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ATTEND SARANAC LAKE, NY—Just one year ago four people were meeting in a living room in Saranac Lake, New York—faithful to the promise that “Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them” (Matthew 18:20).

Then a family with five children moved to the area. They found a family with four children who were interested in the message and they started coming to the “living room church.” During the summer, Guest Pastor Mike Sady held a Revelation Seminar and six people were baptized and one person was taken into the church on profession of faith.

The seams of the “living room church” just couldn’t stretch anymore when several other interested people joined the group. Pictured is the Saranac Lake group who now must meet in the Adult Center for their worship services. What a wonderful growth problem to have—from four to twenty-four.

Please remember these dear people and their pastor, Elder Gene Thomas, as they rejoice in what the Lord has done and continue to sow seeds for the Master in the Saranac Lake area.



BAPTIZE PATCHOGUE, NY—In a special afternoon baptismal service described as the candidate’s new birthday, Irwin Drexler was baptized in the Patchogue church on Sabbath, Sept. 16. Pastor Orlando Newball is pictured as he introduced the newly baptized member and invited him to share his testimony with the members and friends who had gathered.

Brother Drexler’s story, shared by fellow members, his pastor, and his family, as well as through his own words, carried special impact due to the fact that Irwin is Jewish.

The expressions of gratitude from Irwin’s fellow members who have worked or commuted with him in recent years, and from his wife, who is also a member of the Patchogue Hispanic church, conveyed a stirring tribute to the power of the Holy Spirit to bring lives together and effect transformation when an individual is searching for truth.

Pastor Michael Curzon, a Hebrew Adventist who had conducted Bible studies with Irwin, spoke during the service. Special music was under the direction of Danielle Burke, with a number of the songs that are used in the Jewish outreach programs held in our area.



TRAIN GREATER NEW YORK CONFERENCE—Community Service directors and their associates from Greater New York Conference churches gathered in mid-September for a day-long “Getting Help” seminar held at the Van Center on Long Island. Directors are shown with framed awards presented to them in recognition of faithful service by the various churches in the food-sharing program coordinated by Adventist Community Services under the direction of Juanita Kretschmar. Presentation of awards was made by Elder Monte Sahlin (left) of the North American Division of Seventh-day Adventists, and Elder Merlin Kretschmar (right), Greater New York Conference president.



About Our Cover Photo

“Old Things” is what Paul Miller of Vernon, VT, has entitled his picture on our front cover for December. No doubt, the picture evokes many nostalgic memories of things of the past, such as the old family album and the eyeglasses. May each person who studies this picture be able to conjure up events and things in the past which will make your Christmas season a never-to-be-forgotten experience for you and your families. Paul Miller’s pictures have appeared frequently on covers of the Atlantic Union Gleaner. His enthusiasm and interest are appreciated by the Gleaner staff and readers. This picture received Honorable Mention in the 1988/89 Gleaner Cover Photo Contest. Paul used a Nikon FE 2 camera with 35 mm Kodachrome 64 film.

He Leads the Blind in a Way That They Know Not

In ALL THINGS God works for the good of his people—people who haven't acknowledged God as their Guide in life (Romans 8:28).

It was September 1988, that Tom picked up an advertisement, REVELATION SEMINAR. He leafed through it and noted the opening night was April 1988. He had missed the seminar by five months! He mused about it, thinking—I'd really love to find out more about Revelation. I'll just call this number and see, perhaps another seminar will be held soon.

As Esther Zuill answered the telephone and heard the Irish accent and the question, "Will you be having another Revelation Seminar soon?"—she wisely replied that it was possible and she would put him in contact with someone who could help him. That someone was Pastor Rex Frost. Within one week Pastor Frost not only visited Tom and Agnes Thompson, but began a private Revelation Seminar right in their home.

Pastor Frost was intrigued with how the Lord had been leading Tom and Agnes. Tom had been a very successful owner and manager of three security-computer shops in Ireland. However, a severe fire broke out causing much damage to the property and making Tom think he needed to look elsewhere to continue his line of business. About that time an advertisement appeared in the local paper asking for a technician in security-computer experience to work in Bermuda. Tom replied to the advertisement and was chosen

to be employed in Bermuda. Agnes, his employee and girl friend, decided she would like to come to Bermuda as well. In due time, all of the details were worked out and they both came to Bermuda. Six months later they were married in Bermuda, in the year of 1987.

Tom's mother, a Methodist, and his father, an atheist, came to

became involved in religious discussions on a regular basis. By the time Tom's parents returned to Ireland, his father was a believer in God, and both parents were eager to learn more about the Bible.

After Tom and Agnes's baby girl was born, they felt compelled to have her baptized, so they sought until they found a church that would baptize their daughter even though the parents were not attending church. They were troubled parents feeling that they should now be learning what to teach this precious baby girl, but they felt very ignorant of the true Bible teaching.

With their lives taking on such a serious turn, they were eager students of the Revelation Seminar, which they completed. Within a very short period of time, they began to attend the Warwick, Bermuda, Seventh-day Adventist church. It was a very exciting day for Pastor Rex Frost and a host of friends to observe the baptism of Tom and Agnes Thompson on May 6, 1989.

Tom and Agnes are continuing to take advantage of prayer meetings, Sabbath school lessons, camp meeting, and small group Bible studies, because they want to return to Ireland and become missionaries to their own families and friends.

Praise God that He leads the blind by a way that they know not—until they come into the light of His presence!



Tom and Agnes Thompson and little daughter, Claire.

spend five months with Tom and Agnes in Bermuda, while they awaited the arrival of their first grandchild. During this time, Sunday mornings were spent watching religious telecasts—*It Is Written*, *Breath of Life*, *Christian Life Style*, *The World Tomorrow*. At the conclusion of the program, they or Tom would call in for the literature that was offered. The whole family

Submitted by Marian R. Bakker

ATLANTIC UNION COLLEGE

AUC STUDENTS AID HURRICANE HUGO VICTIMS

Atlantic Union College made significant efforts to support and connect their 59 students, 26 from St. Croix, whose families were in the vicinity of Hurricane Hugo. There were also students from Puerto Rico, St. Thomas, Antigua, Tortola, and St. John.

Several faculty members became directly involved in assisting the students during the initial period, including Assistant Dean of Women, Pauline Phillips, who worked with the Red Cross in trying to obtain information about the students' families, and campus Chaplain, Rick Trott, who worked with a ham radio operator to open up communication lines.

Support groups were immediately organized by the student campus ministries coordinators, Brian Burgess and David Stone, and an offering was taken up at a student assembly to send as aid. Mary Dupigny, a senior social work major from St.

Croix, said, "I was depressed because I didn't know what was going on but I tried to stay calm until I found out for sure." Lorolie Connor, a junior social work major from Tortola, said, "Our biggest support group was each other, we were just there for each other."

In October, AUC students and faculty collected 12 boxes of food for families in St. Croix. Burgess and Stone found that there was a possibility of sending the food

home with two AUC students who were returning to St. Croix for the fall break, but the boxes would have cost \$25 each, and the students were allowed to take only three apiece. Rick Trott called American Airlines, whose relief coordinator agreed to pay for whatever was extra that the students could not take. Three hundred pounds of food were shipped free. Trott said, "American Airlines did it without giving us a hard time at all. It wasn't like I had to plead, they were more than willing to help."

