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New Chiswick Church Opening

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SABBATH, November 30, 1974, was a day which will long be remembered by members of the Chiswick church, for it was on that day that the new church building in Stamford Brook Road was officially opened by British Union President, Pastor E. H. Foster. Specially invited guests included the architect, Mr. M. W. Rolph and his wife, Mr. D. F. Barnard, the assistant architect, and Mr. C. Edwards, the site foreman, who were each presented with a copy of the large edition of *God Speaks to Modern Man*.

The church was built by Thornrise Properties Ltd., Basildon, Essex, and designed by Conquest Designs Ltd., of Brentwood, Essex. Other visitors present included Rev. R. Kilner, the minister of Askew Road United church



Flashback to January 10, 1971. The old Chiswick church destroyed by fire.

which was so kindly loaned to Chiswick members during the days of the rebuilding programme; former workers at the church, Pastor and Mrs. D. Clothier, Pastor and Mrs. G. Munson, Pastor M. Leeds, and Miss V. Warren. Also present were the members of Richmond church and a number from Plymouth. Other church leaders attending included Pastor D. Lowe and Mr. A. Leigh, President and Treasurer of the South England Conference. A telegram of good wishes was received from former minister, Pastor Russell Kranz. All were welcomed by Pastor James M. Cuthell the new Chiswick minister.

Pastor Foster expressed his pleasure at being able to open the new church and said that in an age of such perplexity and fear, every church build-



The new Chiswick S.D.A. church at Stamford Brook Road. Right: Pastor D. Lowe, South England Conference President and Pastor J. Cuthell are on the platform, and John Tolman is at the organ of the new church.

Photos by W. Tolman



British Union Conference President Pastor E. H. Foster receives the key to the new Chiswick church from architect, Mr. Rolf.
Photo W. Tolman

ing should be tangible evidence of God's way out for mankind. He stressed the need for the Church in today's world to abandon its muted witness and its apathy and to go out to meet the real needs of humanity—that of saving men's souls for God's kingdom.

A brief history of the Chiswick church was given by Mrs. Enid Tolman, covering the period from 1915 to 1974. 'Thanks be to God', was sung by Mrs. Iris Francis accompanied by church organist, John Tolman.

On Sabbath afternoon, Pastor Derek Clothier, Chiswick minister for the past four years, spoke of the many ways in which God has led since the destruction of the old church by fire on the night of January 10, 1971. Having been involved in the many problems arising during our period of homelessness and during the rebuilding programme, Pastor Clothier expressed his joy and that of his wife Margaret, in being able to share with the Chiswick members a highly memorable day. 'The Purpose of the Church' was the theme of the talk given by Pastor D. Lowe, who reminded members of their responsibilities to care for the beautiful sanctuary, and reverence it as God's house of worship.

To God be the glory! A new day



Interior of the new Chiswick church.
Photo by W. Tolman

has dawned for the church in Chiswick. We have new opportunities to witness for God's truth. We plan to go forward under the leadership of our new minister, Pastor James M. Cuthell, and together with all the MESSENGER family, to proclaim 'The Advent message to ALL the world in THIS generation!

A SHORT HISTORY OF CHISWICK SDA CHURCH

As far as I have been able to ascertain it was in 1915 that a hall on the present site was rented by a small group of Adventists. The hall was owned by British Rail (or possibly it was then the Great Western Railway), for years the steam trains used to whistle through the level crossing adjacent to the site. On January 28, 1921, this leasehold hall was purchased for the sum of £1,500 and became the official Chiswick Seventh-day Adventist church. It was 31 years later in 1952 that the freehold of the site was obtained for £2,000. Two years after this, a brick youth hall was built at the rear of the church for £1,400. These two debts were paid off in quite a short time.

About 15 years ago it was decided to start a church building fund—this was given a good send off with a gift of £2,000 left to the church by an old member, Mr. G. Simmons. Various improvements were made to the original building. When the church was first occupied the front door opened straight into it. A wooden partition was erected later to be replaced by one partially glass. In March, 1968, the front of the church was refaced with cedar wood. During the last war the windows were blown out on a few occasions.

In April, 1964, the ancillary structure at the rear of the building was damaged by fire. This was started when a strong wind blew a piece of burning paper from a rubbish fire into a wood store. As a result of this, a new ceiling was put up in the large vestry and a welfare room was constructed over it. In September, 1966, thieves broke in

and stole two projectors and a loud speaker.

In February, 1969, a fire in the rear vestry was discovered by Brother Milton Malcolm when he happened to pop in to get something. Contents of a cupboard including communion trays were destroyed. In December, 1969 thieves again broke in and attempted to force a safe but failed. It was in the early hours of January 10, 1971 that the church was completely gutted by fire. The real cause was never discovered, but arson was suspected.

Quite a number of ministers have spent time in Chiswick. The first one was Pastor O. M. Dorland and others include Pastors S. G. Hyde, R. A. Anderson, F. A. Spearing, W. H. Meredith, R. H. Bainbridge, R. T. Bolton, A. K. Armstrong, W. W. Armstrong, J. C. French, K. Barumon, T. J. Bradley, R. Kranz, V. Cooper, D. Uffindell, G. Munson, W. Nicholson, M. Anthony, M. Leeds, W. Southcott, D. Clothier, and now J. Cuthell. In addition full-time lady Bible workers include Miss Guntrip (still 'in harness' for the Lord at 90 years of age, and living in Bristol), Mrs. Brooks, Miss I. White, Miss V. Warren (here today), Miss K. Mahon, Miss S. Herrington, Miss V. Howard, Miss A. Laming, and Miss M. Hayes.

It was in 1930 that Pastor Roy Anderson conducted meetings in the Chiswick Town Hall. He spoke to capacity crowds who kept him speaking until 11 p.m. many Sunday nights. For one baptism of over 70 he hired the Chiswick Town Hall and fixed up a portable baptistery for the occasion. As a result, the local church became packed for all meetings in 1932, and to alleviate the situation, a number of folk living on the Ealing border left

Chiswick to form a new church there.

In 1939 another group left Chiswick to begin the Richmond church. In 1950 Pastor Tom Bradley held a large campaign in the Chiswick Empire and Chiswick Town Hall as the result of which 30 people were baptized (my husband and I being two of them).

For a number of years there was a church school here. It accommodated between 20 and 30 pupils and we have two of those who attended, in our midst today (Mrs. M. Precious and Mrs. D. Walker).

Mention must be made of one or two of our faithful lay-people—Mr. William Manning for 28 years church elder who died in December, 1963, and his wife, Sarah, a faithful Ingatherer; Mr. Gilbert May who held the post of treasurer for 27 years until he was 87; Mr. Arthur Davids, also a church treasurer and a behind the scenes man; Miss Mary Nicholson, always on the front seat; and head deaconess Mrs. Ellen Sergeant, who died so suddenly last year—besides many others. It is 21 years since our first West Indian members joined us. They were Brother Danley Davis with us today and Brother Philip Philpotts now deceased. In 1954 the Kelly family came and are still with us. Since then we have welcomed many folk from the Caribbean, Burma, the Seychelles, India, Africa, and other parts of the world.

As we look back to the past we can trace God's leading. But now dear friends we must look forward. It is wonderful that God has given us a beautiful new building. It is the prayer of each of its members that from this church the light of Bible truth will shine forth, and many of the people of Chiswick will accept our wonderful Saviour.
ENID TOLMAN.



SOUTH ENGLAND CONFERENCE

President: DONALD LOWE

LOWESTOFT OPENING

'ALL things work together for good to them that love God.' (Rom. 8:28). Once again this promise has been fulfilled. Fancy having sufficient money to build a brand new church with upholstered pews. No appeals for money! Everything plain sailing. You must be joking! Problems are God's directives to those who are working with Him.

For some months we have been concerned over the refusal for a pedestrian entrance from the main road to our new church. This would cause members to walk past the church down a side turning, with no pavement, and enter by the car park.

'Mr. Sterling would you arrange to have those who went on the sponsored walk for the Arthritis & Rheumatism Council meet to have their picture taken.' So requested Councillor S. Ellis. Result—later we had an interview with him regarding our entrance. 'Yes I will do all I can for you.' The local planning officer was approached. He was sympathetic but could not give us much hope—the directive had come from the regional department at Bedford.

What to do next? Dare we? Why not. Yes, we will. A letter off to the local M.P., The Rt. Hon. James Prior. A phone call from the House of Commons. 'Will see you at your home on Friday.' Mr. Prior promised that the wheels of government would start turning that day. We would have our

entrance. Then . . . ! 'When are you opening your new church?' asked Mr. Prior. I replied: 'On March 22nd at 3 p.m.' His last words were, 'Please give me an invitation to your opening ceremony'.

