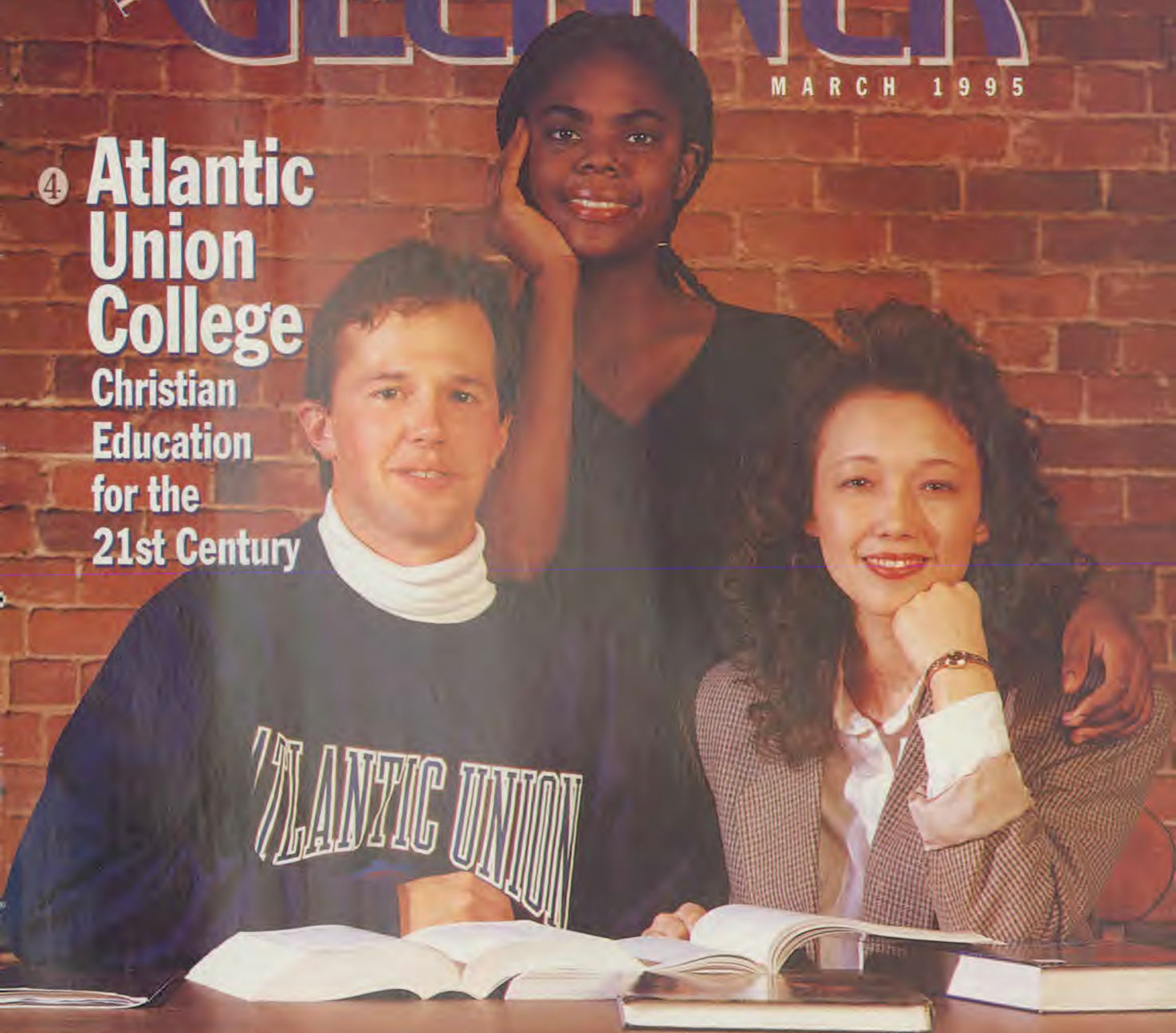


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# A PART OF GOD'S FAMILY

**W**hen was the last time you said in a public setting . . . "I'm happy to be a Seventh-day Adventist Christian! I love this church!!!"? How long has it been since the day you were added to the body of Christ? Can you remember the pastor who baptized you? Do you remember the day and year of your baptism?

The man who taught me about the teachings of the church is still alive, pastoring in a major city in Tennessee, and even though he is now approaching three score years and ten, he has no desire to slow down. This very month he will lead his congregation into a new church building with its social hall and classrooms and lovely landscaping. An abundance of paved parking lots is available, too.

Now I must hasten to tell you that this man of God baptized me in March of 1951, so this month is my 44th anniversary year in Adventism. From a hometown in central Kansas, population then around 28,000, on to Topeka, the capitol city, God has brought me through paths that I knew not. I had no dream of what Adventism would do for me or take me, but God has led me all the way!

What was my first impression of this church? My Adventist relatives in Topeka, the Woodson family, were very special. They were a happy laughing, pleasant, industrious family and their young people became a psychiatric industrial arts therapist and teacher, a nurse and a registered physical therapist. Their older brother, not an Adventist, was a prominent attorney. I learned, therefore, that to be successful in life one had to set goals,

pray hard, and work! Education is a top priority in Adventism.

Some of the best memories I have of living with the Woodson family focused on meal times and weekends. We didn't rush through meals. That was communication time. Recalling humorous occasions, learning about family roots, and sharing events of the day or week. But the special time came on Friday.

It was always with joy that I looked forward to each Sabbath. On Fridays that meant cleaning the house, cutting the grass, washing the car, making sure the clothing was in order, and getting a bath before the setting of the sun. Welcoming the new Sabbath each week was fun and refreshing. Reviewing the Sabbath school lesson was enriching.

Getting to Sabbath school on time is a struggle for some but the rewards are great. Keeping an appointment with Jesus is vital to one's spiritual growth and development. Our churches today need a revival in Bible study and the fellowship of Sabbath school classes! The preaching service was the main meal and the Youth Hour was dessert. Sabbath observance is not only a doctrine; it is an experience!

Yes, the years have come and gone, Sabbaths come and go, and each week takes us one week closer to the return of our Lord. I thank God for the privilege of being called out of spiritual darkness into His marvelous light. He has placed a song in my heart, a fire in my bones, and a hope in my mind. God loves this church! I'm happy to be a member of the international family of God!! I hope you are, too!!!





## AFRICAN CELEBRATION HELD AT LINCOLN CHURCH

**O**ver the past few years, it has become apparent through a study of the area, that there are literally hundreds of former Seventh-day Adventists from Africa living in the state of Rhode Island. It is the goal of the Lincoln church to be involved in a reclaiming ministry, reaching out to this segment of the population in unique ways.

