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EDITORIAL



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About Our Cover Photo: "AUC Graduation

"AUC Graduation 1995" taken by Noah Bombard from South Lancaster, MA.



A.U.C. — Flagship for the Next Century

vents and developments in this world of ours are happening so quickly that it's difficult to keep current unless one is reading papers or magazines and watching news on television on a regular basis. Someone has said that this planet is on a roll and things will never be the same again!

The same can be said for Atlantic Union College. Changes have occurred. Adjustments have been made. The new AUC—facing the year 2000 and the years beyond—will be different from the school so many have known in days gone by. Everywhere one looks in the world of education there is change. We are hoping that the newly styled college format will benefit students to the maximum and still enable AUC to have a great impact upon our community locally and the church at large.

I have been impressed by recent events at the college. Even before graduation weekend, teachers and students were mobilizing to go out recruiting and visiting churches, schools, and homes. A new spirit has been born that propels loyal supporters to be all they can be and to do all they can do to strengthen the college as it gets in gear for the fall semester. So much can be gained as we work, pray, and promote to keep the school in motion towards the next century.

Someone pointed to a newspaper article in the Sentinel & Enterprise, one of our area newspapers covering a wide bit of geography, and said—"Look at the positive coverage we're getting from the press." Here was a viewpoint coming from an individual not of our faith who was looking at us and making good observations.

Permit me to share some of the statements made in this editorial:

"There is a great deal of harmony in the community. Its governmental bodies reflect the town's diversity, which has helped produce that harmony. Alcohol is not sold in Lancaster.

"AUC has been a fixture in South Lancaster since 1862, encompassing several significant buildings along Route 70—former Thayer mansions, for instance, house the English Department and Thayer Conservatory.

"The school also has brought in students from throughout the world, as AUC educates many international students through its missionary focus. All of this helps to make Lancaster an interesting community in which to live. Here is a town where interracial groups do not battle with each other and a church where harmonious multiculturalism is practiced.

"AUC is a good neighbor and offers a respite for the typical modern campus. Here students generally maintain goodhumored seriousness about their educational lives."

Much more would be said but let me close with this thought: God has planted AUC here for a reason. We must do all we can to fuel the light that burns at this school of the prophets!!!

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n an unprecedented program, the publishing ministry of Greater New York Conference enrolled 10,000 families last year in Bible courses from the Amazing Facts or Voice of Prophecy ministries. An additional 3,000 persons had already been enrolled during the first four months of 1995; in the same period, one literature evangelist signed up 626 persons. Workers are praying and working toward a goal of another 10,000 names by the end of this year.

According to Publishing Director Nahor Muchiutti, "Pastors are excited about following up Biblecourse graduates. We've received enrollees' names on diskettes, and the Personal Ministries Department assists by making them available to pastors requesting the names by zip code. We praise the Lord they are following up with them. The Lord has blessed publishing work here with 26 baptisms in the first four months of 1995."

While sales of more than \$867,000 were recorded in 1994, publishing leaders seem most thankful for the more than 100 baptisms resulting from L.E. ministry last year. "This year," Elder Muchiutti enthusiastically reports, "we are hoping for many more souls as a result of synchronizing with our Personal Ministries Department. It is a great blessing to be able to have their help in following up the thousands of names. We are expecting God to do great things in 1995!

Greater New York's literature work is having such impact on area

GREATER NEW YORK L.E.S ENROLL 10,000 IN BIBLE COURSES

churches that one pastor came to Muchiutti recently when he learned one of his church members, L.E. Jaime Orellana, was planning to get married and move out of the area. The pastor told the publishing director, "Almost every single baptism in our church last year was linked to that worker. Now he's leaving, and our church just can't afford to be without a colporteur, so please help us! A colporteur is vital in the soul-winning work of our church. If you can give us a colporteur, we will pay him a small salary to have him help in our congregation."

Each month the department hosts an all-day training seminar. Held in the Conference office on a Sunday, the sessions offer practical guidelines for both new and veteran workers, with publishing and other leaders from all levels of the denomination assisting in the training from time to time.

At one of these meetings, literature evangelist Maria Rozo was surprised to see one of her customers among the nearly 100 persons at the seminar. He told her, "The day I stopped at your book table on the sidewalk in New York City, you sold me books, enrolled me in a Bible course and gave me the address of a Seventh-day Adventist Church near my house. I am here today because I have just been baptized, and I've decided I want to be a literature evangelist."

Late last year, one L.E. visited Laurice Gilpin and sold her a few books. Though the L.E. himself soon

Maria Mercedes Rozo led Greater New York and the North American Division in sales during 1994. This year, she serves as an assistant publishing leader, and is thought to be the first woman to do so in Greater New York.

decided not to continue in full-time literature ministry, the seeds sown by his faithful ministry bore rich fruit. By God's grace, Laurice became interested in Adventism and was baptized at the close of 1994. This year, she has become a literature evangelist, leading in sales among the more than 100 L.E.s in the conference.

In April, the Publishing Department convened its first week-long training school for publishing workers. In addition to a Sunday meeting at the Conference office that was attended by publishing leaders from the General Conference and



Some of the nearly 100 full- and part-time literature evangelists gathered with leaders including Jose Luis Campos, associate director of the General Conference Publishing Department (kneeling, second row, on left), at a training seminar.

the Division, instruction continued in a New York City church; throughout the week all-day classes and field work were led by Elder Muchiutti and his four assistant leaders. At the close, 64 students were graduated and received diplomas. As in all of the department's training sessions, the Bible and Ellen White's Colporteur Ministry were major curriculum resources. A driving force in all departmental instruction as well as in work in the field is the hope expressed in Ellen White's statement assuring that, "More than one thousand will soon be converted in one day, most of whom will trace their convictions to the reading of our publications" (Colporteur Ministry, p. 151).

ATLANTIC UNION COLLEGE TASKFORCE:

BUILDING THE COLLEGE, BUILDING THE COMMUNITY

his spring and summer, more than 75 representatives of Atlantic Union College are traveling throughout the Atlantic Union spreading the news about the college's new programs and reminding college-aged students and their families that coming to AUC could be one of the best decisions they could ever make.

