For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

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Isaiah 9:6

As our hearts yield to the spirit of Christmas, may we discover that it is the Holy Spirit who comes - not a sentiment, but a power - to remind us of the only way by which there may be peace on the earth and goodwill among men.

Peter Marshall

We should show by our daily lives that we have peace and rest in God. His peace in the heart will shine forth in the countenance . . . Men will take knowledge of us, as of the first disciples.

Testimonies, Vol. 6, P. 47

Peace, peace on earth; for men shall love each other. Hosts shall go forth to bless and not destroy. For man shall see in man a brother, and peace on earth fulfil the angel's joy.

Longfellow

THE PEACE OF CHRIST – money cannot buy it; brilliant talent cannot command it; intellect cannot secure it: it is the GIFT of God.

Testimonies, Vol. 4, P. 559

Inward peace and a conscience void of offence toward God, will quicken and invigorate the intellect, like dew distilled upon the tender plants. Testimonies, Vol. 2, P. 327

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I wish to share with you a burden that is on my heart. The 1970's — all of us agree — loom before us as a decade of decision and destiny for America and the whole world. As church members we will be forced to make important decisions many of which will involve our personal relationship to God and the denomination to which we belong.

These words by Ellen White written in 1909 are much more true today than 60 years ago: "The fast-fulfilling signs of the times declare that the coming of Christ is near at hand. The days in which we live are solemn and important. The Spirit of God is gradually but surely being withdrawn from the earth. Plagues and judgments are already falling upon the despisers of the grace of God. The calamities by land and sea, the unsettled state of society, the alarms of war, are portentous. They forecast approaching events of the greatest magnitude.

"The agencies of evil are combining their forces and consolidating. They are strengthening for the last great crisis. Great changes are soon to take place in our world, and the final movements will be rapid ones." — *Testimonies*, Vol, 9, p. 11.

For Seventh-day Adventists the 1970's will be a decade for high spiritual priorities. The times demand on the part of our people an enlightened understanding and in the wake of this enlightenment an intelligent dedication to the Lord Jesus Christ and to His service. Listen to this inspired counsel:

"Perilous times are before us. Everyone who has a knowledge of the truth should awake, and place himself, body, soul, and spirit, under the discipline of God. The enemy is on our track. We must be wide awake, on our guard against him. We must put on the whole armour of God. We must follow the directions given through the Spirit of prophecy. We must love and obey the truth for this time. This will save us from accepting strong delusions." — Testimonies, Vol. 8, p. 298.

We need all the strength we can get from God and from the study of His Word and the *Testimonies*. I wish to commend our pastors and local elders throughout Canada who seriously plan to begin Testimony Countdown classes in our churches throughout this field. Many are beginning in January. Sharing . . .

A Burden That Is On My Heart

By

The Canadian Union Conference

President

J. W. Bothe

Some have already begun. There are ten Wednesday nights needed to successfully present this series of studies on the nine volumes of the *Testimonies for the Church*. No doubt some churches will start in February or March.

Reports that come to my desk indicate that this programme conceived and prepared in the White Estate Offices of the General Conference is being received with great enthusiasm by Seventh-day Adventists everywhere. In Keene, Texas, for example, a class of 800 has been meeting every Wednesday night. At Andrews University in Berrien Springs, Michigan, a mass class of between 1500 and 1800 is now engaged in this study. Every prayer meeting night at Hinsdale, Illinois, a class of 500 or 600 are organized and studying faithfully. Hundreds of smaller churches are similarly engaged.

I cannot conceive of anything that would be more stimulating spiritually and that would give to our people much needed instruction just now than this providentially devised study of the Spirit of Prophecy.

In Life Sketches, page 433, the servant of the Lord declared that: "In the visions of the night the Lord told me that the truth contained in these books (the 9 volumes of the Testimonies) must be brought before the members of our churches, because there are many who are indifferent in regard to the salvation of their souls."

Again in Letter 292, 1907: "I am instructed to say to our churches, 'Study the Testimonies,' They are written for our admonition and encouragement upon whom the ends of the world are come. If God's people will not study these messages that are sent to them from time to time they are guilty of rejecting light."

Speaking about an article in Volume 6 of the *Testimonies* she said: "I advise that these directions and warnings and cautions be read to our people at some time when they are gathered together." *Letter* 292, 1907. And when would be a more ideal time than the Wednesday prayer meeting hour?

The instruction is clear. Many of our pastors are enthusiastic about the programme. Why not join others in this great spiritual adventure with our Lord in 1970? I hope that it will be possible for your church to start the class sometime early in 1970.



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Re: Testimony Countdown Pastors – Attention – Please

Hundreds of churches will begin Testimony Countdown classes early in the new year, 1970. If you plan such a class make sure you have supplies for yourself and your class members.

- 1. The Pastor's Kit of teaching materials, FREE (Available through your Conference Ministerial Secretary)
- 2. Sets of the Testimonies, guidebooks, registration and record cards, etc. (Available through your local Book and Bible House)
- 3. Tapes with stories and questions and answers from the Takoma Park pilot meetings (Available from the White Estate, Washington, D.C.) \$9.00 for 6 tapes. Speed 3%.

See President Bothe's message on previous page.

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Happy New Year with Life and Health

By J. DEWITT FOX, M.D.

Editor, Life and Health

You begin a successful year by reading how to prevent strokes in the article "Strokes — Prevention and Rehabilitation," by Dr. J. D. Henriksen of the Battle Creek Sanitarium, where our health work began to take first place in showing people how to prevent disease. You may live so as to avoid having a stroke yourself and show the world it can be done. Be an example of what you believe.

You will find help for your problems in the "Make Up Your Mind" article by Arthur L. Bietz, an expert counsellor. Don't fail to read "Understanding Mental Illness" by Myrle Tabler, R.N., a Madison Sanitarium nurse, in Tennessee. Good cooks can become better cooks by using delectable herb seasoning, as suggested by Mrs. Minnie Muenscher in "Cooking with Herbs. Articles on your teeth, your brain, and also on pinworms, an everpresent problem in many families, will round out your knowledge of these subjects on health.

Remember, you may write for instruction to the Family Physician, Mother's Counsellor, Family Fireside, Golden Age, Home Nursing, and Dietitian Says. Send them your questions and get their helpful advice for you personally.

Read Life and Health in 1970!

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INVESTER POPS HER WAY TO A QUARTER MILLION PER CENT PROFIT

THEDA KUESTER, Office Secretary, PR Department

Canadian Union Conference



Not quite buried, but up to her ears in popcorn, Mrs. Davis found that it took a lot of kernels to make the 251,700% profit on her year's Investment project. But she had a popping good time, as her smile attests.

Esther Davis, sparkling-eyed secretary to the president of the Canadian Union, is known across Canada for her efficient, enthusiastic manner of tackling any problem or project.

Putting all her energetic enthusiam into an Investment project netted her over a quarter of a million per cent profit for the year that staggered one's comprehension until two treasurers and a certified accountant confirmed the figures as being correct!

Elder G. R. Nash, of the General Conference Sabbath School Department, had thrown out the challenge "what might be accomplished for missions if one penny was to be invested, taking God as a partner."

Mrs. Davis accepted the challenge, and the fun was on! Taking a package of popcorn from her cupboard, she divided out a penny's worth of kernels, popped them (one cent allowed for using no oil, butter or salt), and mailed this first fruit of her endeavours to Elder Nash, suggesting five cents as the value of the popped corn.

He responded, generously doubling her

price, and writing that this might enable her to double her efforts!

With her profit already at 100%, Mrs. Davis re-invested the ten cents on additional popcorn, this time being able to allow for butter and salt. This second step of the project was popped, divided into two packages, and sold to the Sabbath School secretary of the Canadian Union and the Sabbath School secretary of the Ontario-Quebec Conference.

The income from these two bags of popped corn enabled Mrs. Davis to again re-invest and branch out in her sales. Throughout the year all expenditures and sales were carefully recorded. Mrs. Alpha McPherson, also of Oshawa, helped her with all the "poppin'."

At the end of the year's project, the profit totalled an unbelievable 251,700% net profit. It just couldn't be! But it was, according to the experts on figures.

