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Guest Editorial

Dynamic 89

"You are invited to attend the inauguration of the President of the United States of America."

If any of us were to receive such a notice from the White House, it would not be hard to prioritize our schedules for that day. Suddenly, our work, our duties, our plans would be adjusted to make time for this tremendous event.

We are all invited to be present for an event more important, more spectacular, and more thrilling than all of the presidential inaugurations and royal coronations throughout earth's history. We are invited to be more than observers, but actual *participants* in the Second Coming of Jesus and the great celebration called the Wedding Supper of the Lamb.

Now is the time to set aside everything that competes with our preparation for that great day. There is nothing mystical, mysterious, or magical about preparing for Jesus' coming. Basically, our preparation consists in living so close to Him now that there will be nothing between Him and us when He comes.

One of the most vital ingredients of our preparation is really very simple: *prayer*. Like Jesus, who prayed all night so that He could serve people all day, we should pray. Like Daniel, who prayed three times a day when his enemies laid a trap for him, we must pray. Like Paul, who wrote to the Colossians, "since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you" (Colossians 1:9),* we need to pray.

I am inviting you to join me in making the new year *Dynamic 89—A Year of Prayer*.

I urge you to share this experience of increased prayer for three basic reasons. *First*, we always need to pray more. No matter how much we have been praying in the past, we need to pray more. Just as husbands and wives may spend their lifetimes growing together, yet they always have room for increased warmth, trust, and closeness to each other, so we need to grow in our prayer intimacy with God. None of us has reached the optimum in his/her prayer life. We need more time with God, and we need more openness to His will. We need to know Him better, love Him more, walk more closely in His will. We need to pray more.

Secondly, the times demand more prayer. We are living in the last days of earth's history. The Holy Spirit is the "dynamic" element in this call for prayer. He is the power source. In our day, God wants to pour out His Spirit in the abundance the Scriptures describe as the "Latter Rain." Heaven's invitation is for us to "ask of the Lord rain in the time of the latter rain" (Zechariah 10:1). "Let us, with contrite hearts, pray most earnestly that now, in the time of the latter rain, the showers of grace may fall upon us. . . . If we pray for the blessing in faith, we shall receive it as God has promised" (*Testimonies to Ministers and Gospel Workers*, p. 509).

Thirdly, our task calls for increased prayer. The gift of the Holy Spirit in the early church, as reflected in the book of Acts in the Bible, was granted in order to enable God's people to fulfil Christ's commission. He is not given to decorate the church, or make us appear better than other people. He is not given for us to play with, or to feed our selfish pride. He is given so that we can witness for Christ to our children, or neighbors, and our world.

To encourage us to share added prayer time together, we are naming one Sabbath each quarter of 1989 as special Days of Prayer throughout the Atlantic Union Conference. These dates are January 7, April 1, July 1, and October 7.

In several of our conference offices, we are inviting those who choose to do so to gather three times each day—8:00 a.m., noon, and 5:00 p.m. We are praying for you, your children, your work, and your churches. Won't you pray for us, as well?

In the days of Asa, king of Judah, the people "entered into a covenant to seek the Lord, the God of their fathers, with all their heart and soul." The record says of the results of this covenant, "They sought God eagerly, and he was found by them" (II Chronicles 5:12, 15).*

Won't you join me in covenanting to make 1989 a year of more earnest, intense, and consistent prayer? Heaven's invitation is in your hand!

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Cutler Baldwin of Owego, NY, photographed this beautiful bluejay feeding on corn. The photo received Honorable Mention in the 1988-89 *Gleaner* Cover Photo Contest.



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BRONX, NY—It looked like a block party: Decatur Ave. between 193rd and 194th streets blocked off. Chairs for church members, community residents, and friends were provided. And then—at approximately 4:00 p.m. on a beautiful sunny Sabbath—the baptismal service began for six persons. More than 200 persons attended the unique gathering, including members from Pentecostal, Catholic, Jewish and Jehovah Witness congregations. Though the meeting was conducted in Spanish, some Korean residents attended.

Pastor Abel Rosario of University Hispanic church and Fordham Hispanic Company led out in the service which was conducted outside the building where the company has been meeting. Elder D. Robert Kennedy, Conference Personal Ministries director, was the featured speaker.

Emanuel Rivera, a seven-year-old boy, preached and made an altar call to which nearly 70 persons responded. Among them was a Catholic priest who gave his testimony, saying that he had “never felt God in his heart as he did that evening.”



HARRY REED

ATTICA, NY—In Nov. 1987 four inmates of the Attica Correctional Facility requested Bible Study classes. After calling for volunteers to help with the studies, the first monthly class began Feb. 20, 1988. Three inmates attended the first class because of transfers, releases, etc. For one inmate this was his first Bible study, one was an ex-SDA, and the third had received a master's degree in theology from the penal system. The classes grew. Pictured is the first group of volunteers from the western NY area churches to conduct the Bible studies. (L. to R.) Rich Davidson, Genesee Park church, Rochester; Kathleen Whitmyer, Batavia church; Pat Fisher, Genesee Park church; Marjorie Gilhooly, Batavia church; Ruby Graves, Emmanuel Temple church, Buffalo; and Pastor Daniel Freedman, South Buffalo church.

SHARE



MASSACHUSETTS—Clarence Grindall was baptized by Pastor Edward Pettit in the Framingham church. Mr. Grindall's testimony was, “I had many hours of Bible study with Mike Coppolla and then more with Pastor Pettit. I came to believe the Advent message and at the age of 71 years I made my decision to be baptized into the church.”

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MANHATTAN CHURCH, NY—“This baptism belongs to you,” Pastor Gerald Mattenson (center

told his congregation as he stood next to Josephine Smith (left). “Your love has won this lady to Jesus.” Josephine came to the Manhattan church when a Voice of Prophecy correspondence course led her to meet members Herb and Nora Poholka at their Revelation Seminar at Living Springs Restaurant. “Now when people ask me where to find love,” exults Josephine, “I give them the address of my church!”

“Some people are like redwoods,” the pastor continued, speaking of Goldine Rayner (right). “A redwood takes a long time to grow, but it becomes a strong and special tree.” Goldine attended Manhattan church for 14 years prior to her baptism. “In my heart, I always considered myself an Adventist,” she says.

Josephine is active musically and as a deaconess and Goldine is AY leader in the church.

The North American Division president comments on Harvest 90 generally and in the Atlantic Union in particular, public evangelism, work of ministers and laity, and counsel for the Atlantic Union.

Charles Bradford Discusses Harvest 90

BY TED T. JONES II

Q. Jones: As President of the North American Division, how do you feel about Harvest 90 in our great land?

A. Bradford: I am never satisfied with our soul-winning record. We could always do better, we could always do more. At the same time, we must be thankful for even small blessings and not fail to recognize what God is doing in our midst. While I do have mixed emotions about Harvest 90 in North America, I am positive. People are thinking more about evangelism these days, church growth, outreach ministries. I do not want to be too colloquial but I am bullish about the North American Division and Adventism on this great continent.

Q. Do you view Harvest 90 as just another program to get the church off dead center?

A. No. Harvest 90 is not just another program. Harvest 90 is the attempt of church leadership to involve us all

in mission and ministry. Please notice, Harvest 90 begins with renewal, personal growth. It talks about increasing baptisms and doubling the number of people attending and participating in church activities on Sabbath. Finally, Harvest 90 envisions the church as a training center equipping and involving a majority of attending church members in soul-winning activities in the context of the caring church strategy.

Q. In our present world of technology, gadgets, and inventions, all of which occupy people's minds, how can we get their attention to share Christ and His last-day message?

A. We have adopted a strategy in North America, an overarching approach to church growth and evangelism. We are suggesting that our ministry is relational—people to people. Christ called His church the salt of the earth. Salt must be brought into direct contact with the substance that it would flavor and affect. Seventh-day Adventists must make friends with friends, neighbors, acquaintances, schoolmates, all kinds of people everywhere. You will remember what Ellen White said, "Christ's method alone can bring true success. He mingled with the people as One who sought to do them good." As the song says, "We must reach out and touch somebody's hand and make the world a better place if you can."