AUC's short-term missions organizer, Chris Howell, and Henry Livergood, the Maranatha Volunteers International coordinator for AUC, are working together to plan a trip to St. Croix over Christmas break. About 40 students, most of whom are residents of St. Croix, will be going, the main goal being to help rebuild their homes and churches.



A portion of the damage sustained by the Fredricksted church in St. Croix from Hurricane Hugo.

Michele Smith, Special Contributor

DECEMBER NEWS NOTES

• The following students have been elected to serve as class officers for the 1989-1990 school year:

Seniors: President: Brent Geraty, History/Business major from Lancaster, Massachusetts
Vice President: H. Michele Smith, English major from Keene, Texas

Juniors: President: Shannon Ganter, Psychology major from Simi Valley, California
Vice President: Teresa Fish-

ington, Pre-Physical Therapy major from Southhampton, Bermuda

Sophomores: President: Matthew Curtis, Business Administration major from South Lancaster, Massachusetts
Vice President: J. C. Coolen, Music/Business Administration major from Oshawa, Ontario

Freshmen: President: Stephanie Ebanks, Pre-Engineering major from Brooklyn, New York
Vice President: Enda Matthie, Early Childhood Education major from Devonshire, Bermuda

• Ingrid Satelmajer, sophomore English major from Ontario, Canada, has had a short story, titled "The Music From Within," chosen for publication in the March 31 issue of *Insight* magazine.

• Seven students from AUC were awarded a \$20,000 scholarship from the New Jersey Conference for their excellent work canvassing this summer in New Jersey where they sold \$171,738.27 worth of materials. Jose Lopez, a theology major from Venezuela, is the champion student canvasser of the North American Division.

BERMUDA

MIDLAND HEIGHTS MEMBER HONORED BY CHURCH

The Midland Heights church celebrated Community Guest Day on October 21 by honoring one of its outstanding and faithful members, Sister Una Spenser. This dear lady has never sought recognition but goes about quietly serving her Lord in many ways.

Elder Toupe had led her to Christ and saved her life by giving her some sound "medical advice" many years ago. More than eighteen years ago, Sister Spenser joined a band of pioneers who felt the need of going into the Hamilton Parish area and starting the groundwork for a church. Without the support of her immediate family, she came regularly and offered her services and heart. If a need existed in the church and nobody seemed interested in doing that work, Sister Spenser would do the job.

Recently she was asked what positions she has held during the forty plus years she has been a



Mrs. Una Spenser of the Midland Heights church, Bermuda Conference. She is 72 years of age.

member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Midland Heights, and she responded, "Every position but being the pastor!" Sister Spenser really enjoys serving as Sabbath school pianist and as a member of the Floral Committee.

Sister Spenser has an eye for the small things and does them with a smile. She was the first person to

put flowers in the Midland Heights church.

People who know her describe Sister Spenser as a good, caring, loving person, a good granny, and someone who is always there to fill a need. Friends say that she can "make a whole lot out of a little bit."

Time and age have had an impact upon Sister Spenser. Even with her weakened knees, she has pledged her service to the church for 1990. Her desire is to keep active in church work until she dies and she admonishes the young people in the Midland Heights church to take up the cross and help finish the work of the gospel so that Christ can soon come.

In her church community, Sister Una Spenser is outstanding. "This little light of mine, I'm going to let it shine," is fitting for her lifestyle. She says that friends tell her to slow down and be good to herself, but her response is, "Not yet; there is still too much to do."

Betty Hawl

PATHFINDER CAMPOREE SUCCESSFUL!

Friday, October 20, dawned bright and clear. The making of a great day to begin the "Pathfinders for Christ" camporee at Darrell's Island, in Warick Parish.

As I boarded the boat, *Friendship*, at Albouy's Point, I could feel the excitement as I watched Pathfinders and staff loading their luggage and food on board.

As I dressed inside my tent on Sunday morning, I could hear the directors and staff hurrying their Pathfinders—urging them to be on time for morning watch and flag

raising at 7:00 a.m. Devonshire Bluebirds, who had lost points the previous day for being late, were in place at 6:25 a.m., in the rain, in order to retrieve the lost points.

Sunday's events—skating relay, ladder making relay, and a triathlon, were completed despite the fact that it rained, except for brief periods, all day. The triathlon was one of the great highlights of the whole camporee. As the runners began their run to the dock to tag the swimmers, the excitement mounted—loud cheers were echoing along the route. When the swimmers hit the water, Pathfinders could not contain themselves any longer. The crowd went wild.

They ran along the shoreline as the swimmers made their way in the water. They cheered and cheered and cheered! Everyone got excited, it was catching, you just couldn't help it!

As the 147 Pathfinders and staff broke camp, I could hear Pathfinders making plans to be a part of next year's camporee. The whole camporee was just great, exciting, overwhelming, and spiritually high.

I realize just how wonderful God really is. He's the one who made all the happiness of the weekend possible. It is thrilling to know that He loves Pathfinders and He loves making them happy.

UNION LEADERSHIP RETREAT REPORT

The Atlantic Union Conference hosted a Leadership Retreat in Mystic, Connecticut, from October 16 to 18, 1989. Two topics were emphasized during the two-day session: the spiritual quality of our leadership and sharpening the skills of leaders.

"All of us pray, study the Scriptures, and seek to center our lead-

ership ministries upon exalting Christ," said president Philip Follett. "At this seminar we want to intensify the practical spiritual qualities of our leadership, so that our leading will always be together with Christ."

Another objective of the seminar was to learn how to maximize the ministries of those who are led by conference and union leaders. The

desire is to increase the effectiveness of conference and union leaders as consultants. It is now hoped that our churches will sense a recognition of leaders who are looking forward to newer heights of growth and spirituality as we move toward the goal of finishing the work of the gospel in our union territory.



Dr. Carl George, Church Growth Consultant at Fuller Institute of Church Growth in Pasadena, California, lectured to the administrators and departmental directors. A Baptist minister, Dr. George has been involved with Adventist leaders for years and has gained unique insights about Adventist doctrines, lifestyle, and methods of church operations.



Dr. Angel Rodriguez, vice president for Academic Affairs at Southwestern Adventist College, Keene, Texas, presented a series of stimulating lectures on spiritual leadership.



Pastor David Rogers, communication director for the Bermuda Conference, surprised the audience as he played a "trumpet solo" using only his lips. The sound was identical to the usual trumpet tones.



Mrs. Grace George, wife of Dr. Carl George, added points of interest from a woman's perspective during the conference.



Union president Philip Follett opened the 1989 Leadership Training session in Mystic, Connecticut, which had as its theme, "Leading Together."



At the conclusion of this series of presentations, Dr. George invited the six local conference presidents to lay hands on Union Conference president Philip Follett as a consecrational prayer was offered. This act of dedication was one of the highlights of the leadership conference.

VAN MINISTRY CELEBRATES THIRD ANNIVERSARY

The Boston Van Ministry celebrated its third anniversary at the New England Memorial Adventist Hospital in Stoneham, Massachusetts, on October 22, 1989, with 205 people in attendance.