Mrs. Davis has again proven what others have learned through a wholehearted participation in the Investment plan — that with initiative, faith, and enthusiasm, and with God as a partner, you can expect great things!

 ---- January 1 will soon be here –
 What are your plans for 1970 Investment? It is none too early to be planning.

Schools That Win for Christ

By W. F. STORZ, Sabbath School Secretary, Southern Asia Division



Promod Gaikwad (third from left) watches for his friend, engineer Medhe at the Lasalgaon station. His Bible study in the cab of the engine lasted for 75 miles.

For a long time students of Lasalgaon High School had been travelling to and from school by train. The engineer, Mr. Medhe, had noticed a difference in these students, and he decided to find out what made that difference.

Church services had just finished when Mr. Medhe stopped his train at the Lasalgaon station. Promod Gaikwad, a teacher at Lasalgaon High School, was passing by when the engineer stopped him. His questions led the teacher to climb up into the engine cab, and when the train moved off, he moved with it.

Seventy-five miles farther down the line and four hours later, the teacher climbed down out of the locomotive. Echoing in his ears were the words of the engineer: "I'm convinced Christ does offer what we don't have — the way of life."

As the train pulled away Promod looked about him. He was at Igatpuri, a railway centre. First order of business was to find transportation back to the school. He found transportation, but before he left he also found a number of people who asked that he bring students back each Sabbath and hold services with them! An invitation he could not refuse,

Farther north a science teacher at Spicer Memorial High School, Stanley David, determined to go to Kerala for his summer vacation. While there he conducted four meetings a week and carried on a vigorous home visitation and Bible study programme. When he returned to school at the end of his vacation, he left behind him twelve newly baptized members of the church.

During an MV camp at Panithar Garden in Tamil Nadu, students of the E. D. Thomas High School, by visiting homes in a nearby village stirred up an interest resulting in evangelistic meetings, and one boy from the village is now a classmate of the campers.

In Roorkee, in northwest India, students and staff carried out a literature distribution and branch Sabbath School programme that resulted ultimately in the opening of a new church.

Last year Christian Dera of Pakistan Union School began a steady witness for Christ that has resulted in a school with twenty-two children. A church is soon to be built.

At Jahmke, where for years men laboured for souls with no results, a vacation Bible school was held which enrolled forty. This was followed up with a branch Sabbath School, and today the church operates a school there with twenty-three students enrolled. The attitude of the community has completely changed.

These are all off-campus experiences. On campus the story is much the same. An example is Vishnu, a young man, not a Christian, whose father enrolled him at Assam Training School so that he might be educated in English. During the first week of prayer the young man accepted Christ. When he returned home he was fearful as to what his welcome might be, but his fears were quickly dispelled. After the joyous reunion, his father asked him to secure an application blank so that his brother might also attend Assam Training School.

But will there be room for Vishnu's brother? Today's educational facilities are crowded. At Spicer College, for example, the men's dormitory, built to accommodate 150, now houses 350. Many of the facilities in other schools reflect the stone age. Imagine cooking for a whole school, using great black iron kettles over a fire built in an open trench in the kitchen.

This is Southern Asia — moving ahead for God even under difficulties. Remember her needs on December 20,



Spicer students hold the attention of listeners with typically Indian music, but their words of gospel truth sink deeper than the melodies as they hold branch Sabbath Schools. Instruments in this orchestra include the tablas (or two small drums), the thambura (a bass instrument with four strings), and the sitar (18 strings).



Mrs. Bashir Alam conducts school in the sunshine out of doors. The unheated brick building is too cold for sitting on the floor. Forty children attend the school at Muridke where Mr. and Mrs. Alam are teachers. A church of 20 members has been organized here as the result of the efforts of Pakistan Union School students and staff.

CROSS ROADS SITUATION: Faith for Today's 1970 Offering, February 14, 1970

by GORDON F. DALRYMPLE, Editor of Publications

Hand in hand with increasing demands for televising of the Faith for Today programme throughout North America have come spiraling costs. As Faith for Today moves into its 20th anniversary year and anticipates the annual offering to be taken February 14, 1970, some grave questions arise.

Is the soul-winning ministry that since 1950 has resulted in more than 15,000 baptisms to be curtailed because of lack of funds? Will it be mandatory to say "No" to stations requesting Faith for Today for public service airing because money is not available to make up added film prints? Will the quality of programming suffer for need of adequate sets and facilities because essential dollars cannot be obtained?

Will it be necessary to continue to work under the handicap of having no filming studio where Christian cameramen are doing the filming and editing of the programme? There are obvious advantages in having a Christian film centre. A commercial firm has no real concept of the gospel of Christ as being proclaimed by Faith for Today.

Accordingly, the offering to be taken February 14, 1970, is of crucial importance. It will determine the answer to serious questions about what must be done in the face of increasing costs and limited funds.

The General Conference has set a goal of \$350,000 for Faith for Today's annual offering. This is minimal. At least \$500,-000 is needed at telecast headquarters if the programme is to grow as it should and to meet rising needs for giving the gospel in cities and rural areas throughout North America.

The potential TV audience is now more than 150 million. While this is the occasion for rejoicing, what about the millions who cannot be reached with gospel tidings through the Faith for Today ministry? The unique thing about a television audience is that so many who are in it would never think about going to church, nor would they be willing to attend an evangelistic service. They would reject out of hand the idea of having Bible studies in their homes.

But they are willing to watch television and to listen to gospel tidings as proclaimed over the air. There are hearts that can be reached in no other way than through television.

This, then, is a call to the colours issued to every church member and to you particularly. Unless each of us helps share this burden, Faith for Today will have to limit its soul-winning ministry. If each of us gives sacrificially, recognizing that God loves a cheerful giver and blesses him, current needs can be met and new doors can be opened in ushering in the second coming of Jesus Christ.

Faith for Today's goal for baptisms in 1970 is 2,000.

Certainly the time will come when public service time will no longer be available and television will be closed to proclaiming assurances of Christ's love.

When we give out of love, recognizing the hour is late and Christ is coming soon, untold good can be done. Unitedly much can be accomplished through Christ. We are counting on YOUR help in the offering, February 14.

Behind Convent Walls

She is a nun, one of a growing number of those once considered "unreachables" by Seventh-day Adventists. Each night she quietly listens in her convent to The Voice of Prophecy "Night Owl" broadcast over one of America's powerful clear channel radio stations.

"I am a cloistered nun," she writes. "Some time ago I began to feel as though I might almost go out of my mind being unable to talk to the others in our order. My friends on the 'outside' learned of my problem and gave me a small transistor radio, thinking it might help.

"What a help my radio is, and what wonderful messages I hear from The Voice of Prophecy! Your thoughts on the sacrifice of Jesus, and the plan of salvation for mankind give me much strength in the Lord!"

"I accidentally turned the radio on one Sunday morning," writes another nun who teaches at an Indian mission school in South Dakota. "Upon hearing a few words — I just wanted to keep on listening . . .

"After hearing your programme I wanted to share in your knowledge and thought on the Bible. That is why I requested the Faith Bible correspondence course. I am most grateful to you all for making this programme possible, especially to Pastor H. M. S. Richards. God be with you, in all ways."

Another nun, teaching a group of ghetto children in a big city in mid-America, enrolled all of the thirty-nine youngsters in her care in the Voice of Prophecy's Junior Bible correspondence course.

"The students on the whole enjoyed the stories very much," she writes at the completion of the course.

"A few of the children did not perform the activity too eagerly, but I can understand. Some of them are exposed to many unchristian values, and so some of the ideas seem strange to them. However, they did most of the work.

"You were kind in letting us study the course together and I am grateful for your help," notes this teaching nun. "Next year I will be teaching in Italy."

The Voice of Prophecy — saving radio — is reaching behind convent walls; it is entering abbeys, priories, monasteries, and beaming into rectories. Quietly, thoughtfully, nuns, monks and priests and other members of Roman Catholic orders are sampling the good things of God — via radio and the lessons of the Bible correspondence course.

Pray for the "unreachables" that The Voice of Prophecy is reaching. And get involved — have a personal part in helping and telling about The Voice of Prophecy.

