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**J.W. Wilson**

*President, Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada*

# President

**A**FTER AN ELEVEN DAY  
 MARCH FROM SINAI,  
 Israel arrived at Kadesh-  
 Barnea, the gateway to the promised  
 land. It was rich, fruitful, and beautiful  
 — and it also was peopled with  
 giants.

A master plan, one from each tribe,  
 sent "the twelve" out for forty days to  
 reconnoiter. They were to develop a  
 feasibility study, to secretly investigate  
 — oh, well, let's face it, they were sent  
 out secret agents. They were spies!

The most famous spy in all the Bible  
 was Caleb, the Kenazite. He may have  
 descended from the Edomites, but  
 certainly he was not an Israelite. He  
 was a part of the "mixed multitude." He  
 was an Israelite by adoption and was  
 accepted and absorbed into the tribes.

As one of the spies, he was re-  
 sourceful, fearless, adaptable and  
 enterprising. He was a man of humble  
 faith, humble and above all, a spokesman  
 for God. He served his people with  
 quiet trust and fidelity.

The report of "the twelve" developed  
 mass hysteria among the people which  
 resulted in frustration, anger, resent-  
 ment, and rebellion. The two million  
 wailing people tore their clothes and  
 tried to comprehend why they had to  
 fight for something that had been  
 promised.

Caleb and Joshua accepted the  
 Kadesh-Barnea death march decree  
 without a murmur although they must  
 have been terribly disappointed. It was  
 not God's plan to wander forty years in  
 the wilderness. It was His plan that  
 they should be a holy, happy, healthy  
 people in the promised land.

Unbelief, worldliness, strife and lack  
 of conversion postponed the fulfillment  
 of God's plan. As the spies searched for  
 forty days, so now Israel marched for  
 forty years in an area of fifty by  
 seventy-five miles before they could do

a repeat performance at Kadesh-Barnea.

Meanwhile, Caleb waited, watched,  
 prayed and marked time while his  
 contemporaries fell one by one in the  
 desert. They sat waiting to die. He  
 waited the Lord's good time. Once  
 again, with the forty years passed, they  
 stood at the borders of the promised  
 land. The land was still rich, it was still  
 fruitful, it was still beautiful and was  
 still peopled with giants. Here was this  
 child of a stranger, this adopted son of  
 Israel, this elected spy, this prince of  
 Judah, this spokesman of God, who  
 "wholly followed the Lord." in Joshua  
 14:8.

Caleb said, "Give me this mountain."  
 He was asking for the most difficult job  
 that there was because Mount Hebron  
 was the stronghold of the giants.

Said the Lord's messenger in  
 Volume 5, page 383, "We want Calebs  
 now who will press to the front —  
 chieftains in Israel who with courageous  
 words will make a strong report in  
 favour of immediate action. Let the  
 voice of the Calebs be heard, even  
 though the cowardly ones stand with  
 stones in their hands."

In every period of the Lord's work  
 Calebs have responded. Men of thorough  
 fidelity, men who have followed the  
 Lord fully, men who are as true as steel  
 to principle, men who walk humbly  
 with God, who are patient, kind and  
 courteous.

We have these "Calebs" and I want  
 you to know of their good reports.  
 They have "wholly followed the Lord."  
 They have said, "Give me this mountain."

## ADRA (Canada)

**John M. Howard**

This humanitarian relief and develop-  
 ment agency supports, rehabilitates  
 and enhances the quality of life and the  
 well-being of the underprivileged  
 without reference to ethnic, political, or



# Session Report

12th Session  
of the Canadian Union Conference

religious association.

ADRA helps people to help themselves through its various resources, and during this period has developed some 40 projects which are found in every world division excepting the South Pacific.

During this period, ADRA's funding exceeded \$3,000,000 compared to the \$675,000 during the early pioneer days with Lowell Cooper in the early 1970's. From its inception, ADRA has blossomed beyond human expectation. Indications for the future are most promising.

## Adventist Youth/ Stewardship

**Perry A. Parks**

"The church of the future," certainly, but the today's youth are equally important as the "Now of the church."

The five youth mission outings, authored by Alberta's Lloyd Janzen, the Pan America Youth Congress in Mexico City, the North American Pathfinder Camporee in Colorado, the Eastern Canadian Youth Congress in Peterborough, Ontario, and the fantastic campus ministries of our academies and colleges have developed a marvelous outlet for our fantastic youth.

Special blessings are promised to cheerful stewards. Returning faithful tithes is a prudent responsibility. The four basic thrusts of Stewardship during this period have been:

1. Church budgeting
2. Personal Giving Plan
3. Conference advance
4. Family Finance Seminars

God has blessed in all areas in youth and stewardship in a marvelous way during this period.

## Christian Education

**J.D. Victor Fitch**

A teaching minister for youth is engaged in soul winning and soul saving. His two-fold purpose is to prepare the students for this world and the world to come.

Quinquennially, in excess of 1,000 of our pupils have accepted Jesus in baptism. Twenty-one new schools have

taken the place of 10 closures for a total of 94 schools at terms end. From a high mark of 4,069 students, enrollment has dropped fractionally to 3,886.

The affiliation with Union College, the CUC summer school program, and the Loma Linda Masters program have gone far in providing 80% of Canadian teachers with proper denominational certification.

## Personal Ministries/ Sabbath School

**C.S. Greene**

Support for overseas missions has developed in two key ways. Mission offerings show a 20% increase over the previous period and quinquennial Ingathering dollars raised total \$3,250,000. From Ontario came \$1,250,000. Alberta and Manitoba-Saskatchewan raised \$500,000 each to go with the \$600,000 raised in British Columbia. Newfoundland's leading per capita resulted in \$120,000 while Quebec and the Maritimes raised almost \$400,000. Ingathering is progressive and the North American Division can count on Canada to do its part.

Revelation Seminars and Lay Evangelism Workshops have taken on new and bold dimensions. Hundreds of laymen are quickening the tempo. Layman Debeye, Montreal LaSalle Church, recently held a lay crusade and baptized nine precious souls. Who will be next to catch the evangelistic fire?

## Public Affairs/ Religious Liberty

**D.D. Devnich**

The beginning of the quinquennium coincided with the re-patriation of Canada's Constitution which, for the first time, guaranteed freedom of conscience and religion. Providential is the only way to describe the Church's intervention in the challenge to the 1907 Lord's Day Act.

Here in Ontario, the challenge to Sunday legislation has resulted in the entire case being referred to the Supreme Court. The church's counsel, David B. Thomas, represents the church

for the first time in Canada's highest court.

Issues of equality of rights, problems of Sabbath observance in the workplace, the development of a Conscience Clause in the Canadian Labour Code, and other issues continue unabated.

## Publishing/HHSC

**Paul R. Cordray**

"God has ordained the canvassing work." CM, p. 6. Fifty-eight literature evangelists on the average, are attacking most areas of Canada. What have they accomplished? Here it is! Over 1,000 former Seventh-day Adventists were contacted. Some 2,000 individuals were brought to outreach meetings along with the 40,000 homes which appreciatively had prayer offered. 19,000 have been enrolled in Bible courses, while 222,000 pieces of literature have been distributed. All told, 500,000 hours of caring, loving labour have been expended.