For the past two years a group of African members at the Lincoln church have made a concerted effort to establish a ministry in the community. They have conducted



**Samuel Asare, leader of the African work in Lincoln, Rhode Island.**

Sabbath afternoon services, witnessing groups, and Bible studies. And the church has benefitted from their work, with new members enriching the congregation.

"The ministry among the African community in this vicinity has not only been spiritually uplifting for the Africans, it has also proved

to be a strong support system for them," says Samuel Asare, leader of the African work at Lincoln.

Building on the work already done, Pastor Eric Doran and members decided to conduct a special service—both to enrich the congregation through the talents of Seventh-day Adventist Africans and to reach out to Africans in the community.

After three months of planning, the service was conducted on December 3, 1994. The highlight of the day was the preaching and testimony of two Seventh-day Adventist "dignitaries": General Conference Vice President Elder Matthew Bediako and Atlantic Union Conference President Elder Theodore Jones.

Elders Bediako and Jones preached for both the morning and afternoon services, bringing news of the world church and the growth of Adventism around the globe.

Throughout the day, a number of musical groups brought vibrance and meaning to the worship services. Musical numbers were presented by the First Ghana church of New York (men's voices); The King's Men of Lincoln, Rhode Island; the Ghanaian Group of New England and the African Dorcas Group led by Josephine Wiggins and Francisca Asare. Also present for the service were representatives from Worcester, Massachusetts, Connecticut, and Berrien Springs, Michigan.

During Sabbath school a dramatic presentation, "Behind the Scenes of the Great Controversy," was enacted by Clement and Rose Addai, Stella Amoah, Patrick Ofori and Kwadwo Afrani. Paulina Mensah, Vida Ofori and Vida Addai presented the Scripture message. Following the Sabbath school lesson, Samuel Koranteng Pipim, a representative from Berrien Springs, Michigan, presented the mission

story, showing slides of the Seventh-day Adventist work in the country of Ghana.

Other participants in the morning services were Richard Amoako, Samuel Asare, Milton Tomlinson, Dr. Geofred Ansah, Samuel Pipim, Dr. Adjei Poku, John Amoah, Josephine Wiggins, Theresa Agyemang, Clement Addai, Gladys Adjei-Poku, and Francisca Asare.

Following the Sabbath school and Church services, the "kitchen volunteers" of Lincoln, directed by Frantzie Guerrier, served a delicious meal, comprised of many tasty ethnic dishes.

In the afternoon, participants were once again inspired and en-



**General Conference vice-president Matthew Bediako (left) from Ghana talks with Pastor Eric Doran (center) of Lincoln, Rhode Island, and Atlantic Union Conference president Elder T. T. Jones.**

couraged by the words of Elders Bediako and Jones.

"This was truly a high day in the Lincoln church," says Pastor Eric Doran. "The rich colors of the African dress, the overflowing crowd, the spirited music and heartening words—all lifted those present and filled our hearts with joy and confidence in the Adventist message."

The Lincoln church looks ahead to another "African Celebration" in 1995.



# ATLANTIC UNION COLLEGE— CHRISTIAN EDUCATION FOR THE 21ST CENTURY!

## **MULTI-CULTURAL PROGRAMS ENHANCE SPIRITUAL LIFE AT AUC**

"As the world grows smaller and smaller," says Elenore Parker, "it becomes increasingly more important for students to understand and appreciate different cultures." Parker, a partner in Parker and James, communication consultants to a number of regional colleges, visited AUC last semester, partly because she had heard of the successful multi-cultural program at AUC. She was impressed with the success with which AUC has recruited, educated, and committed the school's resources to students from a wide variety of cultural backgrounds. While many other schools are still trying to help students understand, she says that it is clear to her that, "AUC students are prepared for life in a global culture."



**G**reg Whitsett, raised in rural New England and most recently from downeast Maine, has worked hard in his two years at AUC to walk a mile in other people's shoes. He says, "If I have learned one thing, it is that 'our way' is not always the best way." Whitsett is a personal ministries major and former director of Campus Ministries, who hopes to become a pastor. "The diversity here at AUC has taught me about differences. I have learned to accept and learn from other people's backgrounds. Now I just treat people as people."

Although most colleges are working with programs that recruit students from a wide variety of cultural backgrounds, they have only limited success, according to Parker. They have a particular problem keeping a faculty that reflects the wide variety of students they teach. In fact, unlike AUC, "Most, quite frankly, fail completely," she observes. Parker suggests that the commitment that faculty have to educate various constituencies is not matched in other schools she is familiar with. AUC's dedication to educating students from within as well as from outside their parent culture is remarkable.

"The students I interviewed at AUC were quite sophisticated in their appreciation of the international flavor of the education they are receiving . . . they understand that to succeed in that world, they not only need a quality education, but also an appreciation of other people," she said.

Parker is clear about why she believes AUC's cultural variety works: "Unlike many other values-oriented schools that inculcate ethics through a regimented life-style, AUC instills values through a com-



**Elenore Parker**

mon set of beliefs," observes Parker. Because of this, she adds, "AUC students exhibit a sense of spirituality rare among college students... In class and throughout the campus AUC reinforces their beliefs. Because students and faculty alike share a spiritual identity, students develop a strong sense of personal and political ethics." Parker is also strong about another point: "The college should broadcast its strengths to as wide an audience as possible, as often as possible. It should speak out on issues central to its beliefs."

"AUC has an important message to send not only to the Adventist community," she emphasizes, "but to the broader community, as well."



## OFFICERS VOTE FREEZE ON COLLEGE COSTS

AUC is making a college education more affordable to a wider variety of students next year. College administration voted a freeze on last year's college costs, including tuition, room and board. Presently, a full semester's academic load will cost \$10,600, and various dormitory costs and other fees will also remain the same.

While the college board and officers explore more efficient ways to provide a first-rate education, officers are committed to keeping college costs affordable. According to William Deitemeyer, director of financial aid, the college's need-based financial aid program will also be expanded. Starting the 1995-96 school year, eligibility for complete financial aid will extend to families with a higher combined income—up to \$40,000.

"A good residential college education is expensive and not easily affordable—we all know that. A large number of families need some sort of financial help through loans, subsidized loans, scholarships, or grants. Expanding eligibility will bring this quality of education back into the financial realities of middle-income families," says one college administrator.

## WEIDNER PHOTOS EXHIBIT LIFE OF SERVICE

"The John Weidner Experience: A Story of Rescue," featuring the late John Weidner's World War II photographs, opened in the Bartlett Gallery at Atlantic Union College on December 4.

The Bartlett display is only a small part of the John Henry Weidner Center for Cultivation of the Altruistic Spirit, located on the AUC campus. Besides housing a perma-



ship. Born in Brooklyn but from a family with roots in Trinidad and Tobago, Mills was attracted to the college because she wanted to experience something other than city life. Despite the quietness of life in South Lancaster, she has been amazed at the diversity in the people she has met since enrolling.