> HERBERT FORD Public Relations Director Voice of Prophecy

Newfoundland -

Baptism In Lethbridge, Newfoundland



It was a joy to the Lethbridge Church on World Baptism Sabbath when Mary Critchley followed her Lord in baptism. Pictured with Mary after her baptism are left to right: Pastor Roy Day, the new Lethbridge district pastor, Frank Johnson, Principal of the Lethbridge school, and Elder David Crook.

Mrs. David Crook

Newfoundland Welcomes New Workers

R. A. MATTHEWS, President SDA Church in Newfoundland

The Seventh-day Adventist Church in Newfoundland is pleased to welcome new ministers and new teachers to the working force in Newfoundland, Pastor Starling Nicholas comes to us from Washington, D.C. At present he is part of the evangelistic team headed by Pastor D. S. Crook. He has been leading out in the music and helping with the visiting and follow-up work. Pastor Gordon Miller and his wife Edna come to us from Andrews University where Brother Miller has completed his BD. degree. The Millers also are associated with the evangelistic team. Miss Lydia Batten, who has been serving us as a school teacher in Newfoundland for several years, has been invited to be a Bible worker with the evangelistic team.

Roy Willard Day III and his wife Rosemary and their twenty-month-old son Roy Willard IV come to our field from Andrews University where Brother Day has completed his BD. course. The Days have taken charge of the Lethbridge district.

Miss Patricia Graham, comes to Newfoundland from Lacombe, Alberta. She took her teacher training in Canadian Union College. At the present time she is teaching grades 3 and 4 in St. John's.

Miss Elsie Magoon comes to us from the eastern townships, Quebec. She is an experienced teacher and we are pleased to have her use her talents in Lethbridge, where she is teaching elementary grades.

Mr. and Mrs. John Janes were born in St. John's, Newfoundland. Brother Janes recently graduated from Atlantic Union College where he took his teacher training. He is teaching grades 5 and 6 in the Seventh-day Adventist elementary school in St. John's.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Sayler, their two daughters and son come to us from Fox Valley, Saskatchewan. Brother Sayler is teaching in Botwood, Newfoundland.

Also a cordial welcome is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Martin Fritz and their two sons, who come to us from Stettler, Alberta. They are residing in St. John's, Newfoundland. Brother Fritz is carrying a heavy load on the teaching staff in the St. John's Seventh-day Adventist Academy. He teaches grades 7 and 8. A warm welcome is extended to this family.

We wish the Lord's blessing upon the new ministers and upon the new teachers that have come to our field. May their ministry be fruitful. At the writing of this article the evangelistic team is conducting a crusade in the city of St. John's. Please pray for the prosperity of the gospel in Newfoundland.



Pastor Starling Nicholas



Pastor and Mrs. Gordon Miller



Pastor and Mrs. Roy Willard Day III and their son Roy Williard IV.



Miss Lydia Batten is the Bible Worker in Newfoundland's evangelistic team.



Miss Patricia Graham



Miss Elsie Magoon



Mr. and Mrs. John Janes



Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Sayler

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Maritime -

St. John's, Newfoundland Baptism By T. G. DAVIES St. John's, Newfoundland



Pictured above are five souls baptized Sabbath November 15, in connection with the St. John's, Newfoundland effort, Front row left to right, they are: Linda White; Mrs. Joan White; Mrs. Lydia Moore; Mr. Edward Moore and Mr. George Snow. Brother Snow joined the Bay Roberts Church, the remainder, the St. John's Church. In the rear row are the members of the permanent effort staff, left to right, Elder D. Crook, conference evangelist; Pastor G. Miller; Miss Lydia Batten, Bible Worker; Pastor Starling Nicholas, singing evangelist and Pastor T. G. Davies. Others assisting on the ministerial staff part time are Pastors O. Orpana, J. Rusk, W. Seidel and R. Day.



Pictured at the pulpit in the St. John's Church is Pastor David Crook, evangelist-speaker for the series.

However much of Christmas giving, the real Christmas must be first in the heart. It is more blessed to give than to receive. Acts 20:35 Nutrition School Featured in Dartmouth J. W. WILSON, Conference President



(Photo Credit: Dartmouth Free Press)

Miss Ella May Stoneburner of the General Conference Medical Department and Mrs. Dorothea Van Gundy Jones of Loma Linda Foods in California are shown to the left of the picture as they join together with representatives from the Maritimes in a Health and Nutritional School recently held in the Dartmouth Church, Nova Scotia.

The last week of October found representatives from a number of the churches in the Maritime Conference gathering together for instruction in health and nutrition in the Dartmouth Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Throughout the day Miss Ella May Stoneburner of the General Conference Medical Department guided those who wished to further their interest in this field. Some thirty hours of instruction were given and there were a number of graduates from this particular course.

During the evenings, Mrs. Dorothea VanGundy Jones gave practical demonstrations on healthful cooking. On the concluding evening approximately 75 individuals were present for the final demonstration as well as the awarding of certificates. It is anticipated that a goodly number of those present will now be qualified to give additional instruction in their various home churches on the subject of healthful cooking and healthful nutrition.

It certainly was a privilege to have both of these ladies present to give instruction and many were the happy comments of those who were able to receive the instruction.

Unique MV Investiture in the New Glasgow Church

(MRS.) ALBERTA BLAKE

On November 8, 1969, young people in the New Glasgow District received forty MV class insignia. So many of these young people are scattered around in various places it made it difficult to make contact with all of them.

Mrs. Alberta Blake personally oversaw and directed the effort for these young people and the result was most gratifying. Possibly this unique approach may be of inspiration to others and for this reason we are submitting the following questions and answers,

- Question: In how many different areas of the district did you have the MV cards in circulation?
- Answer: We had the MV cards circulated in six areas in our district plus our home church. One of the girls in

the home church had her niece working along with her. The niece's father will not allow her to attend church. Perhaps this is one avenue of bringing the knowledge of the Bible to this dear young girl. She was invested in absentia.

- Question: Did you personally do all the MV work with the young people?
- Answer: No. It was impossible to see the young people who are from isolatedmember homes or from isolatedinterest homes. I gave mothers, a father, and even a grandmother the privilege of listening to the work completed by these young people.
- Question: How long a period of time was involved in preparing for this investiture?
- Answer: Nearly a year. It took letters of explanations to some of the homes

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where I wasn't able to contact them personally.

- Question: Was the investiture service an inspiration to the young people?
- Answer: Yes, it certainly was. We all had a goal to work toward. After the investiture, one young person said, "It was worth working for."
- Question: Will this programme be continued throughout this district?
- Answer: Yes, it will and also with the support of the Pastor. Our plans for the coming year include the following: (a) The younger students will continue
 - working on the MV classes.(b) The older students as well as working on the next classes will begin
 - working on honours.
 (c) A round robin letter will be on its way once every month with instructions for each young person.

Each can contribute too. We will become better acquainted.

- (d) Plans are forming for a spring weekend camping trip working towards MV honours.
- (e) We would like to work along the lines of a Pathfinder Club with a great deal of adapting.
- (f) Two new families along with others will be introduced to our programme.
- Question: Could any district, any place, follow this plan successfully?
- Answer: Yes, I'm sure anyone could work this type of programme. Where the young people in the church are scattered and could not get out to church or to Pathfinder meetings, this type of programme could be adopted. We have found this programme is getting to the hearts of our youth. A baptism in the future for some of the young people will be our reward.

Welfare Federations in British Columbia

Elder C. C. Weis was the guest speaker at the B.C. Welfare Federations November 4-6. His accounts of the work done by Seventh-day Adventists in the civil disturbances and Resurrection City were challenging. There is much that we can do if we are prepared and willing.