Here, with the assistance of Brothers Juriansz and Ruba, 325,000 books with a value in excess of \$7,500,000 have been placed in homes across Canada. The great news — over 300 have been baptized.

The publishing brethren will accept Harvest 90 and will double the DOables!

## Trust Services/ Revolving Fund

**F. Lloyd Bell**

Our Christian will uniquely witness that Christ is first in life and death. The Christian will be a continuation of His influence. It is the climatic expression of a faithful steward's life.

During this period, wills written (about 3,000) have doubled over the previous period. Income maturities to God's work have increased by 300%. Even with this, surveys indicate the majority of Seventh-day Adventists do not have a legal will. Are you one of them?

From 1981 to 1985, Revolving Fund loans total 99. Delinquency is a rarity and none is in a bad debt definition. Deposits to the Revolving Fund now total \$4,495,328.62. What a rich blessing





**Gary DeBoer**  
Treasurer



**Norm Klam**  
Former Treasurer



**Reid Coolen**  
Assistant



**Erika Skula**  
Senior Accountant  
and Property Manager

# CANADIAN UNION CONFERENCE OF THE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

## Combined Balance Sheet Tithe & Specific Purposes (Unaudited) 1981-1985

	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985
<b>ASSETS</b>					
<b>Current Assets</b>					
Cash and Bank	\$1,121,447	\$ 760,425	\$ 400,495	\$ 494,152	\$ 722,669
Securities & Investments	953,958	1,408,962	1,222,173	926,455	936,998
Accounts Receivable	1,886,479	1,977,779	1,867,712	2,613,177	2,458,544
Loans Receivable	43,924	29,065	257,500	322,200	395,107
Prepaid Expense	4,969	5,021	4,596	3,367	3,716
Supplies Inventory	9,614	8,236	8,036	0	0
Inventories	4,029	0	0	0	0
Due from Other Funds	171,832	133,853	382,616	538,644	427,784
Total Current Assets	4,196,252	4,323,341	4,143,128	4,897,995	4,944,818
<b>Fixed Assets</b>					
Equipment (at cost)	168,209	174,563	179,237	215,363	245,945
Less Accumulated Deprec.	112,597	121,873	128,266	145,032	170,553
Total Fixed Assets	55,612	52,690	50,971	70,331	75,392
<b>Other Assets</b>					
Notes & Loans Receivable	61,387	69,375	61,875	54,375	46,875
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$4,313,251</b>	<b>\$4,445,406</b>	<b>\$4,255,974</b>	<b>\$5,022,701</b>	<b>\$5,067,085</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>					
<b>Current Liabilities</b>					
Accounts Payable	\$2,108,361	\$1,875,139	\$1,893,825	\$1,772,234	\$1,698,854
Trust Funds	7,307	5,135	7,175	750,235	978,801
Due to Other Funds	171,832	133,853	382,616	538,644	427,784
Total Current Liabilities	2,287,500	2,014,127	2,283,616	3,061,113	3,105,439
<b>Fund Balances</b>					
S.P. Oper. Cap. Fund Balance	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
Inv. in Equip. Fund Balance	55,612	52,690	50,971	70,331	75,393
Oper. Sub-fund Balances	1,191,311	1,539,067	1,270,189	1,163,381	1,162,441
Capital Sub-fund Balance	182,168	216,883	105,019	99,849	52,872
Tithe Working Capital Reserve Fund Balance	546,660	572,639	496,179	578,027	623,753
Total Fund Balances	2,025,751	2,431,279	1,972,358	1,961,588	1,964,459
<b>TOTAL LIAB. &amp; FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$4,313,251</b>	<b>\$4,445,406</b>	<b>\$4,255,974</b>	<b>\$5,022,701</b>	<b>\$5,069,898</b>



# The Treasurer's Report

## CANADIAN UNION CONFERENCE OF THE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985
<b>Tithe Receipts by Conferences:</b>					
Alberta	\$ 3,683,393.90	\$ 4,035,247.93	\$ 4,043,298.62	\$ 3,955,097.05	\$ 4,176,825.72
British Columbia	4,925,853.43	4,853,700.26	5,098,978.82	5,127,295.74	5,307,224.21
Manitoba-Saskatchewan	1,504,731.41	1,692,116.42	1,671,998.53	1,644,652.29	1,684,242.19
Maritime	710,883.05	822,583.40	872,205.13	930,196.98	981,945.94
Newfoundland	263,399.36	297,859.25	334,122.21	347,197.78	345,034.22
Ontario	5,764,323.09	6,259,078.70	6,609,342.89	7,230,553.26	7,825,934.25
Quebec	655,277.22	695,689.32	771,907.21	847,844.25	938,164.92
Union Miscellaneous	22,619.27	26,842.94	20,907.00	19,476.59	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$17,530,480.73</b>	<b>\$18,683,118.22</b>	<b>\$19,422,760.41</b>	<b>\$20,102,313.94</b>	<b>\$21,259,371.45</b>

### Mission Fund Receipts by Conferences:

Alberta	\$ 419,696.42	\$ 413,336.41	\$ 413,875.61	\$ 399,117.38	\$ 390,326.56
British Columbia	597,500.57	562,566.16	578,963.32	589,277.98	610,689.41
Manitoba-Saskatchewan	158,118.22	172,842.96	166,554.66	153,378.96	146,421.54
Maritime	81,405.66	85,888.90	87,999.60	89,741.64	92,125.77
Newfoundland	23,708.38	22,988.01	22,651.41	24,323.52	23,883.45
Ontario	400,672.61	384,843.77	400,208.79	434,685.49	444,856.90
Quebec	41,852.34	39,160.21	43,023.77	53,308.34	55,632.47
Union Miscellaneous	500.00	90.00		50.00	48.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$1,723,454.21</b>	<b>\$1,681,716.42</b>	<b>\$1,713,277.16</b>	<b>\$1,743,883.31</b>	<b>\$1,763,984.10</b>

### Mission Fund Receipts By Funds:

12 Sabbaths	\$ 883,690.86	\$ 906,127.90	\$ 950,558.72	\$ 958,782.66	\$ 967,383.36
13th Sabbath	199,054.08	196,678.66	198,103.92	207,408.00	213,874.82
Birthday-Thank	67,323.72	63,104.75	68,497.93	73,115.01	77,764.87
Investment	357,966.16	325,134.57	317,396.30	328,515.48	328,897.34
Annual Sacrifice	88,667.68	89,117.78	82,837.01	83,600.27	93,235.24
Mission Extension	37,680.41	32,697.86	25,701.48	30,766.82	34,884.46
Missions Miscellaneous	89,071.30	68,854.90	70,181.80	61,695.07	47,944.01
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$1,723,454.21</b>	<b>\$1,681,716.42</b>	<b>\$1,713,277.16</b>	<b>\$1,743,883.31</b>	<b>\$1,763,984.10</b>