Rita Vital directs the Van Ministry and is assisted by individuals who volunteer their time and expertise to perform various tasks in the van. People who frequent the Boston Common are accustomed to seeing the van parked in the walkway area. Blood pressures are checked, counseling is given, literature distributed, and warm

drinks and sandwiches given to those who enter. Individuals with drug abuse problems and the homeless know they can always get help at the Adventist van.

Special guests this year at the banquet included Dr. J. Wayne McFarland, noted health educator; Charles Case, Jr., law student in Boston; Larry Glick, talk show host from station WHDH; and Rochelle Harris, also a talk show host from station EZE.

The day after the banquet, Glick spent the first ten minutes of his show time making favorable comments about the Van Ministry ban-

quet and the delicious vegetarian food he enjoyed. Then he made an offer of a free Glick University T-shirt to the first person who called in to tell him why Seventh-day Adventists go to church on Saturday.

An offering was received to help raise money for a new van for the Boston ministry. More funds are still needed. Southern New England is proud of the work being accomplished by Rita Vital and her associates.

Ted T. Jones, Gleaner Editor



A special personality at the banquet was Rochelle Harris, talk show host for Station EZE. Left to right: Rita Vital, Larry Glick, Dr. McFarland, Rochelle Harris, and Frank Perez.



Dr. J. Wayne McFarland, veteran health lecturer and physician, was the keynote speaker at the van ministry banquet.



Larry Glick awarded Dr. McFarland a T-shirt advertising his program and its station. Left to right: Rita Vital, van ministry director; Larry Glick; Dr. McFarland; and Frank Perez, president of New England Memorial Hospital.



Charles Case, Jr., a law student in Boston, gave an interesting overview of the importance of van ministry operations.



Southern New England's church ministries director Fred Hernandez places a 20-year volunteer service pin on Elder Harold Voorhees, former missionary to India, as Mrs. Voorhees looks on with approval.



Elders Stanley Steiner (left) and Philip Follett give congratulations to Carmen Morrison as Rita Vital invites each volunteer to come forward.

GREATER NEW YORK

PORT JERVIS CHURCH CELEBRATES 70TH ANNIVERSARY

Combining a "homecoming" celebration for former or non-attending members with a 70th-anniversary commemoration, the Port Jervis church was filled to capacity on Sabbath, September 23. Among those who responded

to the many invitations and telephone calls were three former pastors: Pastor Gordon Edgerton taught the Sabbath school lesson and Pastor Carlyle Nelson "went down Memory Lane" as he spoke and reminisced about the years when he had ministered to the church's spiritual needs. Pastor Rollin Shoemaker presented an inspiring and Spirit-filled sermon for the eleven o'clock hour.

A luncheon following the church service was well attended. The day concluded with an afternoon musical program. Members rejoiced in the fellowship and joy of the special occasion.

Esmeralda Purcell, Communication Secretary

ANNUAL FRATERNITY DAY DRAWS 1500 HISPANIC BELIEVERS

Hispanic members gathered Sunday, September 10, for the annual Fraternity Day celebration. Some nineteen Latin American countries were represented in a colorful parade of flags, and the foods of nearly a dozen countries were sold in a Hispanic food fair following the morning services.

Elder Fred Hernandez, Hispanic coordinator and Church Ministries director for the Southern New England Conference, was the featured speaker. The afternoon program included opportunities for fellowship and recreation.



FELIPE BARRIENTOS



MANNY VARGOS



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"SHIRT-SLEEVE" YOUTH EVANGELISM CLASSES BRING STUDENTS TO COMMUNITY

Lay persons and pastoral workers, young men and women from a variety of backgrounds and experience levels gathered together for a week of intensive class and field work in lay evangelism this summer. The second annual Youth Evangelism Impact seminars were held in the new wing of Greater New York Academy, with instruction by Elder Maurice Bascom of the General Conference, Elder and Mrs. Louis Torres, Elder Robert Kennedy, and Elder Willie Oliver. Each day of the special program included a full program of classes beginning with an 8:00 a.m. devotional and ending at 3:30 p.m. House-to-house visitation in the area surrounding the academy followed, until supper time. The evening again involved the students, this time as an evangelistic team supporting the ministry of Elder Bascom as he spoke to the gathering.

For information about attending the 1990 Youth Impact classes, contact the Conference office at 1-800-392-3929.



Elder Maurice Bascom (left) and Elder Louis Torres instructing during one of the Youth Impact classes.

D. A. THORNE

JEWISH OUTREACH

Looking for volunteers devoted to prayer, with a burden to reach Jewish people with the good news of the Messiah! **The Messiah Series** ministry for the Greater New York area is one of a number of outreaches sharing with Jews and Christians alike, as well as teaching Adventists how to witness to their Jewish friends and colleagues. It is a unique, city-wide public outreach offering a comfortable witnessing setting including dinner, a talk and music. This ministry has been privileged to see Jews accept Christ at these meetings.

Through its ongoing series the past three years, the work of **The Messiah Series** has been expanding and has a growing number of interests. To assist with the important, last-day work of taking particular interest in the Jewish people on which Ellen White placed such emphasis, the time, energy, and talent of many volunteers are now urgently needed. From public relations to cooking; from translating to computing; from cleanup to artistries such as filming, photography, music—and more. Your help can be vital!

If you can contribute to the furthering of this work in time, talent, or donated items such as a computer with printer, copy machine, etc., please call Danielle Burke, (516) 433-0844; or write The Messiah Series, P.O. Box 309, Hicksville, NY 11802.



Pastor Samuel Garbi (knocking on the door) of the Manhattan church and two students during house-to-house visitation in the afternoon.

D. A. THORNE

NEW YORK

MOTHER'S PRAYERS HAVE FOLLOWED ME!

My name is Eric Meacham. I was a helpless alcoholic and drug abuser. But Jesus Christ loved me anyway and still does. My mother never gave up on me. Although I had been deeply enmeshed in sin for seven years, she constantly brought my case before the Lord.

God knew that I was sinking into the mire and so He brought into my life a very lovely lady, Suzanne, whom I married on July 9, 1989. She has been like a life preserver, for she has helped me cope with all my problems. I believe our marriage saved my life.

Unknown to us the Lord was working from another angle. Rick and Gwen Shorter from Earlton, New York, came to the West Bangor church for a concert. That is my mother's

home church. She was overjoyed to find out that the Shorters live just a short distance from us, so she asked them to contact us.

They did and our lives began to change. We were hungry for the Word of God. We started to go to church with them for fellowship and Spiritual food and we were certainly fed!



Suzanne and Eric Meacham (center) with Pastor and Mrs. Herbert Coe.

Mother's prayers for the Holy Spirit to fill our lives resulted in our decision to be baptized and we joined the Family of God on September 16, 1989. The place was the same river, Deer River, in Dickerman Center, New York, where my parents were baptized in 1961.

When I am tempted, I focus my thoughts on my Saviour, Jesus Christ. And Mother keeps praying. The Lord has given my life new meaning. He has kept my mind in perfect peace. "I can do all things through Christ, which strengthens me." Suzanne and I are happier than we have ever been. Mothers, don't ever give up on your children. The Lord is willing and anxious to answer your prayers. Thank you, Mother, for bringing me before the Lord when it looked almost impossible. Your prayers have followed me!