Lowestoft's new church will be having its official opening ceremony on March 22nd at 3 p.m. So many have asked me to let them know, that it is impossible to write to everyone, so will you please accept this information through our good MESSENGER. Looking forward to seeing you.

WALTER NEWMAN,
Minister.

CHRISTIAN HOME COUNCIL

A CHRISTIAN HOME COUNCIL was formed in the Lewisham church last June. Initially, as with so many other things, there was nothing more practical than talk and when the first meeting was finally called, the interest was so poor as to discourage the most ardent spirit. But this paucity of interest only presented a greater challenge to the leaders and the next meeting showed a marked improvement.

Realizing the need for truly professional counsel, the leaders invited Dr. L. G. White to address an autumn meeting. In response to advertising, many non-members attended.

Dr. White featured home as a nesting place—a resort to which the units turn when chased and harassed by the pressures of the outside world. Its attractions, he stressed, should not depend on material display, but on the beauty of love, of vital involvement, and mutual appreciation.

Illustrated slides were employed to show how stress is built up in and outside the home; also how the dreaded killer: 'Heart failure' can be held at bay by a careful control of habits.

Dr. White was very outspoken and frank in his talk on 'Sex and Marriage', but the stimulation of the evening came at question time when many took the opportunity to share their anxieties. As a closing remark, Dr. White aptly reminded us that marriage is a contract between three persons: 'The man, the woman, and God'. This 'triangle' represents the strongest and noblest union on earth.

We thank the officers of the Home Council for their strenuous effort in arranging the meeting, and give a special thanks to Dr. White for sharing with us his time and experience.

L. M. RENNALLS,
P.R. Secretary.

Lowestoft Calling

A SCHOOL OF EVANGELISM

will be held in Lowestoft in July and August. If you have a friend or relative whom you would like us to contact, please send name and address to: CHURCH COTTAGE, LONDON ROAD, LOWESTOFT, SUFFOLK.

Walter Newman, Minister

HIGH WYCOMBE BAPTISM

JUST two years after the new church building was officially opened, twenty candidates publically displayed their faith and belief in Christ at the service on Sabbath afternoon, November 30, 1974. They were the first to use the baptistery. We trust and pray that this is but the first of many such similar scenes witnessed here in High Wycombe.

Special feature was the fact that three candidates were from the company at Aylesbury, which was first formed when some members from the High Wycombe church decided to meet together in Aylesbury with Adventists already living there.

Pastor J. Munson, who returned at a special invitation to officiate at the service, was given a warm welcome by those present who had happy memories of him as minister here before he moved to Folkestone.

The candidates expressed their desire to follow Christ after a series of meetings and classes, given by our present minister, Pastor H. Pearce. As the service came to its climax, faces were even peering in from the windows to see this moving yet happy event take place as the candidates passed through the waters of baptism.

We ask that you will pray for these people, most of them young people, as they seek to follow in the Saviour's footsteps.

C. STERLING,

Church Clerk (Aylesbury),

J. SLEIGH,

Church Clerk (High Wycombe).

Schedule of South England Clinics

Five-Day Plans to Stop Smoking are being arranged in the South England Conference during 1975. Those that may be of particular interest to friends of churchmembers are listed below and specific information regarding dates, registration, venue addresses etc., can be obtained by writing to: Rex Riches, Health Education Department of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, 25 St. John's Road, Watford, Herts. WD1 1PZ.

Jan 13-17—New Gallery Centre, London W.1
Jan 13-17—Epsom, Surrey
Jan 14-18—Barking, Essex
Jan 20-24—Cheltenham, Gloucestershire
February—New Gallery Centre, London W.1
March 4-8—Barking, Essex
March 10-14—Harrow, Middlesex
April 7-11—Canterbury, Kent
April 14-18—Dunstable, Bedfordshire
April 14-18—Barnet, Hertfordshire
Sept 8-12—Richmond, Surrey
Sept 22-26—Cheltenham, Gloucestershire
Nov 10-14—Gloucester

Other clinics are continually being arranged, information of which will be conveyed to readers throughout 1975

IN AID OF BANGLADESH

THE ladies of the Bristol Central Welfare Group welcomed the New Year with a concert on January 4th in aid of the Bangladesh Famine Relief Fund.

The star attraction of the evening was an appearance by 'The Followers', a singing group from one of the Bristol Baptist churches, and other items were given by Mrs. A. Willmott and Mrs. R. Jackson, who joined us from Crosscombe, and Mr. B. Beachey, his daughter Romola, and his male group, from the Lodge Causeway church.

These combined talents resulted in a cheque for £200 being sent to the Euro-Africa division, and we have since heard that the money is on its way to its destination. KAY PERRY.

'THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD'

BROTHER ALEC HOLFORD'S business takes him in various directions from Southampton and he often has to be away from home during the week. One evening as he was window-shopping in a Bristol street the words, 'The Lord is my Shepherd,' kept repeating themselves in his mind. At one shop, he stopped to look at an attractive display of Hi-Fi equipment, lingered admiringly for a time, and then sauntered on. He had not gone far when there was a loud explosion, and curiosity led him to retrace his steps. What had been the Hi-Fi shop was now a tangled ruin. Soon a crowd gathered, and Alec joined it, but somehow he felt himself being silently and invisibly shepherded away from the scene of devastation.

As he walked away he said to himself: 'What am I doing here? I should be in my hotel room, studying God's Word.' Then a second bomb exploded, causing not only damage to property but casualties among the sightseers, of whom he had been one. Without knowing it he had been within a few feet of two unexploded bombs. Twice he had been led away from unseen danger, and he knew that God had been watching over him. On his way to the hotel his heart was filled with thankfulness for his double deliverance, and he resolved to follow the Good Shepherd more closely in the future.

WINIFRED F. BUCKLE,
P.R. Secretary.

BAPTISM IN CAMBRIDGE CHURCH

ON December 7th a good congregation gathered to witness the baptism of Brother Hibbert, whose wife had already been baptized in June. The flower decoration in front of the baptistery of white and yellow chrysanthemums was beautifully done by Sister V. Porter and Sister Gregory. Pastor D. Lowe, President of South England Conference, was present. Pastor E. Metzger, minister of the Cambridge church, extended a warm welcome to all present. Pastor Lowe gave the address, speaking especially to the candidates, his theme was based on the meaning of baptism. When a person goes through the waters of baptism it shows that he has courage to stand up and be counted. After the address, Sister Packwood from Singapore, rendered a lovely solo. So another member is added to our Cambridge church. We pray we may continue to win souls to Christ.

MRS. E. KIERSTEAD,
P.R. Secretary.

CHISWICK BAPTISM

WHEN the new baptistery in Chiswick church was put into use for the first time, the candidates included six teenagers, Sharon Fraser, Fay Francis, Laura Alexander, Laurice Sanderson, Rex Reason and Telfa Garcia. These young people, together with Miss Y. Allen, Mrs. M. Haase, Mrs. P. Keane,



NORTH ENGLAND CONFERENCE

President: BRYAN W. BALL

BRADFORD BAPTISM

THAT we must 'die to self' and 'be born again' in Christ, was the message in Pastor A. R. Rodd's address at a baptism of five at Bradford on December 14th. Four of the candidates were brought to Christ as a result of the campaign recently held in Halifax and also the work of the Bradford young people in holding a Gate programme in Halifax last year and in Bradford this year. It well illustrates the fact that the best results are obtained when the church and the minister work together in the preaching of the Gospel. Five have now been added to the new church at Halifax as a result of the last campaign held there by Pastor Rodd.

Although the work is hard, the church is slowly growing and it is hoped that the present campaign will add more to the church this next year. It is most gratifying that Paul, who was baptized a few months ago, and Steve and Chris who have just been baptized, have been helping Pastor Rodd run the present campaign.

The baptism on December 14th resulted in three new members for Bradford church and two for Halifax. A young Malayan girl, Nurse Mei Ying NG was brought up in her Buddhist home, and then went to a Christian school and became confused between the two religions. She felt that Christianity was true, and she then came to England to train as a nurse. While she was in Halifax she saw Pastor Rodd's advertising for the campaign and she attended. After much prayer and study she decided to be baptized and give her life to Christ.

After finishing her training she wants to go abroad as a missionary nurse.

Christopher Haworth took his example from his elder brother, Paul, who was baptized a few months ago, after attending the campaign and Gate programme. Stephen Chippendale attended the Gate programme last year and this, and he has also taken his stand for Christ. This is thrilling for the young people who have run the Voice of Youth and Gate programmes, for four people have now taken their

Mr. N. Gardener and his wife Winifred, and Mr. U. Esson and his sister-in-law, Mrs. R. Esson, were immersed by Pastor James M. Cuthell following timely words of advice and counsel on living the Christian life.

The occasion was Sabbath afternoon, November 16th, two weeks before the official opening of the church.