New officers were elected for the next two years for the three Federations. They are as follows:

VANCOUVER ISLAND WELFARE FEDERATION

President

Mrs. Herbert Goertzen, Courtenay Vice-Presidents Mrs. Alfred Greaves, Rest Haven Mr. H. Rudolph, Rest Haven

Secretary-Treasurer

Mrs. Hazel Kaardal, Nanaimo

Assist. Sec.-Treasurer

Mrs. J. A. Ainscough, Victoria



Two of the officers of the Vancouver Island Federation are seen here with Pastor L. R. Krenzler in Welfare uniform and Pastor C. C. Weis from the General Conference Lay Activities Department. The officers are: Mrs. Herb Goertzen (left) re-elected president of the Federation and Mrs. Alfred Graves, one of the newly elected vice-presidents.

FRASER VALLEY WELFARE FEDERATION

President

Mrs. F. Mindenhall, Mission

Vice-Presidents Dr. G. Ellison, Westminster Miss Linda Dauncey, Vancouve

Miss Linda Dauncey, Vancouver Secretary-Treasurer

Mrs. T. F. Alexander, Langley

Assistant

Mrs. Thea Kickbush, Chilliwack

OKANAGAN VALLEY WELFARE FEDERATION

President Mrs. Fred Wagner, Westbank

Vice-Presidents

Mrs. E. Lucius, Kamloops Mr. Mel Hoover, Vernon

Secretary-Treasurer Mrs. Gunner Flindt, Grandview Assistant

Mrs. F. Hill, Penticton

Stock Piling

Mrs. Otilia Krenzler, Kelowna

The Federation officers include men. It was suggested by Elder C. C. Weis that men should be included. This was heartily accepted and men were included. Their services can be invaluable.

The meetings were in Rutland, Vancouver, and Nanaimo.

May God richly bless the officers for the next two years.

> L. R. KRENZLER, LA Secretary British Columbia Conference

Grandview Flats Church News



Sixteen members of the Grandview Flats Silver Star Pathfinder Club and a total of 238 cans and jars they collected.

Instead of the usual "Trick or Treat" at Halloween, this year 16 happy and enthusiastic children, members of the Grandview Flats Silver Star Pathfinder Club, under the direction of Mrs. R. Paul, went out the evening before Halloween on October 30 to a number of homes to gather articles of food for hampers for the needy. A total of 238 cans and jars were collected as well as 13 articles of clothing and \$4.38 cash.

To conclude the evening the children and their leaders gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Schafer and were served hot chocolate.

> (MRS.) FLOYD SMITH PR Secretary

Sabbath School Investment In B.C.



Mrs. Mary Siemens showing one of her tablecloths to Elder C. C. Weis, guest speaker at the Fraser Valley Welfare Federation meeting in the Vancouver Church.

Reports in British Columbia indicate another good year in Sabbath School Investment, Mrs, Mary Siemens of the Aldergrove Church crochets tablecloths. For one tablecloth she received \$145. About \$120 will go to Sabbath School Investment.

There are numerous projects and the Lord is blessing.

Total Sabbath school offerings for the first three quarters of 1969 reached an all-time high surpassing the same period in 1968 by over \$8,000.

God bless all of our Sabbath School members as they study the Word and serve Jesus by giving for missions.

> L. R. KRENZLER SS Secretary

Through her faithful witness, her brother Edwin Crosby was converted. At the present time he is a minister with the Florida Conference.

She was a colporteur from 1918 until her marriage to Frank Payne in 1930.

While living at Quathiaski Cove as isolated members, she conducted Sabbath School and worship hour each Sabbath, and was instrumental in organizing her non-Adventist neighbours to do Ingathering in the surrounding territories.

Known for her rich contralto voice, and vibrant Christian character, her pet quotation to those who were discouraged was "Keep on Keeping on."



Mrs. Norma E. Payne

Successful Bake Sale

The ladies of the Williams Lake Seventh-day Adventist Church sponsored a very successful bake sale on October 23, in the Safeway Store.

Mrs. Dave Smart, Mrs. Dennis Long and Mrs. Wilbur Jones served the many satisfied customers who surrounded the tables laden with bread, pastries and other items for the sweet tooth.

One hundred and thirty-eight dollars was realized from this sale.

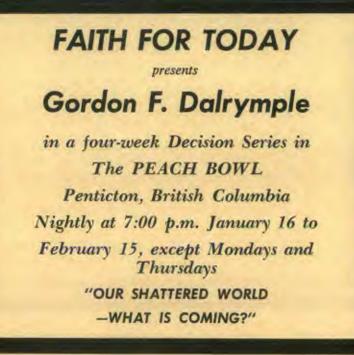
(MRS.) C. SMITH Williams Lake Church

Fifty Years of Faithful Witnessing

Norma E. Payne was born August 19, 1888, in Ontario and passed away November 13, 1969, in North Vancouver, B.C. Impressed by the conversion of her brother Bill Crosby (who was baptized by Elder Luther Warren in 1915) she was baptized in 1917. Ring in the valient man and free, The larger heart, the kindlier hand; Ring out the darkness of the land, Ring in the Christ that is to be.

Tennyson

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CANADIAN UNION MESSENGER

FIRST WEEK - January 16-23

- Friday, January 16 "OUR SHATTERED WORLD What Is Coming?" COLOUR MOTION PICTURE - "The Living Desert," Part One, A Disney nature epic.
- Saturday, January 17 "CHRIST AND THE MODERN FLOODLIGHTS." Unforgettable portrayal of what happens at the second coming of Christ. MOTION PICTURE — "The Living Desert," Part Two.
- Sunday, January 18—"THE HEAVENS ARE TELLING." Amazing astronomical discoveries give an idea of heaven's location. MOTION PICTURE — "LSD And You." Premiere presentation of one of the most important films ever to be shown in this area.

Monday, January 19 - NO MEETING TONIGHT

- Tuesday, January 20 "HAS IMMORALITY BECOME FASH-IONABLE?" Are the Ten Commandments outmoded? MOTION PICTURE — "One In Twenty Thousand." Graphic portrayal of the relationship between smoking and lung cancer.
- Wednesday, January 21 "EMBLEM OF LIBERTY, LOYALTY AND LOVE." Its identity is the greatest proof of all that God is Creator. MOTION PICTURE – "Faith for Today and the Voice of Prophecy Song Programme," in colour.

Thursday, January 22 - NO MEETING TONIGHT

Friday, January 23 — "MARTIN LUTHER," PART I. Unforgettable saga of the Reformation and its hero, Martin Luther. MOTION PICTURE — "The African Lion," Part One. Magnificent Disney colour film featuring the story of the king of beasts and the animals of his realm in the shadow of Kilimanjaro on the plains of Africa.

SECOND WEEK – January 24-30

- Saturday, January 24 "ON THE EVE OF ARMAGEDDON." Gripping analysis of the tensions that presently exist between East and West, with particular attention given to the Middle East. MOTION PICTURE — "Martin Luther," Part Two.
- Sunday, January 25 "THE HOUSE THAT DEATH BUILT." Standing not far from San Jase, California, it has an intriguing story. What is the truth about modern spiritism? MOTION PICTURE — "Martin Luther," Part Three.

Monday, January 26 - NO MEETING TONIGHT

- Tuesday, January 27 "TAMPERING WITH HEAVEN'S CONSTITUTION." Why has God's law been changed? MOTION PICTURE — "Beaver Valley," Disney's magnificent colour story of the beavers.
- Wednesday, January 28 "THE GREAT QUESTION GOD CANNOT ANSWER." What is it? MOTION PICTURE — "Brazil Mission Launch." A Faith for Today documentary in colour.

Thursday, January 29 - NO MEETING TONIGHT

Friday, January 30 — "TIME NO LONGER — When?" MOTION PICTURE — "Jungle Cat," Part One. Starring the jaguar, this cast includes the remarkable inhabitants of the Amazon wilderness in colour.

THIRD WEEK - Jan. 31 - Feb. 6

Saturday, January 31—"ONE THOUSAND YEARS OF PEACE." Is the Golden Age almost upon us? MOTION PICTURE — "Jungle Cat," Part Two. Sunday, February 1 — "WILL THE OLD BOOK STAND?" Is the Bible outdated? Gripping indictment of modernism. MOTION PICTURE — "Jungle Cat," Part Three.