Q. What about public evangelism, is it dead or simply unused by so many? In what areas of our division is it working?

A. Public evangelism will never be dead. Public evangelism is a culmination of all kinds of contacts and ministries going forward. Ellen White saw two churches in vision that she called "beehive churches." Many years later, she did visit one of these churches and exclaimed, "The Lord's word has come true!" and she began to enumerate the activities that were going forward in this church. This is recorded in *Welfare Ministry*, p. 112. Some of the activities she enumerated are: visiting the sick and destitute, teaching truth from house to house, distributing literature, and conducting classes on healthful living. Then the servant of the Lord suggests that it all culminates in public evangelism—throwing out the net.

You are asking in what areas of our division is public evangelism working. Well, it is working well for Hispanics and Black Americans. But I must hasten to say, these are the people who are "into it." I have the conviction that where the soil is properly prepared, where the members are totally involved, where we have kept in touch with the community and ministered to their needs, public evangelism is always a winner, whether among so-called Anglos or ethnic populations.

Charles E. Bradford is an elder statesman of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. He has served for more than 42 years as a pastor, departmental secretary, conference president, and associate secretary of the General Conference. He is president of the North American Division—a position he has filled for ten years.

Q. How is North America doing with the "Doables"?

A. Well you know the doables are things that we can do. No matter how small—actions, steps taken, getting off dead center. Some psychologists say we act our way into thinking rather than think our way into action. We must do something, do it with all our might, do it now, not wait. The action will have a tremendous effect on the thinking. Doables are those little steps that we can take without large budgets or tremendous outlays of personnel and material. A doable is any and everything from a cup of cold water in Christ's name to a city-wide evangelistic crusade. What we are really talking about is involvement in ministry. I suspect that there are thousands upon thousands of Seventh-day Adventists who are involved in practical ministry from week to week.

Q. Do you have any suggestions on how ministers and laity can be brought together as a real working force?

A. As I read the Spirit of Prophecy and church growth literature, two great principles seem to stand out. One is small companies and the other is assignment. Everyone added to the ranks is to be assigned a post of duty. If we had small fellowship groups that prayed and studied and planned together, the community of faith would have greater staying power. If pastors and church officers would look at the church and its membership as a fellowship of gifted persons who have talents and abilities that God has given them to use in building up the fellowship, we shall see a spirit of unity and mission such as we have not seen before. Pastors and church officers must be bold to discover the spiritual gifts of each member and then to assign those persons, to challenge them to accept responsibility. In one instance Ellen White says that the health and spirituality of the church is precisely what the ministers make it. We must erase the dichotomy and close the gap between ministry and laity. We

are all one and every layman is as responsible for ministry as the pastor.

Q. What do you think is the main lack of the church today?

A. Of course, it is the Holy Spirit who brings all other blessings in His train. This lack of the Spirit's power in our midst is seen in the uninvolved of many members in ministry. Spiritual unemployment plagues us. But it need not, because God's church is an equal opportunity employer. This lack is the same as it was in Jesus' day when He said, "The harvest is great but the laborers are few." Our prayer should be that the Lord of harvest will send forth laborers into His vineyard. The recruiting and involving of church members in ministry is our greatest challenge.



Q. Would Harvest 90 be benefited by a day of Prayer and Fasting for all our churches in this year—1989?

A. Certainly. Yes! I would suggest that every church have a day of prayer at the beginning of the year. We must also plan and dream together about what God would have us to do to fulfil our responsibility. I would like to commend the Atlantic Union for its involvement in spiritual renewal at the beginning of this present year. I am sure your Bible Reading and Prayer Emphasis was a blessing to many. It needs to be repeated throughout the North American Division.

Q. What good things do you anticipate at the General Conference Session in 1990?

A. Well, first of all, we will have a tremendous increase in membership to report. Some divisions are experiencing a veritable evangelistic explosion. The African continent alone will have a membership of about two million in 1990. Some of our overseas countries have seen the greatest influx of souls since Pentecost. I visited with a young evangelist in Africa who had more than 4,000 baptisms in a single crusade. We will hear all of these good things at the General Conference Session in 1990. And you are going to hear some good things from and about North America also!

Q. Do you have any final counsel for the Atlantic Union Conference for this challenging year as we work hard to see the fulfillment of Ellen White's statement . . . "The Lord bids us proclaim the message once more with POWER in the East"? (Testimonies, vol. 9, p. 99)

A. First of all, I would say to the good members of the Atlantic Union, never give up; *keep at it. Do not become weary in well doing.* Ellen White says that we are not only to strike when the iron is hot, but also to make the iron hot by striking. The Lord has placed some wonderful soul-winning tools in our hands. He has given us insights and understandings about how to reach people. We have a multitude of programs that minister to people's needs. *The whole church needs to get into this ministry.* In fact, the servant of the Lord says we shall not have an outpouring of the Holy Spirit in our midst until the majority of our members are soulwinners. Fifty-one percent begins a majority. When we have the same consecration and commitment to God's work, the same intrepid spirit as the pioneers, *the message will return with POWER to the East!* Courage in the Lord, brethren and sisters. He has given His word and it will not return unto Him void.

Bright Future

Is there any appreciation more total than that which a person feels toward an individual who has helped him or her make a decision for Christ? Of that time, Ellen G. White writes:

“You will see the King in His beauty. And those whom you have helped heavenward will meet you there. They will throw their arms about you and acknowledge what you have done for them. ‘You watched over me,’ they will say; ‘you prayed for me; you helped me to gain heaven’ ”. . . *(In Heavenly Places, p. 280).*

May I invite you to use your imagination as we try to visualize a possible scene of the future?

It is a Thursday morning in the New Jerusalem. As you are talking with another member of your family at the Tree of Life, Jesus approaches. The three of you visit for a few minutes. Then, as He prepares to leave for an appointment, He asks, “How would both of you like to go on a trip with me this weekend?”

“We’d love it!” you both exclaim.

“There’s a large world in a distant galaxy that I haven’t visited for several thousand years,” He explains. “I’d like to spend this coming Sabbath with the people there. I have already invited several others, including Dave and Anita, the couple who were baptized largely as a result of your friendship with them.

“They are so glad you cared and that you helped them with food and friendship when they were having many financial problems. I know

that their testimony will bring joy to the people we are going to visit.”

The planet at which you arrive at midafternoon is the largest you have visited. There are, literally, billions of people to welcome you. You obviously can’t talk personally with each of them, but you meet dozens. And you have developed such a retentive memory that you remember each face and name.

Those whom you have helped will throw their arms about you and acknowledge what you have done for them.

In fact, you are able to retain forever in your memory the details of each conversation. This well-developed skill makes it possible for you to make and remember dozens and, sometimes, hundreds of new friends on every trip.

The Friday evening service thrills you. As far as you can see, there are people. And your vision is so good that you can clearly see a hundred miles in every direction. Jesus asks you to lead the 20-minute song service. It’s the largest congregational festival of praise you have heard yet. You won’t ever forget the joy of directing those melodious voices.

Then, Jesus speaks for nearly an hour. You and everyone in the audience are so fascinated that you wish He would speak longer. But He wants others to talk, too.

A male quartet from your group sings followed by a women’s sextet. Jesus then introduces each of you, and you individually share a personal testimony about what Christ did for you when you were on Earth battling with sin.

The most unforgettable part, for you, is Dave and Anita’s testimony. They briefly tell what life had been like for them before they became Christians—their struggles with poverty, life’s lack of meaning.

Then, they share how you and other members of your family had developed a friendship with them—a friendship that included giving material help and that eventually influenced them to study the Bible with you. They tell about their decision to be baptized and about the encouragement your family gave them before and after their baptism.

As they finish, Jesus embraces them both. They cling to Him in adoration and love. Then, Anita steps over to you and throws her arms about you, and Dave does likewise. “Thank you again,” they tell you, “for helping us to be here.”

All who have testified then sing a part of Psalm 148.

As you sing, you glance at Jesus. He smiles, and tears of joy flow from His eyes. He’s so thankful that you and the others are there that His cup of joy overflows.

So does yours!

“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth. . . But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven” (Matthew 6:19, 20).*

“Let it be considered that every dollar may represent a soul, for someone might be brought to a knowledge of the truth through the use of that dollar in the missionary work” (*Testimonies to Ministers, p. 179*).

