape Supper. The tables, arranged in the form of a cross, were tastefully decorated. All the youth participated by quoting Scripture, by playing an instrument or by presenting vocal selections.

Our pastor, Elder Alvin Astrup, retold the events of Calvary. As the lights were dimmed and the music played softly, the cross stretched before us reminded us of the great sacrifice of Jesus. What a way to end the wonderful week we had and also to begin a new Sabbath day! ★

one soon. This Health Center, just a few years ago, had such a poor image of Adventism that they would not allow our literature on their premises. This program has helped to lower those barriers and we thank the Lord for it.

Nedra Deakin
Communication Secretary

Boston Van Ministry Second Praise Banquet Well Attended

Energetic, joyous volunteers of the Boston Van Ministry thronged the New England Memorial Hospital Banquet Room along with supporters and special guests, on the evening of October 23, 1988, for the Second Annual Praise Banquet. After a delicious dinner and recognition of the volunteers, Dr. Richard Hansen, medical director, Poland Springs Health Institute, challenged the Van supporters with "The ABC's of Disease Prevention." Featured guest soloists, Alexander Henderson and Diane Whittenburg, reminded the audience of commitment to God's service in their vocal selections.

George Beckner's challenge to raise matching funds to New England Memorial Hospital's offer of \$25,000 for a second van realized \$6,000 that evening to be added to an existing fund of \$6,000. A new van equipped for service would cost about \$35,000. If you would like to



Bob Masih and Mary Robinson. Mary, baptized three weeks before the banquet, was an initial contact of the Boston Van Ministry at the Boston Common and faithfully studied with Bob Masih.

make this much-needed van a reality to service the twelve towns, once screened and waiting to be rescreened, please send checks to Boston Van Ministry, Southern New England Conference, So. Lancaster, MA



Ramon Chow (left), Treasurer, and Stanley Steiner, President of Southern New England Conference, get ready to share the good news of the availability of the vacant parsonage in Stoneham to meet the desperate need of Boston Van Ministry housing and headquarters.

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President Sets Goals

President Stanley J. Steiner reported at the recent Triennial Session that the future of Southern New England Conference looks bright, and that during the next triennium emphasis will be placed on the following areas:

A. Internal Spiritual Objectives

1. Spiritual renewal and personal growth through Bible study, intercessory prayer, fellowship and worship.
2. Maximizing the Sabbath attendance of our membership.
3. Nurturing and training our membership.

B. External Spiritual Objectives

1. Reaching the eight to nine million people in the Southern New England Conference area who are yet unreached.
2. Adding a full-time evangelist to aid in soul winning.
3. Triennial membership objective: 9250.



Something for Everyone!



PENNY KILGORE

Danielle Chaffee (above) was one of approximately 700 campers who attended Camp Winnekeag during the summer months. Activities include swimming, boating, water skiing, horseback riding, nature, crafts, archery and BMX bikes.

For information regarding the year-round activities at Camp Winnekeag, write to: Youth Department, Southern New England Conference, 34 Sawyer St., So. Lancaster, MA 01561 or call (508) 365-4551.

Robert H. Farley, *Camp Director*

Body, Mind, and Soul Ministry



Pastor Pascual Ortiz background, and Hugo Cortez, foreground, a Gardner, Massachusetts, policeman, with whom Ortiz studies the Bible, prepare a vegetarian supper for Pastor Martin Perry and his members of the Worcester Park Street Congregational church, where Ortiz and his Spanish congregation meet.

About forty members of Pastor Martin Perry's congregation were present, expressing surprise and delight with the vegetarian meal prepared by Ortiz and Cortez and health talk given by Rita Vital, MPH of the Boston Van Ministry. She and Gordon Beardsley, blood pressure technician/van driver, took blood pressures of the members as they visited the Van parked outside their church. Bernadette Chabot, literature evangelist, manned an attractive display of Adventist Health and Bible story books.

At the close of the program many lingered to ask health and nutrition questions, and browse through the beautiful books. A Sunday School teacher of younger children ordered a set of Bible Story books and another lady wanted a vegetarian recipe book. Comments included that they were glad to meet SDA's and to understand more of their lifestyle and beliefs.

As Pastor Pascual Ortiz, Bernadette, Gordon and Rita prayed and reflected on the evening's program they agreed that more programs uniting the pastoral, medical and literature ministry should be conducted regularly as we have been instructed. Pastor Ortiz is planning on contacting other churches in the Worcester district for similar presentations. ★



Pastor Martin Perry, Bernadette Chabot, Pastor Pascual Ortiz and members of the Park Street Congregational church.



