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AUC Alumni and Friends Challenged

The worship hour on April 20, 1996, at Atlantic Union College can only be described in superlatives, especially the sermon which was delivered by Elder G. Ralph Thompson, secretary of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. An alumnus of AUC, Thompson cherishes many great memories of life on the campus in his day.

As a world leader of this church for years when significant changes have taken place, Thompson sees in the current status of the college a necessity of three major elements being put into place and practice: *Renewal*, *Revival*, and *Survival*. God has always worked on behalf of His people when they met His terms. It is imperative that we remember who the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob is. He is not someone we can manipulate to satisfy our selfish desires. He is not a cosmic butler who awaits our command for His service. *He is the Lord God.*

Here we are, in the middle of 1996, and still we have not moved as we ought toward God so that He could do what He wants to do. If ever there was a time when we, as God's people, ought to be much in prayer, fasting, and into the reading and obeying of His word, it is now! We do a lot of talking, much of which is not profitable for eternity's sake. Do we live the truth as it is in Jesus? If we could only have a spiritual renewal experience, there would be joy in heaven. There would be joy in our homes, schools, and churches. Wherever we went, people would take knowledge of us, seeing that we have been with Jesus. It can happen if we let the Holy Spirit have His way in our lives!

The second element in this review is *Revival*, "We need greater earnestness in the cause of Christ. . . . When we bring our hearts into unity with Christ, and our lives into harmony with His work, the Spirit that fell on the disciples on the day of Pentecost will fall on us" (*Evangelism*, Ellen G. White, pages 697-698). [Emphasis supplied] We need more unity of mind and spirit in our field. Our main objective should be the saving of souls and doing our part in the finishing of the work of the

gospel. Helping to educate the students at Atlantic Union College is a definite part of the mission of this Union Conference. Their education and salvation are everybody's business!!!

It is my hope and dream to see such a powerful revival, reformation, and renewal process on our campus at AUC that the entire North American Division will know that this is the place where the Adventist faith is taught and practiced. This must be the place where real Adventism is seen at its best. This must be the place where parents are happy to send their children to be taught of the Lord. This must be the place where spirituality is strong and powerful! This must be the place where students are trained to represent and work for Jesus Christ. This will happen when we can meet the conditions God has laid down in His word.

"If My people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land" (2 Chronicles 7:14). *We must believe that God means what he says and will do what He has promised!!!*

Permit me to quote Elder Thompson's concluding thoughts at this point: "Our God is the God of the impossible. Our future is as bright as the promises of God! God never leads His people where advance is impossible or retreat is necessary." He was quoting Dr. W. G. C. Murdoch, former Seminary professor, in the last sentence. Thompson's final word to the Alumni Weekend audience was, "Have faith in God. 'We have nothing to fear for the future, except as we shall forget the way the Lord has led us, and His teaching in our past history'" (*Testimonies*, vol. 9, p. 10).

As we now face the summer, let all loyal members of this Union rally to support our college! The Lord is waiting to see who will be faithful in talking faith, doing good works to help in the renewal processing of AUC as interim president Dr. N. Clifford Sorensen takes the leadership of the college, and to encourage students to come to this campus to learn of the Lord and receive a solid education for service in this life and for the life to come!!!

About Our Cover Photo:

Covered bridges are typically New England. This bridge is located in West Arlington, Vermont, and is often the subject of numerous camera fans. Paul Miller of Vernon, VT, photographed the bridge.





NORTHEASTERN CONFERENCE GETS THE VISION

In 1995 the Northeastern Conference had one church with a functioning satellite dish and linked to Net '95. That church garnered ten baptisms and a small fire began. To date more than 20 churches have registered for Net '96. Many churches have ordered satellite equipment and the flame has grown.

Northeastern is getting the vision. Pastors and members are

beginning to see the potential in satellite broadcasting. Many questions are answered daily and yes, people—city people—will come to watch a service if it is good, relevant, and Christ-centered. We're adding logs to the kindling and we like the heat and the light.

Some years ago conference president Stennett Brooks mused over the idea of broadcasting a conference meeting. This was done in the late 1980's through cable radio. As satellite broadcasting began to be used more by the church, Northeastern Communication began to investigate the feasibility of uplinking camp meeting with the help of Adventist Media Center's Warren Judd, Marilyn Mead, and personnel from the Adventist Com-

munication Network. Plans are laid for the broadcasting of the second Sabbath of Northeastern Conference Camp Meeting, July 6, 1996.

The conference is excited as this is, to our knowledge, the first such venture undertaken in the Atlantic Union or the Regional Conferences. Allied with that is the excitement generated from the knowledge that churches from beyond the borders of the conference and across the United States can view the services.

The satellite uplink will cover Sabbath School, morning Worship Service, an afternoon concert, and an ordination service.