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CHURCH IN ACTION

Atlantic Union College

Trustees Accept AUC Strategic Plan

At the annual November meeting of AUC's board of trustees, the board accepted the market-based strategic plan presented by college administration. The board authorized immediate implementation. The plan grew out of extensive research endorsed by the board at its meeting last year.

"With the positive cooperation and support of faculty and trustees at every stage," said college President Larry Geraty, "exciting days at AUC are sure to continue as a result of the formal adoption of the plan. We are also grateful to constituents throughout the union who have been

so helpful in envisioning the kind of college we want AUC to be."

The plan includes new resources for five departments with high potential for growth—the Adult Degree Program, business administration, education, mathematics and computer science, and nursing—plus new or improved facilities for the cafeteria, the student lounge, and student housing. The strategic plan confirmed the appropriateness of the college's liberal arts program and outlined specific actions such as general studies revision, a strengthened Honors Core program, and improved faculty recruitment. ★

Benson Joins Nursing Faculty

Exuberant, outspoken and recently imported from California, Lucy Benson, instructor for the Associate and Bachelor degree nursing programs, ignites fun and laughter in her classes. Aside from teaching in nursing, she is also actively involved with the Pathfinders, the Nursing Department Student Affairs Committee, the Learning Resources, the Nursing Curriculum Committee, and the Friday Night Vespers.

Although snow and red and yellow leaves are not a familiar commodity in California, Lucy hastens to say, "I really enjoy the autumn here. The leaves are lovely! . . . One thing I hate is driving in the snow but I will learn. This is all so new to me."

Lucy's Master of Science as Family Nurse Practitioner prompted her decision to teach. After finishing her degree at Sonoma State University in California, she launched her first adventure as a teacher here, in favor of nine other institutions. The location near her kin in Maine, she stresses, also drew her to AUC.

At PUC, she completed her undergraduate nursing in only three

years, doing summer school to shorten the four-year BSN degree.

Lucy would like to get to know more students and participate in more social activities and the S.A., where she can use her talent as an effective organizer. While at AUC, she expects to see the BSN accredited (which became reality on October 17), and the classes continue to expand in size and quality. She hopes to continue teaching a variety of courses.

She is planning her Doctorate in Boston or New York, where, in her



Lucille Benson

January News Notes

•Prospective teachers graduating from AUC can expect wider recognition of their credentials due to the positive report given by the accrediting team for education, on campus November 14 and 15. Elementary education 1-6, English and history 9-12, music K-9 and 5-12, and physical education 5-12 all received immediate accreditation. Business education is also expected to be approved.

The hard work of education department chair, Dr. Larry Lewis, and all of the other departments involved will guarantee that their graduates will not only be certified to teach in Massachusetts but in most other states as well upon application.

•Church members in Presque Isle, Maine, welcomed AUC's varsity basketball team the weekend of November 11 to 13. In town for a tournament, the team presented both Sabbath school and church at Presque Isle, the Atlantic Union's northernmost church. "I hope they can make this an annual event," said church member Doris Lamont. Many people of all ages turned out Saturday night and Sunday to support the team at the games.

On the road again the following weekend, the basketball team gave the Sabbath school program at the Albany, New York, church. Team members see themselves as ambassadors—to the churches for AUC and to other colleges for the Christian way of life. ★

opinion, access to a good education is easy.

For Christmas, home was Lucy's destination. Back to PUC, her parents residence (both her parents graduated from AUC in the 50's).

Grace Foo
Special Contributor

Mary Norcliffe, Publicity Coordinator

Where Are AUC's Student Missionaries?

Coming from Bermuda, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and New York, AUC's 14 student missionaries are as diverse in talent and work assignments as in background. They all like to receive mail from home. Readers of the *Gleaner* may write to:

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Biology major Doreen Spence
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Gina Gilbert (center) poses with students at summer camp in Japan.

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Four Young Persons Baptized in Hungarian Congregation

The Hungarian church, which meets at 12 West 40th Street in Manhattan, baptized four of its young persons. Because the New York church has no baptismal tank, the service was held in the New Jersey Hungarian church. At the end of the ceremony, each one received books by Ellen White and flowers.

The sermon was given by Elder Robert W. Bogges, president of the New Jersey Conference. A fellowship dinner was served by the Dorcas societies of the two churches.

A book written in Hungarian by Elder Petrik, "On the Path of Truth," is now available. The book explores the doctrines of the Adventist Church in an informal, storylike form: struggles and victories of the Christian life, its goal and how to reach it. It contains a collection of radio speeches and articles that have appeared in a Hungarian secular newspaper (*Nepszava*), and much more. The book is the first to be



The young people baptized are standing with Elder Petrik (center) who officiated at the service and is pastor of both the New York and the New Jersey Hungarian churches. (L. to R.) Lisa Dumitrescu, Edith Tamas, Allen Dumitrescu, and Benjamin Suto, all of whom are from Adventist homes.

written by an immigrated Hungarian in America. It was printed in Bekescsaba, Hungary, to conserve funds and to help build a better rela-

tionship with socialist Hungary. Cost for the book is \$8.75 ppd. To order, contact Pastor Petrik, (212) 840-2534 on Tuesdays. ★

36 Graduates of French Bible Course Honored

A Sunday afternoon service marked the first granting of diplomas for a French Bible correspondence course, an outreach of French Haitian churches in the Conference. Shown are some of the 36 persons who were first to complete the course; 217 students have enrolled in the studies to date. Director of the Bible school is Elder Naasson Prosper, Conference coordinator of the French Haitian work in Greater New York.

The Bible course got underway at the beginning of 1988 with a classified ad in the *Haiti Observer*, a metropolitan newspaper. The 2 3/8" by 4" ad continues to run each week, attracting additional students by inviting readers to understand the frightening events in the news by turning to the Bible. ★



Jackson Heights "Friend Day" Draws 70

Following five months of planning, the Jackson Heights Sabbath school hosted "Friend Day" on October 8.

Superintendent Rosely Octaviano asked members to invite friends and relatives for this special event. The personal invitation was followed up by a printed one mailed from the Sabbath school. All information for the outreach carried a distinctive logo received from the Conference Sabbath School Department which showed two hands grasping each other in friendship beneath a church steeple, and the words "Friend Day."

On the big day, each of the approximately 70 visitors was given a red name tag; members sported green tags. Guests were given friendship packets containing the special *Adventist Review* issue on Adventist beliefs and a copy of either *Happiness Homemade* or *Happiness Digest*.

Elder Merlin Kretschmar, Greater New York Conference president, opened Sabbath school with a warm welcome. Elder D. Robert Kennedy, Conference Sabbath School director, helped greet visitors. Pastor Phil Johnson's sermon during Divine worship presented Jesus Christ as "Your Best Friend" and closed with an appeal to his listeners to accept Jesus as their personal friend. Five visitors went forward in response.

The day closed with most of the guests remaining for a fellowship meal. Several people indicated a desire to know more about the Adventist Church, and one requested Bible studies.

The Lord richly blessed "Friend Day" at Jackson Heights, both for the friends who came and for the friends who reached out to them.

Patricia Tagle Maurin
Communication Secretary

General Conference President Visits New York

During a brief visit to New York November 10, Elder Neal Wilson, president of the General Conference, spoke at worship for Greater New York workers and pastors, visited the Fort Washington Hispanic church in Manhattan and the Van and Information centers. At the latter, he participated with pupils from the Jackson Heights and Bronx-Manhattan Adventist schools in a Bible-writing project commemorating National Bible Week.

Each year, for the past three years, the Van Program has participated in Bible Week by supplying the first study guide of the Power to Cope Bible promises series on stress control for inclusion in the Bible Week packet that is mailed out to approximately 7,000 church and government leaders across the U.S.



Shown with Elder Wilson is Claribel Fernandez, a sixth-grade pupil at Jackson Heights school; Naomi Sica, Center manager, is in the background. The handwritten collections of favorite Bible promises will be bound and given to a local shelter or nursing home. ★

Tent Crusades Yield "Centurion" Increases in North Bronx



For the past three years, tent crusades conducted by Elder Roy A. Gordon (right) have been the major evangelistic outreach leading to more than 300 persons being added to the North Bronx district. The Philadelphia Company, a congregation of 120 members, was raised up during that period, and continues to enjoy growth.

