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NET '96 IN THE ATLANTIC UNION

More than 100 churches are planning to participate in the Net '96 satellite TV crusade as this issue goes to press, or approximately one-fourth of the total number of churches in the Atlantic Union. Most will downlink the meetings that will feature Elder Mark Finley speaking live from Orlando, Florida, via satellite. Some churches and groups will use tapes, with lay persons assisting in the crusade. In Bermuda, the series will be downlinked and taped for use on a 24-hour-delay basis. The Island is on Atlantic Standard Time (AST), an hour later than other Atlantic Union churches.

The list of Net '96 churches on page three is subject to change, due to difficulties and delays that can arise in the installation of equipment, etc. For those readers who wish to let friends or family in other parts of the Atlantic Union



The initial satellite evangelistic series aroused the interest of many church members and former Adventists throughout North America, last year, stimulating them to see what the innovative campaign was all about. Near the end of the Net '95 meetings at the Old Westbury church on Long Island, Pastor Ron Wooten had a thrilling call from his son Rick. "I know you're having a baptism this week, Dad," he said. "If I come to New York, will you rebaptize me?" Rick had been traveling 50 miles each way to Net '95 meetings in another state and wanted to make a recommitment.

know about Net '96 churches in their neighborhoods, calling or writing in advance is encouraged to confirm churches that will be on-line for the crusade. (Or, call the Conference office representing the churches you wish to inquire about, using the numbers listed in the *Gleaner* masthead, p. 23.)

Net '96 is expected to be available in 12 languages this year—four in the U.S.: English, Spanish, Portuguese, French; and six overseas, Croatian, German, Hungarian, Norwegian, Polish, Romanian, Russian and Serbian. More than 2,100 congregations in the North American Division will participate in the crusade; with a potential total worldwide of close to 5,000 churches on-line. Net '96 will air October 5 to November 9, 1996, five nights weekly except Mondays and Thursdays.

About Our Cover Photos:

1. High above a Brooklyn street, a satellite dish is perched on the roof of Northeastern Conference's Bethel church. The church received its equipment with little time to prepare for Net '95 but went ahead in faith. Attendance averaged 180 and 10 persons were baptized. This year, the church has purchased a 72" TV monitor for the meetings that are "making friends for God," says Personal Ministries leader Lloyd Graham.
2. In Northern New England, 24 churches will participate in Net '96, including this one in Portland, ME, located next to the conference office.
3. The 1996 satellite crusade will involve Bermuda's president, Pastor Carlyle Simmons, and conference secretary-receptionist, Jane Smith, shown opening newly arrived equipment.
4. Like the attendance at Net '95 meetings, baptisms reported from around the Union following the first

satellite crusade included people of all ages and backgrounds. Shown in the cover photo are the first candidates from the crusade at the Livingston church, in Greater New York Conference.

5. At Southern New England Conference, Jeff Linthwaite assisted with the installation of the Conference office satellite dish. A number of conference offices are on-line for satellite transmissions, including Adventist Communication Network programming that is aired throughout the year.

PARTICIPATING NET '96 CHURCHES IN THE ATLANTIC UNION

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COME, LET'S CELEBRATE CHILDREN'S SABBATH

Children are an heritage of the Lord." We can celebrate both at church on October 5, 1996, Children's Sabbath.

Children's Sabbath is a day to affirm children in our congregation, in our families and in the wider world our hugs and smiles and listening ears make every Sabbath a celebration of childhood. But on October 5 we can plan a whole day that shows children how much we care.

We all know by experience that it takes a church (as well as a village) to raise a child. The church can provide kids with a sense of belonging to a caring community. The experts tell us that, as kids reach adolescence, they need to belong to something bigger than their immediate family. Older generations experienced community in their neighborhoods; today's kids do not.

Why cannot we make Sabbath a real special day for the family—a day to remember and one to anticipate the next Sabbath.

So church is more important than ever in their lives.

Caring churches can help kids grow up committed Christians. The experts tell us that congregations that offer warmth and acceptance and that welcome hard questions are most likely to keep their youth. And a church that also admits how much it needs kids is even more likely to attract them and their families.

If your church is lagging in its encouragement of kids, use Children's Sabbath as a day to make a new start. If your church is already child-friendly, Children's

Sabbath offers another great excuse to celebrate God, community, and children.

"We hope every church will do something to celebrate Children's Sabbath," North American Division

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president A. C. McClure says. "If not on October 5, then on another Sabbath during the fall."

The North American Division, with the help of Columbia Union, has prepared a Children's Sabbath booklet with dozens of great ideas, including two optional church services and several unique songs. The booklet was mailed in August to every church pastor in the division. Additional copies are available; just call AdventSource, 1-800-328-0525.

Children's Sabbath is being celebrated in North America for the first time as a designated day in the official Church Calendar. "We hope that celebrating Children's Sabbath will tell kids that their church cares about them," says Barbara Manspeaker, Church Ministries Director for the Columbia Union. "Children cannot hear that message too often."

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Elva Battle, secretary to the president in the Allegheny West conference suggested the 1996 theme, "It takes a church to raise a child."