Monday, February 2 - NO MEETING TONIGHT

- Tuesday, February 3 "DISCOVERED! The Cross of Christ in a Jewish Sanctuary." Unforgettable description of symbol and ceremony related to the cross. MOTION PICTURE — "Mysteries of the Deep." A fantastic voyage portraying the incredible life in the mysterious kingdom under the sea.
- Wednesday, February 4 "THE NEW TESTAMENT SABBATH." What is the significance of it? MOTION PICTURE — "So Soon To Return," epic Faith for Today quartet song programme on the imminence of Christ's return.

Thursday, February 5 - NO MEETING TONIGHT

Friday, February 6 — "GOD'S TRUE CHURCH OF THE LAST DAYS." How to identify it. MOTION PICTURE — "White Wilderness," Part One. From frost-bitten Arctic regions come the polar bear, gray wolf, wolverine, whale and reindeer. A wildlife epic by Disney in colour.

FOURTH WEEK – February 7-15

- Saturday, February 7 "MARK OF APOSTASY THAT WILL KEEP MILLIONS FROM HEAVEN." What is it? MOTION PICTURE — "White Wilderness," Part Two.
- Sunday, February 8 "HOW NEAR ARE WE TO JUDGMENT DAY?" The Bible has the answer. MOTION PICTURE — "Water Birds." A picture of rare beauty, alive with excitement and rare glimpses of seaside and marshland feathered creatures.

Monday, February 9 - NO MEETING TONIGHT

- Tuesday, February 10 "CAN THE SABBATH BE KEPT ON A ROUND WORLD?" Perplexing questions about observing God's memorial answered. MOTION PICTURE — "The Vanishing Prairie," Part One. Colour Disney film. The stirring portrayal of the great American prairie.
- Wednesday, February 11 "LAW AND GRACE." Is grace or law to dominate the Christian's life? MOTION PICTURE — "The Vanishing Prairie," Part Two.

Thursday, February 12 - NO MEETING TONIGHT

- Friday, February 13 "HIGHWAYS TO HEALTH AND HAPPINESS." What is the secret of radiant health? Learn about the remarkable health laws in God's Word. MOTION PICTURE — "Prowlers of the Everglades," another colour Disney film. From the forbidding everglades of Florida comes this most unusual story of the alligator, otter, birds and other creatures who inhabit these swamplands.
- Saturday, February 14 "HOW YOU CAN BURY THE PAST." What Does the Bible say about baptism and the ceremonies of the Christian Church? MOTION PICTURE — "The Olympic Elk," A Disney colour film. The spectacular story of the majestic and magnificent elk.
- Sunday, February 15 "THE POINT OF NO RETURN." When does a Christian reach it? MOTION PICTURE — "Lapland." From the far north comes the story of a nomadic race who inhabit the frozen wastelands of Norway, Sweden, Finland and Russia.

These meetings are worth driving many miles to attend. Plan now to be on hand every night of the series; fill your car with friends who need to learn of Christ's love.

Faith for Today Box 8, New York, N.Y. 10008 A beautiful large size copy of "YOUR BIBLE AND YOU" will be given those attending the Penticton series — an \$18 value.

Penticton Church News

Situated in the Okanagan Valley, between Lake Okanagan on the north, Skaha Lake on the south, with their spacious beaches, and with fruit orchards within the city limits, and mountains dotted with beautiful homes and orchards on the east and west, and an overall dry healthful climate, the city of Penticton continues to be a tourists' attraction. Through the summer, the church has had guests from Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, and Ontario, as well as Washington State, and D.C., Oregon, California, Alaska, the Northwest Territories, and Australia.

Several members have moved to other districts on account of the availability of their particular jobs. The church misses these long-time active members. But it has been happy to add others to its membership. Pastor and Sister Lunny Astleford, hailing from Jamaica, have settled in a new home on a mountainside with a magnificent view of the city and mountains beyond. The Pastor's retirement is being spent in conducting church services where a pastor is away, and in helping with the Ingathering in different churches. Brother and Sister Edwin Koopman are also recent newcomers. Other new members joined by baptism, story to follow later.

Sister R. A. Hubley, a long-time member, known to many all over Canada, has recently moved to the Philippines. In her letter to friends in Penticton she described an "Adventist Home Classes" graduation at the Philippine Union College. Sixhundred seventy-two received their diplomas to return to their several home churches, to let their lights shine for God.

The Sabbath School Investment programme under the leadership of Brother Don Stoyanowski, is steadily and readily reaching its \$800 goal. After the Fall Investment Sabbath, a fellowship supper and auction sale were enjoyed by all. Four "almost professional" auctioneers kept the ball rolling, as plants, pots, pans, dishes, novelties, gadgets, baked goods, garden produce, and an innumerable number of indescribables and antiques, were auctioned off. Proceeds amounting to over \$150 were earmarked "Investment." Not included in this amount was the "Dollar Doll" dressed by the Kindergarten and Cradle Roll division (averaging twelve children) in forty-seven crisp new greenbacks. The doll, also, sold for \$54. The accompanying photo by Mr. Duffy, photographer for the Penticton Herald, shows five-year-old Carla Trynchuk proudly displaying the "Dollar Doll." The Junior room is continuing to the end of the year an exciting car race between the girls and boys.

> (MRS.) F. SWITAK Penticton Church PR Secretary

Due to lack of space in this issue, items from Prince George, Rest Haven and Mission City will appear in the December 29 MESSENGER.



Carla Trynchuk holding the Investment "Dollar Doll" dressed in Canadian dollar bills — value \$54.

Ontario-Quebec -

Farewell to the Mercers

After two years of dedicated service to the East Toronto Church, shared of course with the Richmond Hill congregation, we bade farewell to our friends, the Mercers.

We expressed our gratitude to this fine family on October 4 when we shared an evening of enjoyable activities and had a lovely Ceylonese dinner, after which we presented them with a token of remembrance.

Pastor Mercer has accepted a call to the Province of Saskatchewan where we know his inspiration will be a blessing to his new flock.

For the Mercers we ask God's blessing upon them and say "au revoir"; to their successors, Pastor George Emm and family, we extend a hearty welcome.

Sister Margaret Walker composed a



Shown with Maxine, Mrs. Mercer, Pastor Mercer and Carol, is Yvonne Jansz, presenting Mrs. Mercer with a corsage on behalf of the Young People's Missionary Volunteers. The Mercers' other daughter, Sharon, was not present at the farewell, due to a prior engagement — a honeymoon!

very fitting poem which we would like to share with you.

To our dear Pastor Mercer, Whose stay was much too short, Godspeed on your new calling, And for God, another port. For your little flock in Toronto East You worked so very hard; And thanks is such a little word, But we say it with grateful hearts. But greater thanks to God above For sending such a man To lead us and to guide us In fulfilling God's great plan. We remember Sister Mercer For Vacation Bible School, And their elder daughter, Sharon, For her singing, so beautiful. And Carol and Maxine Who also did their part -A dedicated family We have taken to our heart. Now with regrets we say good-bye, Farewells are always sad; But in our hearts we know our loss Will make some others glad. This is the way with pastors, it seems -One goes and another comes; But each holds a special place of his own In the hearts of loved ones. We know God planned it this way, And some day, on Heaven's shore, We will meet with all our pastors Where farewells will be no more. To quote two lines of that good old hymn,

"Blest be the tie that binds", We shall still be joined in heart And hope to meet again. Used with free poetic licence

May God's blessings go with you. YOUR TORONTO EAST CONGREGATION

Iron Bridge United Church Mission Festival

The United Church of Iron Bridge and district invited the Seventh-day Adventists to enter a booth in their Mission Festival, held Ocober 19. We were happy to respond to this invitation, and were grateful for the assistance from the Conference



Excellent public relations achieved at Iron Bridge, through participation in Mission Festival. Basil Brock, Iron Bridge Seventh-day Adventist Church elder, second from right, and Reverend John Brown, pastor of Iron Bridge United Church, organizer of the Mission Festival, right.

in sending free literature and photos of our foreign and local missions.

A short service was held in the public school auditorium before the tours of the various booths. Dr. Alan Knight, a United Church missionary, spoke of the progress, particularly in agriculture, in Angola and the Congo. Brother and Sister Basil Brock, members of the Iron Bridge Seventh-day Adventist Church, favoured the group with a vocal duet.