*Clement A. Murray, Director
Communications Department*

SOUL WINNING CONTINUES

The Brattleboro Seventh-day Adventist Church was filled to overflowing as family and many friends gathered to witness the fourth baptismal service since the close of NET '95.

Gil and Donna Jones from Vernon, Vermont, solemnly vowed their loyalty to God and were baptized by Elder Richard Wright. Donna slipped away from the Lord during her adult years, but how grateful she is that the Holy Spirit continued to tug at her heart and her family and friends encouraged her to participate in various activities of the church. Then NET '95 was held and she felt that this was a great opportunity to attend and invited her husband, Gil, to come along. After a few meetings, they were so much interested that they attended nearly every meeting.

Donna recommitted her life to Christ and Gil determined to study the Bible more. For several months after the series, good friends from

the Brattleboro church, Danny and Sandy Harris, studied the Bible with them weekly. A wonderful friendship was formed between the two couples, and there was a deepening relationship with the Lord. Donna decided to be rebaptized and Gil desired to be baptized. They had already begun regular Sabbath attendance, attending Prayer Meeting, and participating in church socials.

Gil had a very good job which included working on Sabbaths. After being convinced of the Sabbath truth, he approached his employer and shared his convictions. As a result, he was given every Sabbath off and was able to make up this time by working extra hours during the week. God rewards faithfulness.

Already this young couple is active in the church. They will be working as Adventist Youth Leaders next year as well as participating in other activities.



Donna and Gil Jones on their baptismal day.

It is our sincere prayer that Donna and Gil will continue to be positive witnesses for the Lord wherever they go. Already they have made sacrifices to send one of their daughters to Pine Tree Academy.

*Jean Brodis
Communication Secretary*

FAMILY FINANCE: Is It Worth It?

by Randall B. Terry, CPA

Family finance can be a very scary subject for some people. It usually involves that dreaded "B" word. That's right, budgeting. Most of us have an inherent resistance to family finance or personal financial planning. If we ignore it, we think, maybe it will go away. And that is usually what happens. We ignore our finances and they go away. We have no idea where they went, but we do know they are gone. It can be a very uneasy feeling when you look into an empty wallet with a week to go until payday. Proverbs 23:5 and Proverbs 27:24 are very

fitting in this situation, "Cast but a glance at riches, and they are gone, for they will surely sprout wings and fly off to the sky like an eagle. For riches do not endure forever."

So, how do we begin the budgeting process? The first concept to budgeting is "living within your means." In other words, you can't spend more than you make. It may sound pretty simple, but to some it is very difficult.

Credit cards make this concept even harder to grasp. The "low interest," "buy now, pay later" mentality is difficult to pass up. Before you know it, you have 3 or 4 of those "low interest" or "pay later" credit cards maxed out and you're up to your eyeballs in debt. In order to have a healthy budget, these offers must be declined.

Another problem with credit cards is that it makes it easier for "impulse" buying. You see something, you have to have it, you have a little room left on a credit card so you "charge it!!!" That would be fine if you pay off the balance at the end of the month. If not, you'll find quickly that it gets hard to catch up when you are paying interest on interest.

The Plan

The next concept to budgeting is you need a plan. This would include your dreams and hopes for the future financially. It should in-

clude savings, investments and retirement strategies as well as the answers to some of the following questions: How will you pay for your child's education? Will your child attend church school? How will you put your child through college? What happens if the "money maker" becomes disabled or loses his/her job? Or dies? Do you have six months of living expenses saved up?

It is never too early to plan for education, retirement or changes in lifestyle. If you haven't started to plan, it's never too late, either. It is important for you to answer the "what if" questions. If you can't answer them, then you need to adjust your plan.

The Budget

The best way to realize your plan is through budgeting. A budget would include your estimated income and expenses daily, weekly or monthly. The time table chosen would be the one that best fits your needs.

To begin your budget, look at your previous income and expenses. Looking at past purchases helps to predict and prepare for future expenses. You do not have to go back seven years to have an effective budget. You can go back one month, three months or a year whatever is easiest.

Spending Breakdown

*Average percentage spent
by American families on:*

Housing	18%
Utilities	7%
Food	19%
Automobile	10%
Medical	5%
Clothing & Shoes	6%
Insurance (Life, Health, Home, Auto)	2%
Taxes	9%
Appliances, Furniture	5%
Health & Hygiene	1%
Recreation, Entertainment	5%
Other (Postage, books, magazines, tuition, gifts, charity, pets, savings)	13%

Next, you need to prepare a personal balance sheet. This would include listing your assets and liabilities. These are, in essence, what you own (asset) and what you owe (liability). This is a necessary starting point in budgeting to know where you are right now.