### Summary of Funds Remitted to General Conference:

Mission Funds	\$1,723,454.21	\$1,681,716.42	\$1,713,277.16	\$1,743,883.31	\$1,763,984.10
Ingathering	630,156.01	715,265.84	621,622.36	710,477.11	691,597.51
Percent of Tithe	3,317,836.94	3,532,545.29	3,659,164.70	3,837,311.17	4,091,474.42
Retirement Fund	1,400,628.83	1,487,388.14	1,557,262.17	1,656,489.47	1,807,060.25
Small Conference Fund	96,935.70	96,205.21	103,516.17	104,550.68	109,421.06
Specific Funds	87,752.25	96,491.32	111,469.04	97,497.01	211,511.72
<b>From Local Conference</b>	<b>7,256,763.94</b>	<b>7,609,612.52</b>	<b>7,766,311.60</b>	<b>8,150,208.75</b>	<b>8,675,049.06</b>
Percent of Tithe	175,304.80	186,831.18	194,227.60	201,023.14	212,593.71
Retirement Fund	141,872.44	151,612.38	157,054.63	167,450.91	180,704.66
Small Conference Fund	969.36	962.05	1,035.13	1,242.22	1,094.21
<b>From Union Conference</b>	<b>318,146.60</b>	<b>339,405.61</b>	<b>352,317.36</b>	<b>369,716.27</b>	<b>394,392.58</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS REMITTED</b>	<b>\$7,574,910.54</b>	<b>\$7,949,018.13</b>	<b>\$8,118,628.96</b>	<b>\$8,519,925.02</b>	<b>\$9,069,441.64</b>



# The Treasurer's Report — Continued

## CANADIAN UNION CONFERENCE OF THE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

### Statement of Income & Disbursements Tithe Fund (Unaudited) 1981-1985

INCOME	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1981-85 Total	% Comparative
Tithe from Conferences	\$1,705,786	\$1,865,627	\$1,940,185	\$2,008,284	\$2,125,937	\$9,690,819	99.08%
Miscellaneous Tithe	22,619	26,843	20,907	19,476	0	89,845	0.92%
<b>TOTAL TITHE</b>	<b>1,773,405</b>	<b>1,892,470</b>	<b>1,961,092</b>	<b>2,027,760</b>	<b>2,125,937</b>	<b>9,780,664</b>	<b>100.00%</b>
<b>DISBURSEMENTS</b>							
Workers' Salaries & Expenses	719,872	689,247	695,861	693,212	695,771	3,493,963	35.72%
Admin. & General Expense	235,646	281,895	348,235	366,109	399,092	1,630,977	16.68%
Specific Exp/Assis. & Subsidies	113,594	144,526	156,054	62,087	87,876	564,137	5.77%
Appropriations	198,540	182,632	237,692	221,788	275,257	1,115,909	11.41%
Tithe Percentages							
Remitted	318,147	339,191	352,532	369,716	394,392	1,773,978	18.14%
ARTS-Bad Debt	0	0	97,178	0	0	97,178	0.99%
<b>TOTAL EXPENSE</b>	<b>1,585,799</b>	<b>1,637,491</b>	<b>1,887,552</b>	<b>1,712,912</b>	<b>1,852,388</b>	<b>8,676,142</b>	<b>88.71%</b>
Net Tithe Available Before Subsidies	187,606	254,979	73,540	314,848	273,549	1,104,522	11.29%
Subsidies Received	74,750	0	0	0	0	74,750	0.76%
<b>Net Income Available After Subsidies</b>	<b>262,356</b>	<b>254,979</b>	<b>73,540</b>	<b>314,848</b>	<b>273,549</b>	<b>1,179,272</b>	<b>12.06%</b>
<b>OTHER INCOME &amp; EXPENSE</b>							
Other Tithe Income	28,900	0	0	0	10,462	39,362	0.40%
Other Tithe Expense	320,000	229,000	150,000	233,000	238,284	1,170,284	11.97%
<b>NET OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE)</b>	<b>(291,100)</b>	<b>(229,000)</b>	<b>(150,000)</b>	<b>(233,000)</b>	<b>(227,822)</b>	<b>(1,130,922)</b>	<b>-11.56%</b>
<b>NET INCREASE (DECREASE) TO TITHE WORKING CAPITAL RESERVE</b>	<b>(\$28,744)</b>	<b>\$ 25,979</b>	<b>(\$76,460)</b>	<b>\$ 81,848</b>	<b>\$ 45,727</b>	<b>\$ 48,350</b>	<b>0.49%</b>

#### Notes to Financial Statements for the Years Ended December 31, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984 and 1985

##### NOTE 1 — Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

**Fund Accounting** — To ensure observance of limitations and restrictions placed on the use of resources available to the Conference, the accounts of the Conference are maintained in accordance with the principles of fund accounting. The accounting records are divided into two funds: the Tithe Fund and the Specific Purposes Fund. The Tithe Fund is used to account for tithe income and its related expenditures. The Specific Purposes Fund is used for non-tithe projects and certain tithe activities that require a separate accounting. The year-end balance sheets are consolidated to reflect the full position of the Conference in a single financial statement.

**Accounting Method** — The accounting records are maintained on the accrual basis of accounting.

**Equipment** — Equipment is capitalized at cost in the Specific Purposes Fund. Depreciation is based on historical cost using the straight line method.

**NOTE 2 — Retirement Plan** — Employees are eligible to participate in a noncontributory defined benefit pension plan administered by the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists in Washington, D.C.

**NOTE 3 — Rental of Office** — The headquarters office building is leased from the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada, who owns the property. The office rental expense is recorded in the operating statement of the Canadian Union Conference.





**Staff**  
Elmer Littman  
June Ulett

## Foundations

*The media foundation's investment during the quinquennium in sharing the good news in Canada totalled \$5,265,284.55 or an average of \$1,053,056.91. Thank you for your support of these ministries.*

### Total Expenses for the Foundations 1981-1985

#### IT IS WRITTEN

	EXPENSES	INCOME	GAIN (LOSS)
1981	468,583.17	436,490.80	(32,092.37)
1982	557,463.05	585,296.11	27,833.06
1983	567,717.23	621,632.69	53,915.46
1984	680,153.25	704,108.08	23,954.83
1985	668,712.78	721,593.30	52,880.52
<b>TOTALS</b>	<u>2,942,629.48</u>	<u>3,069,120.98</u>	<u>126,491.50</u>

#### THE VOICE OF PROPHECY

1981	430,101.31	412,015.70	(18,085.61)
1982	459,749.08	347,743.24	(112,005.84)
1983	375,199.88	399,109.16	23,909.28
1984	406,835.77	389,754.01	(17,081.76)
1985	436,857.15	565,737.96	128,880.81
<b>TOTALS</b>	<u>2,108,743.19</u>	<u>2,114,360.07</u>	<u>5,616.88</u>

#### FAITH FOR TODAY

1981	69,987.69	54,663.83	(15,323.86)
1982	76,242.68	56,177.50	(20,065.18)
1983	33,484.80	63,455.94	29,971.14
1984	16,779.42	51,151.67	34,372.25
1985	17,417.29	57,936.17	40,518.88
<b>TOTALS</b>	<u>213,911.88</u>	<u>283,385.11</u>	<u>69,473.23</u>

## Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada Statement of Mission

The Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada recognizes the unique role to which Christ has called it, and the urgency of the message of salvation and judgment (Rev. 14) delivered to it. Thus, the church has a divine compulsion to reveal the character of Christ in every aspect of its dynamic quality.