Elder Gordon, a commercial fisherman turned pastor-evangelist, was recently appointed pastor of the Grand Concourse. ★

New Pastor at North Bronx Church

On October 1, Elder G. Earl Knight became the new pastor of the North Bronx church. Pastor Knight came to New York from Toronto, where he pastored for four years. While in Canada, he was the speaker on a television program called "Hope for Today." His previous ministry was in his native Jamaica. He and his wife Yvonne are parents of two children: Anthea, age 6, and Michael, age 2. ★



New School in West Bangor

"Good news! Good news! Church School Begins this Fall!" This was the heading of a newsletter put out by the West Bangor, New York, SDA Church in March 1988.

Now, as you know, behind such an exciting headline is a great deal of hard work. The fellowship room was slowly turned into a classroom. Blackboards were installed. Desks were moved in. A corner library was made from apple crates! A piano was donated!

And a teacher was found! How wonderfully the Lord works!! He clear hurdles as we are willing to run the race.

Though West Bangor is a very small church in the Adirondack Mountains of upstate New York, it has an impressive pioneer history. The Adventist group in that area started in 1861 when a covenant was made: "We, the undersigned, hereby associate ourselves together as a

church, taking the name of Seventh-day Adventist, covenanting to keep the Commandments of God and the faith of Jesus Christ."

God blessed that small congregation then and has continually done so through the years.

West Bangor people believe the day or miracles is still with them. They feel their church school is proof positive. ★



West Bangor Seventh-day Adventist Christian school (L. to R.): Timothy Hullquist, school board chairman; Phyllis Harris, treasurer; Jean Prest, Education Director New York Conference; Lennie and Glenn LeBrun, teachers; and Herbert Coe, Pastor.



The library made from apple crates.

Reaping the Results

Union Springs Academy is one of the many academies participating in a General Conference sponsored program involving alumni. The Philanthropic Services for Institutions department sets donor goals and dollar goals for the academy. If these goals are met, matching funds are given by the General Conference. The matching funds are provided by Seventh-day Adventist businessmen who believe in Christian education.

The checks presented are the challenge grant check and a bonus check. Part of the program is to have class agents contact members of their class and request their participation. USA received a bonus for the work



The trophy awarded to Gerald Harris who placed second of all participating academies in the challenge program.

of two of their class agents. The senior class of '88 had 100 percent participation and the school received a \$500 bonus. The classes of '37 and '38 represented by class agent Gerald Harris of Mountain Home, North Carolina, received a bonus of \$2,000. Mr. Harris placed second of all the academies participating in the program.

Last year's campaign brought \$23,564 additional moneys to the academy which were used to the benefit of students of the academy. The money is being used in various

departments of the school. Some has been used for academic scholarships, some for capital improvements on campus and some for updating equipment in various departments.

Last year the academy was asked to have 250 individuals give \$13,750 and we had 285 donors who gave \$14,164. The 1988-89 campaign is underway and the new goals are to have 345 alumni give \$16,300 by July 1, 1989. Donations must be between \$10 and \$1,000. As of November 1, 29 donors have given \$3,647. Support your Alma Mater! And thanks to all alumni who have supported USA! ★



Elder F. Lee Thompson (right), President of the New York Conference, presenting two checks to John Thomas (left), Principal, and Ruth Satelmajer, Coordinator of the Alumni Advancement program.

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Arcade Company Organized

Sabbath evening, October 22, 1988, was a very special occasion for the people at Arcade, New York. Fifteen people had gathered to organize into a company to bear witness in that community.

Elder Lee Thompson met with Pastor Mark Komula and his con-

gregation. A leader, John Ventura, was chosen and Russell Wilbur was appointed treasurer. Weekly meetings will be held on Sabbath at 3:00 p.m. in the United Methodist Church, corner of Main and Carl Streets, Arcade, New York. ★



Mrs. Jeannette Wilbur signing the charter membership list.



Pastor Mark Komula (center) with Russell Wilbur (left), treasurer, and John Ventura, leader.



The Arcade Company on organization day.

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Lord Blesses Berkshire Hills Breathe Free Seminar

Jennifer Young's enthusiasm and exuberance set the stage for her stop-smoking program last fall. She remembers her own battle with nicotine and her heart pleads with her Saviour for victory for each of the 17 anxious smokers enrolled.

A very capable team, from the warm friendly receptionists to the medical and other personnel, and banquet helpers heartily encouraged each participant during each phase of the program. Twelve persons completed the stop-smoking program and graduated.

Jennifer invited three of the graduates to her home for Sabbath dinner after the church service. One precious soul pleaded, "Take me to Jesus all the way." She is now attending church and taking Bible studies.



Jennifer Young encouraging graduates to "stick with it."

Another lady graduate's testimony was, "You certainly take care of the complete person. This is a well-rounded church." It is well-rounded in Jesus.

The Berkshire Hills church solicits the prayers of fellow believers for their next Breathe Free program scheduled to start January 2.

Gail Sterner
Communication Secretary

Friend of God and Children Dies

Constance J. (Becker) Ela, 45, of 227 Paxton Rd., Spencer, Massachusetts died October 24, 1988, after a short illness at Worcester Hahnemann Hospital.



Mrs. Ela, Connie to her friends, was deeply involved with her local Worcester Seventh-day Adventist church, Southern New England Camp Meeting Kindergarten, and Sabbath school and Vacation Bible School workshops.

Connie had a great love for God and His children. During camp

meeting when Connie walked around the grounds, children would call out, "Hi, teacher," or in a stage whisper to their parents say, "That's MY teacher." Primary- and Junior-age children would return to Kindergarten to give a hug and a hello to their friend and teacher.

Leaders and teachers benefited from her storytelling expertise. At a workshop in New Haven, one teacher fell from her chair because she had become so involved with the lesson that Connie was teaching.

She leaves her husband Roger B. Ela; three sons Roger Ela of Clinton, Richard and Eric Ela, both of Spencer; two daughters Janet Ela of Charlton and Jessica Ela of Spencer; her parents Harold and Velma (Wilson) Becker of Grand Junction, Colorado; and two brothers Duane Becker of Littleton, Colorado, and David Becker of Denver, Colorado.

SNEC Better Living Booth at "Big E"



MARY DAVIS

Each September the Southern New England Conference Temperance Department sponsors a Better Living booth at the Eastern States Exposition in West Springfield, Massachusetts.

Under the theme of a Drug-Free New England, this year's emphasis was on alcohol prevention.

Approximately 70 people, including academy and college students, assisted by staffing the booth during the twelve-day fair.

Robert H. Farley, *Temp. Dir.*

Brooklawn Church Assists Laotian Family to Resettle

When the Brooklawn church received a call last summer from the General Conference indicating that a Seventh-day Adventist Laotian family who had relatives in Bridgeport, Connecticut, were looking for resettlement, members went into action. As a result, Mr. and Mrs. Pathippanith and their young son arrived in Bridgeport and were officially welcomed by Board Members at the church. Church member John Krafchik made it his special mission to assist the Laotian family, transporting them around the city for various needs and helping them to settle into their new home. The Brooklawn church arranged lodging, food for the first few weeks, furniture, and money to pay the rent and utilities for the first three months.

Like most refugees in this program, the Pathippaniths were living in a refugee camp in Thailand in very difficult circumstances. There are presently some 12 million refugees in the world. Because of warfare, political, ethnic or religious persecution or other reasons, they are afraid



Elder Eric Doran (right), pastor of the Brooklawn Seventh-day Adventist Church, with John Krafchik (left) and the Pathippanith family.

to return to the homes they once knew. Brooklawn is making it their mission to do what they can for these people who have been dispossessed by their own countries.

Although the Pathippaniths do not yet understand the English language very well, they are faithfully attending church each week. On October 24, Mrs. Pathippanith gave birth to a baby girl. The Brooklawn church rejoices over this new tiny church member and prays that her life will be free of the persecution her family has known. ★

Pathfinders and Indians

More than 400 Pathfinders from clubs throughout the Southern New England Conference attended the September 30 to October 2 Fall Camporee at the Shady Pines Campground in Savoy, Massachusetts.