Now, set your budget. Whether it be daily, weekly, monthly, quarterly or yearly, it doesn't really matter. You should select whichever is helpful and useful to you then stick to it. You can use the average household expenses listed in the sidebar to start with, but it is best to set your own figures from your past purchases and make adjustments as necessary to balance your budget. You might want to make subcategories in areas that you want to monitor more closely. For example, Recreation & Entertainment may be too broad a category. You may want to break it up into subcategories such as sporting events, vacation, travel, hobby expenses, etc. Just remember, your budgeted income should match or, hopefully, exceed your budgeted expenses.

Your budget helps you keep track of where you are spending your money as long as you categorize it properly. A budget will not do you any good if it can't show where specifically you've spent your money. There are many computer programs on the market that make this task a little easier. But, you don't need a computer to make your budget work.

One possible suggestion would be to have a page for each category

and mark it accordingly with each purchase. Then prepare a sheet that has one column for actual income and expense, another column for budgeted income and expense and a third column that shows the difference between budgeted and actual expenses. This should be done for each month, then accumulated every three to six months to get cumulative totals.

Finding the differences in actual and budget amounts is not the end of the budget process. You must also determine why these amounts varied. It is not enough to find the variances, you must also get to the source or the cause of the variance.

If your expenses are more than your income you will keep getting deeper and deeper into debt. You need to make adjustments in your spending to compensate for your shortfall. The shortfall needs to come from somewhere. If you have savings, you can draw on them. If not, re-check your budget to see where you can cut to keep your income level higher than your expenses.

The Goal

The next step in your family finance is setting measurable and attainable goals to achieve your plan now that you know what your basic income and expenses are. If your plan is to have \$50,000 in savings in 10 years, then you need to save \$5,000 per year to achieve that goal. That would be approximately \$416 a month or \$96 a week which would need to be included in your budget. Many people become discouraged with budgeting because they set unattainable and unrealistic goals. Remember, always to keep your goals simple, so they can be reached.

Budgeting doesn't have to be that dreaded "B" word, it can be something fun and enlightening. When you know exactly where your money goes you can make better

Budgeting Tips

1. Delegate the responsibilities. Get the whole family involved. This is why it is called "Family Finance." It is good to have input from everyone. Children learn valuable lessons in handling money.
2. Record cash disbursements promptly. It's easy to forget where you spent your cash if a few days go by. Receipts should also be kept to determine the category. Credit card statements should not be relied upon to determine appropriate categories for expense. You should also keep the receipts from your credit card purchases.
3. Keep accurate and up-to-date records. This includes knowing the balances of your checking and savings accounts, as well as credit card and loan balances.
4. Review actual versus budgeted expenses regularly. The main objective is to find out where you have spent too much or too little and make adjustments. These reviews should be done at least monthly. Waiting till the end of the year will not be helpful in making needed adjustments.

decisions on spending it which makes you a good steward. Just because the Lord asks you to store your treasures in heaven doesn't mean you have to spend everything here on Earth. Remember, the Lord asks us to be good stewards of His money. What will you do with your talent?

Randall B. Terry, CPA, was an assistant treasurer for the Columbia Union Conference at the time of this writing. He has since accepted an invitation from the Chesapeake Conference to serve as their associate treasurer.

Saving

Americans save a smaller portion of their income than people in any other western industrial nation:

United States	5-7%
Europe	12-15%
Japan	20%

Atlantic Union College



AUC STUDENTS COLLECT \$50,000 IN SCHOLARSHIPS AND PRIZES

Ninety-six Atlantic Union College students, 60 from the Atlantic Union, received scholarship awards in AUC's annual Honors and Awards Convocation in Machlan Auditorium this spring. In addition to 58 named scholarships from foundations, individual donors, and past graduating classes, each of AUC's academic programs rewarded their best students with scholarship prizes. Altogether, Atlantic Union College distributed nearly \$50,000 in merit- and need-based award money to deserving students.

Atlantic Union College also recognized 180 honor students who have maintained a GPA of 3.0 or better, been examples of good citizenship, and who are enrolled in at least 12 hours of classes; 24 Atlantic Union College students selected for

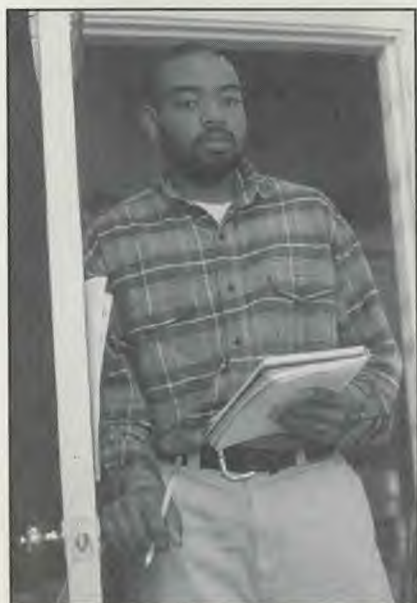


AUC awarded senior Keema Tucker of Devonshire, Bermuda, a scholarship for excelling in Atlantic Union College's education/psychology program.

this year's edition of *Who's Who in American Universities & Colleges*; and juniors and seniors who served as peer facilitators for AUC's innovative Freshman Year Program.