ENID TOLMAN,
Church Clerk.

stand for Christ as a result of their efforts.

John Bretton met Adventists at University and was very impressed. He started to attend the little church at Wakefield. Even after leaving University, his friends kept in touch, and contact was made by Pastor Rodd and the young people. He also came to the Gate and Bible Study and we are glad that he has taken his stand for Jesus. These are all young people, and it is so gratifying to have so many new young members to strengthen the church. We are also happy that Mr. Green has been baptized and is anxious to serve Christ.

The baptismal service is such a happy and yet moving service. Both of these aspects were heightened by the singing of the Gate.

IRIS WARD,
Church Clerk.

WELSH MISSION



President: P. H. STEARMAN

CARDIFF'S CHRISTMAS FAYRE

A HAPPY and busy Christmas season was enjoyed by all departments and age groups of the Cardiff church. The programme included a Christmas Fayre, when over £55 was raised for Welfare work and flowering plants were taken to isolated members; also an Annual Toy Service when the Lord Mayor of Cardiff, Councilor Huish, was present to distribute parcels of books and toys to representatives of Children's welfare organizations. Over 550 *Bedtime Stories*, donated for this purpose by customers of Brother Ron Kelly, our local colporteur, and 12 boxes of toys donated by church-members and friends, were gratefully received. Brother Kelly presented inspirational books to the Lord Mayor, his Baptist chaplain, Pastor Alex D. Fraser, and to the Rev. Glyn Beynon from the Dr. Barnardo's Organization who also took part in the service. Musical items were rendered by a

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Newbold Names

Pastor D. J. Dunnett

'WHAT ABOUT COMING TO NEWBOLD?'

'WHAT about coming to Newbold?' It was August 16, 1939, and I was walking along the beach between Folkestone and Dover with my pastor and his brother-in-law, one of the college teaching staff. Until that moment I had never seriously considered the question.

Two years before, I had never even heard of S.D.As. My mother had recently responded to the call of evangelistic meetings and become a charter member of the Folkestone church, but I was away at Rosall School in Lancashire most of the time, so my contact with the church was spasmodic, my acceptance of the truth slower, and my baptism still five weeks in the future. Yet here was Newbold being held before me.

A sixth-former in a public school with my fees paid by a rich relative, I had passed the Higher Certificate examination and was hoping to win a scholarship to Oxford and eventually enter the Civil Service. Was I now to set my plans aside, go to an obscure sectarian missionary college, and train for the ministry? Though a believing Christian, I had decided that at least I never wanted to be a minister or teacher!

The workings of the Holy Spirit though silent are insistent; though gentle are very persuasive. I duly went back to Rosall for another year, but the seed sown that summer afternoon by the sea grew and fruited. The vision of Christian service opened before me. Maybe later I'd go to university, but first it must be Newbold. So, braving the ire, chagrin, and consternation of my benefactress, who was a High Church Anglican, to Newbold I came.

Of course, I found it basically like other places of learning. There were the teachers and the taught, assemblies and assignments, lecture-rooms and a library. But there were also marked differences from what I had known before; and instead of daily games periods a daily work programme, which, since I'd arrived with just £15 in cash, was for me a large and very necessary part of life. Also, great change from the monastic life of a boys' public school, the interest and adventure of a co-educational establishment!

The two years till my graduation proved to be a happy and stimulating experience, not least the summer spent in South Wales earning a student-colporteur scholarship.

But Newbold had more yet in store for me. First it provided me with a good wife, a fellow-member of the same graduating class. Next, a vocation. While working as a minister in the South England Conference I took the degree course I'd planned, as an external student of London University, and a year later was called back to the college as a teacher. This work has given me fourteen challenging, event-packed years. My wife is on the library staff and our two daughters have already known Newbold as both students and teachers, so the college is a major factor in our family life.

Over the years Newbold has developed enormously. To today's young Adventist it offers mind-stretching research, sound preparation for an informed Gospel witness, and a wealth of Christian fellowship that is probably unique. Now I put the question that was once put to me: 'What about coming to Newbold?'

HISTORICAL SPOTLIGHT ON 1879

WHILE at Andrews University last summer, Newbold graduate student John Matthews discovered the following feature recorded by pioneer J. N. Loughborough, in *Review and Herald* dated April 3, 1879. Its significance in terms of the history of the British S.D.A. Church is evident. It is a heart-warming example of personal dedication during the British Church's infancy. Elder Loughborough was a pioneer 'missionary' to England from 1878 to 1883. He established the Southampton church.

'ONE sister who has lately embraced the Sabbath expresses her thankfulness for the opening of the mission here in the following lines, which were accompanied with a donation of 4s. [20p.] from her scanty purse:

THE ENGLISH MISSION

'Far across the mighty deep
God's faithful servants came,
From the New World to the Old,
Glad tidings to proclaim;

'To found a mission for the truth;
God grant that it may be
Sustained of heaven, and fruit appear
Throughout eternity.

'May those who hear, not idle stand,
But cast the seed abroad,
And lend a faithful, helping hand
In bringing souls to God.

'And may there be a harvest rich
Yet found on English soil;
God bless the missionaries in
Their ardent, earnest toil.

'Oh! may this glorious truth extend,
With conquest, through the land,



And Sabbath-keepers soon appear,
A strong and numerous band.

'We thank our friends with one consent
Beyond the rolling sea,
For sending help to lead us forth
To light and liberty.'

'L. O. NEILL.

'Our motto is: "Onward, and no room for discouragement, for those who humbly labour in God's cause." Paul says, "Ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord." 1 Cor. 15:58.—J. N. LOUGHBOROUGH.'

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Salvation Army Timbrel Group, and the address was given by Pastor Peter H. Stearman.

In the afternoon of this day a group from the church gave a Christmas programme at a Home for the elderly where one of the residents had just celebrated her 105th birthday.

A party organized by the Young People's department was held for the senior churchmembers on Sunday, December 15th, and all agreed that it was one of the best ever.

The Pathfinders and children of the Primary Sabbath school equally enjoyed their party arranged by Sister Vera Stearman and helpers.

'Carols by Candlelight' during the evening of December 21st was also a happy feature and during this programme slides depicting the Nativity were shown while Christmas music was played.

Carol-singing groups directed by Malcolm Stone raised a good sum of money with which it is planned to buy equipment for the Youth Club so that a social and evangelistic approach can be made to other young people in the neighbourhood. MISS B. NEWELL,
Church Clerk.

IRISH MISSION



President: ERNEST LOGAN



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Mrs. Rita Childers and the family of the late Erskine H. Childers, President of Ireland, are sincerely grateful for your message of condolence on the President's death. They deeply appreciate this expression of your sympathy which consoled them in their sorrow and for which they return to you their heartfelt thanks.

December, 1974.

The above is the reply sent to a letter of Pastor Ernest Logan on behalf of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, to the widow of the late President of the Irish Republic, Erskine Childers.



TILL THE DAY DAWN

BEZANT.—The Oulton Broad church regrets to record the sudden death of Sister Dorothy Jane Bezant, aged 62 years, on Sabbath morning, December 14, 1974. She was baptized in Lowestoft in 1960 by Pastor D. Logan. Our sister was an active member in nearly all the departments of the church. We shall miss her very much but hope to see her again on the resurrection morning. Pastor W. Newman conducted the funeral service in the Oulton Broad church, after which our sister was cremated at Gorleston on December 19th.

B. J. ELLIS
Church Clerk

REES.—It is with great sadness that we report the death of Brother Leonard Rees, on Tuesday, September 10, 1974, in the Cardiff Royal Infirmary, aged 68, following a brief but painful illness. The funeral was conducted on September 16th at the Thornhill Crematorium, Cardiff. The writer spoke words of Christian comfort and the prayer was offered by Rev. David Evans, Brother Rees's nephew. Our brother was later laid to rest in the churchyard of St. Martin's, Caerphilly. Brother Rees embraced the Advent hope and was baptized by Pastor John Freeman, becoming a member of the Caerphilly company of believers. For many years he served as Ingathering Agent and Lay Activities Secretary and was a keen and successful Ingatherer. Despite many trials he was always cheerful, he never complained even during his last illness, facing his death with Christian courage. His life was the embodiment of 1 Corinthians 13, he was never heard to utter an unkind word about anybody. His greatest joy was to be with his wife Rosie and his family, who cared for him faithfully at the end. His consistent Christian life was noticed and appreciated by his workmates who attended the funeral in large numbers. He will be sadly missed at Caerphilly, by his family, in church, and at work. For such men as this the world cries out. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to his dear wife Rosie, daughter Patricia, sister Olwen, and to all members of his family, and we point them forward and upward to the glad and certain hope of the promised resurrection and joyful reunion when Jesus comes for His own.