During the tour of the booths, the visitors enjoyed the denominational film, "Kimaru." Many availed themselves of the literature displayed.

We were pleased to contribute, and witness in this community gathering. It is our prayer that hearts will be stirred as a result of our efforts and the literature received.

> FRED IRISH, Pastor Iron Bridge District

Baptism in Montreal



Elder C. C. Weis, associate secretary of the General Conference Lay Activities Department, left, was able to hear Elder Nembhard's stirring message, "Bible Arithmetic," while in Montreal recently for Dorcas Federation meetings.

Four precious souls were added to the membership of the Montreal English Church by baptism on Sunday, November 2, 1969. Celia McQueen, Joyce Burth, Sarah Godding and Mr. Hope Knight were the sheaves gathered in as the result of a three-week evangelistic campaign conducted by Pastor M. G. Nembhard, executive secretary of the West Indies Union, assisted by Pastor E. J. Parchment and Brother F. D. Warden.



Pastor Parchment presented gift books to visitors who correctly answered all quiz questions the previous evening. Above is one of the happy recipients.



During the series of meetings there were frequent sacred musical numbers. Pastors Nembhard and Parchment listen intently to an inspirational solo.

The members were also blessed by the pastor's messages and they supported the meetings well. They and their friends nearly filled the church for three nights each week. Pastor Parchment and Brother Warden are busily engaged in following up the contacts made. A further harvest is expected as some are planning on baptism in the near future, while others are still studying the message.

(MRS.) AMELIA HILL, PR Secretary Montreal English Church

The gift without the giver is bare; who gives of himself with his alms feeds three—himself, his hungering neighbour, and me.

James Russell Lowell

Kingsview Village Baptism

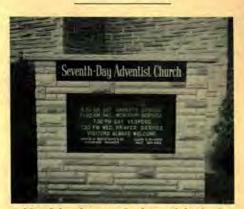


"Pastor Handysides, I should have been baptized years ago!" said Mr. George Pritchard, left, minutes before he slipped into the watery grave of baptism. He was happy at last to take his stand. Six years ago Brother Pritchard listened to Pastor Vandeman's broadcast, then three years later he and his wife, who is an Adventist, attended the Toronto First Church on Pauline Avenue, where Pastor John Mustard was the minister. Brother and Sister Pritchard are leaving this area to live in England, where they will attend the church at Torquay, South Devon.

Mrs. Thora Gregg, centre, who recently came from St. Vincent, West Indies, made her husband (an Adventist) very happy when she went forward in baptism. Just a month ago the couple dedicated their baby to the Lord.

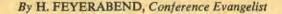
Following the baptism, Wendy Thorne appropriately sang "Follow Me." Surely this will be the experience of these dear folk as Jesus lays hold on their hearts and lives.

> (MRS.) LILLIAN STERRETT, PR Secretary Kingsview Village Church



Vandals destroyed the original sign which stood on the grounds of the Galt Church. The church members were sad, but not discouraged over the incident. It was decided that a new and stronger sign should be erected. Brother D. G. Blacker arranged for the sign not only to be stronger, but for the stones to match the beauty of the stones in the church. The sign testifies that someone cares.

Pastor Vandeman Follow-up Crusade





Pastor H. Feyerabend, Ontario-Quebec Conference evangelist who is conducting the follow-up meetings of the "It Is Written" Crusade in the Toronto-Hamilton area.

The IT IS WRITTEN Crusade continues! After six weeks of intensive evangelism following up the many televiewers of the "It Is Written" telecast, meetings are being continued in Hamilton, Toronto, and Willowdale once each week. Our non-Adventist friends are continuing to attend the meetings, and over a thousand attended the first meetings after Pastor Vandeman left. Many decisions are being made, and new people are coming to the meetings for the first time. Taking part in the Crusade along with the Conference evangelist and the pastors of the area, we have a musical group consisting of Tracy Botelho from Brazil, who has been called to be part of the Conference evangelistic team, and a group of enthusiastic youth from the Willowdale Church who are donating their time to help in this work. They are Gail Leatherdale, soprano soloist, and a musical group under the direction of Pastor Jerry Morgan, called the Young Christian Minstrels.

Thrilling experiences are unfolding from meeting to meeting. Pastor F. B. Wells in Hamilton had a family, who had never given their names, invite him to their home, and at his first visit they requested baptism and church membership. Pastor George Emm relates that he had approximately twenty new people in his church the past Sabbath. In all of our churches, baptisms are being planned before the end of the year, and all of



Gail Leatherdale, soprano, who assists in the meetings.

our churches are growing as a result of this work.

We thank Elder Vandeman for the inspiration and uplift of six weeks of meetings, and pray that God may bless as we go forward in this work, that it may continue to grow.



Tracy Botelho at the organ.

The Young Christian Minstrels, Pastor Jerry Morgan, the leader, stands at the left.

The cry of the Wise Men, "Where is he?" expresses the basic need of the human family... "Where is he that is born King?" To all who sincerely seek Him, there is abundant assurance in the Bible that Christ may be found. As yuletide bells ring out and the sobering strains of "Silent Night, Holy Night" are heard, may our footsteps turn once again in search for the Redeemer, and let there be no slacking the pace till He be found.

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Alberta —

Investment Fellowship

Legal Notice Alberta Conference of S.D.A.

Notice is hereby given that the thirtyseventh Biennial Session of the Alberta Conference of the Seventh-day Adventist Church will be held at the Calgary Seventhday Adventist Church, 1920 - 13th Avenue N.W., Calgary, Alberta, on Sunday, February 8, 1970. The first meeting of the session will be called at 10:00 A.M. Sunday. The purpose

The first meeting of the session will be called at 10:00 A.M. Sunday. The purpose of the meeting is to elect officers for the Conference for the ensuing biennial period, to consider changes in the constitution and bylaws, and for the transaction of any other business that may properly come before the session. The constitution provides for representation from each church in the Alberta Conference as follows: one delegate without regard to members, and an additional delegate for every ten members or major fraction thereof.

A. W. KAYTOR, President M. D. SUITER, Secretary-Treasurer

Fall Federations In Alberta



Elder C. Weis, Associate Secretary General Conference Lay Activity Department

Elder C. C. Weis, Associate Secretary of the General Conference Lay Activity Department was guest speaker at the Southern Alberta Federation meeting on October 30 in Calgary and Central Alberta Federation meeting on November 2nd at Canadian Union College.

Elder Weis spoke of the Health and Welfare work which was done during the recent violent outbreaks in the cities of America. He also told the story of Resurrection City in Washington, D.C. The Seventh-day Adventist Church was largely responsible for the welfare of the people in Resurrection City and keeping them from revolt and bloodshed.

Mr. Dave Bates and Mr. Bill Smith of the Alberta Emergency Welfare Services Branch were present at the Central Alberta Federation meeting. They expressed appreciation for the work the Seventhday Adventists are doing to aid mankind and in preparation for disaster, should it ever arise.



Left to Right: Mr. John Reitor, Mrs. Reitor, Dr. Ralph Haynes, and Dr. Edward Siemens, Investment Director.

Members of the Red Deer Church met together for an Investment fellowship supper on Sunday, November 22nd. After the supper, everyone's attention was turned to the Investment programme.

Dr. Edward Siemans, Investment Director for the church, directed a short programme. He asked those who had Investment projects to relate what they were doing and what success they were having. Dr. Ralph Haynes stated that he was now cutting his own hair and the money he saved went for the Investment offering.

John Reitor, salesman for the Canadian Union College Furniture Factory, said he would give \$5.00 for every new account he was able to secure. Thus far he has turned in \$125.00 for Investment. His wife, Mrs. Reitor started making pillows from Upholstery remnants of the factory. These lovely pillows sell very well in furniture stores. Mrs. Reitor has only been making pillows for a couple of months and has turned in \$88.00 for Investment.