Atlantic Union College recognized the accomplishments of junior English and psychology major Elizabeth Thomassian of Lancaster, Massachusetts, and the other AUC students included in this year's edition of *Who's Who in American Universities & Colleges*. *Who's Who* honors students based on their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities, and potential for continued success.



Senior Ricardo Campbell (left) of Queens, New York, and sophomore Timothy Rivera (right) of Rumford Center, Maine, accepted Ghosn Family Awards, given annually to outstanding business students.



Senior business administration major Johan Perozo, a graduate of Greater Boston Academy, hit the jackpot with the Benjamin M. Preston Memorial Scholarship worth \$3,000.



In the past 114 years, we've taken nearly 8,000 good students and turned them into college graduates.

We want more.



AUC has been producing church and community leaders for over a century. The local press has touted our programs and our students. U.S. News & World Report placed AUC in the top half of all colleges in the Northeast in our category. Some people are surprised. We're not.

Tell a student about AUC.



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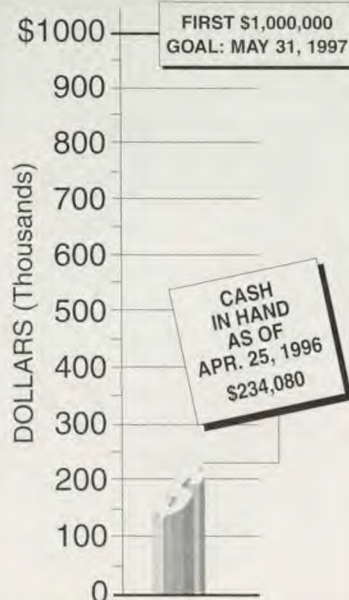
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Greater New York

NEW GROUP WORSHIPING IN CHINATOWN

On Sabbath afternoon, March 9, a day with a minus-zero wind-chill factor, the new Chinatown Seventh-day Adventist group began worshipping in the Chinatown section of Manhattan. The group is a branch Sabbath school of the New York Chinese church in nearby Queens and meets in a two-room office suite. Located on the seventh floor of a high-rise commercial building in the heart of Chinatown, the offices are made available without charge by 90-year old Mom Mom Wang and Madame Chan as an expression of this mother and



daughter's desire to put faith into action. Shown are members of the new group during their first service, led by district pastor, Elder Frank Lee. Approximately 20 persons gathered in the suite, which

can accommodate a maximum of 30 persons, including members from the Queens congregation who joined them for the occasion.

For some time, a Bible-study group coordinated by Mom Mom Wang has been meeting at the location after work hours

on Wednesdays, taught by Pastor Lee. Address for the new congregation is 396 Broadway, Suite 700, Manhattan.

Moses Wang, Communication Leader

WOMEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST HELD AT VICTORY CHURCH

The Women's Ministries and Health & Temperance departments of Victory church held a prayer breakfast earlier this year. The occasion began at 7:00 a.m. with a lively song service which brought back precious memories to all 80 participants. This was followed by praises to the Lord in talks, testimonies and prayers. Women expressed thankfulness and praise that the spiritual

blending of the physical, mental and social aspects of their lives could result in a reaffirmation of their faith in Christ.

Women at the breakfast prayed for each other, talked about being single and being a Christian, about the importance of having daily devotions in the home, about Nicodemus's experience. They shared various texts and encouraging insights from the Bible and the book, "Alone With God." The service concluded with everyone joining hands to form a circle, as the women re-

newed their commitment to hold onto the Lord for strength, unity and power to overcome trials.

All gratefully acknowledged that they had come expecting a blessing and felt they had been "empowered by God's Holy Spirit. To God be the glory, He's still working on us, and He will complete His task if we only let Him change our lives."

*Cheryl Jones-Campbell
Communication Leader*

QUEENS PORTUGUESE CHURCH SECURES LAND FOR NEW BUILDING

To accommodate the new 400-seat church being planned, a site at 91-15 Whitney Avenue in Elmhurst was purchased recently by the Queens Portuguese church. At the location, just before the closing for

the property were (L. to R.) Elders J. I. Da Costa e Silva, church pastor; Ted Jones, Atlantic Union Conference president; Charles Griffin, Greater New York Conference president; and Adilson Santos, chairman of the Church Building Committee. Construction will begin as soon as plans for the new building are finalized and approved.