RICHARD L. VINE
Minister

DOWSON.—With regret we record the death, on December 17, 1974, of Mrs. Eva Josephine Dowson, of the Middlesbrough church. With several others Sister Dowson accepted the Advent message through the colporteur ministry in Hartlepool of Brother and Sister Hilton, and was baptized in 1926 by Pastor A. E. Bacon. She

later married Brother W. Dowson and moved to Middlesbrough where, for forty-eight years, she rendered loyal service as deaconess, welfare worker, Ingatherer, and literature worker. The church's sympathy is extended to her husband, sister, other relatives, and friends.

J. POWLS
Church Clerk

SKINNER.—A service was held at the Torquay Crematorium on December 31st for our dear Sister E. May Skinner who died at Newton Abbot Hospital on December 23rd, 1974. Pastor Michael Stickland conducted the service which was attended by many members. Sister Skinner first heard of the 'message' through attending Pastor A. Cowley's lectures in the early fifties. She did much for the Guide Dogs for the Blind cause, selling from house-to-house over 1,200 *Our Times*, etc., and had to be told to cease her efforts because it was obvious she was in great pain and had become unable to look after herself. She was always the first person in church, and would say what a joy it was to be in her Saviour's haven of rest. We miss her, but look forward to that wonderful day when we shall meet again. 'Come Lord Jesus, quickly come.'

D. A. JORDAN
P.R. Secretary

HORWOOD.—On December 17, 1974, Sister Freda Horwood fell asleep in Jesus at the early age of 41. Our sister accepted the truth and was baptized in August, 1960 and later worshipped with the members of the Watford Town church. Freda was a happy Christian and served her Lord through leadership in the Senior and Junior Sabbath schools. We shall miss her smiling face and cheerful spirit, and also her beautiful flower arrangements in church. Freda was overtaken by a fatal illness during the latter part of the year. She requested the anointing service, but our Heavenly Father saw fit to let her fall asleep only three days later. Our dear sister was committed into God's keeping on December 23rd. Elders Colledge and Glew spoke at the service in the Town church, and Elder Glew at the committal at the Amersham Crematorium. We extend our loving sympathy to her husband, Ken, and her two daughters, before whom she bore a faithful witness through the years. We are confident that we shall meet our dear sister again when Jesus comes to 'wipe away all tears'.

MISS E. PRATT
Church Clerk

CARTER.—It is with deep regret we record the death of Brother Alfred Edward Carter, known to most people as 'Dad', on December 26, 1974, on his 87th birthday. Brother Carter was baptized in the Barry church in 1954 by Pastor George Bell, and later attended Stanborough Park church. For the last ten years Brother Carter lived in Cornwall and served faithfully in the Redruth church as deacon. He leaves his widow, Sister Agnes Carter, daughters Sister Peggy Smith from Richmond, Sister Bernice Harlin from Manchester, and son Brother Bert Carter of Redruth, also sons Stewart and Barry, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. The funeral service was conducted by Pastor Neil Robertson at their home in St. Day.

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MRS. E. COLLINS
Church Clerk

CONGRATULATIONS to Craig Baldock on gaining his F.R.C.S. For some time he has been a registrar in the ENT department at one of the University of Southampton's large hospitals. Now he is a fully qualified surgeon. Craig and his wife Marilyn are Australians who have taken an active part in the Southampton church during their stay with us. W. F. BUCKLE

CONGRATULATIONS to Mrs. Patricia Ann McKeever (née Rhodes) on the successful completion of the Medical Course at Queens University, Belfast. Well done, Dr. Pat McKeever.

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K. H. GAMMON,
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On behalf of the Board of Directors.

S. V. MAXWELL,
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On behalf of the Board of Directors.

A. H. EVANS,
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THE STANBOROUGH PRESS LIMITED

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On behalf of the Board of Directors.

E. A. PENDER,
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On behalf of the Board of Directors.

E. JOHNSON,
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B. F. KINMAN,
Secretary.

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On behalf of the Board of Directors.

S. V. MAXWELL,
Acting Secretary.

SENIOR YOUTH

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GRANOSE USED LABELS—Owing to the lack of response to the Granose label scheme in aid of the Building Fund for new churches, it has been decided to discontinue the scheme. Labels in the office by February 7th will naturally be honoured.—Kay Miller, P.R. Officer

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SCOTTISH CONFERENCE

URGENT ANNOUNCEMENT

A SPECIAL Conference Session of the Scottish Mission will be held in the Glasgow S.D.A. church, Queens Drive, Sabbath, March 8, 1975. A grand day of fellowship. Guest speaker: Pastor E. H. Foster. Sunday, March 9th, 10.30 a.m. A special business session to give consideration to British Union Conference re-organization plans as they affect Scotland, and the constitution of the Scottish Mission of Seventh-day Adventists. By order of the Scottish Mission Executive Committee, K. A. Elias, chairman; J. Ginbey, secretary.

Join us over this historic week-end. Visitors to Glasgow requiring overnight accommodation, at their own expense, should write immediately, clearly stating requirements, to Pastor D. McClure, 14 Logan Avenue, Newton Mearns, Glasgow, G77 6LZ.

URGENTLY required: family willing to accommodate from Monday to Friday, a 12-year-old West Indian girl, wishing to attend Stanborough School. Please telephone Mrs. Skeete, 01-253 8962 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., or 01-965 7936 evenings.



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February 21st	5.26	5.37	5.26	5.29	5.41
February 28th	5.38	5.52	5.39	5.44	5.56



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COMMITTEE ON COMMUNICATIONS.—A committee has been appointed to recommend ways and means by which the Seventh-day Adventist Church may be more extensively and more effectively known throughout the British Isles with the particular reference to the publicizing of our denominational name. Constructive suggestions which might contribute to this objective will be welcomed. Write to the Union President.

STUDENT PLACEMENTS.—Philip McGoldrick of Bradford, who will be ready for ministerial service this coming summer, has been assigned to the South England Conference as a ministerial intern. Hugo Kennedy of Brixton and Philip Rhodes of Watford have been accepted by the South England and North England Conferences respectively for sponsorship and employment.

LOCAL CONFERENCE ADVISORY COUNCILS.—Local Conference Advisory Councils have been established in both conferences. The South England Conference representatives met for a convention at Hoddesdon over the weekend of December 14th, and the North England Conference formed two Councils—one for the southern and one for the northern part of their territory. The former convened in Derby on Sabbath afternoon and evening, January 18th, and the latter in Bradford the following day. The purpose of these Councils is to help meet the need for improved communications between the churches, laity and the conferences, and vice versa, and to provide for a closer liaison in the planning of evangelistic work and the general programme of the Church. Recommendations from these Advisory Councils will be considered by the Conference Executive Committee which administers the work throughout its territory.

WITH OUR YOUNGER WORKERS.—It was an encouraging experience to be present at the interviews of the licensed ministers in the North England Conference arranged by the Executive Committee. One realized that these young men had a sense of purpose and a courageous outlook. I was particularly interested to hear of Martin Saxby's experience with reference to a Voice of Prophecy contact. He went to visit a man whose name had been reported to him, and to his surprise he found it was the vicar, who received him very kindly and graciously. He invited Martin to preach in his church—an

invitation which was gladly accepted, and this led to contact with the vicar's youth club. The present outcome of these contacts is that ten young people are receiving regular Bible instruction from Martin.

Another interesting experience was that related by Colin Martin with reference to his house-to-house personal evangelism. By this method Brother Martin has been able to lead seven people into church membership during 1974. A service of baptism in York was reported in the previous issue of MESSENGER.

CRIEFF NURSING HOME.—Good progress is being made with the three-storied extension to the 'Roundwood' property at Crieff which will replace the present Nursing Home there. The steel and concrete framework and floors are now erected. Outstanding views of the beautiful Perthshire countryside will be a pleasant feature of most of the bedrooms planned. We hopefully anticipate that the new unit will be functional by the summer of next year.

LONDONDERRY BAPTISMS—NOT BOMBS!—On January 11, 1975, at a wonderfully blessed Day of Fellowship in the new Coleraine church a baptismal service was conducted. Six souls from Londonderry were baptized into Jesus and united with the Church. A full report will appear later.

LITERATURE-EVANGELISTS' COUNCIL.—At the moment of writing these notes the annual Institute is beginning in Swanwick, Derbyshire. Elder J. N. Hunt of the General Conference and Elder J. T. Knopper, the Division Publishing Secretary, are supporting John Arthur in the work of this Institute. We warmly welcome the Dutch literature-evangelists, and their leaders Pastors R. Bruinsma, J. Lijkendijk, and R. J. De Jong, who have shared in the organization and spiritual benefits of the Swanwick Institute.

GENERAL CONFERENCE CONTACT.—We had the opportunity to meet Pastor Duncan Eva, Administrative Vice-President of the General Conference, during a brief stop-over at Heathrow Airport recently, en route from Addis Ababa to the U.S.A.