The College Taskforce, whose mission is to reach out to all Union academies, churches and camp meetings and youth programs in order to explain the value of higher education-especially the unique kind of Christian education that Atlantic Union College offers. AUC's administration and Dr. Gregory Allen, chair of the College Taskforce committee, have brought together some of the most energetic faculty, staff, and students into a dynamic team of people-centered college representatives, including Atlantic Union Conference Youth and Family Life Director Willie Oliver.

Along with these full-time committee members are 18 teaching faculty, 16 members of the college staff, two college administrators-Vice President for Finance David Rawson, and College President James Londis-and 35 students. Not only are students, staff, faculty, administrators visiting churches, camp meetings, and youth events, but many are visiting homes, as students and their families request home visitations. "This has been one of the most gratifying times of my life," says one AUC student. "Meeting SDA families all over the Atlantic Union has made me feel closer to our church members. I wish more would come visit

us, too." Guerdy Charles, who has organized a traveling singing group, is also enthusiastic about meeting with church members: "Praising God through music has an especially powerful message—it brings people together. It also reminds students and their families that Christian life here at AUC is more than taking religion classes and dorm worships-it's active and joyful and sharing."

One of the most exciting parts of family and camp meeting visits has been introducing families to two new ideas: 1. AUC's new program is the only one in the Seventh-day Adventist denomination that integrates faith, and learning, and society in classes throughout the entire



Guerdy Charles, Dana Waterman, and Dean Waterman, AUC representatives returning from the Greater New York Conference.

college experience; and 2. AUC's full-service programs make a college degree available to everyone even students who are unable to travel to campus. Alternative programs at Atlantic Union College.

"Integrating faith with learning is vital to a Christian college," says Dr. Allen. "Many assumptions people have today must be thought through carefully," he adds, "and this is what true education is: un-

derstanding what you believe, why you believe it, and knowing that you are empowered to live by it. This is the only way that we can converse with our neighbors and, if necessary, challenge the assumptions of contemporary culture." Young adults throughout the union have been impressed with the vision of the college to build a small society that is a model for communities all over the Atlantic Union. Atlantic Union College's commitment to teaching students how to build a better society from a multitude of cultures and classes has also encouraged scores of students to commit themselves to the kind of Christian education that only AUC can provide.

Witnessing for the college and its mission to serve the Atlantic Union is a primary objective for the college family-well over a hundred families have been visited, and dozens of churches have enjoyed interaction with AUC representatives this summer already.

"Our school is here to provide the best in higher education to all Atlantic Union Conference members who are willing to study and worship with some of the finest faculty in New England-faculty whose common goal is to educate students intellectually, physically, and spiritually so that they are prepared to take charge of their lives and take leadership roles in the complex, challenging culturally various world of the twenty-first century," says President Londis. "With God's grace, hard thinking, and the commitment of our faculty, staff, students, and Union constituency, we're doing that."

AN ARGUMENT FOR THE POWER OF THE GOSPEL

tlantic Union College has received immensely positive press coverage this year because of our cultural variety. As we have restructured the college and become more efficient, AUC has been able to emphasize our remarkable strengths, including the high quality of the education we offer and the culturally varied life our students enjoy. No other institution of higher learning has as varied a faculty, staff and student body as we do. We still have some distance to travel in creating the Christian community envisioned by Christ, but we are closer to that destination than most colleges are, including Seventh-day Adventist ones.

Implementing a Christian, global society on our campus is not an easy task for us. Our students come from all over the world, as well as from all over our union. They have grown up in largely segregated neighborhoods and churches that seldom, if ever, exchange pulpits, visit each others' worship services or reach out across conference lines to work together for their common communities. When they arrive on our campus, this is often the first time that students encounter other cultures and classes of people. The more monocultural their upbringing, the more surprised they can be by this experience. Those who work at learning to know and work with other peoples creatively and happily-students who stay in AUC's community for more than just a little while-grow enormously.

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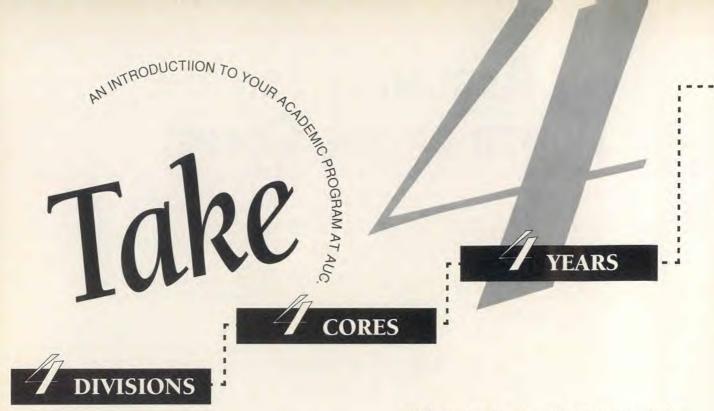
James J. Londis, President of Atlantic Union College

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These students learn lessons about our society and about our church that will serve them well for the rest of their lives, whether they enter the general workforce or choose to minister or teach in the Adventist community.

From my point of view, one of the prices Atlantic Union College has paid for our cultural variety is that a number of students and their families would rather avoid contending with this issue. As a result, they prefer a college that is dominated by one cultural group or another. Although I understand the inclination to study, worship, and live with people like oneself, this sort of life strikes me as being impoverished and shortsighted. Today's world requires people who can communicate across a range of cultures, people who can share experiences positively and energetically because of, not in spite of, differences. I can think of no better place to learn to do this than on this college campus.

Finally, today's church requires believers who have learned something about working with sisters and brothers of all groups toward the redemption of all human beings. Our task as Christians is to demonstrate that in Christ we can love those whom our society and cultures may teach us to despise or avoid. This is the most pervasive argument for the power of the Gospel. With God's blessing, we intend to be a dynamic, living example of that power.