"Many writers and activists are quoting the African proverb, 'It takes a village to raise a child.' But it also takes a church—the whole church," she says. "Parents will have a tough time convincing their teens to stay in the church if they did not enjoy coming to church as a child. Children's Sabbath can change that." Working together we can make the church service on Children's Sabbath one children will never forget.

Can we make church enjoyable and an event toward which to look forward, if we do not make Sab-

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bath services a regular event in our own lives and make an effort to arrive on time? Why cannot we make Sabbath a real special day for the family—a day to remember and one to anticipate the next Sabbath. Let's covenant right now to do just that!

"Children who are driven to the church are generally led to the devil; but children who have the right example of Christian parents at home, generally drive the devil all through life."

Children's Day services have been held in the Atlantic Union as early as May 24, 1902. Each child was given a potted plant with the hope that they may be led to think of God as they watch it grow.

Let us all make October 5, 1996, and every day a memorable day for our children as we daily "bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord" (Ephesians 6:4).

ATLANTIC UNION PASTOR FEATURED SPEAKER AT SEEDS '96

Michael Steenhoven, pastor of the Augusta, Maine, church in the Northern New England Conference, led out in one of the Seeds '96 seminars presented at Andrews University June 12 to 15. Steenhoven focused on the importance of careful planning, including the dos and don'ts of effective church planting. He placed emphasis on careful financial planning.

Finance is often a problem in church planting, because members do not believe they can afford it, Steenhoven said, but statistics have shown that church giving usually goes up instead of down during church planting. Finances need to be planned three years ahead, and a demographic study is important before planting a church, he emphasized.

Steenhoven was one of more than 400 lay people, pastors, administrators and Andrews University seminary students who attended Seeds '96, a church planting summit organized by the Seventh-day Adventist Church in North America.

"Purpose of the summit," Division President Alfred McClure said, is to launch a divisionwide church planting initiative. Church planting is every bit as much God's plan for reaching people as is crusade evangelism and home Bible studies," he said.



Dr. Robert Logan

In his opening remarks at the summit, McClure asked those attending to pray earnestly that a vision, a direction and a mechanism would lead them to discover bold new ways to do evangelism.

The summit provided an understanding of church planting principles; practical training for administrators and church planters, both pastors and laity; resources and networking for church planters; and a strategy for planting churches across North America.

Plenary speaker for the summit was Robert E. Logan, vice president for new church development at Church Resources Ministries in Alta Loma, California. Logan, a conservative Baptist, became a commissioned minister for his church in 1988 and since has planted a church of 12,000 members in Alta Loma. That church has now planted six new churches.

Logan said his ministry began by knocking on doors. "I prayed nobody would be at home, but they were," he said.

"Church planting is not just moving Adventists around," Logan emphasized. Instead it is going into a community and bringing in new members," he said.

About 20 other presenters conducted seminars, ranging from how to meet community needs to how to follow the Spirit's guidance.

An example of successful church planting comes from Doug Tilstra, now pastor of the Penn Valley church in Penn Valley, California. In 1992 Tilstra planted a church in Rocklin, California, and one year later it officially organized into a Seventh-day Adventist church with 62 charter members.

Tilstra said he and his church members planned for two years before the planting and used three



PHOTOS BY KERMIT NETTEBURG

New York Conference had one of the largest groups at Seeds '96, with 12 people attending. Conference President Skip Bell (back row, left) was one of seven conference presidents in the crowd of about 400; most were lay members or pastors, like the New York group: (from left) Bell, Don Klinger, Bill McNeil, Joel Nephew, Tim Holver, and Jon Clayburn. Other members of the New York in attendance were seminary students Bill Largo and Bill Hrovatt, pastors Rob McKay and Kevin Dunn, and lay members Larry Stapleton and Steve Peden.

methods: door-to-door contacts (about 3,500 contacts), mass mailings of descriptive brochures, and members inviting friends.

An important strategy in church planting is also to get new members immediately involved in sharing their faith, Tilstra said.

"I have been very pleased to see the conference administration and the North American Division become so bold in church planting. I have also been surprised to see so many people here who are not employed by the church. It's a new day in church planting," Tilstra said.

Marjorie Snyder, free-lance writer, Berrien Springs, Michigan, is retired from being Communication Director, Michigan Conference

“Publish Glad Tidings”

VALERIE N. PHILLIPS

It was the worst and best day of my entire semester. I was called to the office of an English professor I much admired, and kindly but emphatically accused of plagiarizing my last paper. This was probably a task this professor also disliked and I now suspect it was accomplished in as kindly a manner as possible. But, I was humiliated and deeply hurt to think that someone whom I so admired and who I thought had more faith in me would believe such a thing to be true.

I was embarrassed to admit that I knew I'd been influenced by nothing I'd read in preparation for this paper, because I'd made no preparations at all for this paper. In fact, the day the outline was due, I'd forgotten we were scheduled for individual conferences about the progress of this paper which I had not yet even begun. So, as I awaited my turn in the “White House” lobby, I desperately selected a topic about which I felt strongly, and hastily constructed an outline, entirely out of my head. After the conference, I went back to my room and fleshed out the paper till I was really pleased with the results.

So, now, while I knew the beginnings of my paper indicated procrastination and poor planning, I was justly sure that copying was not a possibility! Although shaken, I kept quietly maintaining, “I do know what plagiarism is, but this paper is my own work.” After what seemed an eternity, the professor signaled that I was free to leave. Tears were very close, but I managed not to cry.