YOUTH CAMPAIGN.—A 'Voice of Youth' Campaign began in Bradford on Sunday, January 19th.

LITERATURE EXPLOITS.—Pastor W. J. Arthur, the Union Publishing Department Secretary, reports that at least 31 baptisms during 1974 were resultant from literature-evangelist activities. Besides selling £154,944 worth of literature, colporteurs throughout Britain distributed 66,332 items of free literature and accounted for 11,097 Voice of Prophecy applications. Sales increased by 54% in Ireland, 22% in Wales and 21% in Scotland. Leading colporteurs in the British Union for the year 1974 were R. Chisholm (Barnsley), £13,800 deliveries; J. D. Ahwan (Dublin), £11,212 deliveries; T. A. Brownlow (Londonderry), £10,336 deliveries; T. J. Horne (Staffs) £6,625 deliveries; H. Thomas (Manchester), £5,464 deliveries; J. Jack (High Wycombe), £4,593 deliveries; Mrs. M. Doole (Antrim), £4,089 deliveries.

LAYMEN'S EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN.—Two persons were baptized on Sabbath, January 18th, as a direct result of the campaign conducted by the laymen in South Shields.

LAY EVANGELISTS' INSTITUTE.—A Lay Evangelists' Institute is scheduled to be held in the Manchester University, Friday, September 19th to Sunday, the 21st. The chief guest speaker and instructor will be Elder V. W. Schoen, the Lay Activities Department Secretary of the General Conference. Those who remember his visit in 1965 will recall the inspiration and impetus he gave to the work of the laymen in this Union at that time. Further details of the Institute will be coming from the Lay Activities Department.

CONGRATULATIONS to Keith and Judy Brackenbury (née Elias) on the birth of a son, a brother for Lisa. (Submitted by Union President E. H. Foster.)

BROTHER IDRIS OWEN, well known in the British Union and especially Stanborough Park for his ministry of music in the form of the fine choirs he organized, has received a call to 'pioneer' the Music Department of the large Adventist College in Collonges-sous-Salève, France.

After some years of 'retirement' in New Zealand, where he gave similar service, he has returned to Collonges where he 'pioneered' in 1921.

Brother Owen seems to be endowed with perennial youth. This call to him and his wife, reminds one of Psalm 92:14: 'They [the saints] shall still bring forth fruit in old age.'

We wish this vigorous old-timer rich blessing and continued success.

Incidentally, his daughter Violette is headmistress of the Grantham church school.

EDITOR.

ADVENTURE IN FAITH

A SPECIAL MESSAGE TO YOU from the GENERAL CONFERENCE PRESIDENT

Dear Fellow Believers,

At its Annual Council in Mexico City, October, 1972, the world-wide Church planned that there would be an ADVENTURE IN FAITH in conjunction with the 1975 General Conference session in Vienna.

ADVENTURE IN FAITH is a global programme to inspire our entire membership to make extraordinary efforts to complete its God-given task of taking the saving Gospel of Jesus Christ into every corner of our troubled, needy world. The emphasis is on new places—new countries, new states, new districts, new towns, new villages, new people—areas and people yet untouched by the blessed Advent Message. The Church is called to marshal all its resources for the greatest-ever spiritual thrust to bring salvation, and to bring it rapidly, to the uttermost ends of the earth.

Total commitment

This unprecedented effort calls for every member of the Church to commit himself totally. It calls for unselfish dedication, for gifts of time, energy, service, and prayer. It calls for gifts of money to finance the public and personal evangelistic thrusts that will lighten the unentered recesses of our world. As plans are

outlined in our Church papers and by our pastors in their pulpits, we are confident that our generous, self-sacrificing Adventists will meet the challenge of this bold programme and supply the means that will enable ministry and laity to reach each carefully planned objective.

Adventures are exciting! The most exciting of all can be this ADVENTURE IN FAITH. Join with me, dear people, and share the holy excitement of leading souls to Christ and preparing them for the kingdom of heaven. Join me and my fellow leaders in this greatest of all adventures. Join with us now, then share the inspiration that will flow when the final offering is received at the General Conference session in July of this year.

From the four corners of the earth come reports of opportunities that call for our most vigorous responses and tax our greatest resources. In southern India, where converts once came so slowly, one baptism now represents more people brought to Christ than previously were brought in a whole year. In the Kasai area of Zaïre, where we had closed our mission station, thousands are requesting instruction, hundreds have already been baptized, more than 2,500 are in

baptismal classes, 10,000 will probably be enrolled by General Conference session time, and new churches are being established as fast as we can provide the facilities and workers. We know that similar opportunities await us elsewhere, while others will open unexpectedly. Are we prepared to seize them and reap their potential harvest?

Anticipate God's providences

The Church, our Church, must take advantage of these providences. We should anticipate them. 'Go out into the highways and hedges,' commands our Master, 'and compel them to come in'. This, as our Lord's faithful servants, we must do.

Work and give through our ADVENTURE IN FAITH, to bring many, many of these millions into the kingdom of God.

Robert H. Pierson



WHAT WILL BE YOUR RESPONSE?

From the time that this comes into your hand until June 28th you, along with Seventh-day Adventists all around the world, will have opportunity to demonstrate your love for the Lord and your faith in the final triumph of His truth by making liberal and sacrificial offerings for the ADVENTURE IN FAITH. You alone will determine how much you give.

Your church treasurer has special ADVENTURE IN FAITH envelopes for you, and whether you make your worth-while contribution on February 8th or each week until June 28th is your choice.

This is not just another collection, it is an ADVENTURE IN FAITH. The total gathered in from God's people will be used for new work and new opportunities. Whatever we give will carry the message, speed the work and hasten the coming of King Jesus. The General Conference has already promised that a good proportion of what is given in Britain will be returned for use in this country. If between now and the end of June we could venture forth in faith and endeavour to give one day's pay each month, this would be a wonderful response to the General Conference President's appeal—yet it would not be too much to give to the One who gave Himself for us. Money is rapidly losing its value. The time is not far off when it will be 'flung to the moles and the bats' as valueless. Let us not wait until then to part with it. Let us give now while it still has some value. Ours is the choice. We decide for ourselves how much we will give. Let us give willingly and gladly—as unto the Lord—to meet the needs and opportunities of the hour. Why not ADVENTURE IN FAITH?

STEWARDSHIP NOTE

Elder Pierson in his letter rightly pointed out that Total Commitment involves 'unselfish dedication, gifts of time, energy, service and prayer'.

All that we have and are, and all that we can become—in the service of the Master—this is true Stewardship.

When you and your fellow-members adopted the General Conference Stewardship Plan in your church, you made your budget to include the needs of your local church, your Conference and your Union. You were clearly told at that time that three areas of giving were not included in your budget offering. These three areas related to world work.

1. Sabbath School Missions Offering (once a week)
2. Week of Sacrifice Offering (once a year)
3. General Conference Year Offering (once in five years)

ADVENTURE IN FAITH is this General Conference Year Offering.

If we give as we ought and work and pray as we should, this may well be the last General Conference year!

It is absolutely consistent with Christian Stewardship that we do everything within our power to finish the work.

'Without faith it is impossible to please Him.' Heb. 11:6.

Will you—ADVENTURE IN FAITH?

'Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: for where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.' Matt. 6:19-21.



ENCOUNTER

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As the editor of ENCOUNTER let me wish you, in this first issue of the new year, God's richest blessings for 1975. Have you noticed how the news media have picked up this 'doom-craze' which started late in 1974? It was especially noticeable in a little television programme that I watched last night. They were doing their best to get us all weeping. I have not viewed such dreary stuff for a long time. But we should remember pound may finally sink, it may not. International only God knows for sure how 1975 will turn out. The stock market may collapse, it may not. The trade may disappear in a rush of protectionism, it may do the opposite. Only one thing we can surely predict, man will struggle on, trying to go it alone without God, as he has for the last six thousand years.

What I do know for sure, and you do too, is that despite man's rebellion, God has watched over His people since the beginning of time, and He is not about to abandon them in 1975. 'When the going gets tough the tough get going.' Maybe God has been toughening us through the years and in 1975 we are going to have the opportunity to demonstrate our toughness, our durability, our Christian resilience, our imagination and inventiveness, our ability not only to survive but to revive and move steadily ahead. What's more, this may be the year when God comes to Seventh-day Adventists and says: 'Move out, it's time for the great harvest!'

One of ENCOUNTER's readers has suggested a section in ENCOUNTER for pooling ideas for witnessing—a think tank. I think this is a good idea and I'll list a few of his suggestions. From time to time we can list others, especially if you have found ways of witnessing that work for you and that may work for others. What do you think of these for instance:

1. Operate a hot-chestnut stand and get to know your late-night and poor customers.
2. Hire a shop front by the week or day as businesses change or in re-development areas, and use it to display the message and the work of the Church.

from me — to you



3. Turn a secondhand lorry into a bunk-house for drop outs. Let them know where you will be the next night.
4. Take a mobile film show/disco round your local small villages.
5. Start a baby crèche or playschool for your neighbourhood mothers.