AUC's new program is different from a "conventional" program in four ways:

1. Academic departments such as English, History, and Education, are part of larger academic divisions. This makes it easier to offer our many interdisciplinary courses and majors. Examples of majors that you and your professors will be able to design for special interests are: "International Business," "Intercultural Organizational Behavior," "Physical Education, Team Sports, and Ethics," "Environmental Studies," "Women's Studies," "Sacred Music," or "Intercultural Communication."

Of course, you will still be able to work within more traditional programs such as English literature, pre-medicine, nursing, theology, and education. You can also take almost all pre-professional programs such as Pre-Dentistry, Pre-Medicine, Pre-Law, as well as others – ask your academic or enrollment advisor.

- 2. AUC's General Studies program is unique. It includes four "cores" of required classes classes that help you:
 - Develop important academic and living skills like computer literacy and second or third languages;

- Understand and live happily with peoples of other cultures;
- Make your Christian experience meaningful and workable in today's very complicated world;
- Understand and use academic disciplines, such as literary criticism or the scientific method, in ways that work well with your faith.
- 3. You must demonstrate certain academic skills before you can move ahead to special courses in your major field. This is pretty clear: if you can't read, write, compute, or work well with a computer, you'll have to learn. The college will do everything we can to help you.
- 4. Special majors and tutorial or mentored classes are an expected and important part of AUC's program. You and your professors will be able to arrange for special upper-division courses that are particularly useful or interesting to you. Unlike traditional "independent study" courses, these are not an "emergency" measure; they can be an important part of your academic career. You will also be able to construct your own major at AUC. Both kinds of individualized programs will require thoughtful and focused planning and attention from both you and your professors.

... Steps That Take You From to

Demonstrate your academic strengths / Discover God, yourself, and others Some students come to college already knowing how to decode writing, music, personal experiences, mathematical equations, and the Internet. If you are one of them, you can "test out" of some of AUC's general studies requirements. But if you need to build certain skills, such as academic reading, or algebra, or word processing, this is the time to take those classes. Don't panic: your admissions counselor and college advisors will help you with this. You will not be able to continue in your coursework until you have demonstrated your ability to do well in these classes. In other words, your math professors would rather you not try to study calculus if you haven't learned how to factor, and the religion faculty prefer that you can read really well.

You must also take certain classes in religion and intercultural studies. These classes not only prepare you for your academic and social life here, they also prepare you for "Life on the Outside" (off campus).

Decide what you want to study Some students come to college already knowing what they want to study. This is not a bad idea, but this is not always the best idea. Knowing exactly what you want to do does get you off the ground early in pre-professional programs like pre-medicine, but many students enjoy taking time with general classes while they find out what they enjoy and what they are best at. One good suggestion is to acquaint yourself well with one division, but take several interdisciplinary classes during your first three semesters.

Determine your major

At many schools, your major field and your "course of study" are pretty much the same thing. At AUC, they don't have to be. You can decide on your course of study-like pre-law, English literature, or chemistry but determine your own major in a more specialized way. An example of this would be "Women in American History," "Biblical Literatures," or "Philosophy of Science." You can design your own major field along with the help of your advisor and the "OK" of the academic dean.

Once you have determined your major, you can design some of your own courses-in consultation with your major professor. Even if you are in a "traditional" program, you can still "fine tune" your classes to help with your own projects such as your senior thesis or to give you background or advanced study in an area that is relevant to your other work. An example of these courses might be, "Immigration and American Culture," "Sacred Music in the Protestant Church," or "Representation of the Scientist in American History." If you need a course that AUC doesn't usually offer. or a class that requires highly specialized equipment, see your advisor-AUC has working relationships with a number of nearby colleges where you can take it-we'll help you find a way to get there, and, if you're a full-time student, you won't have to pay extra tuition.

Design your coursework

DIVISION I-Division of Management and Professional Studies

DIVISION II-Division of Natural Science, Mathematics, and Health

DIVISION III-Division of Humanities, Religion, and Fine Arts

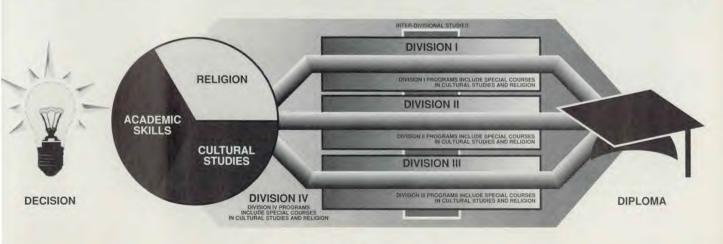
DIVISION IV—Division of General Studies

AUC's Division of General Studies administrates inter-disciplinary programs and specially-designed majors that require you to take classes in more than one department, such as "Environmental Studies," "American Studies," or "Sacred Music."

This division also administrates AUC's four "cores" of required classes:

- Academic Tools and Competencies
- . Christian Life and Teachings
- · Ideas, Beliefs, and Assumptions
- · Inter-Cultural Studies

...Take Charge



REPORTING ON PROPHECY IN ACTION:

ATLANTIC UNION SPONSORS RELIGIOUS LIBERTY RALLY IN BROOKLYN

n afternoon rally at the Hanson Place church in Brooklyn drew speakers from around the North American Division, and an attendance from Greater New York and Northeastern conferences.

Sounding notes of caution, and continually challenging members and other guests to remain alert to the signs of the times and the fulfilling of prophecy before our eyes, denominational legal experts and Religious Liberty leaders shared upto-the-minute reports and reflections. Audience participation was encouraged in a question-andanswer portion of the program; members responded with questions about issues and trends discussed during the meeting.

Vernon Alger, Religious Liberty Director of the Lake Union Conference, in speaking about the Religious Freedom in the Workplace Act jarred the audience with some stern realities. "Every week from

> twelve to fifteen Seventh-day Adventists lose their job in America because of religious issues," he said. Karnik Doukmetzian, Religious Liberty Director of the SDA Church in Canada had an encouraging story to share about the value of personal witness: a Canadian lawyer had studied about Seventh-day Adventists because of a case with which he was involved. As a judge seven years later, it became his work to write the judicial opinion on the third major case on the issue in Canada.