Therefore its mission is to:

### Evangelize

To attractively present, in a winning manner, the saving love of Christ to the diverse provincial, cultural and ethnic inhabitants of Canada declaring the good news of Christ by means of witnessing, preaching, and a life-style of the adherents of the church that is consistent with the gospel. The purpose of this outreach is to gain more accessions to the cause of Christ.

### Nurture

To effectively bond together the diverse membership of Canada through the spiritual maturation of believers into a body — the body of Christ — developing bridges of Christian love that will span the many provincial, cultural and ethnic barriers. The purpose of this inreach is to foster commitment by the believers to the tenets of the faith as the church trains, involves, encourages and affirms; thus bonding the members within the church communion.

Thus, the mission and purpose of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada is to promote and lead the church to unity, service, and sacrifice. In unity, we stand as one body in Christ, recognizing the equality of human beings, whatever their race or national origin. In service, we use all our resources for the advancement of the Kingdom of God. In sacrifice, we give ourselves to "spend and be spent" to win men and women that they may commit themselves to the full gospel of Christ preparing for His soon return. ☿





## Secretary's Report

**G.E. Maxson**

*Secretary, Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada*

**N**UMBERS, RECORDS AND STATISTICS can be a tedious bore for many of us, but they can be very important and exciting when they refer to people. Even when listed in the Bible we pass over them too fast and lightly. Yet, Christ considers one very important when it is one lost sheep.

The Seventh-day Adventist work in Canada began with Joseph Bates traveling to Canada with his Sabbath tract in 1848. In the eastern townships of East Angus, he held the first meetings. In 1849 he held further meetings at West Eli and Farnham. By the summer of 1850, James and Ellen White traveled to Melbourne by horse and carriage, which had been donated to them by the believers of Sutton, Vermont. They had "a joyful time" visiting about twenty who were strong in the faith. Joseph Hoole of Comptom became the first Sabbath keeper in Canada back in 1846. As of December 31, 1985, we have 35,689 Seventh-day Adventists.

On February 6 and 7, 1864, the first Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada was organized at Westbury by the Bourdeau brothers. Today we have 289 churches in Canada. Yet, our single, biggest challenge still is to evangelize Quebec! In September, 1875, Brethren A.C. Bourdeau and Owens pitched the first Seventh-day Adventist evangelistic tent in Canada. In September the Stukely-Bolton church was organized which is still in existence after 111 years. Ernest Monteith writes, "At the second camp meeting held in Canada at Magog in August, 1880, the believers in Quebec numbering only 132 were organized into a Conference by James White, then president of the General Conference. Present for the occasion also were Ellen White and George Butler." The Conference was a

sisterhood of a total of three churches with an Executive Committee of three. In 1882, the total tithe received by the Conference was \$469.15. Yet, in 1985 the total tithe for the Canadian Union was \$21,259,371.45. Truly, what God hath wrought!

During the quinquennium, several significant activities have taken place:

1. The Thousand Days of Reaping challenged all of us and 5,000 precious souls were added to the church in Canada.

2. A study and evaluation committee was named as a result of questionnaires sent throughout the Union which reflected significant perceptions and concerns as to the role and function of the Union in Canada.

3. Study was also given to the legal structure of the Church in Canada. As a result of these studies, several changes in the role, function and structure have

been incorporated or are being recommended to this Session.

In the quinquennium we find the following trends: The ratio of accessions to members was only 2.6%. The ratio of losses to accessions was 2 to 5. The percent of mission offerings to tithe was 9.8% in 1981 and 8.3% in 1985. Therefore, it is imperative that we clarify and prioritize the mission of the church so that our outreach may be more effective and so that we do not have great losses.

We speak of being a Caring Church. This concept is an important and tremendous challenge to our lifestyle as a church. We need an open front door and a closed back door. This means that all of us must be more sensitive to the needs of others whether in the church or outside the church. We need to, as individuals and churches, give more attention to our neighbours, our visitors, our new members, our absent ones, our youth and our hurting ones with definite programs to meet their needs, to enfold them in the church, provide spiritual guardianships, to nurture or train them for service.

Let us accept the challenge of striving to reduce our losses by 20% this year. This would increase our net growth with two churches of 140 members per year. To do this does not necessarily require extra budgets, but does require commitment by loving, concerned members who care enough to be involved in caring ministries. Then we will be a Caring Church! ☺

### CANADIAN UNION CONFERENCE CHURCH GROWTH COMPARATIVE REPORT

Year	Membership	Churches	Baptisms	Apostasies	Gain	%	Tithe
65	16,189	179	663	217	263	1.7	2,132,248.34
70	19,307	183	1037	266	778	4.2	3,415,958.85
75	25,143	215	1633	306	1253	5.2	8,219,080.85
80	31,396	257	1724	305	1174	3.9	15,279,341.00
81	32,529	267	1696	367	1133	3.6	17,530,480.73
82	34,027	273	1892	597	1498	4.6	18,683,118.22
83	34,708	280	1718	895	681	2.0	19,422,760.41
84	35,085	284	1549	815	377	1.1	20,102,313.94
85	35,689	289	1682	842	604	1.7	21,259,371.45

	Membership by Conferences					Churches				
	81	82	83	84	85	81	82	83	84	85
Alberta	5946	6304	6554	6677	6848	45	49	50	52	52
B.C.	7689	8101	8210	8159	8166	60	62	63	63	64
Man.-Sask.	3291	3375	3380	3361	3290	41	41	41	42	42
Maritime	1667	1754	1815	1876	1820	24	24	24	26	27
Nfld.	703	755	743	744	720	8	8	9	9	9
Ontario	11378	11811	12167	12417	12788	74	74	77	75	77
Quebec	1855	1927	1839	1851	2057	15	15	16	17	18



## *Purpose and Role of the Union* - Reported by G.E. Maxson

### *Canadian Union Conference of the Seventh-day Adventist Church*

**S**INCE 1901, IT CAN BE SAID that the basic constituent blocks of the world church have been the union conferences.

The union conference performs several continuing vital functions:

- I. It trains, counsels, and guides the personnel in the local conferences/missions and serves as a resource centre for evangelism and nurture and provides sharing of financial resources through the budgetary process. It processes the request for funds and the flow of monies between the General Conference and the conferences.
- II. It preserves unity in beliefs, plans, policies, and focus for the preaching of the gospel in the territory of a group of conferences/missions. To do this effectively many variables must be considered such as ethnic, cultural, territory of the conference. The number of conferences/missions must not be unreasonably large.
- III. It provides a closer and more frequent contact with local conferences than the General Conference is able to maintain.
- IV. It addresses issues that have interconference aspects or consequences.
- V. It operates institutions on behalf of the local conferences/missions, keeping the administration of these institutions responsive to the needs and wishes of the local organization.
- VI. It is responsible for the acceptance of conferences/missions into the sisterhood of conferences.
- VII. It speaks on behalf of the General Conference to the conferences/missions and their churches reflecting the decision of the General Conference and uniting the local organizations behind



the world program of the church.

VIII. It is the official voice of the church to government, other churches and organizations and maintains contact through publications.

IX. It reflects the needs, wishes and concerns of the local conferences/missions to the General Conference in two ways:

- A. The union president sits as a member of the General Conference Committee.
  - B. The union conference is the constituent body of the North American Division and the General Conference and its delegates help elect the committees, officers and department directors of the General Conference.
- X. It provides a support-level of administration and appeal for its organizations.