Keep reading ENCOUNTER and let us have your comments, your criticisms, poems, songs, articles and ideas. Several have written in recently and we appreciate this interest.

Remember ENCOUNTER is YOURS and we want it to be a magazine of value and cheer.

NEWS SCAN



FOLLOWING Jesus involves commitment to Him and a willingness to do what He says and to go where He sends. This is not always easy—especially when you think you know best!

Anyone who believes that we are not living in the last days ought to take time off and have a 'think session'. There are strange creatures, called *homo-sapiens*, running all over the face of the earth today, trying to preserve the planet with one hand and destroying it with the other! These beings are developing wonderful new inventions and ideas almost daily, which could be used to cure many of mankind's ills but instead pose a terrible threat of total destruction.

Take nuclear power for example. Such technical knowledge could really benefit mankind a great deal more than at present—especially the underdeveloped countries. Nuclear power could be used to irrigate deserts, open new highways and power modern cities. Instead we find that the recent Ford-Brezhnev summit on Strategic Arms Limitation [SALT], despite all the recent noise about a 'breakthrough', only agreed to agree 'if we can solve the technical problems of implementing the agreement that was made'—to quote Dr. Kissinger. Incidentally, have you noticed that whenever a leading politician makes a statement it takes a number of subsequent statements to clarify the first one!

It seems as if modern man sits on a time-bomb of nuclear proportions. At this time the US possesses 1,054 land-based intercontinental missiles and 656 launchable from submarines. Russia has 1,527 land-based missiles and 560 launchable from submarines. The Americans are believed to have 7,100 nuclear bombs and 440 long-range bombers. The Russians have 2,300 nuclear bombs and 140 long-range bombers. There is going to be a SALT II, but that will not alter the fact that in the 1980s there will be more and deadlier weapons.

In an article in the *Guardian* (11th October, 1974) there was a report on a nuclear arms control lecture by Professor B. Feld, in which it was stated that 'He seems to find two laws of socio-dynamics: first—whatever is technically possible must be developed; second—whatever is developed must be used. And in his judgement, the

odds are about one in three that a nuclear weapon will be used in another conflict before 1984.'

Surely it is evident that we have little time left in which to complete the Lord's work. There is no need for us to be prophets of doom, for there are plenty of these around today, and we'll take a look at the modern

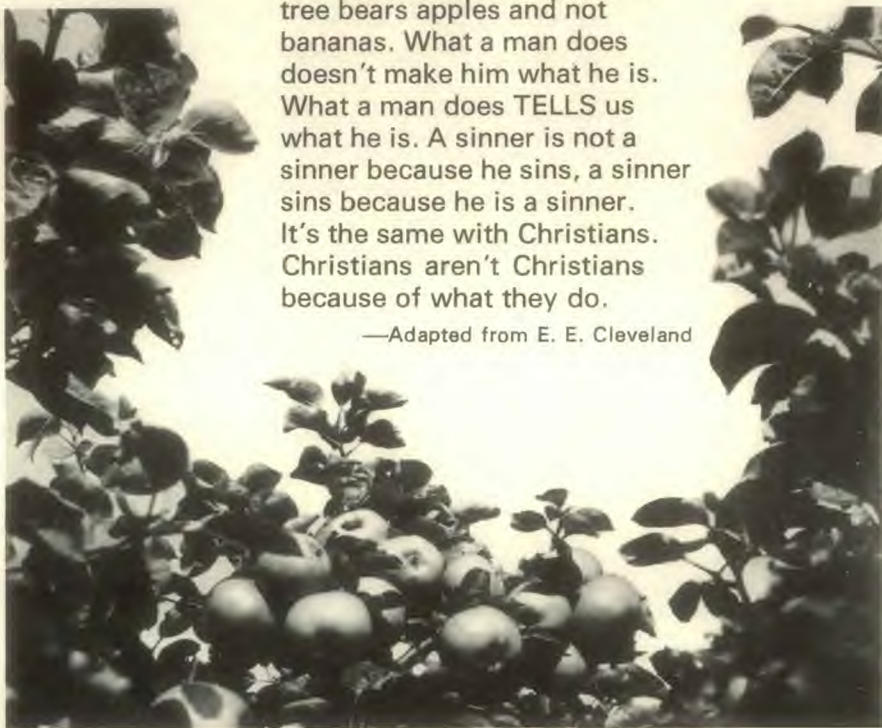
prophecy scene another time. We are, rather, prophets of hope. We have a positive and final message to give to this world. We point to the only way of escape, Christ's return, when there will be a final end to this misery and a new, eternal life to man—in perfect peace.

Isn't it better to follow Jesus and to do as He tells us?

'We are living in the most solemn period of this world's history. The destiny of earth's teeming multitudes is about to be decided. Our own future well-being and also the salvation of other souls depend upon the course which we now pursue. . . . Every follower of Christ should earnestly inquire: "Lord, what wilt Thou have me to do?" We need to humble ourselves before the Lord, with fasting and prayer, and to meditate much upon His Word.'—*The Great Controversy*, page 601. STUART WARE

Apple trees don't become apple trees by bearing apples. An apple tree is an apple tree before it ever bears an apple. But you don't know what kind of a tree it is until you see the apples. So it's not the apple on the apple tree that makes the apple tree an apple tree—the apple tree has to be an apple tree to grow an apple. I know an apple tree from a banana tree because the apple tree bears apples and not bananas. What a man does doesn't make him what he is. What a man does TELLS us what he is. A sinner is not a sinner because he sins, a sinner sins because he is a sinner. It's the same with Christians. Christians aren't Christians because of what they do.

—Adapted from E. E. Cleveland



It's Hap'ning

LEICESTER MV ON AIR

A FEW weeks ago the Leicester MV Society had its annual Request Programme, which has been a favourite with everyone since its inception three years ago.

This year we had the pleasure of having as our special guest Mr. Norman Clark, who is in charge of the religious programmes on B.B.C. Radio Leicester. Mr. Clark took recordings of items and expressed his delight in the listening pleasure we gave him. Later an interview with M.V. officers was arranged to explain what the initials M.V. mean and to give a brief history of our Church. Mr. Clark seemed disappointed that more people in Leicester do not know more about us.

As a result of his visit and much to our delight, we were featured twice in one week in Radio Leicester's programme 'Christian Magazine'. Recordings of both the Youth Choir and the Caribbean Heralds were used in these ten-minute spots.

What a thrill it was to hear the name 'Seventh-day Adventist' coming over the radio to thousands of listeners in Leicester, and to hear the warm unbiased comments of Mr. Norman Clark on our behalf.

CARLTON SWEENEY
P.R. Secretary
Leicester

INTERESTED IN FELL WALKING ?

If you prefer to hike or hill walk on your own then don't let this article disturb you. On the other hand, for those who like walking in the company of others here's something for you to consider—the *Fell Walking Club*.

Based at Stanborough Park, it roams the length and breadth of the United Kingdom, and can involve you if you'd like to join. The club organizes Sabbath afternoon walks, Sunday walks and full week-end walking safaris; and would like to see church walking groups established all over the country, so that local groups can enjoy fellowship on the Sabbath and Sunday walks and come together for some of the week-end walking camps.

The club is already around 60 strong and has the following officers:

President: Cyril Vesey
Secretary: Ed Hammond

Treasurer: Ferenc Samu

Chaplain: Wilf Glew

If you are interested in Fell walking write to,

Ed Hammond,

'Meadow Tarn',

14 Stanfield,

Abbots Langley,

Herts. WD5 0BB.

He'll be glad to help you.

WATFORD TOWN CHURCH

THE Watford Town church's junior youth club members entertained parents and friends on Sunday evening, November 10th. The items included recitations, a recorder solo, group singing and piano solos. During the interval refreshments were sold and the proceeds went towards club funds.

On November 14th the annual Christmas sale was held in aid of the Welfare Fund. Business was brisk and the sum of £60 was gathered in two hours.

There are many plans to build up the spiritual life of the church, and to lead others to Jesus Christ.

ELSIE PRATT
Church Clerk

YOUTH IN ACTION

FOR the past few weeks the young people of Handsworth church have conducted a youth campaign. Ranging in age from fifteen to twenty-two, these young people are giving a clear witness for truth in Handsworth. The meetings started during the annual Week of Prayer and closed just before Christmas.

I asked Theodore Stewart, one of the campaign leaders what had prompted the campaign. He replied, 'We are so concerned with the events which are taking place in the world today, we feel it is our duty to let others know that the end is almost here, and that they should be preparing for the coming of the Lord.'