Five Years of Miracles:

"Investment"

The Loyalist Church Sabbath School members have had a part in this miracle offering during the past five years. As usual the projects have been many and varied. All of the projects were unique and original to different situations and vocations or occupations. They included such collateral as a portion of newly cultivated land's crop yield that, in spite of Jack Frost's devastation, brought in \$170.00 from five acres. A group of calves "seem to be striving for supremacy" because the best will be sold for a family's Investment offering. Most of the rain showers in a certain district seemed directed on a certain farm. Could it be because the farmer was Investing money to the Lord for every 1/2 inch of moisture during a specified period of time? Onetenth of the total production from a certain summerfallow field was pledged by a member. It was the first time he had reaped a near thirty bushel an acre crop from the field. Cream cheques showed an increase with 2% being given to this project. A percentage of a total calf crop for 1969 amounting to approximately \$135.00 was pledged and children saved dimes, nickels and pennies and labels from the vegetarian health foods purchased. Various participants stood during the Sabbath School service on November 15th and related the above experiences. In 1968 the Loyalist children and adults raised \$772.44 - and this year it appears that the figure will be near the \$852.00 mark.

> (MRS.) S. SANKEY PR Secretary Loyalist

Hungarian Evangelistic Meetings in Calgary

A. W. KAYTOR, Alberta Conference President

November 11, 1969, marked the beginning of a series of Hungarian meetings held in the Canadian Hungarian Club by Elder Charles J. Sohlmann from New York.

The first meeting was a real disappointment. Apart from a few Hungarian Seventh-day Adventist members, only one couple was in attendance. This situation continued through the next few meetings but faith and much prayer produced results.

On the sixth evening, two prominent families from the Hungarian Presbyterian Church attended. "You have chosen a bad place to hold your meetings," they said, "This club does not have a good name in the community and this is the reason your attendance has been so poor, but we have been very impressed with your meeting tonight." As a result of this meeting, contact was made with the Hungarian Presbyterian minister who spent hours visiting and pouring out his heart to Elder and Mrs. Sohlmann. He asked Elder Sohlmann to cancel his meetings in the Canadian Hungarian club house and continue them in the Hungarian Presbyterian Church. He also offered him his pulpit on Sunday, which Pastor Sohlmann gladly accepted.

From then on, God's Holy Spirit continued working as these Hungarian people begged Elder Sohlmann for Bible studies. Several families said, "We have



Reverend B. D. Nagy, minister of Hungarian Presbyterian Church, and Mrs. Nagy, dressed in the Hungarian national costume.



A group in attendance at the Presbyterian Church. Front row, left to right: Mrs. Nagy, Reverend Nagy, Elder Sohlmann and Mrs. Sohlmann.

learned more about the Bible in these last few nights than all the years we have been members of our church in Calgary."

When the Sabbath truth was presented, twenty-one non-Adventists were in attendance. After the meeting, Pastor Sohlmann allowed some time for questions and answers. One by one, the people present stood up and testified that what they had heard that night regarding the Bible Sabbath was truth in verity and indicated their desire to obey all of God's commandments. Many asked Pastor Sohlmann, "What shall we do? Shall we leave our church?" Elder Sohlmann replied very wisely, telling them that this was a matter that they would have to settle with their God.

Following the presentation of the Sabbath truth, the attendance continued to increase. The last two or three nights there were between 50 and 60 people in attendance. Elder Sohlmann was persuaded to stay for an extra evening because of the genuine interest.

"How great thou art," springs from our hearts as we see how faith and trust in the Lord's promises brought about this wonderful interest and soul hunger for truth from these dear Hungarian people.

Now we must continued to feed them. We have enrolled several in the Hungarian Bible Course. We pray that this will mark the beginning of an Hungarian Church in Calgary.



Elder and Mrs. Sohlmann viewing the scenic beauty of Banff National Park.



Elder Sohlmann lecturing, with Mrs. Sohlmann at the piano.



Left to right: Elder D. D. Devnich, pastor of Calgary Church, Reverend Nagy, Elder Sohlmann, Elder Kaytor. Elders Kaytor and Devnich assisted in the Hungarian evangelistic meetings.

Manitoba — Saskatchewan —

Yorkton Harvest Festival

(MRS.) J. ASTOLFI, PR Secretary, Yorkton

November 9, 1969, was a great day for our Yorkton believers as they played host to our surrounding churches, to come and worship together in the school auditorium. Truly everyone was overjoyed as we thought of the past year in which we were greatly blessed by our Lord with bountiful crops, good gardens and the beautiful harvest weather. As God's people, how thankful we should be to Him.

In the morning service, our guest speaker, Elder C. Klam, Treasurer of the Union Conference, brought to our attention the advancement and the growth of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. We were reminded of the story of Elijah, because he was faithful and willing, God had used him in a mighty way, as leader in God's church and also a soul winner. God's hand is not shortened today that He cannot use you. Are you willing?

A delicious dinner was prepared by the ladies, and greatly enjoyed by all. At 2.30 p.m. we reassembled to listen to music of solos, duets, trios, as well as instrumentals, led out by Brother Edwin Appudoray. Immediately following, our conference President, Elder W. Soloniuk, brought to us a message, "Organ Transplant" — the wisdom of scientists and medical doctors, who can take one organ



Left to right: Brother Ray Hogeboom, points the devotional book for 1970, "THINK ON THESE THINGS", to Elders W. Nepjuk, C. Klam and W. Soloniuk. Two of these books were awarded to the two eldest people in the congregation. Mrs. Shirley Strom who passed her 90th birthday and Mrs. E. Guderyan who passed her 80th birthday.

out of a human body and transplant it into another body, thus prolonging man's life. But God's wisdom surpasses. God says, "I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you a heart of flesh" (Ezekiel 36:26), and give life eternal. How grateful we should be to Him who understands and cares.

I believe that each one of us who attended this wonderful occasion of thanksgiving, has drawn one step closer to our God. May God help us that we may not only be thankful to Him once a year, but in each hour, each day of our lives. Elder Dower of General Conference Speaks to Manitoba-Saskatchewan Workers



Elder N. R. Dower speaking to the workers.

"We must have a converted ministry". "We are majoring in minors". "The value of a gift is determined by its cost to the giver, and its worth to the receiver". "There is a difference between man's and God's evaluation of greatness".

All this and more besides was enthusiastically received by the workers and their wives of the Manitoba-Saskatchewan Conference, as attentively they listened to Elder N. R. Dower of the General Conference.

For one and one-half days, those present were inspired as lessons were drawn from the experience of John the Baptist.

As God's spirit moved upon the hearts we covenanted to press forward the work in our field. The ladies present took advantage of timely counsel shared by Mrs. Dower who accompanied her husband to Winnipeg.



Those who came to enjoy the blessings of the day.

There is love at Christmas because Christmas was born of love. Let us, each one, keep alive the spirit of love and glorify God.

Josepha Emms



Elder W. G. Soloniuk thanking Elder and Mrs. Dower for their visit to Winnipeg.



Elder G. F. Williams welcomed to the Conference as Lay Activities and Sabbath School Secretary.

A bouquet to Bernard Skoretz, of Park Manor Personal Care Home for catering to our physical needs.

JOHN W. POPOWICH Conference Evangelist

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A Few Highlights from the Winnipeg English Church

As one looks back on the programme in the Winnipeg English Church we can all say, it has been good to be a member here. God has blessed us and together we go forward in faith. A few of the highlights of the past few months have been: Elder C. C. Weis was the guest speaker at the Dorcas Federation and Lay Activities Rally. Everyone enjoyed his message. Elder N. R. Dower, Secretary, General Conference Ministerial Association was the speaker for the Week of Prayer and Revival meetings. Elder Dower presented nine thought-provoking messages. At the close of the week, Miss Joyce West and John Wall were baptized. John has had the influence of a Christian home, the church school and the church to prepare him for this vital step. Miss West had her first contact with Seventh-day Adventists when she moved into an apartment where the Peter Heinricks family lives. They invited her to Camp Meeting at Clear Lake, Elder Dower was the guest speaker for that session of Camp Meeting. Through the Heinricks' family faithful witnessing and weekly church attendance Joyce also found her Lord.

The MV department is always busy featuring interesting programmes and activities. November 1st was MV piano offering dollar day. With a good response from the members the MV society has purchased a new piano.