"Even in my own race there are different blacks," she ex-

plains. "Like Africans and others I didn't meet back home in the city. And then you meet people from Europe, from Sweden. You know, like the people you see in the Olympics."

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The camaraderie of her teammates and the cross-cultural activities on campus have given Mills confidence in her abilities to relate to people of all backgrounds.

"At first I didn't know how to talk to people," she admits, "but then I learned that by just being myself and learning from them I was able to speak to anyone. I think that when I apply for a job, my experiences here at AUC will definitely be a plus."

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nent collection of Weidner's letters and photographs, the Weidner Center is developing a class in ethics and altruism for AUC students. It is also forming an association with Boston Regional Medical Center to help fight urban violence. The Weidner Center plans to offer classes for the BRMC staff, and present programs in elementary schools.

The exhibit celebrates the selfless spirit that John Weidner's life exemplified. Weidner, a Seventh-day Adventist and native of Holland, organized the Dutch-Paris, a World War II underground operation that provided an escape line from Holland through Belgium and France to the free countries of Switzerland and Spain. Weidner helped to save the lives of more than a thousand innocent people, including perse-

cutted Jews, allied airmen, and political refugees.

Arrested and tortured brutally three times by the Nazis, Weidner managed to escape each time. He continued his activities, despite making the top of the Gestapo's



History professors Alberto Sbacchi (left) and Myron Wehtje examine one of John Weidner's diaries on display at the Bartlett Gallery

most wanted list. Following the war, Israel, Holland, France, England, and the United States each honored Weidner for his heroic actions.





**"E**ven though we are proud of our diversity, we are more proud of our unity," says Daniel Sierra, a sophomore who is co-leader of Campus Ministries.

Sierra, a high school dropout, returned to college at the age of 30. A self-proclaimed "New Yorican"—a native New Yorker of Puerto Rican descent—he enjoys the fellowship of a Sabbath school class called NOW: "Nations of the World."

"Sabbath school was really the creation of students who were tired of segregation," says Sierra. "We hold one united worship in which 15 nations are represented and 10 different languages, including sign, are spoken. There is powerful Scripture in the Bible, and when translated it does not discriminate."

## DINING COMMONS PROGRESS GAINS LOCAL ATTENTION

The quickly progressing Chan Shun Dining Commons on the Atlantic Union College campus has attracted the attention of the local public and press. The *Clinton Daily Item* and the *Worcester Telegram & Gazette* north edition recently printed front-page photos of the building-in-progress.

AUC president James Londis began raising public interest in the building in March 1994 when he announced in the *Daily Item* that the new dining hall will be available to community organizations. Local residents and senior citizens may even receive meal discounts.

Construction continues on schedule, partly due to the surprisingly mild weather in New England this winter. "We've been lucky so far," Mike Morello, project superintendent, said. "It's actually warm for this time of year."

The interior partitions and block work should be completed by mid-March. By mid-April, the building is expected to be fully enclosed, and the contractors will be working on interior finishes.

The dining hall has already changed the face of AUC. "It seems to fit well with the other AUC structures," said Mark T. Anello, South Lancaster resident and sophomore social work major at AUC. Prescott House, home to the social work department, neighbors the construction site. "I hear the progress every day," Anello added.

Pledges and contributions for the new dining hall continue to arrive. As of January 4, AUC's development office had received \$1,206,025 in gifts for the project. According to Lisa Wheeler, development director, \$824,027 in money already pledged is expected.



By mid-April, the Chan Shun Dining Commons is expected to be fully enclosed. This photo was taken January 23.

## AFFILIATIONS OFFER OPTIONS TO STUDENTS

Ongoing dialogue with other colleges and universities is making more of their resources available to AUC students, according to Carol M. Allen, vice president for academic affairs.

One of the examples she cited is an agreement between AUC's English department and Mt. Wachusett Community College (MWCC), in Gardner, that enables AUC students to earn a minor in communications. By taking some of their classes and using the electronic technology available at MWCC, the students benefit from expertise and equipment unavailable at AUC.

Agreed on in principle but awaiting final approval is an affiliation between AUC and nearby Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI) that would benefit engineering students.

"At the end of this five-year program, the students will graduate with an engineering degree from WPI in addition to a degree from AUC," according to Jared Bruckner department chair. AUC has had a long-standing affiliation with Walla Walla College, in Washington State, which offers an engineering degree, he said, but the new agreement will allow students to earn their degree without having to leave New England. Allen added that WPI is interested in sending students to AUC for courses such as nursing.

Allen said that AUC also is pursuing cooperative relationships with several institutions that belong to the Worcester Consortium for Higher Education, which includes WPI, Clark University and Worcester State College.

"Affiliations open up more opportunities for students to be exposed to faculty, courses, and technology not available on this campus," Allen said. She pointed out that in return, "If students come to us, it gives us the chance to let them know what Christian education is."



## AWR AIMS FOR 100 LANGUAGES BY 2001

**I**t's our global mission—to keep adding languages to the AWR schedule until we reach people everywhere in the world with the Gospel," says Walter Scragg, AWR president. "And these languages are spoken by people among whom there is little or no Adventist presence, and for whom there may be no other way of sharing the gospel, except AWR."

Pastor Scragg is referring to the recent AWR board decision to establish a five-year plan of language acquisition for AWR, in cooperation with the world divisions and their global mission targeted languages. AWR now broadcasts in 36 languages.

Scragg cited as examples the newest languages added to the AWR broadcast schedule in September 1995: Vietnamese; Urdu, for Pakistan; and Sinhalese, for Sri Lanka.

"The letters are already coming in by the dozens, even from places like Vietnam," Scragg says, "where it costs the equivalent of a professional person's daily wages to mail a letter to the post office box in Hong Kong!" Letter writers included a Catholic priest, a housewife, high school and college students and a person in a refugee camp in Malaysia.

Listeners in mostly Moslem Pakistan have responded to the programs in their language. "Literacy in Pakistan is only 35 percent," says Greg Hodgson, general manager of AWR-Europe, which airs Urdu, "but 42 percent of the households have radios. It has been our experience that they share their radios with neighbors, making this electronic media a very effective way to reach these people." In addition to being the official language of Pakistan, with a population of 128 million, Urdu is spoken by 105 million people in India.

Pastor W. D. Anthony, president of the Sri Lanka Union of Churches, reports excitedly about the speedy response to their Sinhalese programs aired on AWR-Asia: "After only 20 days we received 40 letters from the far corners of Sri Lanka and most of them are from Buddhists. They are asking for Bible lessons and health literature. One listener said it was the first time he had ever heard about God."