The theme for the weekend was Indians. Guest speakers included: Helen Mead, Lorene Beaulieu, Mario Ceballos, Stanley Steiner and D.J. McBride ("White Thunder").

Robert H. Farley
Pathfinder Director



MARY DAVIS

SLA Scores Again!

South Lancaster Academy's school newspaper, the *Pioneer*, placed second in Columbia Scholastic Press Association's annual competition, earning 825 points out of a possible 1000. Feature coverage, writing and editing received the highest marks but the judges were also impressed by the "well thought-out" editorials and the "good action sports writing."

In the closing statement of the critique, the judges wrote, "The SLA *Pioneer* is quite impressive—especially for a school of 106 high



1987-88 Pioneer staff. (Front Row, L. to R.): Michelle Williams, Lance Harris, Editor-in-chief Jeffrey Brand, Phillip Bruso, Heidi Alfke. (Back Row, L. to R.): Joanne Figueiredo, Tom Bloom, Mike Free, Advisor Rondi Aastrup.

school students. Your staff and advisor are to be congratulated for their

success in producing a paper of this size and this frequently!" ★

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Reaching Common Goals

There's some irony in meetings these days among healthcare leaders and church officials.

The hospital presidents are spending a significant amount of time talking about mission. And the Church leaders take an equal amount of time discussing profitability.

What's happening is simply this: The healthcare system and Church are working more closely together than ever. Union and Conference Church leadership has come up to speed on healthcare issues. And hospital administrators are finding ways that they can extend the mission outreach of their facilities.

Those in healthcare have reached across to the Church, and the Church has been quick to respond. Union leadership is tied more closely to the healthcare system than ever before.

Adventist Health System board membership at the hospital, divisional and national level reflect more

Church participation than ever before. Those at the Union level who head Adventist Health System boards can attest to the time required in helping to direct and guide the Church's healthcare work.

These activities easily account for 30 percent or more of the board chairman's time. Clearly, these positions are not merely figureheads. These are really roll-up-your-sleeves-and-get-to-work boards.

Above all, these boards hope to set a standard, a "corporate culture," that identifies what the organization is trying to accomplish.

Controlling finances, monitoring top management and approving new directions for the organization all come from divisional and hospital boards.

Our hospitals are blessed with highly qualified, hardworking, dedicated presidents. They need us at their side for support, not looking over their shoulder offering a second

opinion. So, obviously, boards don't meddle in the day-to-day management of hospitals themselves.

These boards—local, divisional and national—will continue to set the direction of Adventist Health System. The System, after all, is still an organization that is evolving and changing. Its national organizational structure has recently changed from five divisions to just four.

But it is now at a point of unparalleled cooperation among church, community and hospital leadership. That's reflected in the make-up of boards, the attitudes of those within the church and the hospitals themselves.

No matter what organizational changes happen, this sharing of opportunities among the community, the church and its hospitals can only help the system grow stronger.

Ron M. Wisbey, *President
Columbia Union Conference
Chairman, Board of Directors AHS/
North, Eastern, Middle America*

Two New Appointees at NEMH

Gloria A. Ceballos is the hospital's new vice president for patient services. She is a skilled, experienced and congenial manager to whom everyone can look for leadership and friendship.

John E. Parrish was recently named to the newly created position of vice president for development, responsible for fundraising and for overseeing the public relations and volunteers departments and the hospital auxiliary.

His previous positions in charge of fundraising were at Kettering Medical Center in Dayton, Ohio,

1968-73 and Porter Memorial Hospital in Denver, Colorado, 1973-1980, then executive director and trustee of the Porter Memorial Hospital Foundation since then. Previous to either position he directed public information at Loma Linda University in California.

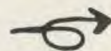
He and his wife Marjorie have four children: Rebecca, 20, a junior at Southwestern Adventist College, and James, 17, who is a senior at Greater Boston Academy; a married daughter, Jonna McFarland living in Texas and a son Andrew who resides in California. ★

Playing it Safe— Donating Blood for Yourself

Caution is the reason behind a new service offered by the NEMH Blood Bank.

Patients who are scheduled for elective surgery can choose, with their physician's approval, to donate several units of their own blood for use during the surgical procedure. Known as autologous blood donation, it eliminates the risk of contracting blood-borne diseases.

"NEMH is offering this service to help patients concerned about the risks associated with transfusions,"



said George Vandulek, laboratory director. "Autologous donation is available to those who are cautious and don't want to receive unknown blood. This is the safest method for receiving blood during an operation."

"Your own blood is always the best if you have a choice," said Millie Caggiano, M.T. (ADCP), blood bank supervisor. "The risk of disease transmission in community-donated blood is extremely low, but it is there, so autologous donation allows you to avoid the risk."

Patients can stockpile up to four units of blood, which can be saved

for a maximum period of five weeks. Caggiano says it is best to donate no sooner than three and one-half weeks before surgery, allowing some extra time in the event that the surgical procedure is postponed. The blood is kept until it becomes outdated and is never given to anyone other than the donor.

The service was first offered in January 1988, with usage increasing. Caggiano says the blood bank has been performing about one autologous donation per week. Blood is drawn Monday through Friday from

9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Physicians must authorize the procedure and submit the appropriate form to the blood bank before patients can donate blood for themselves; patients should not contact the blood bank without this authorization.

Vandulek and Caggiano both said they expect the number of autologous blood donations to increase in the future.

"We received many phone calls from patients who wanted this service, and we are responding to their requests," said Vandulek. ★

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Latter Rain Seminar Unites Brooklawn, Calvary Churches

Dr. George Rice, Associate Secretary of the Ellen G. White Estate, presented a weekend seminar in Bridgeport, Connecticut, on the Latter Rain. The seminar drew together members of the Brooklawn and Calvary churches in joint services.

The Friday evening service, presented at the Brooklawn church, impressed believers with the sense of urgency that we are living in the last days of earth's history. It was a blessing to see so many members from the two churches fellowshiping together.

On Sabbath morning, when members from the two churches met together in Calvary church, Dr. Rice outlined seven steps that must be taken to receive the outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

Please pray that the Lord will bless the believers in the Bridgeport area as we prepare ourselves for the outpouring of His Spirit. ★

A new beginning for health care professionals

A full complement of medical personnel are needed immediately to staff the O.R., E.R. and other support services opening at the new 50-bed acute care Lake Placid Medical Center. The hospital is nestled in a vibrant central Florida town encompassed by lakes and orange groves, with major cities and attractions nearby. A thriving Adventist community supports several S.D.A. Churches and a 10-grade school.

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On Sunday morning, September 25, the young men of Capman Hall were awakened by the sound of a table saw at seven o'clock. Believe it or not, they did not object to the noise even though Sunday morning is their opportunity to sleep in.

This was because Mr. Lee Jones of Richmond, Vermont, had come to Union Springs Academy with his truck, tools and technical skill to work on the window sills and trim. For four days Mr. Jones gave of his time and talent so the young men could have a better place in which to live.

Unselfish Love



Mr. Jones with his table saw working on the window sills and trim at Capman Hall.

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Did You Know?

Artwork created by three pupils in church schools in the Atlantic Union has been selected to appear on the Harvest 90 Education Project Heritage Wall Calendar, reports Esther Ramharacksingh, director of the project. Each pupil received \$100 for the poster picture and a certificate through the conference office of education. Raymond Lee's picture—Hiram Edson's Vision in Cornfield—will highlight the month of October 1989, Ellen Kim's picture—James and Ellen at Table—the month of February 1989, and Lee Jones's picture—Battle Creek Meeting House—November 1989. Raymond and Ellen are pupils in Pearl River SDA School, NY, and Lee Jones, Union Springs Academy, NY.

Five institutions in the Atlantic Union have raised more than \$1.1M since 1980, on their way to qualifying for \$263,540 in challenge grants distributed through the General Conference. They are Atlantic Union College, Greater Boston Academy, Greater New York Academy, New England Memorial Hospital, and Union Springs Academy.

Overall, Adventist hospitals, colleges, universities and academies in NA have received \$4.15M in challenge grants during the nine years. Of the challenge moneys, Adventist business men and women contributed \$2.6M, the General and Union conferences supplied about \$1M, and Adventist Health System/US gave \$500,000.