TWO PERSONS BAPTIZED AT SPANISH HEMPSTEAD CHURCH

On the afternoon of Sabbath, April 13, an Inspiring baptismal service was conducted by district pastor, Samuel Orozco. Shown following his baptism is Fernando Muñoz. Abimael Rivas, foreground, sings as friends and relatives of Fernando look on. Also baptized that day was 12 year old Gloria Carina Correa.

Brother Muñoz's decision for baptism followed contacts by Omar Portillo, at that time a literature evangelist in the Conference Publishing Department. After receiving a card indicating Fernando's interest in buying a Bible, Omar visited the hairdresser at his unisex salon one busy day. After buying the Bible for his mother, Fernando encouraged Omar to deliver it to her home, saying he might buy some

books later on for his family, but expressed no personal interest at the time.

As Omar visited his mother with a group of young men on Sabbath afternoons, singing and talking of spiritual matters to her, her son would be there at times, laughing at them, and would leave quickly.

Then one day, Fernando told Omar he needed prayer for a big problem facing him. The L.E. prayed with him and invited him to church. His acceptance of the invitation led him to study the Bible and to his baptism. He also purchased a large supply of books, putting them on display in his salon, where customers and friends began buying.

After his decision for baptism, Fernando closed his shop on Sab-



bath, opening instead on Sundays. Clients came anyway, resulting in even more business. As soon as his baptismal date was scheduled, Fernando phoned Omar to invite him to attend. Now working in Georgia preparatory to entering college, Omar and his wife, Maribel, drove 19 hours to be present for the joyous occasion.

NEW YORK CHINESE CHURCH OFFICIALLY ORGANIZED IN QUEENS

On Sabbath, April 6, the New York Chinese Company was officially organized. In a moving afternoon service, charter members came forward to sign the register after years of waiting, praying and working for this moment. Conference Executive

Secretary Elder Linford Martin is shown at the pulpit, with translator Eric Wan.

The Chinese congregation worshiped during its earliest years in a number of Manhattan locations, including at the Spanish Delancey church in lower Manhattan. Since 1987, they have been meeting in Corona, Queens, in a store-front location that, by God's grace, was made available to them rent-free for their first year there. Currently, they own the building, which they are beginning to outgrow as new members have joined the family, and are praying and adding to a building fund.

The church is located at 90-31 Corona Avenue, Elmhurst. Elder Frank Lee is the pastor.



FAMILY LIFE LEADERS MEET



PHOTO CREDIT: RENE BALLENAS

Family Life coordinators from 25 churches met at the Conference office under the direction of Family Life Director, Elder Dionisio Olivo. Shown is Mrs. Seok Hee Lee, Family Life coordinator of the Queens Korean church. In a drawing held that day, she was awarded a bulletin board featuring anniversaries and birthdays of church members. According to Pastor Olivo, the emphasis of the workshop was on nurturing family life at home and in the church.

New York

RETURNING TO THE EAST WITH POWER

Last March 3 was a "high day" for the Saratoga church as Danny Shelton from 3 Angels Broadcasting Network shared some of the miracles of God through satellite technology and television in winning souls for Jesus.

Members from many surrounding churches including Albany, Schenectady, Amsterdam, Gloversville, North Creek and Kingsbury, New York, and Bennington, Vermont, attended as Danny shared some unbelievable experiences God has given him.

One person told of getting the 3ABN broadcast on her TV without cable or a satellite dish, only her local channels. In order to get 3ABN on a local channel a downlink station in your area is needed. Although most downlinks can reach only about 40 miles, this lady lived almost 100 miles from the nearest 3ABN downlink. While she was watching, she was impressed to copy down the 800 number and called the station to find out more about what Seventh-day Adventists believe. As soon as she was put in contact with someone who could study with her, she never got 3ABN on her TV again. Today she is a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

In the afternoon, a personal testimony was shared by Judy and Jim Leary and their daughter and son-in-law, Nancy and Darren Manzari. The Lord led them to the Kingsbury Seventh-day Adventist Church through listening to 3ABN on their satellite dish. Jim had been very ill and promised the Lord if he got better, he would follow Him. Jim

never expected that God would lead him to the Seventh-day Adventist Church to find the truth!

This downlink will bring Adventist Christian television into people's homes 24 hours a day, seven days a week, so that we can counteract the counterfeit with the undiluted Three Angels Messages for God! 3ABN can now be seen in Russia and is reaching people in Europe and South America. Surely this message is flying in the midst of heaven so that the end can come soon!

Juliana Yonke



Saratoga church pastor, H. E. Coe (left), with Danny Shelton from 3ABN and Julie Yonke of the 3ABN Promotion Committee beside the goal chart. Of the \$65,000 needed for the Saratoga downlink, approximately \$19,415 has been raised.