My next appointment was a conference with another professor about a religion paper, one which (thankfully) I had completed and polished. After reading that paper, he quietly asked if I'd given any thought to publishing it. What a different response from the meeting of that

morning! He had faith in me, and he let me know it.

The tears I'd checked in sorrow now flowed as I told him how hurt, embarrassed and just plain awful I felt about the morning's encounter. Although I thanked him for restoring my faith in myself and others, I don't know if he realized what a difference his confidence in me made that day. I went to my room healed.

I've never forgotten the way Jim Londis' kind commendation, offered at just the right moment, changed my day, my attitude, my self-esteem and my modeling. I never did publish that paper, but I did invest myself in 16 years of ministry to an Adventist university campus. I enjoy it when I can call in a young person to share with them the talents and abilities I see in them which sometimes they have not yet noticed in themselves. And, besides everything else I do in the line of duty, sometimes I help proof my residents' papers. Who knows? Maybe they'll publish.

“Like apples of gold in settings of silver, so is a word spoken at the right moment.” —Proverbs 25:11

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James J. Londis was on the religion faculty of Atlantic Union College from 1965 to 1975 and served as college president from 1994 to 1996.

“Publish Glad Tidings” is taken from a book-in-process by Ronald Knott, a 1981 alumnus of AUC, editor of College Faith, and interim communications coordinator at the college.

“Go ye into all the world . . .”

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Elder Ezra Leon Longway
1895 - 1987
*Atlantic Union College
Class of 1935*

To perpetuate the memory of E. L. Longway, pioneer Seventh-day Adventist missionary to China, The E. L. Longway Foundation has created an endowment in his name to provide scholarships for undergraduate students at Atlantic Union College and graduate students at Seventh-day Adventist universities.

The administration of Atlantic Union College and the Board of Trustees of the E. L. Longway Foundation are pleased to announce that applications for scholarships at Atlantic Union College are now being accepted for the spring semester of the 1996-97 academic year.

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“Teaching the way of wisdom”

No church can flourish unless its members are workers,” said Ellen G. White in a *Review and Herald* article in 1881. It was true then and is true today. Increasingly, lay people are faced with the challenges of spreading the Good News in an energetic, confident, and responsible way. And that’s what Atlantic Union College and the theology faculty at AUC do for lay people in the Southern New England, Greater New York, and North-eastern Conferences.

The Personal Ministries Institute at Atlantic Union College is a joint effort sponsored by the college and three Atlantic Union conferences that equips local church members with a ministry education so that they may contribute more effectively in the leadership services of the local congregation.

“This program empowers lay people,” says Joan Francis, D.A., Chair of the Division of Theology, Humanities, and the Fine Arts, “and gives lay people an academic grounding for their faith. Local church members have confidence in what they know and the ability to communicate it to others.”

“Christian truth and experiences are not limited to pastors and church officials—they belong to everyone. But everyone needs to understand them and communicate them

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reasonably and convincingly. Seventh-day Adventist faith is grounded in Scripture, and everyone needs to know how to understand it, how to use it, and share it.” Students at the Personal Ministries Institute take classes in local church leadership, personal evangelism, public evangelism, church administration, being a lay pastor, and spiritual nurturing.

The personal Ministries Institute presented its first group of certificates to 51 students who are members of the inaugural class and who have now achieved Level I of a two-level program that can eventually lead to a college degree through AUC’s Adult Degree Program. Certificates were awarded by personal ministries directors of the three participating conferences on Sunday, August 4, in Miller Chapel in Founders Hall on the campus of Atlantic Union College.



Herwin Venegas of the Worcester Spanish SDA church received his personal ministries certificate in recognition ceremonies on August 4 at Atlantic Union College.

The class was reminded by speaker Robert Kennedy, Ed.D., associate professor of theology at Atlantic Union College, that all of us have the potential of being a prophet. “You shall prophecy again,” he said, referring the assembly to the biblical promise during his address at the recognition ceremony.

“This is one important way the college is serving the Adventist community—by helping to develop educated lay people who can be effective leaders in the church,” adds Ileana Douglas, vice president for academic administration at AUC. “Spreading the Gospel with wisdom and learning is one of the most important tasks facing the church today—and it’s a basic element in the mission of Atlantic Union College.”

From the Southern New England Conference

Mariela Falla
Nestor Amparo
Herwin Venegas
Roberto Marrero
Arismende Herrera
Ricardo Guerrero
Inna Flores

Victor Garcia
Beverly Francis
Rolston Daniel
Clifford Cromwell
Selmo Cristo
Harrison Nurse
Patricia McCue
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Damaris Rumaldo
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Avis Anderson
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From the Northeastern Conference

Ken Campbell
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\$100,000 Vote of Confidence

In an action of important symbolic value to Adventist higher education in the Atlantic Union, North American Division church leaders approved a grant of \$100,000 to Atlantic Union College on July 31. N. Clifford Sorensen, AUC president, announced the action to college faculty and staff the next day.