Pastor Pascual Ortiz, Rita Vital and members of the Park Street Congregational church.

Adventist Health System

Kelby Jose, Communications

Children, Parents and Divorce

Separation, divorce and remarriage are stressful experiences for children as well as adults. Whether it is a recent or past breakup, all children have an emotional response to it, yet often have difficulty expressing their questions and concerns about these major life changes. Adults must cope not just with their own reactions, but also with those of their children.

The human services department at New England Memorial Hospital (NEMH) in Stoneham is offering a series of programs to assist youngsters and their parents deal with these situations. The *New Families* programs feature four groups for children, based on age, and separate programs for adults.

The children are grouped by age to help them focus on those issues and feelings commonly experienced by their peers and to make it easier for

them to express their feelings verbally, artistically or in writing. The age groups are: preschool, kindergarten, grades 1-3 (ages 6-9 years) and grades 4-6 (ages 9-12 years). The groups explore the initial reactions to divorce (anger, sadness, confusion), co-parents (holidays, visiting, school issues) and adjustments to remarriage (feelings about stepparents, stepsiblings, new babies).

The children's groups are offered in July, September, January, and April with the next 10-week program beginning in January and meeting once a week in the late afternoon or early evening. Children must be available for the entire session; only one absence will be permitted.

The adult *New Families* programs address feelings about divorce, former spouses, money, custody, fighting, parenting, joint-custody parenting, new relationships, dating, remarriage and child guidance. Community response will determine if both an all-women's group and a coeducational group are to be offered.

The program is covered by Medicaid and most insurance plans, including many health maintenance organizations (HMOs).

For more information, or to register for *New Families*, contact Alexandra Erickson at the NEMH Human Services Department, at (617) 979-7025. ★



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| 1 cup pineapple juice | 1 cup or more of chopped Turkey from center of roll |
| 1 cup finely chopped walnuts | |

Defrost Turkey Roll in refrigerator overnight. Combine all other ingredients for stuffing. Mix well and allow to soak for 30 minutes. Cut ½ inch from each end of Turkey Roll and carefully hollow out from each end with apple corer or sharp knife, leaving a one inch circumference. Carefully fill firmly with stuffing. Replace sliced ends and hold together with toothpicks.

Place in roasting pan and baste with liquid margarine and ½ cup water. Cover and bake at 350°F for one hour. Remove cover after first ½ hour and baste again. Continue cooking for remaining time uncovered. Remove from oven and allow to set 20–30 minutes before slicing. Serve with cranberry sauce or Loma Linda Gravy Quik.

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Staff additions at Christian Record—Fred Knopper as public relations director from Union College as media specialist and assistant professor of communications since 1983. Elmer Hauck, former Associate Treasurer of the Southern Asia Division, to be Vice President/Finance. Tom Lowe, Jr., to be one of three administrative officers. He has been a district representative in southern Kansas and area director in the Columbia, Lake and Eastern Canada areas for Christian Record.



Present leadership team at Christian Record pictured with Vernon Bretsch (left) president, (L. to R.) Elmer Hauck, vice president/finance; Fred Knopper, public relations director; and Tom Lowe, field director.

Odea D. Sigh, Jr., Lake Region Area Director for Christian Record, was ordained to the gospel ministry recently in the College View SDA Church in Lincoln, NE. Dr. C. B. Rock, Vice President of the General Conference, presented the ordination sermon speaking of the solemn responsibilities resting on the shoulders of the minister of God. He and his wife Janet (McKinon) have two sons, Odea III and Sean, and are currently making their home in Berrien Springs, MI.



Odea Sigh's Ordination. Janet and Odea (center); Vernon Bretsch (their right), president of Christian Record; and C. B. Rock (their left), vice president of the General Conference.

The 29 academies which participated in the Academy Alumni Advancement Challenge (AAA) raised \$476,509 last year from 8,460 alumni (18%) in unrestricted gifts. They qualified for a total of \$255,125 in challenge monies from AAA. The \$1.7M incentive program is coordinated by Philanthropic Service for Institutions at the General Conference.

Greater Boston, Greater New York, and Union Springs academies, the three participants from the Atlantic Union, raised \$43,527 from 736 alumni. Reaching those levels qualified the schools for a total of \$26,375 in challenge monies. Among the group, Greater New York Academy has achieved the highest alumni participation rate, 31%.

In addition to regular grant monies, the three schools each received \$500 for attaining 100% participation from their senior classes. Union Springs also received \$2,000 from the Class Performance Program, in recognition of the achievements of class agent Gerald Harris, who achieved 66% participation from his class, 1937-38. The efforts of class agents Kathleen Dever, 1968, and Shirley Faini, 1951-53, qualified GBA for an additional \$1,250.