Gary Ross, Congressional Liaison for the General Conference, suggested scenarios arising



Clarence Hodges, a speaker at the Atlantic Union rally. Co-hosted by Northeastern and Greater New York conferences, the meeting was held at the Hanson Place church in Brooklyn.

from familiar issues and trends that could affect both how people perceive Seventh-day Adventists, and our freedom to worship and witness. Attorney Mitchell Tyner, representing the General Conference Office of Legal Counsel, essentially began summarizing the afternoon's presentations with his question, "Why do we see threats to personal liberty and religious freedom?" His answer: "These arise from fear, which leads to blindness." His presentation, and those of each of the speakers, placed emphasis squarely on the stand taken by Adventist leaders since the church's beginnings. Religious liberty, not just a theoretical doctrine to be recited on special occasions, is a gift to be treasured, lived by, shared, and stood firmly for. It is a prophetic heritage that is not negotiable.



Members voiced questions and concerns from the floor, as well as personal insights on how religious liberty impacts on the local level.



Religious Liberty Rally speakers (L. to R.): Gary Ross, GC Congressional Liaison; Elder Robert Dale, recently retired form the NAD; Atty Mitchell Tyner, GC Office of the General Counsel; Elder Ted Jones, Atlantic Union President; Clarence Hodges, NAD Vice President; Darrell Huenergardt, Mid-America Religious Liberty Director; Vernon Alger, Lake Union Religious Liberty Director; and Karnik Doukmetzian, Canadian Union Religious Liberty Director.

HANDS ACROSS THE WORLD

he Hands Across the World rally for the New York City area was conducted at the First A.M.E. Zion Church in Brooklyn, New York, on April 9, 1995. Hundreds attended the all-day meeting with guests from the General Conference and the North American Division.

Atlantic Union Conference members came from as far away as Northern New England Conference and were thrilled with music from gospel choirs, a violinist from the Korean church and soloists from several church choirs.

The purpose of the meeting was to give the attendees a broad perspective of the world of Global Mission. We are indeed our "brother's keeper" and we are reminded that Christ cannot come until the Gospel has gone everywhere. Hands Across the World provides us with the mechanism for accomplishing that task.



Elder McClure interviews Janet Breer about Net '95 in Northern New England Conference.



views Pastor Hugh Maynard-Reid of the Victory church in the Bronx, about the success of Net '95 in his church.



Elders Robert S. Folkenberg and Alfred C. McClure chat about Hands Across the World.



Dr. Gary Patterson and his wife Rae delivered an inspiring sermon during the eleven o'clock hour.



Dr. DeWitt S. Williams, Health/Temperance director for the NAD, gave a dynamic demonstration about health ministries.



Monte Sahlin, assistant to the president of the NAD, coordinated the Hands Across the World rally.



Adrian Pressley, recently graduated Chaplain at Beth Israel Hospital in New York City, sang twice during the rally.



Byard Parks from Takoma Park, Maryland, endeavors to expand the youth ministries of the church. He delivered a very inspirational sermon during the Hands Across the World

DIVINE APPOINTMENTS

o many of us, visiting in or moving to a new church has its stressors. Where are the kids' Sabbath school classrooms? Will anyone talk to me? And where are those bathrooms, anyway?

After we've attended several weeks, the kids know where their classes are. The restrooms are no longer hiding, and we're starting to know some people. Locating a place to sit isn't one of the day's major problems, even the first time we attend. We don't even think about it—we just look into the sanctuary, spot a pew with that beckoning space, and sit down. It's that simple.

Except, of course, if you can't see. McKinley Frazier is a 76-year-old recently baptized member of the Trinity Temple church of Seventhday Adventists in Poughkeepsie, New York. He's blind. "Right now, being new in this church, I have to kind of feel my way or have someone lead me," McKinley says. "I can always count the pews as I walk past the end of them—I know where I generally sit, but I have to get used to the building to get around by myself."

Every week, the Trinity Temple van stops by McKinley's house to pick him up and take him to church. If it weren't for the people at Trinity Temple reaching out to him and helping him with transportation and guidance, he wouldn't be able to get to church, let alone find his was around it.

What one Christian Record Reader Said

"The braille magazines which you send me are very precious, and I look forward to their arrival each month. And to think, all year they come, all year. You have given me precious hours of pleasure and benefit." B. W., South Dighton, MA

And if it weren't for the work of Christian Record Services (CRS), he probably wouldn't be in church at all.

One day several years ago McKinley accompanied a friend to an appointment at Vassar Brothers Hospital in Poughkeepsie. While he was sitting in the waiting room, CRS representative Larry Ward saw him and struck up a conversation.

Larry explained that CRS provides free Christian reading material for the blind and visually impaired and asked him what kinds of books would interest him. McKinley rattled off the names of those he'd most enjoyed before going blind.

"Let's see—I had Bible Readings for the Home, The Great Controversy, The Desire of Ages, Thoughts From the Mount of Blessing . . ." and the list went on.

After further questions, Larry discovered that McKinley had been a Seventh-day Adventist, but had left the church decades before. By sending him Ellen White's books on tape and the Sabbath school lessons on flexible disk, Christian Record Services piqued his interest in returning to church.

With the help of the Trinity Temple church, he began attending again. On November 12, 1994, Pastor D. J. Smith rebaptized McKinley as a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. "It's good to be back home again," he told Pastor Smith.

McKinley says that this wouldn't have been possible if it hadn't been for Christian Record Services and the reading material CRS provided. He had started to go back to church several times before, when he had his sight, but had never followed through.

"Getting these tapes and talking to Mr. Ward kept my interest alive," he explains. He still receives reading material from CRS, and he thinks it's "a wonderful work. It enlarges my knowledge of things I was never taught in school. And everything is from a Christian perspective."

Through the cooperation of Christian Record Services and the members of Trinity Temple, McKinley Frazier was able to rejoin the church he loved. But it didn't happen by accident; McKinley and Larry met by divine appointment.