For surpassing goals in the Business Executives' Challenge to Alumni, AUC received an \$18,000 check presented by John and Donna McKellip (right) major donors to the incentive program. President Larry Geraty (second from left) and Fred Perry, director of development accepted the check. The college qualified for the grant by raising \$130,996 from 1,627 alumni (35%) in 1987-88. The award was part of the \$248,800 distributed that pushed the total challenges paid to Adventist institutions to \$4.15M.

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

	Feb. 3	Feb. 10	Feb. 17	Feb. 24
Bangor, ME	4:45	4:55	5:05	5:14
Portland, ME	4:54	5:03	5:13	5:22
Boston, MA	5:00	5:09	5:18	5:27
So. Lancaster, MA	5:02	5:11	5:20	5:29
Pittsfield, MA	5:08	5:18	5:27	5:35
Hartford, CT	5:08	5:16	5:25	5:34
New York, NY	5:15	5:24	5:32	5:40
Utica, NY	5:19	5:28	5:37	5:46
Syracuse, NY	5:24	5:34	5:43	5:52
Rochester, NY	5:30	5:39	5:48	5:57
Buffalo, NY	5:32	5:41	5:50	5:59
Hamilton, Bda.			6:05	6:11

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

Update

Elder David Block, pastor of the Hartford, CT, Spanish District, baptized 13 persons during the month of October.

As of late November, Marina Ladiny, a member of the Gethemane Haitian church has raised \$2,000 Ingathering funds. She spent one hour per day over a four-week period soliciting the donations on the subway.

Elder J. L. Dittberner from Yucaipa, CA, writes: "Dear Doctor Geraty: As a former chairman of your board, I want to express appreciation for your Ten Commandments as outlined in the Nov. 3 Atlantic Union *Gleaner*. It's good to know that you and the college are setting some guidelines for Christian living on the campus, which should be meaningful to all of us."

Following a Revelation Seminar series at New Bedford, MA, Spanish church, Elder Gerardo Brito awarded 21 certificates of completion, baptized nine persons, and made a call for baptism at a future time to which 12 persons came forward out of the 100 present.

Video Program

Second in the Foundations of Faith video series produced by the North American Division of SDA Church Ministries, entitled "Time Out," now available. The program conveys the beauty of the seventh day in God's creation week to secular and religious audiences—retreating from the stress of daily living. People's lives are very busy and they want to know how religion will provide them some relief from stress.

Radio/TV News

"Empires in Collision," a new eight-part TV series based on Adventism's Great Controversy theme, will air nationwide beginning Jan. 22. The It Is Written TV production explores the centuries-long clash between God's kingdom and Lucifer's alien government on Planet Earth. The program will be broadcast nationwide on IIW network of stations and also on major cable systems across the country. The weekly schedule follows:

- Jan. 22— "One World—Two Empires"
- 29— "The Steep Stairs to God"
- 5— "War Over the Word"
- 12— "The Demons' Domain"
- Feb. 19— "Back to the Garden"
- 26— "The Lamb that Roars"
- Mar. 5— "My Children, My Blood"
- 12— "Who Owns the Future?"

Nearly 1,000 persons were baptized during the Tanzania Crusade sponsored by The Quiet Hour. In Arusha at the foot of the great Mount Meru, just below the equator at the exact geographical center of E. Africa on the road from Cairo to the Cape, thousands of enthusiastic Africans attended the meetings faithfully. Through the approach of Health Expo with its blend of appealing instruction on fitness, the family, and a transforming faith to live by, many barriers were broken down.

On the closing Sabbath the formation of 36 new home churches was witnessed, a miracle such as the group had never before experienced. Heartwarming bonuses included seeing the Tuckers' driver and his family baptized as well as the Muslim youth of 18 who had been watchman at their crusade home.

Out of Union

HTS/MWA former faculty and students invited to West Coast reunion—Feb. 5 at the LaSierra Commons beginning 10:00 a.m. Reservations: Ruth Purdy, treasurer, 24414 University Ave., Sp. 47, Loma Linda, CA 92354; (714) 799-3723. Buffet \$6.50.

Florida Chapter of AUC alumni annual meeting—Feb. 12, 1:30 p.m. at Forest Lake SDA Church social room, 3801 E. Seminole Blvd., Forest City, FL. Potluck, bring dish to serve 12 or more people. College Rep: Dr. and Mrs. Kurt Ganter.

EXPOSED:

The Lucifer Files: An Angel's Assault on Love. In the 1989 Book of the Year, author Ken McFarland uncovers the rebellion in heaven. Now available at your ABC. Published by Pacific Press. US\$1.95/Cdn\$2.45. Share-Paks of 5, US\$7.95/Cdn\$9.95.

Deaths

BARTLE, Dania W., 85, of Oxford, NY, died July 23, 1988. He was a member of the Norwich, NY, Seventh-day Adventist Church, to which he gave substantial help in building several years ago.

Survivors: a daughter Connie Jespersion of Las Vegas, NV; three brothers Kenneth, Raymond and Guy and a sister Florence Youmans all of Oxford. His wife Florence predeceased him in 1980. Funeral services were held in the Behe Funeral Home in Oxford with Pastor Erling Odell officiating. Interment was in Riverview Cemetery, Oxford, NY.

BLACKWOOD, Helen May (Colburn), born Jan. 28, 1894, in Providence, RI, died May 7, 1988, in Providence, RI. She was the widow of the late Wilfred E. Blackwood. Mrs. Blackwood was a member of the Providence, RI, Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Survivors: a grandson Robert B. Blackwood and a granddaughter Mrs. Linda Mattson, both of Cranston, RI; a sister Edna C. Lynch of Cumberland, RI; seven great-grandchildren; and two great-great grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Elder Colin Rampton in the Juhlin-Pearson Chapel, Providence, RI, with interment in Highland Memorial Park, Johnston, RI.

BLOOD, Mona E., born Feb. 22, 1902, in Jay, ME, died July 27, 1988, in Farmington, ME. In 1921 she married Lisco O. Blood and at the time of her death they had been married 67 years. She was a fruitful member of the Dixfield, ME, Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Survivors: her daughter Mrs. Mildred Smith of E. Dixfield, ME; a son Oliver I. Blood of Dixfield; nine grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted by Elder David Shaw in the Hawthorne Funeral Home, Mexico, ME, with interment in Farrington-Morton Cemetery, Mexico, ME. David I. Shaw

CLEMENCE, Gladys, born July 29, 1895, in Leicester, MA, died Feb. 17, 1988, in Hamburg, PA. She had been an active member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, and worked many years at New England Memorial Hospital, Stoneham, MA. Survivor: one stepson. Funeral services were conducted by Elder W. H. Johnson.

COLLINS, Irven M., born Dec. 23, 1910, in New Bedford, MA, died Sept. 17, 1988, in Inverness, FL. He was a lifelong member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in which he served as deacon and Sabbath school teacher.

He was educated largely in the church schools of Massachusetts, the last in Athol where he met and later married Beatrice A. Minty on Aug. 18, 1929.

Survivors: his wife Beatrice of Inverness; three sons Edward of Calimesa, CA, Gerald of Ocala, FL, and Dennis of Morrisville, NC; a brother Victor of Sterling, MA; four sisters Gertrude Keslake of Brunswick, ME, Barbara Hasselmann of Sterling, MA, Miriam Sievers of Libby, MT, and Alice Carney of E. Syracuse, NY; seven grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; and nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held in the Baldwin-Fairchild Funeral Home in Forest City with interment in Highland Memory Gardens, Forest City, FL.

COOKSON, Filomena M., born Oct. 1, 1924, in Providence, RI, died Oct. 30, 1988, in Providence, RI. She was a member of the Providence Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Survivors: her husband Al Cookson; and a daughter Kathy Cookson of N. Scituate, RI. Services were conducted by Pastor Colin Rampton and

interment was in Highland Memorial Park, Johnston, RI.

DESJARLAIS, Elizabeth A. (Springer), 52, born in Springfield, MA, died Mar. 24, 1988, in Holyoke, MA. She was an active member of the Springfield, MA, Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Survivors: four sisters Marlene Takara of Honolulu, Patricia Jolin of Willimantic, CT, Ruth Lomando of St. Augustine, FL, and Carole King of Watertown, CT; and several nieces and nephews. Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Paul Peterson in Byron's State Street Funeral Home with interment in Oak Grove Cemetery.