It is important for the unified operation of the Church that the basic levels of structure (church, conference/mission, union, General Conference/division) be maintained and kept in creative, pragmatic, and balanced relationship. The recent study, including field interviews, by the Commission on

the Role and Function of Denominational Organizations clearly confirms this.

Fundamental to Church unity is the local church, the organized fellowship of individual believers in each place. The conference/mission unites organizationally the churches in a specific geographic area. The union represents a united body of conferences/mission within a larger territory. The General Conference embraces all unions and churches in all parts of the world and joins together the whole worldwide fellowship of believers into a united body.

The division is an administrative unit of the General Conference, with commensurate authority to carry out responsibilities in the territory assigned to it. It is not a separate constituent level of organization. As its name "division" implies, it is a section of the General Conference, not an "association" or "joining" of Church organizations, as is the case for unions or conferences.

The various levels of denominational organization provide ascending previews and reviews of leadership. Thus elected or appointed representatives can function freely, in a balanced relationship, and handle aspects of administration, coordination, and promotion that need to go no higher. This eliminates inefficiency or even failure that comes from distant control and lack of firsthand information and direct involvement.

Inter-organizational relationships are based on mutual cooperation, counsel and trust. This means that each level or organization must have the authority and ability to carry out, in harmony with the *Church Manual* and overall Church policy, its assigned tasks and responsibilities, without duplication on, or stifling control from, other levels.





## Harvest '90

**Lawton G. Lowe**

*Vice-president, Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada*

**W**HAT IS HARVEST '90? Harvest '90 is the worldwide soul-winning plan of the church. It was adopted at the General Conference Session in New Orleans, Louisiana, June 30, 1985.

*What is the Canadian Union's response to the Harvest '90 challenge?*

On March 2, 1986 your Canadian Union Executive committee voted to accept the four major objectives:

1. Renewal and personal growth for every member through Bible study, intercessory prayer, fellowship and worship.
2. Doubling the number of accessions to the church over the number reached during the "1000 Days of Reaping". (The committee voted an objective of 9,850 baptisms by 1990.)
3. Doubling the number of people attending worship services and participating in church activities on Sabbaths.
4. Training, equipping, and involving a majority of the regularly attending church members in soul-winning activities.

It is our prayer at the Union office that every church, school, medical institution, and organization will adopt these major objectives to their own situation for the next five years.

*What plan will help us achieve this exciting goal of*

*9,850 baptisms by 1990?*

The DOables!

What are the DOables? — They are actions — concrete actions! Things that can be done — NOW!

To illustrate, let me suggest some DOables that the Union Conference is prepared to do:

1. Form a spiritual life committee to plan for spiritual activities.
2. Set aside funds — beyond normal allocations — for public evangelism, Revelation seminars, etc.
3. Actively promote the circulation of our Adventist periodicals and Spirit of Prophecy books.

4. Set goals to conduct workshops and seminars that will train members in soul-winning skills. Equip and assign staff to conduct these workshops.

*What are some of the DOables that a local conference can do?*

1. Invite the staff to pray for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on every member in the Conference.
2. Help every church and institution plan and conduct at least one public evangelistic program each year.
3. Count the people present at Sabbath school

## Laymen & Women Discover Do-Ables in Revelation Seminars

*A typical lay-person, lay evangelist Madge Wilson, has found a way to make things happen. A relatively new Adventist at the time, the fires of evangelism were kindled in her heart six years ago at a Maranatha Seminar and she has been active ever since in conducting lay crusades and more recently, Revelation seminars.*

*With the strong support of her Action Team, Madge concluded a Revelation seminar last January in which four people were baptized; and she is currently leading out in another with ten non-members attending. More than half of the people who attend her series, usually make decisions in favour of church membership. Madge and her Action Team just love them right into the church, and they stay.*

— Ontario Conference

and Church each Sabbath, to establish actual attendance of members and non-members over a three year period.

4. Provide resource materials to train and equip church members for soul-winning.

*How can the local church get involved in the DOables?*

1. Develop a prayer list in each church — NOW!
2. Plan ways to involve the members of the church in direct evangelistic outreach — encourage every church member to be a caring person!
3. Help each member develop his/her spiritual gifts and understand the importance of these gifts to the church as a whole.
4. Develop ministries that help members to participate in soul winning activities, particularly home visitation.

After DOables are agreed upon by a conference or local church, a time line should be established for implementation of them. If the DOables are not meeting expectations, something can be done to correct any unforeseen problems that might have arisen.

Moving the Caring Church into action should be our first priority during Harvest '90. Our planning should begin now, and as we are projecting from our planning committees, these same plans should continue to project until the coming of Jesus. "It is the privilege of every Christian, not only to look for, but to hasten the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ." *Testimonies*, Vol. 8, p. 22, 2 Peter 3:10-13.

*What will be my/your personal DOables for Harvest '90?*

Set down and prayerfully look at the four major objectives for Harvest '90, and apply them to your personal relationship with your Lord and your church. Ask the Lord to help you get started doing the DOables immediately.

God Bless You.





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### To the Delegates at the Canadian Union Session

What a privilege it is to be joined together in service! As delegates to this session we are charged with the responsibility of making far-reaching decisions that will affect the Church in Canada for years to come.

We are not left alone in carrying this responsibility. Our Lord has promised to be with us always. Great experiences await us! We are on the threshold of a forward surge under the impetus of the Harvest '90 program to reach the unreached that will eventually terminate in the return of our blessed Saviour.

Let us take courage and move forward together.

Sincerely your brother,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Fred G. Thomas'.

Fred G. Thomas, Secretary  
North America Division  
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# Tributes

**T**HE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH IN CANADA has benefited from the service of many dedicated persons and in a special way we want to recognize you who have retired during this quinquennium, not only from the Union staff but throughout Canada. Each of you has made a significant contribution. Each of you has given much of herself or himself to the church in your particular ministry. The years of service may have slowed your step, but we are sure that it has not lessened your commitment or love to our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, we say thank you and pray for God's blessings on your continued support and participation in the church that you love and that loves you. We salute you.

## Retirements - 1981

Mrs. Anne Small

## Retirements - 1982

Willis Clark

W.J. Eaton

Pastor George MacLean

Mrs. Michaelene Manchur

Pastor Slavok Manestar

Mrs. Elva Olsson

Boris Pache

Mrs. Catherine Paul

Leona Radford

Mrs. Nellie Scott

## Retirements - 1983

Earl Coupland

Alfred Lennox

Ronald Pedder

Pastor Harley Schander

Mrs. Mercy Sen

Walter Schram

Mrs. Elsie Sokol

W.G. Soloniuk

Miss Dallas Totenhofer

Richard Tucker

Mrs. Narquis Watson

## Retirements - 1984

Jean Bailey

Mrs. Norelia Berry

Alfred Grabo

Ken Hannah

Harriot Jones  
Pastor Brian Juriansz  
Lester W. Justinen  
Miss Helen Kivinen  
W.R. Moores  
Pastor Cyril Newman  
Pastor Fred Pearse  
Mrs. Clara Staples  
Pastor Frank White