Sorensen presented the grant proposal to church leaders gathered in Providence, Rhode Island, for meetings in conjunction with the annual Adventist-Laymen's Services and Industries (ASI) convention. Present at the meeting were North American Division officers and union conference presidents, secretaries and treasurers from across the Division.

In notifying college officials of the action, NAD president Alfred C. McClure stressed that church leaders were unanimous in their vote to approve the grant to AUC.

Sorensen said that in presenting the proposal, he spelled out to church leaders four specific ways the grant will be distributed. First, the grant will bolster the college's student scholarship program. AUC's balanced budget for the 1996-97 school year required the college to reduce allotments for need-based student financial aid, while trusting that those reductions wouldn't significantly affect enrollment. The NAD grant will provide vital scholarship funds, making it possible for many more students to attend AUC this year, Sorensen said.

Sorensen also told leaders that part of the grant will be used for a "good-faith partial reimbursement" to AUC employees who absorbed a 17 percent,



RICHARD DUERIKSEN

North American Division President Alfred C. McClure visits with N. Clifford Sorensen, President of Atlantic Union College, shortly after church leaders approved a \$100,000 grant to AUC.

temporary pay reduction at the beginning of the summer. For the typical AUC teacher, this has meant a loss of more than \$500 a month. The salary reduction is designed as a precautionary measure, and will be fully reimbursed if the school meets modest enrollment goals in September. Until then, Sorensen said, the NAD grant will provide a token repayment of approximately \$100 per month.

"I think our leaders clearly understood what a \$500 a month pay cut really means to the family of a typical church employee," Sorensen

said. "They understood our situation and what AUC employees have been willing to do to make things work. They wanted to help."

Sorensen said the grant also will be used to strengthen library holdings and help cover extra personnel costs in preparation for the AUC's next accreditation review in 1998.

"This grant is of tremendous symbolic significance to AUC at this important time," said Mark Hyder, vice president for financial administration. "This wasn't the decision of just one or two key officers. It was a decision made by church leaders representing every field of work across the North American Division. They heard Dr. Sorensen make the case for the college. And then they voted, unanimously, to support AUC. I think Adventists in the Atlantic Union can take great courage in knowing that influential people near and far want AUC to quickly regain its strong position in Adventist higher education. In that sense, this grant may technically be a hundred thousand dollars, but I think it's worth a million."

\$100,000 NAD grant supports:

- Student Scholarships
- Employee Remuneration
- Library Holdings
- 1998 Accreditation Self-Study Expense



THE MIRACLE YEAR AT GREATER BOSTON ACADEMY

The July 1996 Atlantic Union *Gleaner* carried the story of the Greater Boston Academy (GBA) Miracle. By God's grace and the leading of the Holy Spirit, GBA opened the 1995-1996 school year with a 70 percent increase in enrollment. Everyone was excited. The Lord brought students and with great anticipation we looked for guidance to make the year the best.

One noticeable factor was the mindset of parents, students, and pastors. Parents were anxious for their young people to be at GBA, even if it meant boarding. They heard it is a school placing high



were made, bonds were formed, and the spiritual tone was set by the student leaders, such as Adam Lombard, Community Association President, and Melissa Rodriguez, Spiritual Vice president. A group of students asked Judy Lombard,

girls' dean, to sponsor a drama team they named C.L.A.Y. (Christ Like Adventist Youth). Students initiated the formation of Bible study groups. Chaplain Matt Lombard held noontime baptismal classes. When a local church held evangelistic meetings, students requested a lightened homework load so they could attend the meetings. The Student Spiritual Planning Committee, composed of class pastors, Community Association Spiritual Vice president and Campus Chaplain, began planning monthly Youth Church as well as vesper activities.

Pastor Bill Brace asked the GBA choir to accompany him to Russia to assist with his crusade. (See August 1996 Atlantic Union *Gleaner*) What an experience. Some people were hearing religious music for the first time in their lives. A number of students chose to commit their lives to God's leading. Twenty-five to 30 students traveled to two student

baptisms, 100 and 150 miles away, to participate with their classmate. I wish you could hear the student testimonies and the encouragement for each other. Now the students are discussing involvement in church planting, outreach activities, and other programs for 1996-1997 school year. The students come to GBA looking for good things to happen and want to be involved.

I'm anxious to present an update on the 1996-1997 school year. As this article is being written, between 80 and 85 students are enrolled to attend GBA with 50 of those boarding students. A 100 percent increase over last year.

Parents and students in New England are looking for a school offering a spiritual environment, excellent academics, and social programming to foster growth in forming values and moral judgments.

On November 24 the Southern New England Conference constitu-

PHOTO BY DALE TERRY-CADY



Friendship Puppeteers: (L. to R.) Justin Wagner, Tim Vandeman, Elizabeth Cady, Steven Conrad, Amanda Hiscock, Calvin Maloney.

emphasis on spirituality. Pastors not only talked to parents and students about attending GBA but also some even looked for student aid donations. The students were great! Not only were they motivated to academic achievement, but the majority were also seeking a spiritual experience. They wanted to help each other. Without exception, students accepted each other. In fact, the students conducted a week of prayer on that very topic—Acceptance.

Last school year started with two days at Camp Winnekeag. Friends



ents will discuss how to provide secondary education for the students of the conference. Continue to pray that the Lord will guide as we look for avenues to meet that goal!