HAMMOND, Myrtle McDonald (Johnson), born Oct. 17, 1915, in Dyer Brook, ME, died Aug. 31, 1988, in Vermont.

Survivors: three sons Charles A. Johnson of W. Dover, Roland R. Johnson of Readsboro, and William R. Johnson of Pownall, all in Vermont; a sister Evelyn Bully of Pittsfield, ME; 11 grandchildren; a great-grandchild; and nieces and nephews. A son Merle died in 1936; a son Ronald E., in 1966; and a grandson Tony Johnson, in 1978. Two brothers Archie and Frederick McDonald and a sister Melba Morton predeceased her.

Pastor W. W. Menshausen conducted the services and interment was in the Sadawaga Cemetery in Whitingham, VT.

HOFFMEISTER, Frederick A., born in Hamden, CT, April 2, 1903; died July 30, 1988. He was a member of the Bennington, VT, Seventh-day Adventist Church. He had developed and owned a small fruit-growing farm in Cambridge, NY.

Survivors: his wife Dorothy; two sons James E. of Cambridge and Frederick, Jr., of Maine; and two grandchildren Wendy and Stephen of Cambridge. Interment was in Woodland Cemetery, Cambridge, NY.

KNOWLES, Ruth L., born July 23, 1901, died Aug. 22, 1988. Ruth and her husband Malcolm took nurses training at Washington Sanitarium and Hospital (now Washington Adventist Hospital), Takoma Park, MD. Following their graduation, they married in 1925 and together they went to China as medical missionaries. They and their infant son Martin fled mainland China in the wake of war. At the age of 10 months Martin died in Washington, DC, on Aug. 22, 1927, of tubercular meningitis contracted in their hasty departure.

Ruth and her husband worked at New England Sanitarium and Hospital (now New England Memorial Hospital) where she was a nursing supervisor and Malcolm was in charge of the laboratory and pharmacy as well as being the hospital's nurse anesthetist.

After spending 30 years on a small general farm in Newmarket, NY, the family moved to Cambridge, NY.

Survivors: two daughters Martha Ford of Greenwich, NY, and Dorothy Kline of So. Lancaster, MA; a sister Charlotte Jones of Dallas, TX; nine grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren. Her husband predeceased her in 1985.

Funeral services were conducted by Elder W. W. Menshausen in the Kingsbury Seventh-day Adventist Church and burial was in Woodlands Cemetery, Cambridge, NY.

LAWRENCE, Emily Christian, 75, died Sept. 23, 1988, in Burlington, VT. She was a member of the Bristol, VT, Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Survivors: her husband Donald; two brothers; and several nieces and nephews. A memorial service was held in the Bristol church.

Pastor Erling Odell

LEWIS, Doris E., born Dec. 20, 1904, in Denmark, ME, died Oct. 7, 1988, in Norway, ME. She was a charter member of the Harrison, ME, Seventh-day Adventist Church and was very active in many capacities.

Survivors: three daughters Imelda May of Harrison, ME, Dorcas Ann Sturtevant of S. Paris, ME, Arlene Bachelder of Sebago, ME; two sons Philip of Amelia, OH, and Donald of Boylston, MA; one sister Nellie Neal of Fernadina Beach, FL; 18 grandchildren; and 31 great-grandchildren. Services were held in the Harrison SDA Church with Pastor William Jackson officiating.

LINDBERG, Albert L., born Nov. 22, 1899, in Holden, MA, died Aug. 2, 1988, also in Holden, MA. He was a member of the Worcester, MA, Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Funeral services were conducted by Elder Stanley J. Steiner assisted by June Reams, Worcester church Personal Ministries Director. Interment was in Grove Cemetery, Holden, MA.

LOOMIS, Samuel R., born Feb. 22, 1893, in Huron, SD, died July 9, 1988, in Florida.

After graduating from Union College, he taught economics and political science on the high school level. He was called to be secretary-treasurer of the Bolivian Mission, SA, where he remained for five and one-half years. He could not return to Bolivia since he contracted malaria and so settled in Vermont.

Sam recuperated sufficiently and served in the government of the State of Vermont for 22 years—six in the House of Representatives and 16 in the Senate. While in the legislature Sam was very effective in representing his church, especially in the field of Religious Liberty. During this time he served as Chairman of the Highway Committee and Education Committee in the Senate.

Survivors: his wife Winnifred (Silloway) of 65 years; a sister Lora Blackstone of Kelso, WA; granddaughters Carolyn Trace of Hendersonville, NC, and Winette Aho of Harrisville, NH; a grandson William Hawkins of Sherman, CT; and nine great-grandchildren. Memorial services were held in the Florida Living church with interment in Stow, VT.

LUCAS, Thomas T., born May 25, 1919, in Peabody, MA, died Mar. 26, 1988, in Springfield, MA. He was an active member of the Springfield, MA, Seventh-day Adventist Church. Mr. Lucas spent most of his life working for the Lord as a Literature Evangelist in the distribution and sale of thousands of dollars of Christian literature in cities such as Boston and New York.

He was an army veteran of World War II and later served six years with the Air Force Reserve.

Survivors: his wife of 45 years, Ila A. (Farmer) Lucas; two sons Timothy B. of Wrentham, MA, and Robert P. of Berrien Springs, MI; and two grandsons. Funeral services were conducted at Byron's Allen Street Funeral Home with Pastor Paul Peterson officiating. Interment was in Hillcrest Park Cemetery.

MCCULLOUGH, Alice B., born Mar. 13, 1893, in Pembroke, ME, died July 27, 1988, in Prospect, CT. She was a member of the Meriden, CT, English Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Survivors: two sons Dalton Bridges of Gorham, ME, and Earl Bridges of S. Windham, ME; three daughters Mary Power of W. Roxbury, MA, Hester Hatch of Lubec, ME, and Betsy Kibner of Prospect, CT; 22 grandchildren; and many great-great grandchildren. Services were conducted by Elder Edward Fleisch with interment in Corey Cemetery, Lubec, ME.

NEMIER, Millicent, 67, of 125 Marion Dr., Mattydale, NY, died Aug. 29, 1988. She was a member of the Syracuse, NY, W. Genesee church.

Survivors: her husband Richard O.; three daughters Barbara Lowe of Liverpool, NY, Susan Nemier of Syracuse, and Marguerite Schneider of Germantown, MD; her father Seymour Vreeland of Syracuse; three brothers Dr. Raymond Vreeland and Eugene Vreeland of Syracuse and Stuart Vreeland of San Diego, CA; and five grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Elder Arthur Carlson with interment in Greelawn Memorial Park, Warners, NY.

Joan Payne

NICKERSON, Esther, born Sept. 30, 1895, in Everett, MA, died Mar. 29, 1988, in Bristol, RI. She was a faithful member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Survivors: three sons Roy, Robert and Paul; one daughter Gladys Tibbets; one brother Arthur Pederson; 16 grandchildren; 34 great-grandchildren; and four great-great grandchildren. Services were conducted by Elder W. H. Johnson.

PRICE, Cornelia, born Dec. 29, 1889, in Springfield, MA, and died Aug. 7, 1988. She was a member of the Albany, NY, Seventh-day Adventist Church as a result of the interest shown her by the Hudak family.

Survivors: her daughter Courtney; a stepchild; six grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; and four great-great grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted in the Rockefeller Funeral Home, Rensselaer, NY, with interment in the Albany, NY, Rural Cemetery.

Pastor Ivan Blake

SABOL, Alexander R., born Nov. 16, 1952, in Rochester, NH, died June 18, 1988, in N. Yarmouth, ME. He was a member of the Rochester, NH, Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Survivors: his wife Cheryl (Buchholz) Sabol; two sons Ryan and Gary and a daughter Amanda all of N. Yarmouth, ME. Services were conducted by Pastors Ernest Stevens and Kenneth Blake with interment in Riverside Cemetery, Yarmouth, ME.