ADVENTIST SINGLES MINISTRIES RETREAT

Camp Cherokee ♦ July 31 – August 4, 1996

Cost: \$130; \$70 for Aug. 2-4

Special outings are planned plus the use of camp facilities.

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CELEBRATION OF A LIFE

Edmund Robinson, born January 17, 1931, in Amboy, New York, was the son of Edmund and Carrie Robinson. The family lived in Amboy until Eddie was about three years of age. After living briefly in several other locations, Rochester, New York, became his home. He attended the Culver Seventh-day Adventist church school through grade 10 and then decided to attend his father's Alma Mater in Oshawa, Ontario.

It was here at Oshawa Missionary College that he met Ferne, who consented to share his life. They married on November 16, 1950, in Genesee Park Seventh-day Adventist Church in Rochester, New York.

Eddie was employed at Mobil Chemical in Macedon for about 19 years as a Mechanical Engineer.

Following the feeling that God was calling him to another line of work, Eddie resigned from Mobil and became a Literature Evangelist. After a year in this work his talent was recognized, and he was first the Associate Publishing Director and then the Publishing Director of the New York Conference.

Still following God's leading, Eddie entered pastoral ministry

where he served the New York Conference of Seventh-day Adventists for 23 years. Congregations benefiting from his ministry were Saratoga Springs, Vestal Hills, Elmira and Dexterville Districts.

Eddie was no stranger to adversity. Early in his life he experienced the trauma of losing his mother, when his parents separated. As life went on he experienced many challenges, but he also experienced miracles. He had a tremendous zest for life. He was happiest when he was exploring the dark recesses of earth while spelunking, or the depths of the sea while snorkeling. It was his dream to explore the



nooks and crannies of America while traveling. He even aspired to try the atmosphere. Think of the wonderful time he will have exploring heaven when our Saviour comes.

Those who knew Eddie describe him as happy and fun-loving, generous and kind, dependable and honest, understanding and loving. He was always there for his family when they needed him. One of his last goals was to help his son-in-law, Jim, start up a new business, and he was able to accomplish this.

"Happy is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord his God."

Psalm 146:5

Music played a big part in his life, and he had a great talent for it. He also enjoyed wood working, photography, and collecting antique car models. One of the things he enjoyed most, in his words, was to "get in the car and go down the road."

Eddie did not have time to realize some of his dreams. He was diagnosed with prostate cancer in October 1993. He and Ferne faced this problem just as they had every other challenge or celebration in their life . . . together. He passed to his rest at home on Sunday, April 28, 1996. Faithful to the end, only two weeks before his death he shared with a relative his understanding of the sin problem, Christ's victory over it, the preparation of our eternal home, and his own assurance that he would occupy his place there.

Left to cherish his memory are his loving wife Ferne; son Myles and wife Cathy; son Mark and wife Bonnie; daughter Marilee and husband Jim; daughter Marci and husband Dan; seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Also surviving is his brother, Vernon Britton, and three sisters, Joan, Carol and Mary Alice. He will be greatly missed by his extended family, church family, and friends.

"If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all men most to be pitied."

I Corinthians 15:19

Northern New England

MUSICAL TEAM VISITS ROCHESTER CHURCH

Last winter the Rochester Seventh-day Adventist Church, New Hampshire, was happy to be visited by South Lancaster Academy and have them present a musical worship program, "Witness."

Under the direction of Steve Laing, the group sang both a cappella and with musical accompaniment in a truly professional manner to the delight of the congregation. Violin soloist, Marlene Millburn, held the congregation spellbound.

It is refreshing to see young people use their talents bestowed upon them by our loving Father. Their parents can be justly proud of their performance as they sang



South Lancaster Academy musical team, "Witness." Steve Laing, director of the group, is at the right.

praises to our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Following the program, the young people enjoyed a fellowship luncheon. The congregation is ea-

gerly looking forward to their next visit.

Ray Champlin
Communication Secretary

SACO CHURCH CELEBRATES NEW MEMBERS

Last March the Saco, Maine, Seventh-day Adventist Church, along with all heaven, joyfully welcomed five new members into the family of God. Members, family and friends gathered in the Portland church to witness Pastor Ed Labbe baptize them.

Each candidate was given opportunity to say a few words. The Wannemacher family string ensemble added to the celebration with a gift of music and praise. The service was an inspiration and great witness to all.

The new members were warmly welcomed into the church family during a short reception which followed.



Pictured with Pastor Ed Labbe (right) are the persons baptized (L. to R.) Ariel and Lyana Wannemacher, Sue Metayer, Stacy Black, and Roland Pelletier.