The board of trustees for Christian Record Braille Foundation voted recently to change the name of this organization to Christian Record Services, Inc. Since the scope of the organization is also international, it was voted to use the name CRS International for communication outside North America, taking effect January, 1989. For more information contact Christian Record Services, 4444 South 52nd St., Lincoln, NE 68516; (402) 488-0981.

STAN STRANGE

FRED KNOPPER

Update

Northern New England Conference has experienced a 12.5% increase in baptisms during the first two quarters of 1988 over the same period for 1987.

As a result of Vacation Bible Schools in Northern New England Conference held this past season, 22 non-Seventh-day Adventists have enrolled in Sabbath schools with some joining baptismal classes and others taking Bible studies.

Since the Portland, ME, church has revitalized its Sabbath school program using a totally new and different format, the congregation is excited and enthusiastic about the changes. The new format includes elimination of the traditional pre-lesson study preliminaries with classes forming immediately and briefly discussing a "get-acquainted" question. This helps members to share personal thoughts and feelings. The mission story emphasis is presented by a member of each class before lesson study. Following a brief break at 10:30 a.m., everyone enjoys group singing.

35,000 brochures blanketed the Manchester, NH, area advertising the evangelistic series with an archaeological approach conducted by Pastor George Crutchfield which began Sept. 21 in the Holiday Inn.

Portland, ME, church's van ministry has been revived, after a five-year lull, under the able leadership of Pastor Paull Dixon and Peter Robinson. The church members support the ministry by grouping together into an active prayer circle. The van ran full time in four communities this past summer witnessing for Jesus Christ and health to more than 2300 who were screened for high blood pressure, with over 4000 pieces of literature distributed. More than 50 Bible interests have been obtained who are receiving the Faith For Today home study seminars and will be followed up by calls and visitation.

The first church in Greater New York Conference to report reaching their Ingathering goal is Central Brooklyn Hispanic church. They are beyond their goal having raised \$7,081.98. All children who did well would be sponsored to summer camp by the church. Accordingly, one child surged. Nicolas Eliaffant has raised \$488.14.

The Greater New York Conference is now having prayer times at noon and 5:00 p.m. on the third floor in addition to the regular morning worship time. The Van Center has already been doing this.

Sabbath evening, Oct. 22, a new company was formed at Arcade, NY. The 15 members were organized by Elder F. Lee Thompson, president, and Pastor Mark Komula. Their leader is John Ventura and Russell Wilbur, treasurer. They will be holding weekly meetings on Sabbath at 3:00 p.m. in the United Methodist Church, corner of Main and Carl Streets, Arcade, NY.

Request

South Lancaster, MA, Village Church Anniversary—This church was organized April 30, 1864, by John N. Loughborough, the denomination's historian. Next year we will celebrate our 125th anniversary. We are the oldest Seventh-day Adventist Church in Southern New England Conference. We would appreciate any mementos, notes, pictures, diaries, old Bibles, albums, etc., to help with our church history and enhance our heritage room. I am especially desirous of obtaining pictures of the following five of the eight charter members of the Village Church—Mary How Haskell, Henry S. and Maria N. Priest, Lewis H. Priest, and Benjamin F. Rice. If you have the pictures or call me where I can obtain them, please let me know. Please write Dr. Geraldine Grout, South Lancaster Village Church Historian, Box 204, South Lancaster, MA 01561.

Sunset Table

Eastern Standard Time

	Jan. 6	Jan. 13	Jan. 20	Jan. 27
Bangor, ME	4:09	4:17	4:26	4:35
Portland, ME	4:19	4:27	4:35	4:44
Boston, MA	4:26	4:34	4:42	4:51
So. Lancaster, MA	4:29	4:36	4:44	4:53
Pittsfield, MA	4:35	4:42	4:51	4:59
Hartford, CT	4:35	4:42	4:50	4:59
New York, NY	4:43	4:50	4:58	5:06
Utica, NY	4:41	4:48	4:57	5:06
Syracuse, NY	4:45	4:52	5:00	5:09
Rochester, NY	4:50	4:58	5:06	5:15
Buffalo, NY	4:56	5:03	5:12	5:21
Hamilton, Bda.	5:57	5:33	5:39	5:46

Add one minute for each thirteen miles west.
Subtract one minute for each thirteen miles east.