SALAMANDRA, Josephine A., born Dec. 2, 1892, in Warsaw, Poland, died Aug. 22, 1988, in Meriden, CT. She was a member of the Meriden, CT, Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Survivors: two daughters Irene Salamandra and Viola Lawson, both of Meriden, CT; seven grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren. Services were conducted by Donald Corkum, president of Alberta, Canada, Conference assisted by Elder John Cameron. Interment was in Walnut Grove Cemetery, Meriden, CT.

SAWYER, Anna R., born Jan. 3, 1913, in Lancaster, MA, died June 21, 1988, in Lancaster, MA. She was a faithful member of the South Lancaster Village Seventh-day Adventist Church for the past 20 years after retiring. She attended Atlantic Union College and taught elementary school for the Adventist denomination for many years.

Survivors: two sisters Alice Brock of Hudson, MA, and Helen Randall of Antrim, NH; and nieces, nephews and cousins.

Queen Chapel, Lancaster, MA, was in charge of funeral arrangements. Services were in the Village Church with Pastor T. J. Modell officiating. Interment was in the North Village Cemetery, Lancaster, MA.

SCHYDE, Harry Hadley, born 1900 in Fresno, CA, died May 23, 1988, in Lake Worth, FL. He was a vocal performer and professor during his 55-year musical career. He taught voice at Atlantic Union

College, Walla Walla College and the Chicago Conservatory.

Survivors: his wife Eva A. Schyde; two daughters Carol S. Perham of Lakeside, CT, and Donna S. Earl of Tampa, FL; two grandsons and five granddaughters. Funeral services were held in the Dorsey Funeral Home, Lake Worth, FL, conducted by Pastor Merrill Enright of the Delray Beach, FL, Seventh-day Adventist Church. Interment was in New Haven, CT.

SMITH, Ella Charlotte, born Jan. 11, 1906, in Sayville, NY, died July 31, 1988, in Pownal, VT. She was a member of the Bennington, VT, Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Survivors: a son George H. Smith and a daughter Mrs. Ruby Litchfield, both of Pownal, VT. Services were held in Bennington, VT, with interment in the Bennington Park Lawn Cemetery.

SMITH, Preston L., born Oct. 17, 1913, in Stoneham, MA, died July 8, 1988, in Yarmouth, ME. He received his education at Pine Tree Academy, ME; Madison College, TN; and Pacific Union College, CA. Mr. Smith was a retired regional manager for Sears Roebuck & Co, Boston, MA. He was with Sears many years before he retired in 1975 and moved to Cliff Island, ME. He was a faithful member of the Cliff Island, ME, Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Survivors: his wife Barbara (Nichols) Smith; one daughter Sandra P. Green of Boxford; one son Preston G. Smith of Dracut; two sisters Esther M. Chace of Berrien Springs, MI, and Bernice Wendell of Denver, CO; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Dr. E. Stanley Chace of Andrews University, Berrien Springs, MI, in the Hay-Peabody Funeral Home in Portland, ME. Burial was in the Puritan Lawn Memorial Park Cemetery, Peabody, MA, with graveside services conducted by Elder Leo Poirier of New England Memorial Hospital.

STEVENS, Luella R., 69, of Jordan, NY, died April 9, 1988. She was an active member of the Syracuse, NY, West Genesee church.

Survivors: her husband, Erwin Stevens; a son Merwin E. of Jordan; a daughter Lynce Hamm of E. Syracuse; two brothers Nelson Ingersoll of Florida and Emerson Ingersoll of Weedsport; four sisters Alberta Smith of Jordan, Dorothy Hopkins, Marvis English and Emogene Schmidt all of Cato; four grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted at the Jewell Funeral Home in Cato, NY, with Elders Arthur Carlson and Dick Dale officiating. Interment was in Greenlawn Memorial Park, Warners, NY.

STRICKLAND, Marian Sprague, MD, born May 14, 1919, in Worcester, MA, died Mar. 30, 1988, in Skowhegan, ME. She was active in the Waterville, ME, Seventh-day Adventist Church as well as in the Canaan, ME, Union Church and other functions in the town of Canaan.

Dr. Strickland received her Doctor of Medicine degree in 1943 from Loma Linda University, CA. After interning at the Carney Hospital in Boston, her many activities included teaching and being school physician at AUC in So. Lancaster, MA, public health officer, and caring for campers, students, and Well-Baby Clinics. Health education was one of her interests. She wrote a series of articles for the *Life and Health* magazine.

Dr. Strickland was affiliated with the Redington-Fairview General Hospital in Skowhegan, ME, since 1969.

Survivors: her husband Blin of Canaan, ME; three daughters Becky Sumner, Naomi Gustafson, Rachel Shaw; a sister Beverly Strickland and a brother Dr. Howard Sprague both of So. Lancaster, MA; and five grandchildren Katrina, Kara, Kristie, David Jr. and Jan.

The following pastors participated in the memorial service in the Waterville, ME, Seventh-day Adventist Church: William Menshausen, Jack Baker, Leon Strickland and Carl P. Anderson.

TITZMANN, Mary A., born Aug. 24, 1905, in Poland of German parentage, died June 23, 1988, in Providence, RI. She was a faithful member of the Providence, RI, Seventh-day Adventist Church.

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Survivors: two sons Walter and Edward; two grandsons; and five great-grandchildren. Elder W. H. Johnson officiated at funeral services.

TYMESON, Sydney W., born June 2, 1899, in Scotia, NY, died July 4, 1988, in Takoma Park, MD.

Mr. Tymeson was a longtime resident of Takoma Park and former chairman of the Columbia Union College business department from 1933 to 1974. He was active in many organizations and served nine years on the Takoma Park City Council. His hobby was ham radio and after his retirement he taught a ham radio class to pupils at John Nevins Andrews school. He held membership in the SDA Association of Shortwave Radio operators and Radio League of America as well as being a charter member of Bata Alpha Psi in Accounting.

Prof. Tymeson graduated from AUC in So. Lancaster, MA, and held masters degrees in commercial science from Strayer College in Washington, D.C., and Boston University. Previous to joining Columbia Union College faculty, he was principal of Greater New York Academy, NYC. In 1974, he received the General Conference Education Dept. Medallion for Service to the Church. He enjoyed teaching and spent many happy hours with his students.

Survivors: one nephew William Tymeson of Leominster, MA and a niece Patricia Harris-White of Walnut Creek, CA. His wife Miriam Gilbert Tymeson predeceased him in 1984.

Funeral home in charge of arrangements was Queen Chapel, Lancaster, MA. A graveside ceremony and burial took place in North Lancaster, MA, Cemetery.

YEOMAN, Saloma Lucy Mary Reed, born Jan. 31, 1893, in W. Walworth, NY, died April 2, 1988, in Massachusetts. In 1911 she married Earl Yeoman, a young auto mechanic. They set up their home and business in Rochester, NY.

After her husband suddenly died in 1929, she faithfully raised her two children Elvera and Paul and Earl's orphaned niece Dorothy. She sent the children to church school, academy, and college and took them to church so often that her father once remarked that their old Franklin car would know its way to the Grand Avenue SDA church without her in it.

Memorial services were held in the Cape Cod SDA Church with Pastor Clifford Gleason officiating and in the Genesee Park Blvd. SDA Church in Rochester, NY, with Pastor Dahlberg officiating.

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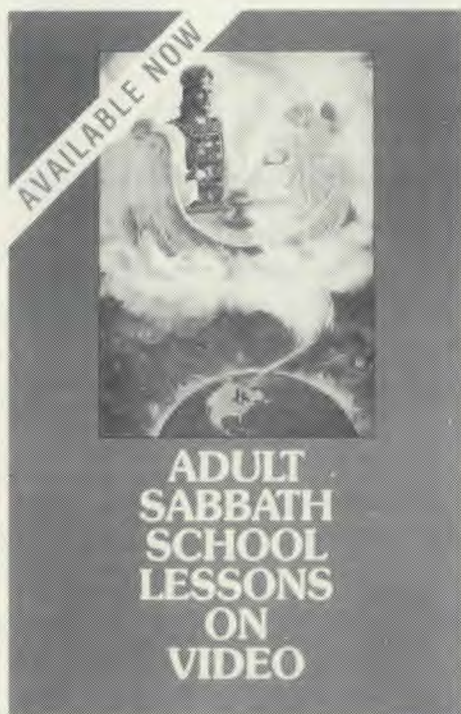
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