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Shown are (L. to R.): Yeprad Yarjan, Martha Rexin, Sharon Hamel, Edwin Low, Gerald Rexin, The Master's Men: Gordon Lethbridge, first tenor; Rick Wall, second tenor; Russ Wetherell, baritone, and David Bruso, bass.

glory of God. If your church would like us to visit with you, please contact Edwin B. Low, New England Memorial church, 5 Woodland Road, Stoneham, Massachusetts 02180.

SOUTH LANCASTER CHURCH OBSERVES FIRST BAPTISMAL SERVICE OF YEAR

On the opening Sabbath of the new year, Jill and Brent Blaney from Collegedale, Tennessee, recommitted their lives to the Lord through



Brent and Jill Blaney (left) and David Currie II

rebaptism by Pastor Ray Daniel, the church's pastor. Any time is an ideal time to either commit or recommit our lives to Jesus our Saviour, but it seemed very appropriate during new beginnings.

At the same service, David Currie II, 15, son of David and Linda Currie of South Lancaster, was baptized by the church's associate pastor, Brian Burgess. David is a freshman at South Lancaster Academy.

May the Lord richly bless these young people as they recommit their lives to Jesus daily and help others to know and follow Jesus in baptism also.

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The children in Eleanor Brown's fourth-grade class in Browning Elementary School, South Lancaster, constructed models of the Sanctuary and Pastor Ray Daniel of the South Lancaster SDA Church explained to the boys and girls the meaning of its various parts. In the accompanying picture Pastor Daniel (center front) is shown with the happy boys and girls and their models of the Sanctuary. It is encouraging that the youth in Browning Elementary School are learning biblical themes.



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	July 5	July 12	July 19	July 26
Bangor, ME	8:23	8:19	8:13	8:06
Portland, ME	8:24	8:21	8:16	8:09
Boston, MA	8:23	8:20	8:15	8:08
So. Lancaster, MA	8:26	8:22	8:17	8:11
Pittsfield, MA	8:32	8:29	8:24	8:17
Hartford, CT	8:27	8:24	8:20	8:13
New York, NY	8:29	8:26	8:22	8:16
Albany, NY	8:35	8:32	8:27	8:20
Utica, NY	8:42	8:39	8:34	8:27
Syracuse, NY	8:46	8:42	8:37	8:31
Rochester, NY	8:52	8:49	8:43	8:37
Buffalo, NY	8:56	8:52	8:47	8:41
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Please contact Lloyd Hodder, PO Box 107, So. Lancaster, MA 01561, if you know the whereabouts of any, of the following missing members of South Lancaster Academy class of 1948: Faith Ball, Dudley Brown, Murial Neller, Helen Prysewski, Paul Small, Elizabeth Whittaker.

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Deaths

CHAPMAN, Janet M.—b. Dec. 15, 1942, NJ; d. Oct. 20, 1995, Portland, Me. She taught school for most of her career in Massachusetts and Maine. Survivors include her husband, Paul; a brother, Steven James Meikle; two sisters, Nancy Edwards and Marisue Meikle; two sons, Glen and Jeffrey; one daughter, Jennifer Wilson; and four grandchildren.

COMLEY, Dawn—age 46 was killed in a highway accident on Dec. 20, 1995. Survivors include two sons, Michael Lackey and Eric Stoddard of Pine Tree Academy in Freeport; her parents, Winthrop and Dorothy Comley; two brothers, Winthrop Comley III and Will Comley; and a sister, Dale Brewer.

DECOSTA, Mary Enos—b. Mar. 28, 1910, Taunton, MA; d. Oct. 21, 1995, Taunton, MA. Survivors include her husband, Joseph DeCosta; a son, Joseph A.; a daughter, Esther M. Wilbur; a sister, Hazel Medeiros, a brother, Antoni Enos; five grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

FIELD, Beulah A.—b. July 7, 1919, Castle Hill, ME; d. Nov. 20, 1995, Portland, ME. Survivors include three daughters; and two stepdaughters. Her husband, Clinton, predeceased her on November 14, 1995.

FIELD, Clinton H.—b. Jan. 14, 1921, Lewiston, ME; d. Nov. 14, 1995, Cape Elizabeth, ME. Survivors include two daughters.

HAYWARD, John L.—b. Mar. 7, 1924, Naugatuck, CT; d. Sept. 2, 1995, Keene, TX. He was a retired pastor who served in MA, GA, TX, and MI, also as president of the Illinois Conf., and secretary of the Lake Union. Survivors include: his wife, Edna; daughters Susan Hamstra and Merrilee Sjolander; son William; three sisters, Dorothy Coffin, Valmar Judd, and Frances Smith; two brothers, Edward and his identical twin, James L. Hayward of Keene, TX; one grandson; and numerous nieces and nephews.