Bill Arnold, Principal

CHURCHES SPONSOR SATELLITE HEALTH SCREENING AND SEMINAR

More than 140 churches across North America participated in Heartbeat '96, a division-wide Health and Temperance program that educates people about the devastating effects of cardiovascular disease and motivates them to make positive lifestyle changes to prevent and/or reverse its effects.

Members of the Stoneham church in Massachusetts also sponsored the event in their community and registered a few participants. Even with just a few participants, program coordinator Robert Carruthers felt "it was well worth it."

"Heartbeat '96 presented a good learning opportunity in conjunction with our visioning taskforce," he said. "And this exercise provided us with good information."

Fighting a Killer

An innovative program that seeks to fight the number one killer in America, Heartbeat '96 is the first installment of a new group of health programs that allows local congregations to invite people from their communities to participate interactively via satellite television on the Adventist Communication Network (ACN), with nationally known health professionals.

Heartbeat '96, a two-part program which actually began when participants attended a health screening session at local churches. At this health screening, participants completed a comprehensive coronary health questionnaire and a blood sample was drawn and sent

to a laboratory for a coronary risk factor evaluation.

During the second stage of the program, the health screening participants received an extensive computer-generated profile of their

Matthews of television's Lifestyle Magazine. His guests included informational and instructional segments by medical experts, including Dr. Kenneth Cooper of aerobics fame, and Dr. William Castelli, who was involved in the United States government-sponsored Framingham study on coronary disease. Dr. Samuel DeShay, a physician in Maryland, and a former director of the Health Department for the General Conference, also served on the panel.

An Ideal Program

Robert Carruthers wishes that more members of his community had participated in Heartbeat '96, but noted that because the Stoneham church is located in a medical community, there are plenty of health programs for those in need.

"Heartbeat '96 is an ideal program for those who do not have medical expertise in their community," Carruthers said. "It is professional, cutting-edge, and interactive."

Churches that missed out on Heartbeat '96 may get a second chance. The program was so well received across North America, that Health and Temperance Director, DeWitt Williams is interested in holding another health screening program and seminar in 1997.

For information about Heartbeat '97, call (301) 680-6733.

Celeste Ryan is the marketing and communications coordinator for the Adventist Communication Network. DeWitt Williams is director of Health and Temperance for the North American Division.

PHOTOS BY BILL DYSINGER



At the health screening, participants completed a comprehensive coronary health questionnaire and gave a blood sample for evaluation. On May 21, participants returned to the churches for their results and a live and interactive satellite seminar.



Heartbeat '96 participants registered for the heart disease screening sponsored by 140 churches across North America.

cardiovascular condition from the laboratory based on the results of their blood work and the questionnaire they submitted.

Evaluations are explained to the participants, during a live satellite television uplink hosted by Dan

Greater New York

MARANATHA HOSTS "COMPUTER EVANGELISM" OUTREACH

On Sunday mornings and Tuesday evenings this summer, the large basement hall of Maranatha church in Brooklyn was filled with community residents. At times more than 100 men, women and teens came, eager to become computer literate and better understand what their children were doing on computer and the Internet, as well as develop their own skills for possible advancement on the job.



Colorful signs and flyers made the neighborhood aware of the computer classes. A number of residents bought their first computer while taking the classes.



What registrants probably didn't count on when they signed up for the free series was that they would get computer knowledge and much more, under the guidance of Pastor Hugh Maynard-Reid and his volunteer assistant, Margaret Francis of nearby New Haven church (standing, at right). Weaving references to the Bible, schedule information on upcoming seminars and services planned by the church, as well as tips for the family into his breezy, often humorous instruction, the pastor also demonstrated everything from what hardware to

buy, to how to remove it from the box.

Meanwhile, upstairs in the church, throughout the nearly two-hour Sunday sessions and at Sabbath-afternoon rehearsals, experienced elementary school teacher Earline Maynard-Reid, led the "Rugby Community Children's Choir" (named after the church neighborhood) in lively singing. To help acquaint them with the music, children were given audiocassettes of the music so they could practice at home.

MEXICAN MARIACHI GROUP AID EVANGELISM IN GREATER NEW YORK

The "Real De Morelos" Mariachi group from Mexico visited a number of Hispanic churches in Greater New York during this past spring. Performing in community concerts that included their personal testi-

monies, they aided area churches with their evangelistic outreaches, attracting many non-members into New York City churches before leaving our field.

Felipe Barrientos
Reporter/Photographer



"Come, Holy Spirit" United Camp Meeting



**September 14, 1996
Camp Berkshire, Wingdale NY**

Inspiring Messages



Steve Bohr, author of the Spanish sharing book for 1995, *Hope for Planet Earth*. He is currently the senior pastor of the Fresno Central Church in California.