"Introducing people to God," says Scragg, "is what AWR is all about." Languages AWR hopes to add in 1995 include Dari for Afghanistan; Albanian, Turkish, Farsi for Iran; Kannada and Punjabi for India; Nepali, Ukrainian, Georgian, Javanese for Indonesia; Tibetan, Malagasy, and Swahili.

## "IT'S THE FIRST TIME I'VE HEARD ABOUT GOD"

**A**fter only 20 days on the air, we received 40 letters!," says W. D. Anthony, president of the Sri Lanka Union of Churches, reporting on the success of the new broadcast in Sinhalese on Adventist World Radio. "Most of the letters are from Buddhists."

Letters in response to the Sinhalese broadcasts, first aired on September 25 from the transmitters of AWR-Asia on Guam, contain requests for Bible lessons and health literature. One listener said, "This is the first time I have heard about God." The program is aired one hour a day, beginning at 7:30 p.m. local time.

Pastor Anthony says one letter came from 21 Sri Lankan prisoners in Egypt. One of the prisoners wrote that they tuned into the AWR Sinhalese program in prison, and they were so excited because it was the first time they had heard their own language in nine years.

Other listeners a long way from home have heard the broadcasts. While in Singapore for meetings in November 1994, Pastor Anthony and other church leaders visited the area of the city where they knew many Sri Lankans lived—there are about 10,000 working in Singapore.

Pastor Anthony and his colleagues had prepared brochures advertising the AWR Sinhalese programs, and they began distributing them. They discovered that many of the Sri Lankans were already listening to the program, which is heard very clearly there at 10 p.m. "With the Lord's blessing, there may one day soon be a Sinhalese Adventist Church in Singapore!" says Pastor Anthony.



**AWR brings the Gospel to Sarireijo—Eliyas Subakir became convinced of the Sabbath message he heard on AWR and shared this new-found light with neighbors. To date, 180 people have been baptized in two villages, and the new members are holding branch Sabbath schools in other villages. Many of the new members are former Muslims.**

**You can help AWR fill the airwaves with the Gospel in many languages  
Please give generously for the AWR Annual Offering on March 18, 1995.**



# ADVENTISTS RECEIVE NCPSA APPROVAL

THE ACCREDITING ASSOCIATION OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST SCHOOLS, COLLEGES  
AND UNIVERSITIES PASSES REVIEW BY NCPSA AND RECEIVES NATIONAL RECOGNITION

**D**uring the fall meeting of the National Council for Private School Accreditation held in Alexandria, Virginia, on September 26 and 27, the Seventh-day Adventist accreditation program received full approval and recognition for its organizational structure, standards and accreditation procedures.

NCPSA Executive Director Charles J. O'Malley commented: "The review process is extremely thorough and we have taken great pains to keep the process fair and impartial. The Commission on Standards and Review not only reviews each organization's written manuals, policies and procedures, it receives a report from an unbiased education professional experienced in the accreditation process who witnessed the organization's accreditation process in action."

Dr. Gil Plubell, Director of Education for the North American Division, and Dr. Gerry Thompson, Director of Education for the Pacific Union Conference, participated in the preparation of the

lengthy self-study and represented the Adventist Accrediting Association at several NCPSA national meetings.

We are very pleased with this process as it now allows SDA accredited schools to enjoy the benefits of national recognition for our school programs. Benefits of NCPSA approval and membership include: national recognition and broad acceptance, collective strength and influence, improvement of private education through peer evaluation, accountability to our church and general publics, validating credibility of our SDA Accrediting Association, articulation agreements for transferability of academic credits, development of state and interstate recognition and acceptance of SDA accreditation; and provides a forum for professional interaction and mutual assistance in strengthening individual associations.

Along with the recognition of the Accrediting Association of Seventh-day Adventist Schools, Colleges

and Universities (formerly known as the GC Board of Regents), five other organizations received full recognition and several others were granted the first steps of candidacy status or provisional status. We can take pride in the fact that our SDA Accrediting Association became a fully recognized member of the National Council for Private School Accreditation. Writing in the October 5, 1994, issue of *Education Week*, Laura Miller calls the "Council's approval of its first members . . . a landmark event." We agree wholeheartedly with that statement and as we move forward with this important organization, it is encouraging to see the acceptance and confidence that has been given to the SDA accreditation process and for recognizing its leadership in this area of private education. Dr. Gil Plubell of the North American Division has been elected the first President and Chairman of the National Council for Private School Accreditation.

## NET '95—THE COUNTDOWN IS ON!

**T**he excitement is building in the nearly 1,000 North American churches that have decided to be a part of NET '95 which began February 18 in the Civic Auditorium in Chattanooga, Tennessee.

What a joy it is to see this vast network of churches banding together to present a new approach to reaching the public with the wonderful message that God has given to the Seventh-day Adventist Church! More than 3.5 million handbills ordered through Seminars Unlimited will be distributed by the participating churches.

"The Adventist Church is on a missionary journey into the new frontier at the edge of the 21st century," said Monte Sahlin, assistant to the North American Division president.

Global Mission is opening up new people groups not only in Mongolia, Romania, and Uganda, but also in the high-tech, organized world of New York, London, and Tokyo. In the suburbs of these major metropolitan areas are a new generation of adults who are raising kids, pursuing careers, and are

racked with nostalgia for a time when they seemed themselves to have been more committed to truth, justice, and peace. "I believe that it is God's will for this new generation of adults to be won for Christ and the Adventist hope," Sahlin said.

For more information about NET '95 and how you can get involved, call 1-800-ACN-1119. Don't miss the opportunity to join us in this mighty effort to prepare the way for the soon coming of our Lord!



# WHERE IS OUR PRIMARY FOCUS?

**W**hile discussing the Seventh-day Adventist religion with a prominent Oregon attorney, I was asked a very thought-provoking question: "Tell me Herald, why is the primary focus in the Adventist Church not on Jesus as it is in other Protestant churches?" Considering my friend's objectivity and the favor in which he holds Adventists and their medical institutions, his question came to me as an unexpected call for personal and corporate re-evaluation.

It has been some years now since 1965, when driving north on the Interstate here in Oregon, I found myself confessing to God that I did not love Jesus. I asked God to forgive me, and I pled that He would give me love for Christ in the person of His children here on earth. I then asked God to use me to the greatest possible extent for the salvation of the world regardless of the cost to me.

On that day, I promised God that I would make Jesus the center of every sermon that I might be asked to preach. I further promised God that I would spend a half hour reading the Conflict of the Ages series by Ellen G. White, besides Bible study and prayer each day. I will never forget conversing with God that day, asking and promising that my priorities would never be the same thereafter.