NEW YORK NEWS NOTES

- New York Conference will have a full camp meeting this year, but because of General Conference Session it will be later than usual. The tentative dates are July 27 to August 4.

- Elder Edward Couser and his wife, Carol, from the Buffalo Suburban District are the proud parents of a baby girl, Melissa, born October 17.

- We are sorry to see David and Edna Roberts, Rochester Bible workers, leave to take up work in Indiana. Several people have been brought to Christ through their Revelation Seminars.

- Elder Gary Tracy and his wife, Sondra, of Monroe, Louisiana, have accepted the pastorate of the Elmira District.

- We are sorry to have Elder and Mrs. Ivan Blake leave our Albany District for Michigan. We will miss their excellent leadership.

- Pastor Werner Stavenhagen reports a special ministry in the Ithaca church for Seventh-day Adventist students who are studying at Cornell University.

- The Wellsville, New York, church was dedicated debt free on Sabbath, October 21.

- The Herkimer church had a day of celebration commemorating 40 years in the community. Music led by Randy Davis was a significant part of the service. Also, the New England Youth Ensemble and the AUC choir gave an afternoon concert.

- The Natural Bridge Company became a church on Sabbath, December 2. Pastor James Drake recently baptized seven people into this group.

PAST AND PRESENT . . . FUTURE!

Union Springs Academy has long recognized that the future is linked to the past. Over the years, it is the alumni who have remembered those "good old days" and thereby kept the future within reach.

On July 1, 1989, the Academy Alumni Advance reported an encouraging summary on how the campaign had ended for that year. As hundreds gathered under the huge tent at New York Confer-



Ruth Satelmajer shares a magnificent report with the alumni of USA.

ence's 77th Annual Camp Meeting held on USA's campus, Ruth Satelmajer gave the report. In her last year as Director of the Alumni Advance, she reminded the alumni of the goals for the 88/89 year. There were 345 donors needed to raise \$16,300. The Lord is using the alumni of Union Springs Academy in a mighty way!

Even though the 1989/90 campaign goals have not been established, all indications point toward even greater success this year. USA thanks its alumni because they have a vision for the future.

TODAY AT USA

THE ECHO IS HEARD

After 12 years of silence, last year's editor, Ron Bombard resuscitated the ECHO newspaper with two issues by June 1989. This year a motivated staff has already printed the first of six issues planned for the school year. ECHO Editor, Noah Bombard and staff have teamed up with Gralton Press to produce what many feel is a superb school newspaper. Not only will the ECHO keep parents, Alumni, and supporters abreast of USA's growth, but also as Noah Bombard states, "The purpose of our paper is to help unite the student body through providing a vehicle of expression."

Subscriptions are available by sending \$5.00 to the ECHO, USA,

Union Springs, NY 13160

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Friday, September 8, saw USA students singing and worshipping around a bonfire service. Speaker Elder Lee Thompson, New York Conference President, closed the service with a plea to stand in response to God's call. Within seconds 127 students and faculty were renewing their vows to their Lord. Praise God!

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On October 21, the Senior Class held its first benefit of the year. The benefit was a variety/talent show involving comedies, skits, and musicals by the seniors. Proceeds will go toward the Seniors' 1990 Maranatha mission trip to Ja-

maica. There the seniors will be helping build dormitories for low-income students.

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CATCH THE VISION

Atlantic Union Teachers Convention Highlights
October 8 to 11, 1989, Leominster, Massachusetts



Elementary teachers from throughout the Atlantic Union Conference enjoyed the hands-on workshops that Renate Weltje and Martha Ban provided for learning centers and bulletin boards.



Math manipulatives, School Administration, Stress Management, and Teacher Burnout were topics covered by Stanley Minns, a guest presenter from Clark Atlanta University.



Brother John Thurber touched our heartstrings with his morning devotionals. His wife, Pat, joined him during the breakout sessions that dealt with family life and music in the classroom.



David Cadavero, superintendent of education for Greater New York Conference, directed teachers in making better use of the annual union-wide testing program.



Elementary teachers in grades K-6 were inserviced on how to best use the newly adopted Silver, Burdett & Ginn Social Studies series by company representative, Michael Comer.



Barbara Coloroso, director of Kids Are Worth It, mixed humor with inspiration and aroused our teachers to return to their classrooms and help their students develop better self-esteem.



Lea Hardy, an educational consultant from Jamestown, New York (center), discusses with two teachers additional ways to incorporate "The Whole Language Approach" into the classroom schedule.



Frances Hunter (left), a teacher in the Bethesda Seventh-day Adventist elementary school, Amityville, New York, and Beverly Bucknor, head teacher of the Meadowbrook Seventh-day Adventist school, Hudson, Massachusetts, went home with their arms loaded with ideas, resources, and "Make and Take."



Edythe Karr, who has served on the new seventh- and eighth-grade Bible steering Committee, was one of the presentors who led in the inservicing for this much-appreciated new program.



Everyone wishes they had presenter, Joan Kihlstorm's (center) wealth of ideas and her ability to teach art on a shoestring. Her enthusiastic presentations inspired many teachers to return to their classrooms to do a better job of using God's gift to each of us.

NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND

NEWCOMERS TO NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCE

Pine Tree Academy in Freeport, Maine, is happy to announce the addition of Martha and Gerard Ban to its elementary school staff. Martha grew up in Ohio and Massachusetts, following her family to three academies where her father was principal. She attended South Lancaster Academy and graduated from Atlantic Union College in 1982 with a degree in elementary education. After completing her master's program in Reading and Language Arts at Framingham State College, Martha taught in Cape Cod and became teacher/principal for our eight-grade school in Hudson, Massachusetts, for six years. She now teaches grades one through four at Pine Tree.

Gerard is a graduate of LaSierra Academy in California and Loma Linda University where he received a B.S. in Physical Education. He has contract taught in California academies, and been operations manager for a fire protection company. Gerard now teaches elementary physical education and academy industrial arts at Pine Tree.

The Bans have an eight-month-old daughter, Kaitlynn.

Millie Carlson, new secretary to the Northern New England president, received a B.S. degree in Secretarial Science from LaSierra College and has spent many years in service to the church, both as a secretary and Adventist Book Center manager. She was also Elder Malcolm's secretary when he was pastor of the Gentry, Arkansas, church from 1975-1980. This valued association led to her call to our conference last August.



Pastor William Rorick of the Concord, Plymouth, and Laconia, New Hampshire district.

Millie and her husband, Dick, a real estate broker, have two sons; Dennis is manager of the ABC in the Washington Conference and David, who operates a natural food store and bakery in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Pastor William Rorick is a New York state native who attended Atlantic Union College and received a BA in Theology. Following graduate work at the Yale Divinity school, he pastored in New Jersey and became a conference evangelist. While a consultant to management, he became interested in neurophysiology and



Martha and Gerard Ban—teachers at Pine Tree Academy.



Millie Carlson—Elder Elmer Malcom's secretary.

Bible-based counseling. After intensive study and while carrying on a successful counseling practice, he wrote the book, *Your Brain in the*

Mind of Christ.