The Adventist ladies held their annual noon luncheon, handwork and baking goods sale. They received over \$225.00 from this project which will go to help equip their Dorcas room in the new English Church.

The Winnipeg English Church building programme is still On. One of the many means of raising funds was a very enjoyable evening with Anton Lendi in a lyceum featuring "Beautiful Switzerland." Mr. Lendi is associated with the Swiss consulate in Toronto.

With car loads of youth and adults interested in the young people, the Manitoba - Saskatchewan Conference Youth Rally was well represented from the two provinces. Dr. Charles Wittschiebe, professor of pastoral psychology and counselling at the SDA Theological Seminary, Andrews University, was the guest speaker. Dr. Wittschiebe presented talks that gave new hope, new life in Christ for "the whole man" - for youth in today's world. "I am persuaded that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord." Romans 8: 38, 39.

Pastor and Mrs. C. Cooper of the Regina, Saskatchewan Church presented their travelogue "Yukon Gold". The funds received benefited both the Regina church school building fund and the Winnipeg English building programme.

Pastor R. H. Ferris has been busy with the Five-day Stop Smoking Plan. Cur-

Parent-Child Dedication at Bella Coola

Two children were presented to the Lord by their parents at a special dedication service at Bella Coola, British Columbia on October 25, 1969.

Pastor D. R. Godsoe, who with his family was visiting with Mrs. Godsoe's parents, relatives and friends, conducted the dedication service. It was a real joy to be at Bella Coola again to worship with our faithful believers who seldom have a minister in their midst.

Pastor Godsoe spoke to the congregation concerning the meaning and significance of a child dedication service, presenting Scriptural examples and counsel. The parents were admonished to be faithful in their responsibilities, keep their children true to God, and follow the counsel of the Bible and Spirit of Prophecy.

John Burton Astleford, nephew of the writer, and Laureen Cavelle Godsoe, daughter of the writer, were the two children presented to the Lord. The pastor held each child in his arms while offering a dedication prayer for each family and child represented. A dedication certificate with an attached rose was presented to each parent for his child.



Left to right: Pastor and Mrs. Godsoe and daughter Laureen; Mrs. Joe Astleford and son, Burton.

rently he is presenting the fourth clinic concentrating in the Transcona area where the Adventists operate the Park Manor Personal Care Home. Many activities are planned in the next month and in the New Year. God is blessing us in greater Winnipeg and may we let our light shine for Him.

> (MRS.) JOYCE MCKAY Winnipeg English Church

May God bless our faithful believers as they hold high the truth in the beautiful Bella Coola Valley and may God daily bless our children and help us to lead them into God's kingdom to meet Jesus face to face.

> PASTOR D. R. GODSOE Brandon, Man.

Mrs. Linda (McKay) Zaversnuke



Mrs. Linda McKay Zaversnuke, a graduate of Walla Walla College in the field of Foods and Nutrition, completed her year of dietician internship this fall. She is presently employed at the Winnipeg General Hospital. Mrs. Zaversnuke will be able to witness our health message in this large medical centre.

> (MRS.) JOYCE MCKAY Winnipeg English Church

The Swift Current "It Is Written" Crusade is moving into its third week, with the attendance increasing.

Pastor Popowich was invited to speak to the Swift Current Kiwanis Club. This appointment gave opportunity to make known the "It Is Written" Crusade in a more formal way.

> JOHN W. POPOWICH Conference Evangelist

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Raising Our Goals to Win Souls

Report for Week Ending November 29, 1969

Conference	Goal	Raised to Date in '68	At this Time in '69	1969 % of Goal
Alberta	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 29,910.51	\$ 29,994.55*	60.0
British Columbia	50,000.00	30,050.60	30,564.04*	61.1
Manitoba-Saskatchewan	50,000.00	45,812.89	42,819.40	85.6
Maritime	24,000.00	16,158.51	20,175.38*	84.1
Newfoundland	9,000.00	6,060.25	5,386.44	59.8
Ontario-Quebec	100,000.00	58,723.17	61,088.17*	61.1
St. Laurent	1,000.00	844.11	1,009.50*	101.0
UNION	\$284,000.00	\$187,560.04	\$191,037.48*	67.3

* Exceeding last year at this time

The Canadian Union Is Off to a Great Start - Congratulations

ST. LAWRENCE leads the way by being the first OVER THE TOP, and already on their way to an overflow! CONGRATU-LATIONS to our French members and leaders!

MANITOBA-SASKATCHEWAN and MARITIME are following closely, with each well over 80 percent of their goals. Great going!

Thrilling reports show five fields (ALBERTA, BRITISH COLUMBIA, ONTARIO-OUEBEC, MARITIME, and ST. LAW-RENCE) in the gain column; with gains great enough to put the UNION more than \$3,000 above last year at this time. EXCELLENT!

Monday evening Elder Herb Larsen held the first of a series of Bible studies in a home of six adults, as the result of an Ingathering contact Saturday evening.

"The weather is terrific - everything is on the up!" enthusiastically reports Elder Soloniuk, president of the Manitoba-Saskatchewan Conference, and who is leading out with the Ingathering campaign until their new Lay Activities man arrives. He reports that Saskatoon got started Saturday night, with a resultant \$1,300.

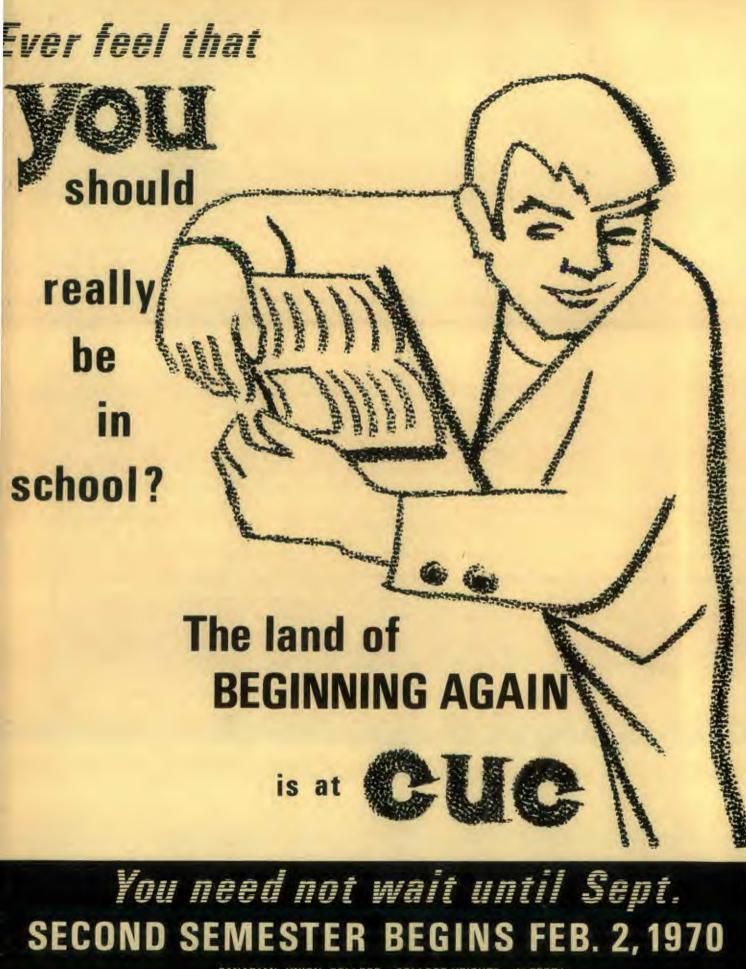
On her first time out Ingathering, a lady in Newfoundland over 70 years of age, received a gift of \$25.00.

May we share with you a letter received December 1 in the Canadian Union office:

"Dear Sirs: We were much impressed by the brochure that was given to us at the door of our home by one of your young ladies, and we enclose herewith a cheque for \$20.00, which in a small way we hope will help in your medical work abroad.

"You are to be commended for this important part of our Christian faith. We are members of another church but we feel where there is a need among the peoples of these poorer countries, a church that does more than its share should be supported. May God bless you in the work . . .

> W. E. KUESTER, Secretary Lay Activities Department



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