At twenty-five years of age, I felt my life had been a total waste. I felt

certain that many would be lost because of my failure to share Jesus as opportunities had come and gone. From that time, however, things began to take on new meaning in my life, and I was blessed to the extent I kept my promises to Him. As I read the Conflict of the Ages series I was powerfully drawn to the Scriptures. It was as if I could not get enough of the Word of God. Jesus came to mean more to me than any earthly friend. While I saw myself as very much a sinner and in need of Jesus, I found illustration after illustration in the Bible of Jesus seeking and saving men just like me. Oh how I find myself wishing I could do more for Him!

Then in 1988 my trust in Jesus was severely tested. I found myself kneeling in a pool of blood in the middle of the highway trying to save the life of my sixteen-year-old daughter who had just been terribly injured in an automobile accident. My mind went out to Jesus. I seemed so alone, yet He seemed so near. I can in my mind still recall the last time, just hours before the accident and her death, at her request, that I bowed and prayed by her bedside, before she went to sleep: "Father, I thank you for Kari, her decision for Jesus, her desire to be used by You for the salvation of the world, . . . in Jesus name, Amen." Then I felt the squeeze of her hand, and heard Kari say: "Good night Daddy, I love you, see

you in the morning." Now on occasions when visiting her lonely grave, I find myself again praying: "Father, I thank you for Kari, her decision for Jesus, her desire to be used by you for the salvation of the world. I trust You are answering her prayer even while she is asleep in Jesus, . . . Amen."

Oh how the questions go through my mind, after talking with my lawyer friend. Could it be that he is more right than wrong? I am sure he had more conversations with me than other Adventists. Somehow I must have left him with the impression that "Seventh-day Adventists are primarily focused on doctrine or something other than Jesus Christ."

It is my prayer that when people visit our churches, read our publications, and listen to our radio and television programs, or are just enjoying lunch with Herald Follett, that they will, without question, discover Adventists are Christians whose primary focus is always and consistently on Jesus Christ. That with the Apostle Paul, we are heard saying everywhere, "For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the gospel: not with wisdom or words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of none effect" (1 Corinthians 1:17).

*Herald Follett*

## SEVERAL ATLANTIC UNION PASTORS ATTEND THIRD ANNUAL SCHOOL OF EVANGELISM



Several pastors from the Atlantic Union were among the 52 from across North America who attended the third annual School of Evangelism conducted by the Adventist Evangelistic Association at the Adventist Media Center. From left are, front: Bill Largo (Syracuse, Auburn, and Onondaga, NY), Kevin Dunn (Batavia and Lockport, NY), Jose Nieves (Utica and Herkimer, NY), Bill Hrovat (Norwich and Oneonta, NY); back: AEA coordinator Lloyd Wyman, Vivian and Steven Grabiner (Norwich and New London, CT), Epi Rodriguez (Rochester Genesee Park and Hispanic, NY), Joel Nephew (Wellsville, Olean, Salamanca, and Randolph, NY), Dave Crockett (Cortland and Ithaca, NY), David Buttrick (Bennington and Rutland, VT), John A. Gunther (elder at Rochester Bay Knoll, NY), Lloyd Knecht (evangelist for Greater New York), Bob Cornelisse (Rochester Bay Knoll, NY), and Mike Steenhoven (Farmingdale and Augusta, ME). The 10-day event was taught this year by Mark and Teenie Finley, Don and Margie Gray, Henry Feyerabend, and Richard Halversen.



# Greater New York

## RETIREMENTS MARKED AT CONFERENCE OFFICE

Among those persons retiring from the ministry and conference work were Elder Arturo Santos, who had served in Greater New York Conference since 1957. He is shown below with Elder Juan Suarez,



president of the Hispanic Ministerial Association in the Atlantic Union Conference, during an awards presentation.

Elder Israel Gonzalez, with his wife Anita, and Edwina and Harry Montello (at right) were honored at a staff luncheon held at the conference office during the holiday season. Elder and Mrs. Gonzalez are now living in Berrien Springs, Michigan, following his 40 years in ministry and her work as secretary for the Hispanic Ministries department during the 15 years they served in Greater New York.

Edwina and Harry Montello will remain on Long Island, where Harry will assist in Bible studies for the Babylon church. They served a combined total of 75 years in their years of service at Faith For Today



and for the conference, Harry having concluded 40 years' service, and Edwina, 35. Her most recent work at the conference was as secretary for the Publishing and Communication departments. Harry has served the conference office staff in multiple areas, including maintenance and mailroom supervision; his work has been so varied that he often said his job description was simply two words: "Get Harry!"

## SDA GOOD NEWS NETWORK VOLUNTEER BAPTIZED IN CHINESE CHURCH

On December 3, 1994, Qianshen Liu was baptized at the New York Chinese church in Corona, Queens. Shown with her (3rd from right) following the service are leaders in the Chinese church and, on her left and right, Elders Frank Lee and

Richard Marker, director of Adventist Community Health Services where Qianshen Liu also volunteers.

Elder Marker was the speaker of the day. Qianshen is in the New York City area following some studies at Atlantic Union College.



## HOMELESS GUESTS JOIN IN SINGING, TESTIMONIES AT ANNUAL HOLIDAY LUNCHEONS

Approximately 35 guests came each day for the three holiday luncheons for the homeless held once again at the Van Center just before Christmas.

During meals of good food and warm fellowship, some guests responded to the daily programs of continuous music and shared personal stories by entering in with obvious joy. A duet by two men calling themselves the "Sunshine Boys" rose to sing for one gathering, and went on to sing along en-

thusiastically with group numbers as well.

Receiving gifts, always a favorite activity at the parties, proved equally interactive at the latest luncheons. One man, seeing the interest of a young woman in a large stuffed animal he had chosen from the large tree, handed it to the





amazed woman. Later she handed him the gift she had selected when it was her turn to go to the tree. One couple apparently made their selections as a way of taking care of their Christmas "shopping": they chose what they thought the other wanted and exchanged gifts on the spot.

As each day's guests departed for the city with new blankets, Bibles and other gifts tucked under their arms, a number took time to thank staff members for giving them some happy, warm hours away from the



Many guests entered enthusiastically into singing carols and inspirational songs. During special music by the five McFadden children, one non-seasonal song drew calls for an encore, and guests joined in heartily.



(l. to r.) Bonnie and Richard Marker, Van Program director, lead out in singing with a guest and SDA GOOD NEWS NETWORK volunteer Cesar Mercado.

city streets. They also expressed gratitude for literature dealing with their specific lifestyle or spiritual

needs that many had received at lunchtime as a result of conversations with staff or volunteers.

### **RIDGEWOOD CHURCH CELEBRATES 95TH ANNIVERSARY**

Elder Emilio Knechtle, General Conference revivalist, was the featured speaker for a day of commemoration for the 95th anniversary of the Ridgewood church. Many visitors were present for the eleven o'clock service; the commemoration continued with a fellowship lunch and afternoon fellowship.