William accepted the call to pastor the Concord, Plymouth and Laconia, New Hampshire, churches in September. His wife, Beverly, is a Speech, English, and Journalism teacher who also does some free lance writing.

The Roricks have a son, David, who is married and lives in Orlando and a daughter, Heather, who is studying Reformed Theology.



NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND (CONTINUED)

THE WEDDING AT ANGEL FALLS

In Byron, a picturesque little town on the road leading to the rugged, crisp mountains and crystal clear lakes of Rangeley, Maine, is found Angel Falls, the highest waterfalls in the state. This commanding 92-foot cascade is one of the great marvels of God's surprising allusions to brighten one's life.

Last summer, on a sunny day, with fleecy white clouds floating in the sky, a group of us rode up to Byron to view these eminent falls. We turned off the main road and crossed a quaint little bridge leading to an abandoned railroad bed that eventually became a wood road. After three or four miles we abruptly turned off the road, down over a steep decline into a desolate gravel pit.

Leaving our van parked in the gravel pit, we walked down a woody road for awhile, then followed a path marked by red arrows on trees and rocks pointing the way to our destination. The musical tones of the falls became louder, giving assurance we were nearing the end of our journey. Suddenly Angel Falls was just before us, sending its magical, refreshing spray to our faces.

After returning home I set down the following visionary impressions these grand falls left with me:

A company of us was invited to attend a charming wedding at Angel Falls. Approaching the chapel, we walked under a graceful fallen-tree archway. As usual, I was the last one there, and the wedding was about to begin. The wedding party was in their places, and the music began to play. We found our seats.

When all was quiet, the wedding march began. The singers in

the chorus were birds of many colors, shapes and sizes; the band consisted of woodwind instruments which were comprised of the lusty wind blowing briskly through the leafy trees. Another instrument in the band that we do not hear often enough was one of swift-flowing water running over many rocks, large and small. The music was interrupted by the harmonious laughter and glee of those who attended the wedding. This supreme music echoed and re-echoed through the gorges be-



Angel Falls, Byron, Maine

PHOTO BY DIANE K. BRISTOL

low, composing a sublime melody that would honor any wedding.

The bride wore a gown of fine lace and a tiara from which trailed a long lacy veil that flowed gracefully over her shoulders, waist, and hips down to the ground and over the few stairs formed by rocks below. The veil contained distinctive streamers that fell in several places. She was elegantly adorned. This was her day. She would be the groom's angel for life, and how he loved her.

Tall stalwart Mr. Sturdy Rock, the groom, stood on the right of his new bride. The maid of honor

stood on her left and wore a beautiful veil almost as spectacular as that of the bride. Standing directly behind the maid of honor was the flower girl. She, too, had a veil, and we could see the rose petals fall from her basket like little splashes of water. Standing beside her, behind the groom, was the Bible bearer. His name was Chip Rock; I believe he was the groom's younger brother. We could see the Preacher standing in front of the wedding party arrayed in a green, leafy-like robe. His name was Pastor White Twin Birches.

The music started again with a different, lively tune, louder than before, announcing the wedding was over. We would not soon forget this special wedding, for we were so honored to have been invited to attend.

This, of course, was all allusion caused by the spectacular ninety-foot Angel Falls in Byron, Maine.

Many are the analogies that might be drawn from walking through God's other book, the book of nature. Is it right to call God's creation His other book? Is not nature God's first and only book until sin entered the life of those He had created? Only then was His other book, the Bible, His Word, added. After the tree of life had been removed from the Garden of Eden, God, through His mercy, gave back to His people, "a leaf from the tree of life" (T8, p. 33) by giving us His Word. Whichever book—nature or the Bible—we call God's first or other book, we should spend more time with God in both His books and gather all the analogies and parables that our heart and mind can grasp, applying them to daily living.

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BASSES CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY

May and Russell Bass celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on July 30 with a family reunion given by their six children and with most of their 19 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren in attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. Bass have been active members of the Florence church for 42 years, serving in various offices. Mr. Bass presently serves as an elder and occasionally plays his clarinet for special music during worship services. Both Mr. and Mrs. Bass are current members of the Westhampton Council on Aging.

Their children are Leroy C. Bass of Washington Island, Wisconsin; Russell B. Bass, Kelso, Washington; Shirley M. Fuller, Troy, New Hampshire; M. Jewell Horracks, Norfolk, Connecticut; F. June Nelson, Landover Hills, Maryland; and Lillian E. Baxter, Binghamton, New York.



Mr. and Mrs. Russell Bass

CONTESTANTS WIN FREE TUITION

An unusual focus was projected on Seventh-day Adventist Christian Education in the Southern New England Conference during the annual Conference camp meeting. The Education Department compiled a 49-question test concerning Conference education history, which was printed in the camp meeting newspaper the *Beacon* and whom anyone could complete, drawing on any source for information.

See if you can answer this sample question representing the 49 asked. "What school has no organized constituent church? It is the same school whose teacher has a monetary designation in her name!"

The winners were offered prizes ranging from one month of average tuition for first prize to one week of average tuition for the third place winners. Glenna Ryder of Taunton, Massachusetts, won \$212.00 (one month's tuition), which she is applying to Richard Ryder's account at Cedar Brook School in Rehoboth, Massachusetts. Second prize of \$106.00 (two week's tuition) was won by Elizabeth Timmins of Dighton to be applied to Seth Timmin's account at Cedar Brook. Sandy Doran of Bridgeport is applying her tuition winnings of \$53.00 (one week's tuition) to Laurel Slongwhite's account at Greater Boston Academy.

The contest offered an opportunity to draw attention to Christian Education and was a novel approach to stimulating thought and providing historical information. Additionally, contest winners' prizes are educationally oriented and economically valuable. It was a fun event that we hope may have lasting consequences.

BABY CORISSA MERIE DEDICATED TO JESUS

The Willimantic Seventh-day Adventist church family, along with her parents, Patricia Jane and Frank Anello, and brother, Mark, dedicated Corissa Merie Anello to Jesus on August 19, 1989.

Corissa is a very special gift. Writes Corissa's mother: "We have prayed for years for a baby and I hung onto the hope that the Lord would give us the 'desires of our heart.' This past March, we located a Christian attorney in Paraguay who said she would, with the Lord's help, find a child for us to adopt. In June, we flew to Paraguay to bring home our five-week-old baby girl. We have learned that the Lord does not always answer prayer immediately, BUT when He does, we need to hang on tight, because He can be trusted to bless until the storehouses have overflowed. We believe that Corissa is not only a chosen child, but that we have the privilege of being a chosen family for her."



Frank and Patricia Jane Anello holding baby Corissa Merie on the day of dedication.

Update

The Central Brooklyn Hispanic church passed its Ingathering super goal in September with some special help from its young people. Working faithfully on many weekends, a number of young boys, ages 9 through 12, led by Bible worker, Luis Alejandro Guzman, brought in hundreds of dollars by soliciting as they walked in the area, even crossing the Williamsburg bridge into lower Manhattan and the Bowery at times.

As of October 1, David Eliassant had brought in \$1,099.39 and his brothers Micky, \$531.80; Pierre, \$369.54; and Gabriel, \$328.14. Yamil Widdi and Inner Aguilar were also eager ingatherers, bringing in \$555.91 and \$292.87, respectively.