Out of Union

Family Life Workshop West '89—Feb. 7-13, 1989, in Loma Linda, CA. Theme: "Family Crisis Management in Christian Perspective" sponsored by GC Dept. of Church Ministries and the LLU Dept. of Social Relations. Ministers, educators, counselors, and lay persons interested in family ministry welcome. Graduate credit available. Register before Jan. 15, receive 10% discount off workshop fee; additional discounts available for groups of 10 or more. Information and registration: Dr. Ian P. Chand at (714) 824-4547 or write Family Life Workshop West '89, Dept. of Social Relations, Loma Linda University, Loma Linda, CA 92350.

Parkview Adventist Academy Alumni Weekend—Apr. 14, 15, 1989. Send names/addresses to update alumni files. Contact Kevin Reasor, Parkview Adventist Academy, 4201 Martin Luther King Ave., Oklahoma City, OK 73111; (405) 427-6525.

Tulsa Adventist Academy Alumni Weekend—Apr. 21, 22, 1989. Honor years: 1939, 1964, 1979. Information: Phyllis Stroud, Tulsa Adventist Academy, 900 S. New Haven, Tulsa, OK 74112; (918) 834-1107.

Interested in a reunion with those who attended Walla Walla College from 1946-51? If so, send name/address/phone number to one of the following by Jan. 1, 1990: Persons in Pacific Union: Dept. of Education, c/o Dr. E. J. Anderson, 2686 Townsgate Rd., West Lake Village, CA 91361; in North Pacific Union: Ray Anderson, 816 Shadow Ranch Lane, Roseburg, OR 97470; all others: Walla Walla Alumni Assn., c/o Paul Turpel, College Place, WA 99324. This information will enable us to keep in touch with you concerning plans, place, cost, accommodations, etc. At present we are thinking of the West Coast about Labor Day, 1990.

Homecoming planned for Parkersburg, WV, SDA Church weekend of July 1, 1989. For more information, please call Dayne Jones Thomas, (304) 295-9510; or Evelyn Lilly Deem, (304) 485-0664; or Mountain View Conference, (304) 422-4581.

Laurelwood Academy Alumni and friends of the academy, great things are happening at the campus. If you haven't received our material and heard the latest news, please send your name and address to Laurelwood Academy, Inc., Rt. 2, Box 196, Gaston, OR 97119; (503) 985-7439 or 985-7511.

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Radio/TV News

Thanks to Faith For Today—and a miracle—thousands of "Living Faith" Bible lessons are now available free of charge for use throughout the New York Conference. In the new curriculum of the consolidated correspondence schools, "Living Faith" was to be replaced by another existing course. The lessons were too valuable simply to throw out. An interested New York Conference layman offered to pay shipping costs up to \$1,000. The bill for shipping the lessons came to precisely \$1,000. The lessons arrived Sept. 13 and are ready for distribution, according to Mike Ortel, New York Conference health/temperance director.

December Highlights on It Is Written

- 4—Dr. John Scharffenberg: DIET, FADS, AND DEADLY FAT
- 11—Dramatized vignettes: COUPLES WHO FIGHT FAIR
- 18—EXPLORING THE "NEW AGE"
- Who is the enemy behind this latest worldwide movement?
- 25—OBERAMMERGAU CHRISTMAS SPECIAL

Seventh-day Adventist programs are being seen on the new VISN network which began Sept. 19. VISN, the nation's new Interfaith Satellite Network, will offer a wide variety of programs from a broad range of faith groups and can be seen by an audience of 18 million subscriber homes and additional cable systems will be added in the near future, thus increasing the audience potential.

Reactions to the programs will be gladly received both in General Conference Communication Dept. and at VISN's office, c/o George W. Baskin, 74 Trinity Place, New York, NY 10006.

CLASSIFIED ADS

Calendar

SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND

Adventist Singles Ministries

Christmas Social, Dec. 17
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Death

WOODS, Mary Gebhard, born April, 1933, in Jamaica, Long Island, NY, died Jan. 24, 1988, in Randolph, NY. Mary graduated from Union Springs Academy in 1950, attended AUC one year for pre-nursing and graduated from New England Sanitarium, (now N.E. Memorial Hospital) as an R.N. in 1954, when she also married Bert Woods.

Mary followed her nursing career in various hospitals, including Kettering Medical Center, primarily in a teaching role. In 1974, she represented the church as Director of Community Services for the Xenia, OH, tornado. This was the largest tornado disaster ever serviced by the National Red Cross up to that time. Beginning in 1975, she operated a home for elderly adults. Through the years she remained a loyal and enthusiastic supporter of many church ministries.

Survivors: her husband Bert; sons, Douglas and David; daughter Laurie; mother Elsie Gebhard; brother Dan and Paul Gebhard; sister June De-Wind; and one grandchild.

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