Randy Maxwell, co-editor of the new *ParentTalk* magazine; promoter/marketer for the men's devotional monthly, *Divine Appointments*, at Pacific Press Publishing Association, and author of *"If My People Pray."*

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New York

"OPERATION: A BIBLE FOR YOU"

An evangelistic effort among the French-speaking residents of up-state New York was launched on May 4, 1996. Pastor Libny H. Dubreuze, Sr., with the help of Pastor Raul Rodriguez, initiated a successful bilingual evangelistic crusade in the city of Syracuse in two sessions, from 5:30 to 7:00 in French and 7:30 to 8:45 in Spanish. It was thrilling to see more than 30 adults and 15 children from the French-Haitian community hungry to hear the Word of God. Pastor Dubreuze, who is starting a Ph.D. in



Pastor Libny Dubreuze (center) with members of French-Haitian community

expository preaching, has titled his conferences "Operation: Une Bible Pour To"—French, "Operación: Una Biblia Para Ti"—Spanish.

Earlier this year he held an Evangelistic Symposium in Utica with more than 35 people in attendance from the French-Haitian community. The Lord is opening hearts in this community. Many expressed their long-felt desire to hear messages from the Word of God in their own language.

The New York Conference wishes God's blessing with the vision of the fulfillment of the prophecy in Matthew 24:14 so that the end will come soon. "Forward, French-Haitian community!"

EVANGELISTIC MEETING IN BINGHAMTON MAKES AN IMPACT

On Sabbath, May 18, 1996, at 9:30 a.m. approximately 25 French-Haitians from the French-Haitian community in Binghamton, New York, met for an evangelistic meeting coordinated by Pastor Libny H. Dubreuze, Sr., in the Vestal Hills SDA church library. The French meetings came about from a request from a Bible study group being led by Pastor Dubreuze. It was exciting, Pastor Dubreuze reports, to see one gentleman from the group asking for texts in the Bible about the Sabbath, because as he said, "I want to know texts in the Bible to present to others that are not yet convinced."

Other topics presented by Pastor Dubreuze were "Christian Education," "Christian Norms," and "The Mission of the Adventist Church around the World." About 15 of the children present, with their parent's consent, requested more information about our Christian

schools here in the New York Conference.

God is working in the lives of the French-Haitian community in Binghamton. It is great to see the excitement of the people as they learn more about our church. Evangelistic efforts are continuing in this community.

*Sara Aguilar-Dubreuze
SDA French-Haitian Comm.*



French-Haitians who indicated interest in baptism. Standing Dubreuze Family.



French-Haitian attendees from the Binghamton community. Sitting, Pastor Dubreuze, his wife Sara and their son Libny-Libny.



Pastor Libny H. Dubreuze, Sr., presenting evangelistic meetings.

NEW YORK CONFERENCE EDUCATION FAIR: BIGGER AND BETTER EVERY YEAR!

Pastor José Nieves held nearly 200 students from conference schools and home schools spellbound as he started off our Education Fair with a lively and unique worship talk. Then it was time to break into groups for the annual Spelling Bee. Winners of the Bee were:



Grades 1-3	1st	Anita Ballweber	Kingsbury Jr. Academy
	2nd	Chris Mackay	Twin Tiers Adv. Jr. Academy
Grades 4-6	1st	Scott Kabel	Twin Tiers Adv. Jr. Academy
	2nd	Benji Reed	Frontenac SDA School
Grades 7-8	1st	Amy Muthersbaugh	Fingerlakes SDA School
	2nd	Dustin Lee	Southern Tier SDA School

While all this was happening, students from Union Springs Academy and other selected judges were examining entries in the areas of lan-

guage arts, science, Bible, social studies, math, and art. Grand prize winners in these areas were:

Language Arts	Jamie Woodward	Kingsbury Jr. Academy
Science	Katie & Sierra Szutz	Home School
Bible	Dustin Neil	Kingsbury Jr. Academy
Math	Jacob Schieberl	Southern Tier SDA School
Art	Joe Rodella	Parkview Jr. Academy
Social Studies	Pleasant View Christian Academy group project	

Congratulations to all of our students in upstate New York! And

thank you for your participation in a spectacular Education Fair!

COMMUNITY QUILT

Students at Fingerlakes Adventist School, Cortland, New York, have turned a practical arts class project into an outreach project. Each semester students can choose one of several classes, which this year included quilting. The class is taught by Cindy Angell. Each student created an individual quilt. They also decided to make a group quilt from their own projects. This combined to make a

double-sized quilt which the students hand tied.

They then chose to donate their finished product to the Cortland AVV (Aid to Victims of Violence) safe house, which is a haven for abused and battered women and children. What started out as a personal desire turned into an outreach, opening eyes to the needs of our community.



BABY DEDICATION HELD

Dedication Services for Katherine Anne Marie Turk were performed by Pastor Roy Nelson (left). Little Katie, daughter of Pastor Jonathan and Lisa Turk of the Canton-Watertown, New York churches, was born June 13, 1995. The proud grandparents, Nancy and Bill Turk



and Barbara and Bruce Vogt, and Aunt Angela Vogt shared the joy of the occasion. Katie has one brother, Douglas.

Northeastern

NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY AWARDS CITATION

We are happy to recognize Patsy A. George-Lynch who has merited the citation boxed at right as an outstanding individual in her sphere of influence.



Patsy George-Lynch (left), with Rhoda S. Jacobs.

EMMANUEL PROVIDENCE OBSERVES LADIES' DAY

On May 11 Emmanuel Seventh-day Adventist Church in Providence, Rhode Island, held its second annual Ladies' Day program. The Sabbath School department set the pace for an exciting day by presenting a skit entitled, "The Supermarket" where customers traded in such items as "sin and guilt" for "forgiveness," and "depression" for "a smile and a song."