McKinley Frazier is rebaptized into the Seventhday Adventist Church after receiving reading materials from Christian Record Services

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Or send your offering—and names of those who need the reading or other services—to Christian Record Services, PO Box 6097, Lincoln, NE. 68506.

Rikki Stenbakken Assistant to the President Christian Record Services

Greater New York

PASTOR OF BRONX KOREAN CHURCH ORDAINED

Members, pastors and friends from Korean and other churches in the conference gathered at the Bronx Korean church on Sabbath afternoon, April 8, for the ordination service of Pastor Peter Pak. Among



those present to share in the joyous occasion with Pastor Pak and his wife Hyun Joo (center), were a number of conference leaders, including Elder Charles Griffin, president, who was the featured speaker; and his wife, Evelyn (left); Elders Linford Martin, Executive Secretary; and Stanley Patterson (right).

The Conference Korean Ministries Coordinator, Elder Bop Yang Jang, is in the rear.

Following the inspiring music, words and affirmations of the service, Pastor and Mrs. Pak were guests of honor at a delightful buffet served in the church's lower level.

CROSSROADS PASTOR BAPTIZES TWO



A baptismal service at the Crossroads church on April 1 welcomed two brothers into the church family: Pastor Earl Baldwin (center) baptized Clarence Baldwin (left), his younger brother; and Maurice Johnson, a brother in Christ.

MINISTERING AT RIKERS ISLAND: A PERSONAL EXPERIENCE

My friend named Michael and I have been growing up in the Lord for the past three years. Recently, we were invited to help in prison ministry at the Rikers Island facility by leading out in the song service.

Never having done this before, we were very excited and a bit nervous, but we were confident in the Lord. We prayed and fasted before we went, asking the Lord to bless the prisoners and protect us all from harm. The Lord truly blessed through our fellowship with other Adventist believers involved in the ministry, and with many brothers who are prison inmates.

Around 25 men were present at the worship service, singing and praising Jesus together. One church member who had come with us was a former inmate at Rikers. He shared a message of encouragement about Jesus being with us wherever we might find ourselves, and the freedom we can have in our hearts through Him.

Amid amens and hallelujahs, tears and joy, one young man who was very frightened of being in prison found peace after church members had ministered to him and given him literature. At the end of the service, one inmate expressed his love and appreciation for the blessings he'd received in the service.

We thank the Lord for the privilege and experience of this ministry.

Nicholas Mazzio Communication Leader Pearl River Church

62 PERSONS BAPTIZED IN FRENCH CRUSADE

Shown are some of the 62 persons baptized in a recent crusade held at the Gethsemane French church in Brooklyn. With them, on the right, is Elder Robert Doltenus, the church's pastor.



New York

FEASTING IN OUR FASTING

On the Sabbath before Easter, more than a dozen singles from the central New York area gathered for a day of fasting and prayer at the Westvale SDA Church, Syracuse, New York. Our Sabbath fast began with singing and prayer along with excitement in anticipation of the blessings in store. For some of us, it was a first experience in fasting or the first time in a long time. This fasting experience is one that will remain with us for the rest of our lives. The presence of the Holy Spirit was felt deeply and is one that marks one's heart for a lifetime.

During the day we had a twopart Bible study presented to us by Ron Challis, Vice President of the New York Chapter of Adventist Single Ministries (ASM). His topic was "Fasting with the Holy Spirit." It was interesting to learn about the different examples of fasting in the Bible. We all participated in reading Bible texts, singing, and prayer bands.

On this day, we had a close fellowship with our ASM family group. We shared and prayed with and for each other, but most importantly, we shared our Saviour Jesus. We agreed that this Sabbath helped set our hearts and minds to experience the work of the Holy Spirit in each of us. What a tremendous blessing we received.

As we often do, that afternoon we visited a nursing home in East Syracuse and there raised our voices in praise to our Saviour. To end our visit, we had a prayer and each of us held a resident's hand as we sang our closing song, "Bind Us Together." Before leaving, we gave them hugs and helped some of them back to their rooms.

For our vesper service we watched a video play on Christ's crucifixion. As our eyes beheld the man who portrayed Christ, our hearts were transported to that hill long ago. As we watched the blood flow from His brow and hands, we realized it wasn't the nails that held Him on the cross, but the love for each one of us. Then our heart's door opened wide and tears flowed. The warm glow of the Holy Spirit was felt by all. We feasted on the words of our Saviour and through our fasting, Jesus brought us closer to Him. Experiences like these allow us to grow and become stronger in Christ. God frequently blesses

us with experiences like these in our local ASM gatherings.

For those of you who have been involved in ASM activities, we know our best friend is Jesus and He is the center of everything we do. We always walk away from the day's activities with the assurance that we are not alone but are members of Christ's family.

For information about activities in the New York area, contact:

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Sharon English

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Cost: \$125; \$65 for Aug. 4-6

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TRIPLE BLESSINGS FROM THE LORD

Imagine the joy of watching two of your sons being baptized on the same day. Now imagine yourself being immersed with them. This blessing was recently bestowed on Kathy Richard and her two sons, Brian and Kevin.

On March 4, 1995, Kathy, Brian and Kevin Richard joined God's family at the Dexterville, New York, Seventh-day Adventist Church. Although Kathy is newly baptized, she has been an active participant in church ministry for some time. She and her husband Jeff have been

a part of the "Caring for Marriage" team for more than six years. For the past two years Kathy has worked with Pathfinders where Brian and Kevin are both members. She has also been volunteering one day a week at the Community Services.

God's blessings to the Richards as they serve Jesus on their trek to the Holy City.



Kathy Richard and her two sons, Brian and Kevin.

John Adolfi

CAREER DAY

Sunday, May 7, Union Springs Academy held its first Career Day. Students in grades 9 through 12 visited with several community volunteers who represented various occupations. The volunteers included a real estate agent, a newspaper reporter, a physical therapist, a chiropractic student, and a business manager.

The occasion allowed USA students to learn about a few of the many job opportunities available in our society. It also provided a chance for community volunteers, most of whom were non-Adventists, to become familiar with Union Springs Academy.