JENSEN, Mabel V.—b. Sept. 24, 1898, Lunenburg, Nova Scotia; d. Feb. 3, 1996, Marlboro, MA. Survivors include one son, Peter A. Jensen, Jr., DDS, Hudson, MA; one daughter, Ethel M. Jensen, Marlboro, MA; three grandchildren, three great-grandchildren; a niece; and four nephews. Her husband, Peter A. Jensen, Sr., predeceased her in 1975.

JOHNSON, Clarence E.—b. Aug. 25, 1923, Jamestown, NY; d. Feb. 16, 1996, Lewiston, ME. He graduated from Atlantic Union College in 1946 and began his ministry in Ashland, KY. The majority of his years as a pastor were served in the New England states. Survivors include his wife, Myrtle; a daughter, Beverly Waterman; and two grandchildren.

LAJOICE, Gladys A.—b. June 13, 1906, New York, NY; d. Feb. 4, 1996, Rutland, VT. Survivors include three daughters, Jerry Ann, Gail, and Leatrice; eight grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; and nephews and nieces. Her husband, Alfred Prosper LaJoice; her son, Alfred; and two sisters, Edith and Ruth all predeceased her.

LAYMAN, Zachary Aaron—b. May 15, 1980, Mt. Vernon, OH; d. Oct. 21, 1995, Ann Arbor, MI, after a nearly two-year battle with cancer. Survivors include his parents, Paul and Rhoda Layman; brother, Benjamin; and paternal grandmother, Esther Layman, all of Berrien Springs, MI.

MAGGI, Eleanor J.—d. Oct. 1, 1995, age 76. Survivors include a daughter, Sylvia Dininny; a son, Robert Hill; two brothers; a stepson and two stepdaughters; 16 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

NIXON, Sarah K.—b. Mar. 16, 1907, Gloucester, MA; d. June 28, 1995, Worcester, MA. Survivors include two sons, Lowell and Robert.

REED, Harry—b. March 13, 1926, in Buffalo, NY, and passed away suddenly Dec. 6, 1995. In 1987 he joined the Bible Truth Prison Ministry and he was most loved by all he met and helped. Over the last nearly 13 years he has been very active in the prison ministry and received many awards for his kind, loving interest and care of the inmates.

Survivors include his wife, Ruby; stepmother, Miss Ollie; brother, Joseph, Jr.; sister, Lounéal; father and mother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Graves; brother and sisters-in-law; and many more relatives and a host of friends.

ROUNDS, Derothea—b. July 31, 1924; d. Feb. 17, 1995; Elmira, NY. Survivors include two sons; two daughters; and several grandchildren.

SABOL, Leo—b. Dec. 24, 1925, Millis, MA; d. April 3, 1995, Sanford, ME. Survivors include his wife of 50 years Louise (Hall) Sabol; three sons, Dennis L. Herbert G., and Ashley D.; a daughter, Mrs. John (Sharon) Driscoll; three brothers, Walter, Albert, and Alexander; and six grandchildren. His son, Alex, predeceased him in 1988.

SAWYER, Allen Irving—87, d. Oct. 31, 1995. He was a retired church school teacher in Cookeville, TN. Survivors include Leanne, Tanya, Bunny, and John and six grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife, Edith Harness Sawyer, and his parents, Charles L. and Margaret Sawyer.

VECCHIONE, Carmen Salvatore—b. Jan. 6, 1910; d. Sept. 25, 1995. Survivors include his wife, Dorothy, of E. Douglas, MA.

WALLACE, Virginia Lee—b. Aug. 11, 1932, Portland, OR; d. Jan. 26, 1996, Madison, NH. Survivors include her husband, Preston Wallace; a son, David; two daughters, Shirley and Wanda; and five grandchildren.

WEAVER, Bernard C.—b. May 9, 1925, Zanesville, OH; d. Feb. 17, 1996, Providence, RI. Survivors include two sons, David and Steven; and two sisters, Eilia Smith and Rachel Coleman.

WHITE, Muriel Jones—b. Dec. 14, 1903, Skowhegan, ME, d. Nov. 11, 1995, Augusta, ME. Survivors include her husband, Carl of 67 years; two daughters, Madeline Wilhelmsen and Lillian Kemp; a son Raymond; two brothers; four sisters; a granddaughter and a grandson; two great-granddaughters; and several nieces and nephews.

WHITTAKER, Mary—b. Feb. 15, 1895, Blackstone, MA; d. April 12, 1995, Pascoag, RI. She was a charter member of the Burrillville, RI, SDA Church. Survivors include her sister, Lillian Steere, 94, of Pascoag, RI.

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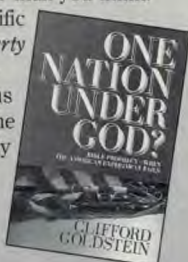
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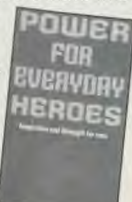
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