## Retirements - 1985

Hubert Baylis

Mrs. Ruth Bodrug

Mrs. Mildred Clark

Kenneth Deweltz

Pastor Donald Donesky

Edward Frape

Pastor William Frazer

Pastor Clarence Goertzen

Thelma Johnson

Gordon Kennedy

Julius Korgan

Michael Luchak

Mrs. Elsie McGraw

Pastor and Mrs. Ron Myers

Wes Negrych

Josef Obenaus

Dr. Percy Paul

Pastor John Popowich

Pastor William Wigley

## Retirements - 1986

Wilfred Dunlop

Pastor Stan Gallant

Pastor Harold Reimche

Pastor Nick Tkachuk

Pastor Robert Toms

**T**HERE IS ANOTHER GROUP that the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada wishes to recognize in a special way and these are you who have left us, who have gone from Canada, your home, in response to the Master's call to mission service in the many and distant places of the world field. To you who in your love for Jesus are braving loneliness, difficulties, dangers and the continual adjustment to the surprises of different cultures and changing political spheres we say to you, you are not forgotten! Your home church, older people, boys and girls and your fellow workers weekly and daily pray for you. The church in Canada admires your commitment and prays that God's protection and blessings will be with each of you to help hasten the day that Jesus will come. We salute you.

## Mission Appointees - 1981

Wilfred Benwell - India

Christopher Edersighe - Chile

George Hermans - Africa

Peter Lenhardt - Africa

Paul Matychuck - Japan

Mogens Sorensen -

Hong Kong

Nicholas Tallios -

Afro-Mideast

Perry Tkachuk - Japan

Isaiah Williams - Caribbean

## Mission Appointees - 1982

Peter Gray - Pakistan

D.W. Leatherman - Lebanon

Miss Clarissa Long - India

## Mission Appointees - 1983

Mrs. Pat Bailey - Singapore

Dr. Leslie Bergstrom - Africa

Mrs. Rose Connors - Africa

Mr. and Mrs. Goldson Brown

- Ethiopia

Ronald Forde - Africa

Allan Freed - Pakistan

Dr. Allan Handysides - Africa

John Hsuen - Hong Kong

Michiko Hsuen - Hong Kong

Gerry Karst - Middle East

Mr. and Mrs. Murvin Nicks - India

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Patterson - Africa

Mr. and Mrs. Doug Scott - Pakistan

Dr. Robert Steele - Singapore

Mrs. Rosemary Villeneuve - Africa

Glen Wade - Sierra Leone

Robin Willison - Australia

## Mission Appointees - 1984

Miss Pat Crump - Africa

John Irvine - Hong Kong



*Continued —*

**Mission Appointees — 1984**

Ladislav Ladi — Ethiopia  
 Barbara Payton — Africa  
 Pastor Daniel Rebsomen — Africa  
 Arlyn Sunsted — Africa  
 Charles Tidwell, Jr. — Hong Kong  
 Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Turnbull — Africa  
 Dr. and Mrs. Barry Wecker — Africa  
 Llewellyn Werner — Pakistan

**Mission Appointees — 1985**

J.R.L. Astleford — India  
 Brian Bechthold — Africa  
 Pierre Deshommes — Madagascar  
 Geraldo Grant — Africa  
 Keith Heinrich — Africa  
 Norman How — Egypt  
 Philip Khng — Pakistan  
 Verna Moores — Far Eastern Division  
 Kenneth Reimche — Singapore  
 Peter Skyrla — Africa  
 David Streifling — Pakistan

**Canadian Union Conference Office Retirees**



**Evelyn Bowles — 1984**



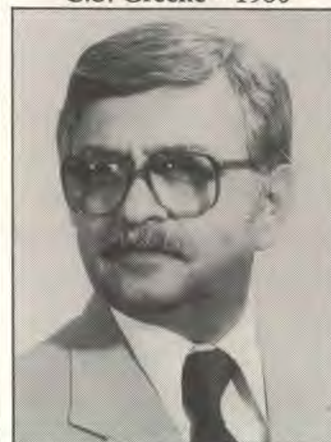
**Esther Davis — 1984**



**Leslie Dunn — 1983**



**C.S. Greene — 1986**



**Robert Juriansz — 1985**



**Philip Lemon — 1984**



**Elizabeth Lemon — 1984**



**Gwen Manuel — 1983**



**Marilyn Michael — 1985**



**Grace Villeneuve — 1981**



**Emma Wilson — 1984**

**Tribute to G.W. Morgan**

From time to time God gives his church a leader that stands tall for right, is greatly respected and loved. Brother and Sister Morgan, the Lord blessed your ministry in Ontario and in turn you spread the blessing to all around you.

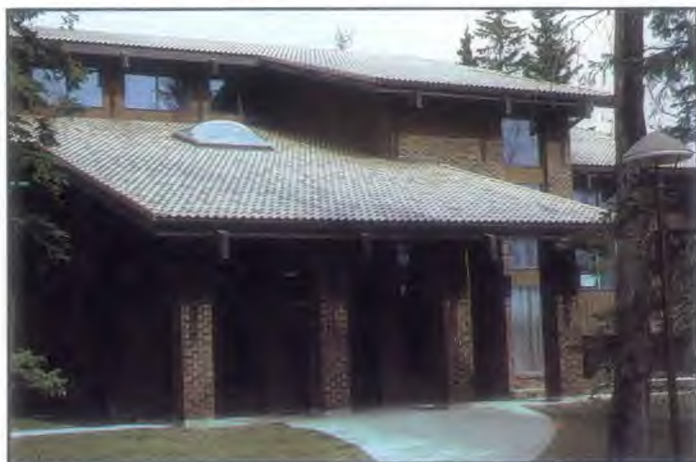
When you have suffered, we too have hurt. Our prayers continue for you. We thank you for having come to Canada.





## Conference Headquarters

*From these seven offices, 289 churches are served and 35,572 church members are challenged by their respective conference presidents to reach out as caring Christians to the 25,501,200 people that live from St. John's, Newfoundland to Vancouver Island.*



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# HARVEST



## HARVEST '90 AND THE



*"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.*

*... I was hungered, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in:*

*Naked, and ye clothed me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me."*

— Matthew, 25:35, 36, 40

### Ministry for the Blind

Isn't it a fact that so long as we are housed in this body of sinful flesh, we will be afflicted and assailed by its diseases. Since the turn of the century, your church through the agency of Christian Record Braille Foundation has endeavoured to address the spiritual needs of those of us whose bodies are assailed with visual impairment.

Today, under the blessing of heaven we are reaching over 5000 of our blind or legally blind citizens with messages of inspiration and encouragement through braille, cassette books, soft records and large print. Nearly 250 blind youth attended our 3 National Camps for Blind Children

in 1985. Plans are already in place to add a 4th camp in the prairie provinces by 1987. Eventually, a 5th camp in the Maritimes is envisioned to complete the camping needs.

We at Christian Record are grateful for the growing response from the church membership who responded to the MESSENGER appeal coupled with the mailing — BEST KEPT SECRET. Last year, some 400 responses resulted in over \$30,000 remitted to cover the cost of braille Review, Sabbath School lessons on record, doctrinal Bible courses and other church related materials. Perhaps this year, we in the church will keep pace with the trend being set from the general public. Be liberal in your offering for Christian Record on July 12.



Camp council is shared by both camper and counselor at Camp Foothills in Alberta. Both received a spiritual blessing attending blind camp.