The Dixfield, ME, SDA school reports a 250% increase in enrollment! This year 14 students in grades 2 to 7 are being taught by Crystal Holden. Everyone is excited about the good things that are happening in Christian education in this part of the field.

The West Lebanon, NH, district has blanketed their area with Something Wonderful For You cards. To date, 62 requests for free Bible guides have been received. Follow-up activity is in progress.

Baptisms are up in 1989! The positive attitude of Northern New England Conference toward evangelism and outreach is the impetus and both pastors and lay people in the field are enthusiastic. There have been 95 baptisms as of October 25, 1989.

PTA Seniors score high—The results of the Maine Educational Assessment test placed the Class of 1990 in the top 10% of the students in the state!

Subject Tested	Possible	State Avg.	PTA Score
Reading	400	270	285-370
Writing	400	250	285-350
Mathematics	400	255	265-355
Science	400	260	270-355
Social Studies	400	250	260-350
Humanities	400	250	270-355

For the second consecutive year, students and faculty of Pine Tree Academy converged upon the neighborhoods and stores of the Freeport area to pass out literature and solicit funds for the annual Ingathering program. More than 25 drivers volunteered their time to transport the 112 participants. More than 5,000 pieces of literature were distributed. Even though the students had less territory, they collected \$1,709.00—almost as much as last year.

Four newly certified young people from Southern New England Conference who have been trained in disaster relief, put their training to work immediately. Freddy Boggi, 22, Edy Aguirre, 20, Angelica Jaramillo, and Janira Enriquez, both 17, flew to Puerto Rico to work with disaster relief organizations aiding victims of recent Hurricane Hugo. The young people are members of the Medical Cadet Corps of the Boston Spanish church. The two girls, Angelica and Janira, each stayed one week and the two boys, two weeks.

As a result of meetings recently held in Barre, VT, by Dr. Rex Edwards, an assistant secretary of the General Conference Ministerial Association, with Elder David White, pastor of the Barre church, six persons were baptized.

Meetings began November 3 in Oxford, ME, with Elder Everett Cumbo from Colorado.

The following persons will be conducting meetings in various places before General Conference session next July:

Elder Philip Follet	Waterville, ME
Elder Elmer Malcolm	Portland, ME
Elder Dwight Davis	Presque Isle, ME
Elder Harry Sabnani	Portland, ME
Elder Leo Van Dolson	Manchester/Nashua, NH

Northern New England Conference has taken upon itself a project called "Project Portland" designed to reach areas of Portland, ME, which have not been touched as yet. The project will open next spring.

The following appointments were recently voted by the Conference Committee in Greater New York:

Elder Ron Wooten, who has served as conference publishing director in Greater New York for three years, has accepted a call to pastor the Old Westbury church on Long Island.

Elder Nahor Muchiutti is the new publishing director, coming to the metropolitan New York area from Southern New England Conference where he served as assistant publishing director. Elder Muchiutti has also served as publishing director for the Madagascar Union, and in treasury and pastoral work. He speaks Portuguese, Spanish, French, Italian, and English fluently.

Elder Marco Valenca, who has been pastor of the Yonkers church, was appointed the stewardship director for the conference. Pastor Valenca speaks English, Spanish, and Portuguese fluently.

Sunset Table

Eastern Standard Time

	Jan. 5	Jan. 12	Jan. 19	Jan. 26
Bangor, ME	4:08	4:15	4:24	4:33
Portland, ME	4:18	4:25	4:33	4:43
Boston, MA	4:25	4:32	4:41	4:49
So. Lancaster, MA	4:27	4:35	4:43	4:51
Pittsfield, MA	4:34	4:41	4:49	4:58
Hartford, CT	4:34	4:41	4:49	4:57
New York, NY	4:42	4:49	4:57	5:05
Utica, NY	4:39	4:47	4:55	5:04
Syracuse, NY	4:43	4:51	4:59	5:08
Rochester, NY	4:49	4:56	5:04	5:13
Buffalo, NY	4:55	5:02	5:10	5:19
Hamilton, Bda.	5:26	5:32	5:38	5:45

Corrections

Inadvertently, two pictures of recipients of Zapara Excellence in Teaching awards on page 4 of the October 12, 1989, issue were placed incorrectly. The pictures are correctly captioned as follows:



Edythe Karr
R. T. Hudson Elementary School
Northeastern Conference



Edith Van Lowe
Bermuda Institute
Bermuda Conference

Also, two pictures of ordinees at camp meeting on page 5 of the same issue were incorrectly placed. They should have been captioned as follows:



Elder and Mrs. Oswald S. Euell,
Capital City church, Albany,
New York, in the Northeastern
Conference



Pastor and Mrs. Abel Rosario of
the University Spanish church,
Bronx, in the Greater New York
Conference

We regret any inconvenience these errors may have caused.

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TREASURER'S REPORT TO THE CONSTITUENCY

BY DALE R. BEAULIEU

The cost of operating the nine unions in North America varies considerably from union to union. The Atlantic Union office operates in a most efficient manner allowing most of the funds to be used for appropriations to the GC, NAD, the local conferences within the Atlantic Union territory, and Atlantic Union College.

In 1988, the Atlantic Union conference used less than 3% of the gross tithe received by the conferences from the churches for *operating*. *Direct* appropriations to other organizations amounted to 4.56% of gross tithe and 1.80% of gross tithe was used for *indirect* appropriations.

The Atlantic Union funds all of the auditing expenses for the organizations within our territory except the health care institutions. The retirement percentage is a fixed percent (9%) of the total tithe that the Union receives. This *helps* pay for the college's retirement (they pay only 4% of payroll to the fund), and other organizations that pay a small percentage based on payroll.

In 1988, administration and office expense amounted to \$459,000 (less than was spent in 1987—\$478,995). This amount covered expenses like: Salaries and benefits, travel, union committee, liability insurance, workers compensation, legal, postage, copy machine, office supplies, telephone, miscellaneous donations, entertainment and farewells, equipment depreciation, equipment repairs, and general office expense.

As you study the attached schedule, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me and I will be most happy to give an answer.

It is a privilege for me to present this good report.