The Ridgewood church was founded in 1899 in downtown Brooklyn, ministering to German-speaking persons and known as the German Brooklyn church. It was the parent church of the New York German church in Manhattan (now known as the Church of the Advent Hope).

Ridgewood believers worship at 1925 Gates Avenue, pastored by Elder Phil Sica.

Pastor Philip Sica (left) with Elder Emilio Knechtle, as he is greeted following the service.

### **LIVINGSTON CHURCH WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS, YOUNGEST AND OLDER**

Pastor Phil Johnson of the Livingston-Kingston district baptized six persons near the end of 1994. Among the new members

were two members who chose to renew their baptismal vows, and Thelma Gunning, a resident of the Adventist Retirement Home.

The two youngest persons to be welcomed into the fellowship and nurture at Livingston were infants Terrence Daniel and Trey

Tremayne, in a dedication service. A formal welcome and reception was extended following the service in the fellowship hall.

*Vivian Austin*  
Communication Leader



# New York

## FINANCIAL YEAR-END NEWS

Treasury has now completed processing all of the church treasurer's remittance reports for 1994. The official record shows a tithe increase of 3.8 percent and a New York Advance increase of 5.7 percent. We had an extra week in 1994 compared with 1993. If an adjustment were made for that factor, the tithe increase would be approximately 2 percent and New York Advance approximately 4 percent. The Lord

blessed His people as well as the conference as a whole. May we rejoice in these increases which were urgently needed.

Ingathering results were encouraging also. Instead of decreasing, as we have in the past, Ingathering increased for 1994. The total is \$56,060, an increase of \$15! Sabbath school and Mission offerings totaled \$138,785 for the year.

We often look only at the available "loaves and fishes" on inventory when facing difficulties. Our focus must not remain on what is

readily seen in human terms but on that which is unseen—the inexhaustible power of God to supply His church with every resource necessary to finish the work of saving souls for the Kingdom. This must be our focus as we more fully learn to trust the Lord.

1994 was a good year for the New York Conference in many different ways. May 1995 be even better yet.

*James Glass, Treasurer*

## "I HAVE A DREAM..."

It was Monday night, January 16, Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday, and the church at Union Springs was filled. Concerned students of the academy gave a special program dedicated to M. L. K. J. and coordinated by Sara Smith, a USA Junior. Students marched into the church carrying candles and singing "Jesus, Walk With Me" with soloists Sara Smith, Eden Eneyew, Tricia Farquharson and Teddy Wright. After the singing, Martin Luther King, Jr., played by Samuel Greene, started his "I Have A Dream" speech with such feeling and emphasis that you



Samuel Greene presenting his speech.

felt as though you were actually there to hear M. L. K. J. himself. Sam is from Rochester, New York, and has been performing this

speech for more than eight years. After the speech, the song "His Eye Is on the Sparrow" played over the sound system. The students ended the program by marching out singing "Oh Freedom."

As a participant in this program, I want to thank all those who were involved: Tamara Cook, Kim Duncan, Jason McDonald, Corey Jemene, Rodney Desens and Lashara Hightower joined in the singing. Liz Kidhardt helped with the planning and gave us much-needed support for a successful program. Clark Sargeant played the piano.

*Teddy Wright*

## USA STUDENTS SCORE HIGH

Five Union Springs Academy students have distinguished themselves by scoring high on national exams. Most colleges require either the ACT or SAT tests. Rebecca Allen, a sophomore from Ontario, New York, scored in the 98th percentile of college-bound sophomores and in the 99th percentile overall on the Profile Plan, a pre-

liminary ACT test. Reaching the 93rd percentile of college-bound sophomores was Jacob Fraker, a sophomore from Rochester, New York, who had an overall score in the 95th percentile.

Two members of the Junior class also made high percentiles on the PSAT. Richard Runnals of Hartford, Vermont, scored in the 99th percentile, and Allison Crockett of Freeville, New York, scored in the

92nd percentile.

Diana Cabrera, a senior from Union Springs, scored in the 94th percentile on the ACT examination.

The ACT and SAT tests are administered throughout the nation, and the above students represent those from Union Springs Academy who have scored in the top ten percentile of students nationwide.

*Noah R. Bombard*



# Northeastern

## **CORONA YOUTH RECEIVES JURIS DOCTOR DEGREE**

Ronald Alexander Bell, third son of Easton A. and Pearl T. Bell, was the recipient of a Juris Doctor Degree from the Ohio State University School of Law at the University's 102nd Hooding Ceremony on May 15, 1994.

Before admission to OSU Ronald obtained the M.E.S. degree in Aerospace, Engineering from the University of Cincinnati in 1991; and prior to that the B.S.E. degree in the same discipline from Polytechnic University, Brooklyn, New York, in 1988.

Ronald, a US citizen, migrated to the United States with his parents from Jamaica in 1978, and received his middle school education at Joseph Pulitzer Intermediate School (IS 145 Q), New York. Before he came here, he had obtained a scholarship to attend the Wolmers Boys School in Kingston, Jamaica. Upon receiving a scholarship in 1979-80 in the "Citywide examination for entrance to specialized high schools," Ronald attended Brooklyn Technical High School, studied Science and Mathematics and graduated in 1984 with merit.

After graduating from Brooklyn Tech, he attended Andrews University in Berrien Springs, Michigan, to pursue undergraduate studies leading to the M.D. degree. He later found that the Biological Sciences were inimical to his intellectual pursuits. After the first year, he

withdrew, entered Polytechnic University where he studied Aerospace Engineering instead. While at Poly, Ron obtained several distinctive awards and scholarships and graduated with honors.

Finishing his B.S.E., Ronald entered into Engineering apprenticeship with General Electric Corporation in Cincinnati, Ohio. It was during this period that he pursued a Master's degree in Aerospace Engineering. Having finished engi-



neering school, he said, "Now I know what to do; Engineering taught me what to do with life. I am going to Law School." And so he did.

Ronald is a member of the Corona Seventh-day Adventist church in Queens, New York. While he lived in New York, he was an active Pathfinder, and a member of the Youth Choir and Male Chorus. He also coached the Junior Bible Bowl Team of the Corona church and led them to Victory claiming

the trophy at the 1987-1988 camp meeting session.

While living in Cincinnati, he attended the Shiloah church and again sang with the choir. Now he attends the Ephesus church in Columbus, Ohio. Ron is married to the former Monica Davis, a registered nurse, of the Shiloah Seventh-day Adventist Church in Cincinnati.

At the end of his first year in law school, Ronald clerked as a summer associate with the law firm of Taft, Stettinius and Hollister of Cincinnati, 1992. At the end of his second year, 1993, he also clerked with the prestigious firm of Jones Day, Reavis and Pogue in their Columbus office and again at Taft's.