The Career Day was organized by Bill Clayburn, a retired guidance counselor who volunteers his services in various areas to USA, and by Nestor Cabrera, teacher and guidance counselor at USA. The Guidance Department plans to double the number of Career Day presenters during the 1995–96 school year.

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTION

Sabbath, April 15, the Union Springs Academy Chapter of the National Honor Society (NHS) inducted six new members. Dr. Skip Bell, New York Conference president, addressed the members and inductees challenging them to use their talents for the benefit of humanity and the glory of God. During the candlelight ceremony the NHS officers used poetry, allegory, and Scripture to explain the four NHS principles by which

membership is determined. Beth Johannesen (president) spoke about leadership, Kelly Gregory (vice-president) dealt with scholarship, Duska Wright (secretary-treasurer) addressed service, and Roland Lafrance (pastor) talked about character. The new members are as follows:

Erin Caster Fulton, New York

Tamara Cook Oneonta, New York

Allison Crockett Freeville, New York Jacob Fraker Rochester, New York

Valerie Geiser Trois Rivieres, Quebec

Nicholas Plumley Painted Post, New York

DATE CHANGE

The date for the annual service at the William Miller Chapel has been changed to Sabbath, July 29, 1995.

Northern New England

BAPTISM IN BRATTLEBORO FROM NET '95 MEETINGS

As a result of the Net '95 meetings held in the Brattleboro, Vermont, church, approximately 10 people made their decisions to study for baptism.

On April 15, our church had the privilege of witnessing the first of these baptisms. Orphia Sullivan and her son, Paul, committed their lives to the Lord. Orphia was a member for many years, but after attending all of the Net '95 meetings decided she needed to rededicate her life to the Lord and make a fresh start. Orphia, who for the past several years has had failing health, has recently had surgery, which is miraculously restoring her to a much fuller and normal lifestyle.

Paul, Orphia's oldest son, has also experienced extreme health problems and was in critical condition a few years ago. During this time the Brattleboro church prayed earnestly for his healing. After being restored to relatively good health, Paul and his family moved to Brattleboro to be near his mother. It was after this move that he and his family decided to study the Bible.

Pastor Richard Wright studied with them and performed the baptism. Paul's wife, Diana, and daugh-



Orphia (center) and Paul Sullivan, standing with Pastor Richard Wright (left).

ter, Kathleen, also decided to be baptized and welcomed into Brattleboro church membership.

During these past two years, Diana, Orphia, and the whole church family prayed for Paul to make his decision. During the Net '95 meetings Paul decided to be baptized.

Many of Orphia and Paul's family members, as well as the church family, witnessed this special baptism. We are thrilled they are part of our church family and we are committed to nurturing them. Praise the Lord for Net '95 and for all the

Jean Brodis, Communication Secretary

decisions made to be baptized.



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NEW MEMBERS FOR ROCHESTER CHURCH

Four new members were baptized in the Rochester, New Hampshire, Seventh-day Adventist Church as sons and daughters of God.

Preceding their baptism, Wendel Nickerson, Timothy Robinson, Joshua Wiggin, and Andrea Keesling, solemnly repeated their vows and pledged their love to our Heavenly Father.

Their baptism was a solemn occasion in which each symbolically signed their own personal covenant to serve our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ by sharing His love and Gospel message with others who thirst for the "Living Waters" which our Lord provides.

The ceremony was conducted by Pastor Norman Deakin who personally welcomed each new member into the Family of God.

Following the ceremonies, a potluck luncheon was served to the members and invited guests. May the Lord bless and inspire these new members as they each begin a new life in the service of our Lord.

Ray Champlin Communication Secretary



Pictured with Pastor Norman Deakin (rear left) are: Joshua Wiggin and Andrea Keesling (front) and Timothy Robinson and Wendel Nickerson (rear)



GRANDPARENTS + BALLOONS = FUN FOR KIDS AT PINE TREE ACADEMY

Our Grandparents/Visitors Day was a huge success! Excited elementary pupils received balloons with the messages attached from grandparents, friends, and good neighbors. At 9:00 a.m. the youngsters hurried to the new chapel to see who came to have a wonderful breakfast of muffins, bagels, doughnut holes, juice, and hot chocolate. More than 50 friends and family members joined our 75 elementary pupils at the event. The chapel was as full as the little ones' tummies!

Our new principal, Brad Hunter, gave a little quiz on the POPS "saying of the day" to see what favorite

quote stuck in the minds of the pupils, such as, "A positive attitude is like a fence: the more you reinforce it, the stronger it gets."

After breakfast, the guests walked hand-in-hand with their grandchildren and their friends back to their classrooms to see our pupils in action! As I passed by the kindergarten and first- and second-grade rooms, I saw a group of "kids" of all sizes and ages, sitting at desks, listening to the teacher, getting involved in the educational games and activities. The children were obviously happy to "show and tell" their visitors!

Finally, toward the end of the morning, all went out to the playground for recess. One visitor came up to me and said "I can see why you are trying to get a new playground!" and gave an extra donation to the playground fund. The balloons were the kick-off fundraiser for landscaping the playground, and after a master plan is developed, we will raise funds for other equipment and improvements. By the end of the day, every pupil had a balloon, as those who had many shared with those who had none.

We are off to a good start—we raised \$630 on Grandparent's Day. We will keep you posted on our progress!

Tom Kohls Public Relations and Development

BRATTLEBORO CHURCH WITNESSES MIRACLE BAPTISM

Sabbath, January 21, was a high day for the Brattleboro, Vermont, Seventh-day Adventist Church as we had the great privilege of witnessing Carroll Howe publicly affirm his love for Jesus Christ through baptism.

Howie, as Carroll is known to his friends, had had a life of many ups and downs. During this time, he began a serious program of Bible study and prayer which he continues on a daily basis. Howie attends church faithfully with his wife, Connie, and has not missed a Sabbath.

Not only did God never give up on Howie, but also Connie was a faithful church member. The Brattleboro church family also helped to nurture Howie into a loving relationship with Christ.