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ATLANTIC UNION CONFERENCE
COST OF OPERATING UNION OFFICE
1988 AND 1987

	1988		1987	
TITHE INCOME (10%)	3 486 906		3 275 368	
INTEREST INCOME & GC SPEC.	254 786		184 982	
TOTAL INCOME	<u>3 741 692</u>		<u>3 460 350</u>	
COST FOR OPERATING UNION OFFICE:				
Ministerial	47 297		43 884	
Church Ministries	110 964		94 779	
Education	196 155		146 616	
Publishing	60 600		60 762	
Comm/PARL	68 184		66 891	
Ethnic Minis.	21 000		19 380	
Health/Temp	5 400		6 771	
Religious Liberty			1 200	
Trust Services	16 344		16 500	
A.S.I.			900	
Conventions & Meetings	15 000		12 000	
Continuing Ed:Office	2 400			
Office Bldg. Operating & Depr.	60 000		95 247	
Admin. & Off. Expense	459 000		478 995	
Cost of Operating Union Office	<u>1 062 344</u>		<u>1 043 925</u>	
Percent of Gross Tithe		2.84%		3.02%
Increase to Working Capital	299 877		224 175	
Percent of Gross Tithe		.80%		.64%
DIRECT APPROPRIATIONS:				
Tithe Percentages to GC (10.07%)	351 119		329 726	
Ministerial Internships	42 000		54 000	
Evangelism	150 000		150 000	
College Operating	559 726		490 689	
Publishing:Cost of Living Allow.	24 600		18 789	
Inner City	21 000		21 000	
Youth Summer Scholarships	15 000		12 000	
Church Building	27 000		30 000	
Student Aid	3 600		3 600	
K-12 Matching	72 540		67 950	
N.E. Conf. 2% Reversion	261 000		255 032	
Special Conf. Approp.	180 000		186 000	
Total Direct Approp.	<u>1 707 585</u>		<u>1 618 786</u>	
Percent of Gross Tithe		4.56%		4.68%
INDIRECT APPROPRIATIONS:				
Continuing Ed: Ministers	29 000		22 845	
Every Member Adv. Review	19 000		15 600	
Publishing Institute	10 200		9 600	
GLEANER	40 000		30 000	
Auditing	143 864		123 637	
Retirement Percent (9% of Tithe)	313 822		294 781	
Computer Services	42 000		46 704	
AUC MAT Program	59 000			
Teacher Bulletin			30 297	
Endowment Fund	15 000			
Total Indirect Costs	<u>671 886</u>		<u>573 464</u>	
Percent of Gross Tithe		1.80%		1.66%
TOTAL EXPENSES	3 741 692		3 460 350	
TOTAL PERCENTAGES		10.00%		10.00%

Out of Union

West Coast Alumni Reunion at La Sierra, LLU—Feb. 11. Former faculty and students of Maplewood Academy/Hutchinson Theological Seminary plan to be at The Commons at 10:00 a.m. for visiting, buffet, and business meeting. Contact Ruth Purdy, treasurer, for information and reservations, 24414 University Ave., Sp. 90, Loma Linda, CA 92354; (714) 799-3723.

Radio/TV News

The Voice of Prophecy opens its 60th anniversary year with two weeks of interviews on the daily broadcast—Jan. 7-19.

First week—H.M.S. Richards, Jr., interviews his mother, Mabel Richards, and long-time staff members Del Delker, Bob Edwards, and Wayne Hooper.

Second week—A rebroadcast of five interviews that Pastor Richards recorded with his father 10 years ago. The late H.M.S. Richards recalls the early challenges and trials of the Voice of Prophecy work.

Since Faith For Today television went on the air in 1950, more than 30,000 people have joined the Seventh-day Adventist Church through its ministry and influence. Are you one of them?

If so, we'd like to hear from you! We'd like your story for a "Portraits of Faith" compilation we are preparing as part of our 40th anniversary celebration in 1990.

We are interested in any soul-winning stories that involve you, your parents, or other family and friends, and Faith For Today. Please write or call Marilyn Thomsen or Jere Wallack at Faith For Today, PO Box 320, Newbury Park, CA 91319; (805) 373-7700.

Did You Know?

AUC president Lawrence T. Geraty (right) and **NAD president Charles E. Bradford** listen to a speech at the 13th Annual Dinner for Philanthropy on Oct. 5, 1989, at the Adventist World Headquarters in Silver Spring, MD. Generous SDA philanthropists gave or pledged to give millions of dollars to Adventist institutions and programs.

At the dinner, Charles E. Bradford; Gilbert L. Plubell, Director of K-12 Education for the NAD; and Milton Murray, director of Philanthropic Service for Institutions (PSI), handed out checks totalling nearly \$100,000 to three award-winning college professors and to academies, NAD colleges, overseas colleges, hospitals, and professional organizations that support philanthropy.

The highlight of the dinner came when Dr. Chan Shun, a Seventh-day Adventist businessman from Hong Kong, gave away checks and letter of commitment totalling over \$6 million to Adventist institutions and programs worldwide.



The first annual general meeting of the Adventist Theological Society convened Sept. 7-10 at the Mid-America Conference headquarters building by the invitation of President Joel O. Tompkins. All other accommodations were made available on the Union College Campus.

The open sessions drew an international gathering of more than 100 seminary and college theologians; college administrators; division and union presidents; retired General Conference officers, editors, and departmental directors; doctoral candidates

from the Seminary; lawyers; doctors of medicine and dentistry; active and retired pastors; Bible instructors; and businessmen.

On the opening night Elder Francis W. Wernick, formerly a general vice president of the General Conference, presented the keynote address. His burden was to reaffirm the supreme authority of the total Bible in the faith of the Seventh-day Adventist Church—not a faith subordinated to human reason, science, history, philosophy, or any other source of human knowledge or wisdom.

Other speakers and participants included Dr. Gerhard Hasel of Andrews University Seminary; Dr. Norman R. Gulley of Southern college; Elder Robert Spangler, *Ministry* editor; Elder D. A. Delafield, president of Adventist Retired Workers; Dr. Gordon M. Hyde, editor of *Adventist Perspectives* at Southern College; Elder Joel Tompkins, president of Mid-America Union; Dr. Mervyn Maxwell of the Seminary Church History faculty; Dr. Jack J. Blanco, chair of Southern's Religion Department and president of ATS; and Elder Cyril Miller, president of Southwestern Union Conference.

Future meetings of ATS linked with the occasion of the annual convention of the Evangelical Theological Society in San Diego in November. For the special benefit of overseas members and visitors, future meetings and summer activities will coordinate with the General Conference Session in Indianapolis next July.

Inquiries concerning materials and the ATS organization should be directed to: ATS, PO Box 551, Collegedale, TN 37315.

In the largest study of its kind ever done among the youth of any denomination in North America, the Seventh-day Adventist Church asked its adolescents during late September and early October to identify what leads them to accept or reject religious faith. Because young people were studied in context, it will be possible to identify what it is in the family, church, and school that encourages faith, according to V. Bailey Gillespie, chairman of the project team.

Nearly 20,000 students in grades 6 to 12 and their parents, pastors, teachers, and principals were surveyed. This sample included approximately 20 percent of all Adventist junior high and high school age students in NA.

The survey, known as Valuegenesis, is a key part of Project Affirmation, the denomination's three-year effort to move its 78,000-student system in NA toward greater excellence. Preliminary findings of the 90-minute, three-or-four-hundred question survey are due to be released in December.

Valuegenesis probed key areas in its search for roots of faith: (1) matters of faith—faith orientation, religious background and religious behavior; (2) church involvement—attitudes and commitments; (3) Adventist practice and standards—how they are viewed, taught, and enforced; (4) school characteristics—climate and programs; (5) family communication, religious practices and parenting dynamics; (6) what people feel needed to be done to strengthen the Adventist educational system; and (7) what people want to see in young people—achievement, prosocial behavior, moral decisions, church commitment, lifestyle choices.

Using the survey findings, members of the Project Affirmation task force on values, faith and commitment will develop materials and programs to: renew interest in the faith development of Adventist adolescents; make school and church groups more effective in nurturing faith; help parents communicate faith, values, and lifestyle more productively; and increase youth commitment to the church and its mission.