Bride Karen Riley and her escort, Larry Warner.

New York State Assembly Citation

Whereas, The communities of this great State are built by individuals who have given selflessly of their time and energy to their social and professional pursuits, often laboring in anonymity to uphold the highest values of social responsibility and concern for others; and

Whereas, Nursing professionals stand out in their concern for the health and general welfare of individuals by uniting compassion and professionalism in order to deliver health care that is both healing and comforting; and

Whereas, These individuals combine their commitments to their profession with their concern for the preservation and improvement of their community thus improving the conditions and quality of life for their patients, their families and their neighbors; and

Whereas, Attendant with our concern and in accordance with our tradition to recognize and commend such distinguished individuals for their efforts on behalf of others; now therefore be it

Resolved, That as a duly elected Member of the State Assembly of New York I recognize that in

Patsy George-Lynch

we have an outstanding individual who has merited the Nursing and Community Service Award and who is worthy of our esteem and high regard.

Date May 19, 1996

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set My Hand and Signature

Rhoda S. Jacobs
Member of Assembly

The morning worship speaker, Yvonne Valeris, delivered an inspiring message from Luke 8:40-50. The AY program was equally exciting as the congregation witnessed a wedding ceremony between the Church, represented by seven brides, and Jesus Christ. All were admonished to "keep your lamps trimmed, filled, and burning; no foolish virgins here."

Emmanuel is already looking forward to its third annual Ladies' Day next year.

YOUTH DAY

Youth Day closed a very interesting Youth Week of Prayer. The theme "Christian Identity" was the focal point as each night our talented youth speaker portrayed the characteristics of a Christian.

This Youth Day at Capital City Church, Albany, New York, was different from all others in the past. At the conclusion of the eleven o'clock service, Pastor John Talbert baptized John Muller.

Northern New England

THE THREE R'S FOR THE 90'S

Move over reading, 'riting, and 'rithmetic—the three R's aren't what they used to be. Here comes resiliency, recreation, and the Ramada Inn. (Not to mention refreshments.)

The ninth- and tenth-grade students from Riverview Memorial School went to the Bangor Prevention Symposium Roundhouse. The trip wasn't anything like they had thought it would be. They were expecting two days of sitting and listening to boring lectures. That couldn't have been further from the truth. They were pleasantly surprised by all the excitement, activity, and enthusiasm.

One of the first things presented was "Apple Polishing." Apple Polishing is an easy and anonymous way to affirm or thank someone for doing something. There were three big sheets of paper on the wall and whenever someone felt like writing something he or she could. Then when the paper was filled, one of the directors would read all the affirmations.

The "Student Fishbowl" gave the students a chance to express their feelings, concerns, and suggestions about home, school, and the community in general. The kids

were divided into groups according to their grades in school. The elementary students went first, then the junior high, and finally the high school. The group of kids who were speaking would be in a circle in the middle of the room. All the other students and the adults would be sitting outside the circle. The people outside the circle weren't allowed to comment on anything the others said. This gave the students inside the chance to say whatever they wanted to without someone arguing with them.

One of the main points of the symposium was to learn how to resolve problems. Several schools were having trouble with discipline. They were finding that suspension and detention just weren't working. One school came up with a new idea, and they are pleased with the results. The idea is called "Peer Mediation." If two kids have an argument, they sit across from each other. Two "peer mediators," kids their own age who had no part in the conflict, are also a part of the circle. Together they try to figure out what caused the problem and what to do about it. Most of the time talking the problem over calmly leads to a peaceful resolution.

Adults and students alike were entertained by Randy Judkins, a

professional jester. From juggling to acting, he kept them laughing. But all of his performances had a moral, some way to tie it into the topic of resiliency. And, unlike boring lectures, he kept the audience's attention.

Many times throughout the two days, games were played. The games served more purposes than just fun. They helped the students learn about working together to solve problems. One of these activities was resiliency skits. Groups of four or five people were picked. Each group was assigned a topic. They were given a few minutes to plan and then it was showtime. The groups creatively acted out their ideas of bouncing back from their predicament. Most every conceivable topic was covered. Everyone learned as they had fun.

The symposium ended on a high note. Julie and the Bug Boys, her group of friendly entomologists, performed didactic children's music such as "Don't Feed the Monster" and "The Banana Tree."

The Riverview students left with new insights and ideas, not to mention a few new friends.

Mariza Taylor, Sarah Fickett, and Kristina Zanotti

BABY AND CHILD DEDICATION SERVICE HELD

Four families from the Barre, Vermont, church presented their children for dedication. The Armantrading and Valdes families both had new arrivals, while the Brooke and Young families presented all of their younger children. May the Lord richly bless these par-

ents as they continue to nurture their children for the Lord.

*Janet Newton
Communication Secretary*

The families presenting children for dedication are (L. to R.) front row: the Young Family; back row: the Brooke Family, the Valdes Family, and the Armantrading Family.