Howie is active in church attendance, greeting at the door, helping with social events, and giving mission stories. He invites people to church, to his home for meals and fellowship, and to social events. He has a special interest in the young people of the church and gives his testimony of what the Lord can do in our lives if we will just let Him.

Pastor Richard Wright was a great help to Howie, studying the Bible with him for several months to assist him in learning Bible truths.

This special day, the Brattleboro church was filled to capacity with 114 friends of whom 51 were guests personally invited by Howie.

Please pray for Howie as he has given his life to the Lord and in his growing relationship with Christ.



Carroll Howe (left) after his baptism by Pastor Richard Wright (right) on January 21, 1995.

Brattleboro church praises the Lord for this miracle in the life of Howie and prays that many others who are currently studying the Bible will make their decisions for Christ.

Jean Brodis Communications Secretary

Southern New England

GREATER BOSTON ACADEMY TO REMAIN OPEN

In a near-unanimous vote, the constituents of Edgewood Elementary School and Greater Boston Academy (located on the grounds of Boston Regional Medical Center on Woodland Road, Stoneham, MA) voted on May 23, 1995, to fund a

balanced budget K–12 program for the 1995–1996 school year. The budget assumes a minimum of 75 students at Edgewood and 65 at GBA. Recruiting efforts continue in full force to accomplish these numbers by the time school reopens on August 23. All rumors to the contrary should be refuted or ignored!

The administration of Edge-wood/GBA is grateful to its friends

and neighbors in the Stoneham area who, throughout the current school year, have supported the schools' efforts to remain in operation. GBA has a history of more than 50 years of service and is anxious to continue to be a vital part of the community.

Rondi Aastrup

FRAMINGHAM PORTUGUESE COMPANY BECOMES ORGANIZED CHURCH

Last December 3 the Framingham Portuguese church was officially recognized as part of the Southern New England Conference. Thirtyeight charter members signed the registry and several others who were away signed the following Sabbath.

In 1980, Cidalia Coimbra attended the Framingham Spanish church. She desired to have services in her mother tongue. Inviting a friend to the church, they began to study the Bible, eventually leading to a Sabbath school class in Portuguese. Seven years later Pastor Mario Ceballos suggested they start a Portuguese-speaking group.

In 1992 this group was organized into a company. They moved from Framingham to Hudson for about two years, then back to Framingham where their fellow country people live. They continued to grow and now have more than 50 members.

Present pastor Dilson Bezerra says, "This is the day we have been waiting for. We feel we are now an official part of the Southern New England Conference. We actually feel like we belong. You can count on us being a strong church. We want to see this church grow here in Framingham."

"We are happy and excited," stated Southern New England Conference President Elder Case, Sr., who directed the organization process. "We want to nurture them and watch them grow."

ACADEMY STUDENTS EXPERIENCE A DAY ON THE BOSTON VAN

The end of a day on the Boston Van for students from Greater Boston Academy (GBA) and South Lancaster Academy (SLA). Students from both schools have been coming on Mondays and Wednesdays each week for two years. If any other school or Pathfinder group is interested in experiencing a day on the van, contact Rita Vital, director, at (617) 438-2838.



Jimmy Resendes (left) and Jason Dever, students from GBA, join Lena Cressotti (center) after a day on the van.



Top: Tonny Monteith from Vancouver, British Columbia, joins the SLA group and Mark Fenton, SLA service outreach director, standing in the van. Front (L. to R.): Glorie Lopez, Sara Sutherland, Zack Howe, and Jennifer Amertil.

Bermuda

CHORAL DYNAMICS TO SING AT GENERAL CONFERENCE IN AMSTERDAM

The Choral Dynamics, the local choral group under the direction of Gayle Taylor, have been given the distinct opportunity to provide special music for the Sabbath School Department on the last day of the General Conference Session to be held in Utrecht, Amsterdam on July 8.

The twelve-member group, consists of Gayle Taylor, pianist; Sonia Anderson, Sonia Simmons, Julene

Darrell and Cynthia Tucker, altos; Lucy Douglas, Joan Simons, Jackie Wilson, and Leslee Christopher Stevens, sopranos; and Ralph Richardson and Steve Easton, tenors.

The group is presently making its way among the eight churches to raise funds to offset costs involved in this adventure.

"The group's ministry did not 'take off' until we started doing worship services," states Ralph Richardson. "Then one Sabbath when we did a service, we found members shedding tears and we also began to shed tears."

The group left Bermuda in early July and will perform in London before returning to Bermuda in mid July.

We ask for your support as they represent not only themselves at the General Conference, but also the SDA churches of Bermuda and will be ambassadors of the island of Bermuda. Their success is therefore our success.

Gayle Taylor, we congratulate you on this very outstanding achievement. Go in the grace of God and give it your all.

GRADE ONE CONTINUES "SHARE A TOY" CAMPAIGN

There was much excitement among the children as they discussed the types of toys they were planning to donate during the Christmas season. The toys were shipped to an orphanage in Madras, India. Mrs. Lois Lightbourne, grade one teacher, and pupils expressed gratitude to Mrs. Dessie Waldron for her part in making these arrangements possible.

This is the second consecutive year that the grade one class has shared a toy for Christmas. Last year's toys went to Jamaica.

STUDENTS RECEIVE AWARDS

Several Bermuda Institute (BI) students received awards throughout this school year, most recently at the annual Agricultural exhibition on the grounds of the Agriculture and Fisheries Department on Point Finger Road.

Bruce's grade 4 pupil Lynell Nisbett received second place prize for her rabbit.

Perhaps most decorated was Irby's grade 5 pupil Richard Gibbons, who received four first-place awards, two second-place awards, and three third-place awards. Fellow classmate Anthony Davis received a second-place trophy in Saxophone and a third-place trophy in Clarinet last month from Shine Hayward and Friends.

Antonia Simons received a "Most Promising Singer" trophy early this school year from Gina Spence Productions.