Wedding

DUVALL-MARSHALL

On Sept. 17, 1989, Nancy Lynn Duvall, daughter of Gerald Duvall and Mary Lou Duvall, both of Ukiah, CA, and Victor David Marshall, son of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Marshall of Canaan, NH, were married in Drewsville, NH, with Pastors R. Lenbert Cheney and Richard Wright officiating. The couple lives in Bellows Falls, VT, where Nancy is working at the Rockingham Hospital as a registered nurse and Victor is a Bible worker in the Rutland-Ludlow, VT, area. In January Victor will be taking a specialized training for his chosen work, and he plans to attend Andrews University Seminary in June 1990.

Deaths

AASTRUP, Thora K., born April 10, 1899, in Aas, Norway, died July 29, 1989, in Bolton Manor Nursing Home, Marlboro, MA.

She was a faithful member of the Kingston, NY Seventh-day Adventist Church, which she and her husband attended after immigrating from Norway 66 years ago.

Survivors: her husband, Alfred R. Aastrup, Sr.; two sons, Alfred R. Aastrup, Jr., of Bolton, MA, and Alvin T. Aastrup of Greenwood, LA; three grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. Funeral services and interment were held at the Eastwood Cemetery, So. Lancaster, MA, with Pastor Marion E. Kidder officiating.

FORD, Orpha B. (Root), born July 5, 1900, in Coopersville, MI, to James and Alice (Locke) Root, died Oct. 5, 1989, in Hoosick Falls, NY. She was a faithful member of the South Lancaster, MA, Village Seventh-day Adventist Church for 44 years prior to moving to New York State to live with her son, Eldon.

For many years she led the Dorcas work and helped raise money to build the Community Services Center on Bolton Rd., So. Lancaster, MA.

Survivors: her six sons, Dr. F. Wendell Ford, Hermiston, OR; Dr. Dwain Ford, Berrien Springs, MI; Cleo Ford, Greenwich, NY; Glee Ford, Sterling, MA; Eldon Ford, Hoosick Falls, NY; and Gary Ford, Lancaster, MA. Her husband, Paul G. Ford, of Lancaster, MA, predeceased her in 1978.

HALLGREN, Elouise Cynthia Hoxie, born Nov. 25, 1911, in Northampton, MA, died June 19, 1989, in Marlboro, MA. Mrs. Hallgren and her husband, Enar Gottfried Hallgren were faithful and strong leaders in the Gardner, MA, Seventh-day Adventist Church. During the mid-fifties, they played a significant role in the building of a new church structure.

Mr. and Mrs. Hallgren's three children, Leo Elton Hallgren of Gardner, MA, Cynthia Elvira Coolidge of Bolton, MA, and Sarah Jane Fanton of New Braintree, MA; and eight grandchildren survive them.

A Memorial Service was held in the Gardner church with Elder William W. Menshausen officiating and interment was in Gardner, MA.

STOTT, Bessie, 89, formerly of Bigelow Gardens, Lancaster, MA, died at the Clinton Manor Nursing Home after a long illness. She was born in Leigh, Lancashire, England, the daughter of George and Mary Ann (Watkin) Stott.

Miss Stott retired in 1969 as the Executive Housekeeper at Fuller Memorial Sanitarium having worked there for more than 25 years. She moved to Lancaster in the early 1970s and became a member of the Village Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Survivors: one niece, Mrs. Sheila Ann Hurst of St. Thomas, Virgin Islands; great nieces and nephews; and very close, dear friend, Helen R. Slater, of Cumberland, RI. Funeral services were private and interment was in the Newell Burying Ground, So. Attleboro, MA, beside her sisters, Ann and Mary.

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Dec. 16
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AUC Hugo Disaster Appeal

Some 50 students and staff of AUC are planning with Maranatha Volunteers International to spend 3 weeks this Christmas vacation to restore roofs on churches and peoples' homes in St. Croix, VI, from Hugo's massive destruction in September.

It will be months before the people will have electricity, telephones, and other services. Their economy has been hit hard and many have lost items to the elements because of the loss of their roofs.

This project is costing each student \$450* to get there and many are giving up earning money for their own school bills. But they see the urgent need to go down to help their fellow classmates who are here at AUC from the area to help their families get back on their feet.

We are appealing to our Atlantic Union Constituents by having each church sponsor one or two students in this project. We are also looking for volunteers in the building trades who would like to help us. Please send your contributions to: Hugo Fund, Atlantic Union College, Main St., So. Lancaster, MA 01561. If you have any questions, please contact Henry Livergood, Project Director, at the above address or call AUC 1-800-282-2030. Thank you very much.



Central Seventh-day Adventist Church, St. Croix, VI, showing the destruction from Hurricane Hugo in September. It sustained extensive wind and water damage.

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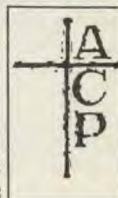
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A TIME FOR RENEWAL

More than one hundred ladies of the Atlantic Union gathered for the first Women's Retreat sponsored by the Atlantic Union Conference Women's Commission. Northern New England, Southern New England, Northeastern, New York, and Greater New York Conferences were represented.

With a theme of Renew and Revitalize, the attendees were fed spiritually, emotionally, and physically. Speakers were Dr. Rosa Taylor Banks, Field Secretary of the General Conference; Juanita Kretschmar, Director of the Greater New York Van Ministry; Becky Dixon, Family Life Director of Northern New England; and Dr. Lourdes Gudmundsson, Assistant Professor of Spanish at the University of Connecticut, Stamford.

The retreat opened with a call for inner renewal that could only be accomplished if former trespasses were forgiven and put away. Juanita Kretschmar, a praying woman, directed our thoughts



Dr. Rosa Banks, Field Secretary of the General Conference.

and hearts to a newer and fuller meaning of "forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us."

Repentance, revival, redemption, and return were the themes woven through the Sabbath school in music, prayer, mission story, and lesson. Thelma Hale, SNEC, who directed the lesson, asked the question, "How does God's call to return apply to me?"

The Worship Hour speaker was Dr. Banks who reminded us that a gift is a terrible thing to waste and "if God be for us, who can be against us." She challenged us to let God so infiltrate our hearts with His love that our many undeveloped talents will be developed and used.

Each day began with prayer led by Cathy Taylor, Southern New England Conference. Workshops on Sabbath afternoon and Sunday morning encouraged prayer life, writing, family life, exercise, and meaningful singing.

Long-stemmed silk flowers with an attached name were given to all



Dr. Rosa Banks; Sarah Jane Fanton, Women's Commissioner for Southern New England Conference; and Junell Vance.

present. The flower is a visual reminder to breathe the name in prayer. Each lady met the person who she would be praying for. And friends were made that will last throughout eternity.

At our last meal, a Banquet Brunch, Dr. Banks challenged us to fill ourselves with the Word of God, to pray always, and then to shine brightly for Jesus with the help of the Holy Spirit. With a call to action, she asked us to dedicate ourselves to finishing the work on earth and hastening our Lord's return. Come, Lord Jesus!



Lunch time is a happy time!



Dr. Lourdes Gudmundsson (left) receiving a Bible verse plaque from Junell Vance, Women's Commissioner for the Atlantic Union Conference.