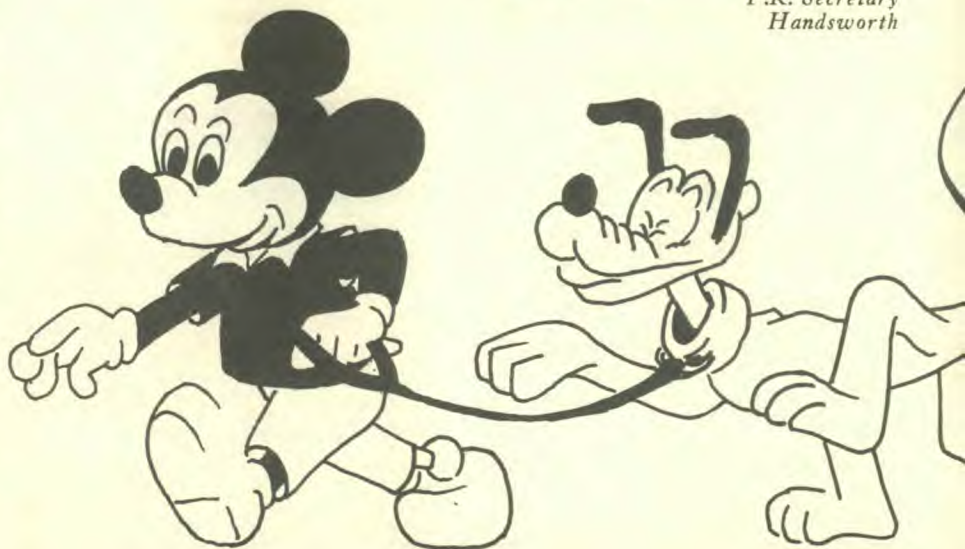
As we spoke the church rapidly filled with both young and old people, and they were soon ready to join in the singing of choruses and hymns. Meanwhile the six empty chairs on the platform were taken by the speakers, who each took turns in delivering their co-ordinated sermonettes on 'The Second Coming of Christ'.

At the end of the service I asked an elderly lady what she thought of the meeting. 'My son,' she said, 'I have not enjoyed a service like this for a long while. I am very happy I came.' Also I asked a fifteen-year-old girl whether she would attend the next meeting. 'Oh yes,' she replied, 'I have been to the last four, and I hope to be at all of them.'

We hope that most of the hundred and fifty people who attended these meetings will, through the efforts of this fine group of young people, be led to know Jesus Christ. We should remember them and the older directors of the campaign in our prayers. Teams have been set up to give Bible studies to those who have shown an interest.

During these meetings special items were rendered by the Singing Stewarts, The Soul Seekers, the Mardner Singers, the Handsworth Male Voice Choir and Miss Pat Henry.

F. N. STEWART
P.R. Secretary
Handsworth



HAVE YOU READ ANYTHING LATELY ?

ELLEN G. WHITE PROPHET OF DESTINY

by Rene Noorbergen, Pub. Keats Publishing Inc. Price £3.10 hardback, 80p paperback—prices subject to adjustment.

RENE NOORBERGEN was born in the Netherlands and now lives in the U.S.A. Educated partly in the Netherlands he also attended La Sierra College in California. In preparing for this book he engaged in considerable research at the E. G. White Estate as well as among other prominent Adventist authors.

Noorbergen quotes extensively from the E. G. White writings. He also gives interesting 'titbits' such as, 'her spiritual, medical and nutritional insight gained through more than 2,000 visions'. He quotes too from other authors.

He deals sympathetically with his subject and gives good reasons for proving that Mrs. White's prophecies are now being fulfilled. The two longest chapters, other than the one on her life, deal with her scientific prophecies and her predictions about spiritualism and Satan worship.

In the introduction he asks the question 'Was she really a prophet?' And follows with his own answer 'Many are convinced that she was.' He gives the impression that he is one of the 'many' and does a good job at the same time of 'selling' Seventh-day Adventists to his readers. Definitely a book worth reading, especially now that there is a cheap paperback edition.

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POETS CORNER

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

by JOHN FARROW

Cool dark church, stained glass windows
Atmosphered from years of believing worship
Candles burning at the altar
Burning in my soul a window in the sky
I would reach up to heaven and give you a star
To wear in your eye were you with me
And I one with you.

And were there candles in the barren hall?
And did the people worship organ pipes and gods of wood and stone?
And was the grape juice really blood in their eyes?
(I would have washed their dirty feet with tears
If I was worthy to eat and drink and pray
Forgiveness for my soul).

Or were the words time-honoured,
Still repeated like a never-ending circle
Running back through time, until we passed over
The meaning of the service?

'Take eat'—this is my body and my spilled blood
Not just dry biscuit and unfermented wine
And pure clean unwalked on feet
Drink from my soul and know the meaning of love.

TEARS

by CHRISTINE FARROW

Thus bled his eyes pierced by life's thorny stem
O bloody tear forced from thy soul
Flow towards a sorrowed sea
Thus swelled by man's immunity.

Cry tears of stone you metal heart
Flow to a plastic sea
Put paper flowers on his grave
Your conscience would be free.

Enshroud me with your tears and melt this metal soul
I would be rid of all things false
That separate from thee
And drown me in iniquity.

My eye will cry life's thorny stem
To set a blood rose free
My soul find deep within its flower
My heart become thy tree.

(Christine is a third year student at Bullmershe Teacher-Training College in Berkshire)

When wealth is lost nothing is
lost. When health is lost some-
thing is lost. When character is
lost all is lost.

There is no pillow so soft as a
clear conscience.

Success is getting what you
want. Happiness is wanting what
you get.

The reason the world feeds on
so much garbage is because the
world is very hungry.

The story of the Sleeping Beauty

ONCE upon a time Prince charming looked at his watch, and knew that it was time to awaken the Sleeping Beauty. So he put on his best clothes, got out his finest horse, and rode into the world to find the Enchanted Castle. He had not gone far when he met a beggar.

'Spare a copper fer an owd soljer, guv?'

'Look,' said the Prince, 'I don't know what trouble you're in, but it doesn't really matter, because I can get you out of it. Just tell me what you need. A house? money? or both, perhaps?'

'Gerroff!' snarled the old man. 'I 'avn't got time ter play kid's games. Let me put it straight, can yew or can yew not 'elp me?'

'But I've already told you!' exclaimed the Prince. 'Just tell me what you need.'

'Avn't I told you already?' parroted the ex-soldier. 'This is Life. Wake up, mate! Yer can't pull one like that on us. We just won't buy it.'

And the Prince rode on his way pursued by cries of 'Swindler!'

By and by, as he was feeling thirsty, the Prince stopped for a drink. While at the counter he turned to the man next to him and asked:

'Can you tell me how to get to the Enchanted Castle? You see, I'm Prince Charming, and it's time for me to awake Sleeping Beauty.'

The man began to laugh. 'That's a good one,' he exclaimed. 'Hey, Fred! Come over here. Here's a fellow who says he's Prince Charming.'

'Fred came and looked at the Prince, and he too began to laugh. 'It was a good try,' he said between chuckles, 'but I ought to tell you that we've got a book at home with a picture of the Royal Family. The Prince is still a baby. It'll be years before you can catch up with that one, and we'll be ready for him by then.'

'But I have come!' cried the Prince as he left, with laughter behind him.

'If I were to tell you that I was looking for the Enchanted Castle, what would you say?' the Prince asked a man on the outskirts of the great city.

'Frankly, I would be intrigued. After all, most people who think at all nowadays agree that that sort of stuff really went out with the "Brothers Grimm", good for those times, I'll grant you that. Kept the children quiet. But now. . . .'

'But I met a man back there who was expecting the Prince to come in a few years' time?'

'What? Where was that?'

'At the King's Head.'

'Oh, there. . . .' said the knowing gentleman. 'Why didn't you say so?'

by Ian Graham



Those people are, not to put too harsh a term on it, *peasants*. Why, just look at the name—"The King's Head", you may or may not know this, but there is now a lot of doubt in most circles as to whether there actually is a Royal Family. You must come with me to my Inn, "The Plastic Man" and meet my group. We'll soon put you right.'

'It sounds most interesting,' said the Prince tactfully, 'but I really must travel on.'

'Met this funny fellow in the street today. Babbling about Enchanted Castles and Prince Charming and goodness knows what else. Probably one of these drop-outs on a drug trip. Not violent though. Uncanny thing was that he looked quite sane, and you could see he believed what he was saying. Made my flesh creep, I can tell you.'

Just outside the city, the Prince came across a man who was being jeered at by a group of children. When they saw him coming, they ran away, and the Prince approached the man. 'I don't suppose,' he began wearily, 'that you could tell me the way to the Enchanted. . . .'