First-place winners from Faison's grade 7 at the Agricultural Exhibition were Alafia Talbot (4), Damon Rogers (2), and Clifton Scott. Second-place awards to pupils from this same class went to Nicole Brockington, Damon Rogers, Fatima McDuffie, Alvin Woods and Alafia Talbot (4). Third-place awards for this class went to Avril Paul, while Temika Mallory and Michael Simmons received "Highly Commended" awards.

In the high school, Denise Robinson (grade 9) and Heidi Murray (grade 11) both received third-place awards from the Agricultural Exhibition. Youth Parliament Awards were presented to tenth grade BI students Sullivan Phillips, Most Consistent Debater; MeShay Gomes, Morrissa Francis, and Verlencia Harrison, Outstanding Team Supporters; and grade 11 student Kristy Burgess for Best Speaker of the House, Perfect Attendance, and Most Consistent in Journal.

In the Teen Conference grade 11 students Joy Barnum, Shahidah Shamsid-deen, and Tanya Trott received awards. Joy received the Leadership Award and Shahidah Shamsid-deen the Spiritual Award. To all of the students we also congratulate you on these very fine achievements and encourage you to keep up the good work.

You have made Bermuda Institute and the Bermuda Conference very proud.

Northeastern

MOTHER'S DAY INITIATIVE

Several Northeastern Conference churches participated in the Communications Department's Mother's Day Initiative. The 'initiative" was an attempt to improve relations between churches and the neighborhoods in which they are located. It consisted of having church members physically sweeping and cleaning the block as the church's gift to the mothers in the neighborhood. An invitation to worship at the church was also cheerfully extended. Contact was made with the wives of prominent officials and an offer made of service to any cause, project or charity of her choosing.

The Ellenville church held a special dinner honoring the Mayor's wife and others who have given exemplary service to the community. The Brooklyn Faith church contacted the borough hall and received trash bags and other equipment at no cost to the church.

The Jamaica Hispanic church in Queens and the Stamford church in Connecticut also joined in. NEC Communications contacted Queensborough President Claire Shulman who asked that a local park be cleaned. Pathfinders from the South Ozone Park and Jamaica churches with Conference Communications Director C. A. Murray cleaned Baisley Park in Shulman's name. Shulman sent a letter thanking the volunteers for their lovely Mother's Day gift to her.

We didn't get the support in numbers that we wanted but many great endeavors have had humble beginnings. We hope to do it again next year. I pray that our pastors and members will catch the vision and see that holidays are a prime time to witness and build bridges to the community.



Ellenville church members with the Mayor and his wife, (L. to R.): Pat Martel, Pastor's wife; Denise and Raymond Younger, Mayor of Ellenville, New York, and his wife; Joan Rice; and Mary Savage.



Pathfinders cleaning up Baisley Park, Queens, New York, (L. to R.): Steven Days; Elaine Pettis, Pathfinder leader; Aginah King-Sharif; and Donna Armstrong.

SHARON CELEBRATES PASTOR'S QUINQENNIAL YEAR

The Sharon Seventh-day Adventist Church in Bronx, New York, celebrated the fifth year of the pastoral, evangelistic and administrative ministry of their pastor, Newton U. Cleghorne.

Among the things they celebrated were the nearly 100 percent increase in membership, the establishment of a strong and viable Youth and Pathfinder ministry, the significant increase in tithes and offering resulting in overall fiscal strength, the creation of effervescent, spirit-filled worship services, strong and sustained emphases on



Family Life, Community Services, Health and Temperance, and the acquisition of prime property for the erection of the New Sharon Seventh-day Adventist Church complex. The guest speaker was the executive secretary of the Northeastern Conference, Elder Trevor H. C. Baker. His message focused on the metaphor of God's carrying the church like an eagle bears her young on her wings.

Following the Divine Service, the church hosted a special luncheon in honor of the pastor and his wife, during which the members expressed their love and appreciation for the spiritual care, nurture and leadership they have received.

The Sharon church hopes to break ground for their new church complex by spring 1996.

Joyce L. Brown Communication Secretary

Bulletin Board

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Eastern Daylight Saving Time

	Aug. 4	Aug. 11	Aug. 18	Aug. 25
Bangor, ME	7:56	7:46	7:35	7:23
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Boston, MA	7:59	7:50	7:39	7:28
So. Lancaster, MA	8:02	7:52	7:42	7:31
Pittsfield, MA	8:08	7:59	7:48	7:37
Hartford, CT	8:04	7:55	7:45	7:34
New York, NY	8:07	7:58	7:48	7:38
Utica, NY	8:17	8:08	7:57	7:46
Syracuse, NY	8: 21	8:11	8:01	7:50
Rochester, NY	8:27	8:18	8:07	7:56
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Atlantic Union Women's Ministries Retreat

Sept. 29 - Oct. 1, 1995

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The hotel management, in conjunction with co-chairpersons Charlotte Thomas and Diane Adele Pomery, Union Director Junell L. Vance and her staff have worked diligently to bring this about. Special consultants include Shirley Allen of Rochester Institute of Technology, the first black deaf woman in the United States to receive her Ph.D.; Joan Bova, special consultant for the physically challenged with the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists; and Ida Alexander of The Lighthouse, Inc., for the visually impaired.

At the April planning session, demonstrations were given on making rooms accessible and safe for the hearing impaired. This included, flashing lights to let them know if someone is at the door, or the telephone

is ringing, or if there is an emergency, such as a fire.

There will be reserved seating for those with special needs as well as those needing a fragrance-free zone. Reserved seating in the dining room has been arranged for those with wheelchairs and those with guide dogs. At present, it is believed that 15 to 20 visually impaired women with guide dogs will be in attendance. Those who will be needing sign language interpreters should register early.

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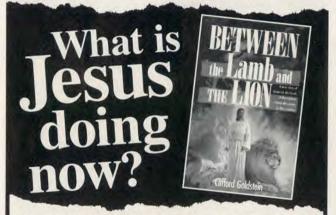
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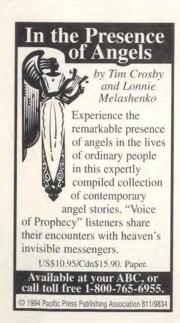
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