Southern New England

DISABILITIES AWARENESS DAY

Disabilities Awareness Day, May 11, 1996, Fitchburg Seventh-day Adventist church, is reported to be the first such celebration in the Atlantic Union. Theresa Turbide, Handicap Coordinator of the Fitchburg church, cuts the ribbon to the newly dedicated 56-foot long ramp. Looking on are pastor

David Berthiaume (right); Thelma Hale (left) Communications Secretary; Charlotte L. V. Thoms, Atlantic Union Disabilities Coordinator, and her husband Pastor Edwin Thoms of Rochester, New York.

*Thelma E. Hale
Communication Secretary*



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11th Annual Boston Van Ministry Banquet

Nov. 10, 1996, 12:30 p.m.
Greater Boston Academy Auditorium

"Volunteering Knows No Age"

(Right:) Chhan D. Touch, a young Cambodian man who fled the killing fields, will tell his story of facing death wherever he turned, and how God led him to AUC where he graduated as an RN in May 1996.



(Left:) We will also be celebrating Gertrude Odell's 90th birthday, our oldest Van Ministry volunteer who has been active since 1988.

Vocalists and instrumentalists, including Jimmy Rhodes, director of music services for LifeCare Centers of America.

Tickets: \$20 single; \$35 couple.
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Bulletin Board

OFFICIAL NOTICE

Atlantic Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

Notice is hereby published that the 26th Regular Constituency Session of the Atlantic Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will convene in the Machlan Auditorium, Main Street, South Lancaster, Massachusetts 01561, November 17 and 18, 1996. The first meeting of the session will convene at 10:00 a.m. Sunday, November 17, 1996.

This constituency session is being held for the purpose of receiving reports for the five-year period ending December 31, 1995; the election of officers, departmental directors and an executive committee; and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the delegates.

The Atlantic Union Conference constitution, Article 111, section 2: "Voting Representation," defines who are the members of this constituency and outlines the formula for arriving at the number of delegates to be chosen as follows:

a. Each member organization shall be represented at union conference constituency meetings by duly accredited delegates as follows:

1) Each local conference/mission shall be entitled to one delegate without regard to conference membership and one additional delegate for each 225 church members or major fraction thereof.

2) Such delegates shall be chosen by respective local conference/mission executive committees.

3) At least one-half of the delegates shall be persons who are not denominationally employed, of whom approximately one-half shall be women.

b. In addition, delegates-at-large shall participate in the union conference constituency meeting as follows:

1) The individual members of the executive committee of this union conference; and

2) Members of the Board of the Atlantic Union Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists.

3) Officers of the local conferences.

4) Members of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee.

5) Members of the General Conference and North American Division Executive Committees who may be present at any constituency meeting of this union conference. The number of such delegates representing the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists shall not exceed five percent (5%) of the total number of delegates provided for herein above in section 2.a(1) of Article III of these bylaws.

6) Such other persons from the union conference staff, church institutions, owned and operated by the union and local conferences/missions, as may be recommended by the union conference executive committee and accepted by the delegates in session; the total number of delegates from this category not to exceed ten percent (10%) of the total number of regular delegates provided for herein above in section 2.a(1) of Article III of these bylaws.

Theodore T. Jones II, President
Leon D. Thomassian, Secretary/Treasurer

OFFICIAL NOTICE

Atlantic Union Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Atlantic Union Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists, a corporation, will be held in connection with the 26th session of the Atlantic Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, November 17, 1996, at 3:00 p.m. in the Machlan Auditorium, Main Street, South Lancaster, MA 01561.

The purpose of this meeting is to elect a board of trustees and to transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Delegates to the twenty-sixth session of the Atlantic Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists are the delegates to the twenty-sixth session of the Atlantic Union Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists.

Theodore T. Jones II, President
Leon D. Thomassian, Secretary/Treasurer

OFFICIAL NOTICE

Atlantic Union College Corporation

Notice is hereby given that the quinquennial session of the Atlantic Union College Corporation is called to convene Monday, November 18, 1996, 9:00 a.m. in Machlan Auditorium, Main Street, South Lancaster, Massachusetts 01561.

The purpose of this meeting is to elect trustees, revise bylaws, hear reports, and to attend to any other business which may properly be brought before the body.

The members of this corporation are the members of the Board of Trustees of Atlantic Union College; local conference education superintendents, senior academy principals, and local conference secretaries/treasurers of the Atlantic Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists; the president of the Boston Regional Medical Center; the members of the executive committee of the Atlantic Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists; the members of the General Conference Executive Committee of Seventh-day Adventists who may be in attendance; the president and the four elected officers of the Atlantic Union College Student Association; one layperson and one denominational employee from each of the local conferences, plus one additional person for each 10,000 members as appointed by each local conference's executive committee in the Atlantic Union Conference; Atlantic Union College employees as elected by college officers, academic and auxiliary department heads, the number not to exceed one-third of the local number of constituents [exclusive of General Conference representative(s)]; and up to ten Atlantic Union College alumni (not included in the immediately preceding category) as selected by the Atlantic Union College Alumni Association executive committee.

Theodore T. Jones, II, President
N. Clifford Sorensen, Secretary

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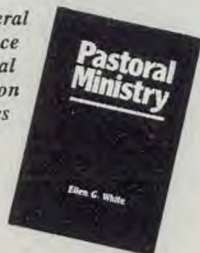
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