During his educational quest, Ronald has had many positive experiences of how the Lord has opened several doors for him. He tells thrilling stories of his encounter with the Lord and how He continues to unfold for him new vistas on a daily basis. In all his life, he sees the direction of the Almighty working out His own good will for him. Psalm 32:8 continues to be his spiritual sustenance. Dr. Bell was called to the Bar when he took up full-time employment with the firm of Jones Day, Reavis and Pogue in their Columbus office last September.

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*Pearl Bell  
Communication Secretary  
Corona SDA Church*



# Northern New England

## IN MEMORY OF PINE TREE ACADEMY TEACHER PAMELA BENNETT

Pamela Joy Clough Bennett was born August 3, 1960, in DeQueen, Arkansas, to Earl M. and Louise J. Clough. She remained their devoted and supportive daughter until the day of her death, January 14, 1995. Her parents could always depend on her Friday evening phone calls, no matter where she might be. Pam was a very real joy, not only to them, but to all those whose lives she touched.

She began her march toward excellence by way of formal education when she enrolled in Ardmore Junior Academy, Ardmore, Oklahoma. She attended the Berrien Springs Village Seventh-day Adventist School, Berrien Springs, Michigan, while she and her parents cared for her aged grandfather, Earl A. Clough, until his death. She transferred to the Ruth Meyer Home School when the family moved to Glenville, West Virginia, to raise up churches in new areas. She graduated from Beautiful Valley Educational Institute, Arnoldsburg, West Virginia, after three years of study, moving on to Glenville State College, West Virginia,

where she obtained her BA Degree in elementary education.

During her 14 years of teaching she received her Master's degree and took postgraduate work at Andrews University, Berrien Springs, Michigan. Her teaching career began in Beckley, West Virginia, where she met and married Garry J. Bennett on August 8, 1982. She continued her teaching in Cicero, Kokomo and Elkhart, Indiana. In



August of 1994 she assumed the position as 5th and 6th grade teacher at Pine Tree Academy in Freeport, Maine, where she taught until her short illness and sudden death. At the time she was a member of educational committees for both the Atlantic Union and Lake Union Conferences of Seventh-day

Adventists. Pam had dedicated her talents to Christian education in the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Left to mourn are her husband of 13 years, Garry J. Bennett of Yarmouth, Maine; her parents, Earl M. and Louise J. Clough of Jefferson, Texas; two brothers, Michael Clough of Minneapolis, Minnesota, and Kenneth Paden of West Palm Beach, Florida; two sisters, Sharon Wright, of Avinger, Texas, and Karen Richards of Blair, Wisconsin; nieces; nephews; and a host of friends.

Her funeral was conducted by Elmer L. Malcolm, president of the Northern New England Conference of Seventh-day Adventists; Dennis Campbell, pastor of the Freeport Seventh-day Adventist Church; Peggy Fisher, superintendent of schools of the Northern New England Conference; and Brad Hunter, principal of Pine Tree Academy.

In lieu of flowers a Memorial Fund has been set up in her honor for Christian education. You may send your gifts to the Northern New England Conference Department of Education, 91 Allen Avenue, Portland, ME 04103.

Funeral services were held in the Freeport, Maine, Seventh-day Adventist Church on January 17, 1995.

## A MONTH OF UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCES

It all began as an answer to prayer. My son, Jeremiah, had been the only boy in our small church school in St. Johnsbury for a good part of our stay here, so we had been asking the Lord to provide some special experience for him. Our gracious heavenly Father certainly came

through in a big way, for just a few weeks later, Pastor Bill Brace from Southern New England Conference called and asked me to assist him with an evangelistic crusade he would be holding in Nizhniy Novgorod, the former Russian city of Gorki. "By the way," Bill added, "if Jeremiah would like to go there is room for him." Truly, our God shall supply all our needs! So, with fund raising completed, visas secured

and suitcases packed, we flew out of Boston on April 18 for a one-month trip prepared . . . or so we thought.

But nothing could really have prepared us for what was to happen. As soon as we landed in Moscow, spending over two hours to clear customs, it was evident that something was dreadfully wrong. The myth of the "Great Soviet Empire" I had been told about and





grew up with came crumbling to pieces in a matter of minutes. My impressions after a short tour of Red Square and a 250 mile overnight train ride to Nizhny Novgorod were of a dirty, broken-down, crumbling society that was about 25 years behind the times. I wondered if it was 70 years of Communism that had sapped the life, the initiative and the smiles right out of the average Russian that we met. But despite all the difficulties we encountered, we were determined to preach the Gospel and the distinctive messages God has for the world at this hour.

At every stop, however, it seemed that the Great Controversy raged around our group of 13. Pastor Brace had kidney stone problems, we were threatened to have our room and board privileges taken away, and worst of all, the Russian Orthodox Church in Balakna (the place where we were to hold our meetings) was determined to shut our crusade down before it even got started. Our conference brethren worked tirelessly with city officials to allow us to speak to the people, but we were able to hold only one meeting in that town. Technically, religious liberty exists in Russia—in reality it doesn't.

God still blessed us in that town though. Over 400 filled the auditorium for the one hour we were given, and 300 children attended the young people's meetings. So many appeared desperate for Bible truth. They begged for copies of Scripture. When we left town, many gathered and while weeping openly, prayed that we might someday return. It was hard to leave Balakna. With 99 percent of the people we couldn't communicate but a few words—they knew no En-

glish—we knew no Russian, yet our hearts were knitted together in a bond that was stronger than with people I have known for many years. Everyone in our group left Balakna with tears. What would we do now? We certainly were tempted to feel like failures, but discovered the truth of the statement, "often our plans fail in order that God's plans can succeed."

Our brethren in Russia, led by the Conference President and Treasurer, printed new advertising posters with 10,000 handbills and stuffed them into copies of *Steps to Christ*. We scattered them like the leaves of autumn all over the new city, Boar, and in less than 72 hours after being shut down in one place, we opened our meetings in another, to a small but attentive audience that swelled night by night as the judgment-hour message was presented.

Again the devil hounded us mercilessly. I was giving a 15-minute health lecture before the main meeting each night. The evening after I presented God's original diet, I felt sick with some sort of flu. I thought to myself that for sure when it was announced I was sick some people in the audience would say, "It's no wonder he's sick, he doesn't eat meat!" I just couldn't bear that thought, so with a 103 degree fever and a prayer for God's strength, I struggled through the next lecture. God stood by my side and helped me. Hydrotherapy and the antibiotics I brought from home saved me from doing the one thing you don't ever want to do in Russia—go to the hospital.

Our meetings progressed and before we realized it, closing night arrived. The baptismal class was small, but contained precious souls, including a number of young

people who I'm sure took their stand for Jesus in the midst of great personal hardship. My heart went out to our workers in Russia, so few in number laboring for a month to receive wages that I make in a day. We met many dedicated, committed, and self-sacrificing church members in our month's stay—many who were burdened with the salvation of souls.