'As a matter of fact I can. I've got a map, and I'm going there myself.'

'Is that why they were laughing at you?' inquired the Prince.

'Oh, that! No; I broke a couple of their rules—not real rules, you under-

stand—just cramping, unnecessary restrictions. So they declared me an Outsider. I decided to go to the Palace to ask for justice, where they told me I would have to first visit the Enchanted Castle. Now, let's not waste time. Here's the map.'

And so they arrived at the Castle.

'I say,' grumbled the thicket, as the Prince began to hack his way through it, 'this really isn't done. We've been here for a hundred years, and you want to get rid of us just like that. It's quite scandalous. We shall write to the *Times* about it, really not done.'

'Oh hello,' yawned the door. 'So you've got here at last. Well, sit down and have a nice chat. What's the hurry? Everything's all right. Why, I was saying to the keyhole only the other day. . . .'

So the Prince battered it down and went in. Eagerly he leapt up the spiral staircase entering the room in anticipation, only to be pulled up short by a sign above the Sleeping Beauty's head:

I AM A LIBERATED WOMAN

I have no need of you

I shall awaken myself when and if I please

DO NOT DISTURB

And the Prince went down the stairs and returned to the Palace with the Outsider, his heart full of conflicting feelings.



Something for big sister

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REACH OUT TO JESUS

Words and Music by
RALPH CARMICHAEL

Slowly with feeling

CHILDREN'S CORNER

DIDN'T KNOW ANY DIFFERENT

by Elfriede Volk

MRS. JONES was a bad woman. The minister knew it, the neighbours knew it, the whole village knew it. Some people suspected that she knew it herself, but they couldn't be sure of that, since they never talked to her.

But though the people didn't talk to her, they never neglected an opportunity to talk about her.

'An evil woman,' they whispered whenever she passed. 'A very sinful woman. Bound for perdition. Beyond hope.'

Yes, Mrs. Jones was a bad woman, an evil woman. No wonder righteous people shook their heads and turned the other way when they saw her.

Betty's mother was about the only person in the village who talked to Mrs. Jones. But then Betty's mother sometimes had some queer ideas.

'She needs a friend,' she told people who warned her about Mrs. Jones. 'Jesus never turned anyone away who needed Him.'

And so she continued talking to Mrs. Jones, despite the neighbours' repeated warnings. And Mrs. Jones continued coming to visit her.

One day as Mrs. Jones stopped by, Mother was preparing lunch and invited her to stay. She put sandwiches and a salad on the table, then called Betty.

Now people who knew what type of woman Mrs. Jones was would probably have made some quick remark and started eating. But not Betty. She didn't know any different. She had never heard about Mrs. Jones being 'bound for perdition' and 'beyond hope'. So she folded her hands and bowed her head as usual.

'Our Father,' she prayed. 'Thank You for this food and bless it. And bless Mother, who prepared it, and bless Mrs. Jones. Amen.'

Tears came to Mrs. Jones's eyes as she heard her name mentioned in Betty's prayer. Mrs. Jones did know she was a wicked woman. She had tried going to church, searching for peace, yet had never found it. But now...

Betty has something I want, she said to herself. And I'm not going to stop searching until I find it and have it too.

The next week the 'righteous' were surprised to see Mrs. Jones entering the church. After the initial shock, some of them spread out their coats on the pews beside them so Mrs. Jones would think the places were occupied. But not Betty. She didn't know any different. She just smiled and moved

over to make room for her new friend.

The minister was talking about the woman at the well of Samaria, and Mrs. Jones listened intently.

Why, that's me, the thought flashed through her mind. He's talking about me! She bowed her head with a new awareness of her sinfulness.

And as she listened she felt a new hope spring up. Jesus did not condemn that woman. . . . Could it be possible that He would not condemn me? she thought.

Unknown to the 'righteous' members of the congregation, Mrs. Jones went to Jesus right then with her whole sinful heart. And instead of condemning her and sending her away, He filled her with love and peace.

After the service, Mrs. Jones walked down the front steps with Betty's mother. Tears filled her eyes as she told of her wonderful new relationship with her Lord.

'And it's all because of your daughter who asked her blessing at mealtime, and asked God to bless me, too,' she said.

Betty didn't know any different. And as her mother looked at Mrs. Jones's beaming face, she was glad.

PEN PAL SECTION

Rosalie Blagrove,
Salem,
Runaway Bay P.O.,
St. Ann,
Jamaica, W. Indies.

Would like a pen pal of 12-14 years old. She has just recently entered High School and is interested in becoming a doctor when she grows up.

Letter to the Editor

from W. J. Arthur

Dear Derek,

May I through the auspices of ENCOUNTER express appreciation to the Pathfinders of the Manchester church for their exploits with magazines.

I understand that about twelve tents and general and camping equipment valued at approximately £500 has been acquired, largely through the sale of our literature and that 100 young people had a most enjoyable holiday this summer at the church's permanent campsite near Dinna's Dinlle in North Wales.

I was indeed privileged to spend a week-end with these enthusiastic young people. May God continue to bless their missionary endeavour.

Yours cordially,

W. John Arthur

Publishing Dept. Secretary

If Manchester can, then others can too. Try using the Publishing Department's resources to spread the Gospel and acquire equipment. Sell *Signs of the Times* and *Good Health* magazines. Arrange your work with your Lay Activities Secretary. Ed.

Douglas Gray,
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Lancashire.

An Australian 15 years of age now living in England would like a pen friend about the same age. His interests are stamp collecting, cricket, art, pottery and woodwork.

Not words to live by



'We're going to be married. She can go to her church; I'll go to mine.'

1975 M.V. BOOK CLUB

For all those working on M.V. Courses and their instructors, or any in search of good reading, here are the Book Club selections for 1975. Please order them through your local Book and Bible House (Wales and Scotland order through the N.E.C. Book and Bible House. Ireland order through Pastor Andrew Gebbie).

Please note that in keeping with the practice started three years ago the Senior Section lists suggestions only. The Senior may select any three of his or her own choice.

Primary Book Club

Moses, Prince & Shepherd—Ladybird
David Livingstone—Ladybird
The Lord's Prayer and Other Prayers—Ladybird

(If there are 5 and 6 year olds wanting to read we suggest that No. 3 be purchased for them).

Junior Book Club

Mighty Mary—Virgil Robinson, Review & Herald, Penguin
Forbidden Island—John Gray, Pacific Press

Indoor Gardening—Ladybird

Earliteen Book Club

God is My Captain—L. Joers, Southern Publishing
The Animals Came in One by One—Fontana
Journey to the Sun—Kenneth Holland, Pacific Press
It's Up to You—Raymond Woolsey, Review & Herald

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Why the Back Door Swings—M. Lewis-Lloyd, Review & Herald
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God's Smuggler—Hodder & Stoughton
The Pebbles on the Beach—C. Ellis, Faber
Tell It the Way It Is—G. Target, Lutterworth Press
Born to Burn—F. Tatford, Upperton Press

Yesterday's Tears—Dorothy Comm, Pacific Press
What a Beginning—W. Loveless, Discovery Paperbacks S.D.A.
The Ellen G. White Writings—A. L. White, Discovery Paperbacks S.D.A.

PRAYER FELLOWSHIP FOR 1975



Let's keep praying for the rest of the family in other parts of the world. This list is made out by the General Conference Youth Department so we as youth are all praying at the same time for the same people.

Let me add one extra objective—the 1975 Youth Week of Prayer March 1st-8th. Pray for the outpouring of the Spirit at that time.

- Feb. 5th—Zambia Union (Trans Africa Division)
- 12th—Franco-Haitian Union Mission, Franco-Haitian Adventist Seminary (Inter American Division)
- 19th—West Nordic Union, Danish Junior College, Norwegian Junior College (Northern Europe-West Africa Division)
- 26th—Canadian Union College, Kingsway College (North American Division)
- March 5th—Columbia Union College, Kettering College (North American Division)
- 12th—Mexican Union Mission, Montemorelos Vocational and Professional College (Inter American Division)
- 19th—Iceland Conference (Northern Europe-West Africa Division)
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A soliloquy by the sea

STAND!—watch the sea crashing against the solid stone and sense the power of those giant waves.

Stand back and gaze and let them roll, and split and foam and groan and roar, while I tread softly on rocks high up far enough away to be forever secure, watching from my vantage point the fierce and deadly turbulence below.

The tide ebbs and all seems quiet. Why do I go down and tread again on sinking sand and walk the wayward path with foolish men when Christ the Solid Rock for me is there for ever? Send storm and tempest to keep me on that Rock. Oh, that I may stand at last where Enoch stands.

CLIVE BLACKBURN

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one of our editors will be writing up a 'News-Scan' column from time to time. If you have any ideas here let us know.

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