### Five-Day Plans in Lac Megantic, Quebec

The Lac Mégantic Company held a Five-Day Plan in mid-January during the non-smoking week and 20 enthusiastic persons attended, many of them well known in the city. One man's secretary had attended a Five-Day Plan 11 years ago and he had waited ever since to attend the next one. His attendance resulted in victory over tobacco.

To establish a better rapport, the pastor who animated the Plan, decided to visit many of those who attended to encourage them in their decisions. Many suggested another Plan be held so they could invite their friends and several showed an interest in a nutrition class.

At the beginning of April a second Plan was conducted and again 20 persons attended, many had been referred by the ex-smokers of the first Plan. The town people in general had not looked favorably upon the SDA church but these two

Five-Day Plans have certainly blessed the community and the church. The members of Lac Mégantic are thinking of more projects to reach their small city in the fall because the Lord is ready to bless.



### Deaf Ministry in Alberta

The goal of the thrust into Deaf Ministry has been threefold: (1) to alert members to the needs and challenges of deaf ministry, (2) to train both deaf and hearing members in lay ministry to the deaf, and (3) "on-the-job training" in actual contact and evangelism with the deaf.

Training programs now in progress include: (1) An SDA inter-church signing class in Edmonton. Working with this are Brian and Marlene Volk, Connie Goltz and Elder John Blake. (2) Two Signing classes at CUC. There Elder and Mrs. Blake are assisted by two profoundly deaf helpers, Mrs. Sandy Oslund and their daughter, Judy.

An experimental outreach Bible story class has been started with a group home



of deaf residents at Michener Center in Red Deer. This is a very special challenge as these deaf folk are all seriously multi-handicapped.

The Deaf Ministry program in Alberta is being carried out in cooperation with the conference Personal Ministries Department and promotes the concept of the Caring Church. The training program at CUC, coupled with the outreach program in Edmonton are preparing lay workers in Deaf Ministry for all major population centres of Canada. The Three Angels Messages will not have been proclaimed, until all deaf in Canada have had a chance to "hear it," and many of those "hear" it through their eyes in sign language. ✚

## Church School Students Show Caring Concern for the Elderly

**North Okanagan Junior Academy** — This year our class chose an unusual Valentine project. We had saved some money so I

went to the Nursery and bought a Boston Fern and some flowering plants — now we were ready!

Our first stop was at the Willowdale Guest Lodge. My children, accompanied by Pastor Bill Spangler with his guitar, sang choruses for about 10 minutes. We made our fern presentation, then the children shook hands and spoke with the folk. Young and old enjoyed their sharing time.

The Armstrong Hospital was our next stop. We left a "valentine tree" — on the branches many valentines, made from pictures of birds, flowers and scenes of nature, were hanging. We also left a plant for "a lonely patient."

Our next two stops were in private homes. They sang — visited — then left a plant.

"They did a superb job," says teacher Muriel Heppel. ✚

## Harvest '90 Baptisms — The Caring Church

Robert and Sherri Tisdale and their son Nathan were



Robert And Sherri Tisdale and their son Nathan

baptized on March 1 and joined the church family in Barrie, Ontario. Robert is an electronics instructor with the Canadian Armed Forces at Base Borden. The family has been attending the Barrie church for the last few months, and is already actively involved in the Lord's work.

The Barrie church family welcomed them following their baptism and wishes them the richest blessings



Mrs. Debi Korneluk with Pastor Dan Wells

as they together serve Him.

Pastor Dan Wells of the Comox Valley Church, British Columbia, recently baptized Mrs. Debi Korneluk. Many years of earnest prayers from Debi's Christian father, Mr. Lindy Jacobson were answered that day. Debi gave her life to the Lord in a picturesque outdoor baptism in a little pond in the woods. ✚

## Secretaries at the Headquarters Office



Pictured in the reception area of the office are, left to right: June Ulett, Kathy Anderson, Joyce Patterson, Kendra Bird, Kim Robinson, Frances Chant and Marilyn Pazitka.



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Sabbath activities

**Witnessing opportunities**

Seminar Bands

KC Aerials

Symphonic Choir

Concert Band

**Academics** — 102 courses offered in grades 9-13 — Courses offered at both advanced and general levels

— All applicants to public universities and SDA Colleges accepted

— Transfer programs to SDA Colleges for Grade 13 courses

**Work Experience** — Students over 18 can earn up to \$3,500.00 — Students under 18 can earn up to \$2,800.00

**Campus Jobs** — Offices, Library, Dormitories, Custodial, Cafeteria, Maintenance, Teacher's assistants

**Industrial Jobs** — College Woodwork, Ad-a-day, Halminen Homes, Maracle Press, Stair Factory

**Physical** — Physical education instruction and sports to fit individual interests

**Intramural**

Softball

Football

Basketball

Volleyball

Floorhockey

**Instruction**

Gymnastics

Badminton

Physical Fitness

Archery

Basketball

**Other sports available**

Weight Lifting

Soccer

Golfing

Ice Hockey

Tennis

**Social** — The opportunity to make lasting Christian Relationships

SA Handshake

Supper Clubs

Banquets

Ski Clubs

Drama Clubs

Roller Skating

Ice Skating

Field Trips

Touring

Picnics

Parties

Saturday Evening entertainment

Membership in performing groups



# ATION IN CANADA

## or Adventist youth



## CANADIAN UNION COLLEGE

### Mental

- Grades 10 – 12 at Parkview Adventist Academy
- Full degree programs
- Articulated transfer programs with Union College and Walla Walla College
- Transfer programs to public universities and S.D.A. and public Colleges

### Social

- |  |             |                 |
|--|-------------|-----------------|
| — Opportunity to associate with Adventist youth from Canada and around the world |             |                 |
| Handshake  | Winterfest  | CUC Singers     |
| Banquets   | Skiing      | Amateur Hour    |
| Sunday at Seven  | Acronaires  | Class Challenge |
| Open Houses  | Silverwinds |                 |

### Spiritual

- |   |                |                   |
|---|----------------|-------------------|
| — Active Campus Ministries program      |                |                   |
| — Student oriented — Student leadership |                |                   |
| Native Ministries                       | Afterglow      | Prison Ministries |
| Youth Mission Outings                   | Sunshine Bands | Student Missions  |
| Vespers                                 | Evensong       |                   |

### Physical

- A balanced program of indoor and outdoor intramural activities as well as the opportunity to exercise in the pool, racquetball court, or weight room.



## Report of Graduate

<b>BRITISH COLUMBIA</b>	<b>38</b>
<b>ALBERTA</b>	<b>74</b>
<b>MANITOBA/SASKATCHEWAN</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>ONTARIO</b>	<b>45</b>
<b>QUEBEC</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>MARITIMES/NEWFOUNDLAND</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>FOREIGN</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>210</b>



Pratap Chokka,  
B.Sc. (Biology)  
Medicine

25 students have completed their first 2 years toward a transfer program in the B.Sc. in nursing.



Vera (Smith) Willis  
B.Sc. (Union College)



Jim Ryan, B.Th.  
Dean (K.C.)