Memories flood my mind as I look back on this once-in-a-lifetime trip. Being able to go to a local public high school for the first time in its history to talk to a group of 70 young people for two hours, their attention riveted, as I told them of their great value and the love and investment God has in each one of them. Being interrogated by the chief of police of Balakna with a former KGB agent at my side and through an interpreter being asked, "What is the main difference between the Russian Orthodox Church and the Seventh-day Adventist Church?" Seeing the toothless smiles of elderly Russian ladies as they clutched their newly acquired Bibles. Hearing Russian children singing, "Jesus loves me, this I know." Spending the last hour of each day with my journal.

I'll close by relating my final entry in my journal: "I close this journal with a grateful heart—grateful for those who helped me to be able to make this trip . . . their prayers, financial support and encouragement; for my beloved wife and friend and my dear daughter—two special ladies; and finally to my heavenly Father for giving me far more than I deserve, but then again—that's what grace is all about."

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Mark Gagnon, Pastor  
Northern New England Conference



# Southern New England

## SNEC WOMEN'S RETREAT

The biennial women's retreat, sponsored by the Southern New England Conference was held October 28-30, 1994, at the Sheraton Hotel, Milford, Massachusetts.

With the theme "At The Well," the retreat attracted women from various places and backgrounds who came to share testimonies and blessings, sing favorite hymns, express hopes and disappointments, offer prayer requests, as well as meet new friends and get reacquainted with old ones.

Organized by Catherine Tay-

lor, the conference Women's Ministries coordinator, the activities began Friday night with Sarah Fanton who presented a monologue featuring a number of biblical characters who experienced that unforgettable Sabbath during which Jesus lay in the tomb.

On Sabbath morning, Pastor Hyveth Williams, senior pastor of the Boston Temple, spoke on how valuable we are to God, to ourselves, and to others when we are willing to come to the well and drink Living Water. In the afternoon, participants could choose from a wide array of inspiring workshops, such as, "Victory in Prayer," "Friendship Evangelism," "Building our Relationship with God," "Understanding Forgiveness,"



Song services were always an enjoyable time.

"Living Through Adolescence," and "Woman's Place in History." Also, groups met to promote spiritual growth, strengthen and build relationships, understand women's unique challenges, perfect writing skills, and handle health and family crises.

Thank you Cathy Taylor and your committee for making the retreat truly enjoyable and comfortable—a grand success.

*Jamison Matthews, W. Haven, CT*



Registration: Checking in and signing up for workshops.

## NEW LONDON BLOOD SCREENING CHECKS SANTA CLAUS

Once a month, starting last August, blood pressure screening and health outreach is done at the New London, Connecticut, Mall.



In December Cindy Banks and Andrea Burgos had the pleasure of taking Santa Claus's blood pressure—and it was rather high.

Pictured with the display are (l. to r.) Helen Scotso, Cindy Banks, Katie McQuarrie, Bob Hellewell

and Andrea Burgos. Through this outreach they are meeting interesting people, distributing literature to help those who are interested in their health, as well as collecting names of those interested in cooking classes, Bible studies, stop smoking, and stress management.

## HORSES WANTED

Camp Winnekeag is looking for donations of child-friendly horses for use in the summer camp program. Please call Southern New England Conference Youth Ministries at 508-365-4551 or write Southern New England Conference, Youth Ministries, PO Box 1169, South Lancaster, MA 01561-1169.



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Southern New England, and Pennsylvania conferences. Her husband, Herman, predeceased her. Survivors include her sister Anne Maxwell of Crossville, TN.

**KIRK, Emma**—84; d. Nov. 14, 1994, Avon Park, FL. Mrs. Kirk first entered denominational work in February 1945 as a colporteur in the Southern New England Conference until the first of July 1947 when she became a secretary in the conference.

On May 25, 1959, she was invited to serve the Atlantic Union where she assumed the responsibility of editor of the Atlantic Union *Gleaner* in

addition to her secretarial duties. Mrs. Kirk retired on July 31, 1975. At the time of her retirement, she was presented a plaque by Elder J. L. Dittberner, president of the Atlantic Union Conference, in recognition of her faithfulness and capabilities as editor.

Survivors include a son, John Kirk, Jr., of Paxton, MA; a sister, Phyllis Bergstrom of Clinton, MA; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband, John Kirk, Sr., in 1983; her daughter, Judith Hartle in 1993; and a sister, Pauline Schreiner, in 1973.

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**BRAGDON, Joseph L.**—b. Mar. 21, 1943, Lamoine, ME; d. Nov. 7, 1994, Nashville, TN. Survivors include his wife, Anne Vesper Bragdon; a son, Greg; and two daughters, Sandra and Elizabeth.

**JOCHIMSEN, Marie Fuchs**—b. Aug. 12, 1907, New York, NY; d. Nov. 29, 1994, Crossville, TN. She taught in church schools in New Jersey, and the Greater NY, continued on pg. 19



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#### Grace & Truth Studies

Mar. 10 & 11

"Intercessory Prayer"

Shirley Charlestream

Apr. 7-9

"Role of the Gospel in  
Healing Past and  
Present Hurts"

Pastor Mike & Linda  
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May 5 & 6

To be announced

#### Finance Seminar

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#### Spring Break

Mar. 10-19

#### Faculty Recital

Mar. 25; 7:30 p.m.

College Church

Marjorie Ness, Organ

#### Guest Artist Recital

Mar. 26; 7:30 p.m.

Red Room,

Thayer Conservatory

Eileen Hutchins, Piano

#### International Food Festival

Apr. 2

#### College Days

Apr. 2-4

#### Fine Arts Week

Apr. 8-13

#### Alumni Weekend

Apr. 14-16

## Sunset Table

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Portland, ME	6:15	7:24	7:32	7:40
Boston, MA	6:17	7:25	7:33	7:41
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Pittsfield, MA	6:26	7:34	7:42	7:50
Hartford, CT	6:23	7:31	7:38	7:46
New York, NY	6:27	7:35	7:42	7:49
Utica, NY	6:35	7:43	7:51	7:59
Syracuse, NY	6:38	7:46	7:54	8:02
Rochester, NY	6:44	7:52	8:00	8:09
Buffalo, NY	6:49	7:57	8:05	8:13
Hamilton, Bda.	6:42	6:47	6:51	6:56

## Out of Union

**Blue Mountain Academy**, Hamburg, PA, Alumni Weekend—Mar. 24 & 25.

**Union College Homecoming Weekend**—Apr. 6-8. Reservations or more information: (402) 486-2503 or contact Alumni Dept. 3800 S. 48th St., Lincoln, NE 68506.

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