Ken Wright, B.A.  
Youth Pastor



The first graduate of the newly established B.Sc. in Behavioral Sc. graduated on April 27, 1986. The degree prepares students for various careers in the helping professions by providing them with courses in psychology, sociology, counseling & social work. With an increasingly stressful society, the demand for caring, helpful professionals will also increase. Canadian Union College is preparing students to be caring Christians in a practical way.



# ION COLLEGE

1980/81 - 1985/86

Barry Hubley, B.Th.  
Pastor



Johannes Kersten  
B.Sc. (Behavioral Science)



Gloria Falsness, B.A.  
Dean (K.C.)

Nelda (Ratcliff) Gill  
Darla (Schram) Bell  
Penny Pazitka



Rod Fleck, B.Ed.  
Teacher



Dawna Beausoleil was the first Canadian Union College student ever to receive a Master of Arts Degree on Campus through affiliation with Loma Linda University. Dr. Erwin Brigham, assisted by Dr. Reo Ganson presented Dawna with her degree. Her official graduation took place at a later date on the Loma Linda University Campus.

<b>B.Th./B.A.</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>Pre-Ministry/Religion</b>
<b>B.Ed.</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>Elementary, Junior and Secondary Education</b>
<b>B.Sc.</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>Biology/Behavioural Science</b>
<b>A.Sc.</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>Business Administration/Office Administration</b>
<b>Tech.</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>Electronic Technology</b>
<b>Diploma</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>Secretarial</b>

Approximately 70% of these graduates are working in S.D.A. schools and churches in Canada.





## Church Ministries

### C.S. Greene

*Director, Personal Ministries and Sabbath School,  
Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada*

## Church Ministries Objectives for the Next Five Years

1. Distribution of one million pieces of literature.
2. Make 2 million witnessing contacts during the quinquennium.
3. Give 120,000 follow up Bible studies to interests found.
4. Objectives of 50,000 SIGNS subscriptions annually in the Canadian Union Conference.
5. To reach an objective annually of \$720,000 in Ingathering.
6. Encourage our laity to help win 5,000 souls.
7. Operate at least two community service centres in each province.
8. As needs become prevalent, to assist 400,000 persons.
9. A new approach to Sabbath School evangelism with the aid of the new concepts as promoted through CELEBRATION! magazine.
10. To have 100 Branch Sabbath Schools.
11. To have 100 Vacation Bible Schools so that at least 10,000 non-Adventist children can be attracted to Christ.
12. Incorporate ideas of CELEBRATION!
13. Encourage small Sabbath School

classes. Make each class a unit for evangelistic outreach.

14. Reclaim missing members by personal contact until every church member is an active Sabbath School member.

15. The continued promotion of world missions so as to increase giving 2% in relation to tithe.

16. Promote continued stewardship faithfulness so as to increase by 20%.

17. Find ways to utilize the tremendous resource of senior youth into the church ministries.

18. Develop an effective strategy for family life training in all churches of the Canadian Union.

19. To increase youth camp attendance 10% per year.

20. To increase Pathfinders 20% for the quinquennium.

### Training Objectives:

1. Yearly institutes, area workshops or seminars to train Sabbath School officers and teachers.
2. Yearly classes to develop a well-trained spiritually-motivated teaching ministry.
3. The training of the laity in Lay Bible Ministry Seminars, in personal soul winning through Bible studies, lay efforts, and personal witness in each conference at least once a year.



## ADRA, Canada

### John Howard

*Director, ADRA Canada*

**T**HE PURPOSE OF ADRA as a Humanitarian Relief and Development Agency is, through the provision of financial, material and technical resources, to support, rehabilitate and enhance the quality of life and well-being of underprivileged peoples in the third world without reference to their ethnic, political or religious association. This will be done in a manner which encourages self-reliance and deter-

mination with particular emphasis on the needs of the very poor.

During the next five years, it is the aim of ADRA, Canada to continue with the following goals:

1. To help provide in the third world, pure water to areas that have requested.
2. To improve the nutrition of the people in the third world:
  - a) Through development of agriculture projects such as intensive

gardening.

- b) Through nutritional food packages in areas of drought and disaster.
3. To help, where possible, in the ecological balance in the third world:
  - a) By providing reforestation projects, terracing, etc.
4. Adult literacy in the third world:
 

Unlike other church entities, ADRA's aim is to enable adults to become literate in their own mother tongue rather than in the English language or something similar.
5. Primary Health Care by educating the indigenous people in:
  - a) the necessity of prevention rather than cure.
  - b) dangers of water-related diseases.
  - c) learning about communicable diseases.
  - d) proper nutritional balance.

The aims of ADRA in Canada will be:

1. To increase funding from church members and friends 10% per year.
2. To continue to receive funding





## Public Affairs and Religious Liberty

### D.D. Devnich

Director of Public Affairs and Religious Liberty  
of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada

**O**UR LORD AND SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST taught a fundamental public affairs principle which the church and its members ought to follow with greater carefulness. He said,

*"And why do you not judge for yourselves what is right? As you go with your accuser before the magistrate, make an effort to settle with him on the way, lest he drag you to the judge, and the judge hand you over to the officer, and the officer put you in prison. I tell you, you will never get out till you have paid the very last copper." (Luke 12:57-59 R.S.V.)*

The Church and some of its members have many times and in many ways suffered the costly reality of failing to negotiate understanding with individuals or organizations which might hold adversarial or uninformed attitudes toward Adventism. It is the continuing purpose of the Department of Public Affairs to serve as an agent of better relationships between the Church and its publics and to spare the Church and its members of the physical, emotional, social and spiritual devastation of strained and broken human relationships.

#### 1981 to 1986

In the wake of Constitutional change in Canada, the past quinquennium has been an era when the Church in Canada has asserted its identity with

governments and public institutions. The Seventh-day Adventist Church now holds a meaningful presence in Canada through its representations made in the courts, before parliamentary committees and in the offices of government authorities. In the context of religious freedom, Canada is better off because of Seventh-day Adventist judicious participation in the socio-political process.

#### 1986-1991

The mandate of the ensuing quinquennium calls for an increased effectiveness of the Public Affairs Department in these areas:

#### Public Activities

1. Expand the circle of acquaintanceship

with people of influence in Canada — Governmental, Business and Labour.

2. Monitor and appropriately respond to legislative and legal developments which arise as the Canadian Constitution matures as the supreme law of the land.
3. Especially focus on improving understanding and relationships with labour organizations in Canada.
4. Establish more effective government relations strategies at the provincial level.

#### Church-Related Activities

1. Inform and provide education to the membership of the Church in Canada with respect to the issues of our time and the necessity of vigilance for religious freedom and of faithfulness to religious conviction.
2. Establish a more efficient network to provide help for church members who encounter conflict in the realm of Sabbath observance, labour union membership and other discrimination based on religion.
3. Inspire greater commitment in the Church toward liberty of conscience and toward increasing the circulation of the world's best magazine of religious freedom — LIBERTY.

#### The Ultimate Goal

To lead the Church in dynamic witness at higher socio-political levels as to the centrality of Jesus Christ in our faith and the presentation of the distinctive features of our faith in a more winsome way. ✠

*"The end of all things is near.  
Therefore be clear minded and self-controlled  
so that you can pray. Above all, love each other deeply,  
because love covers over a multitude of sins."* —1 Peter 4:7, 8, NIV.





## Education

**J.D. Victor Fitch**

*Education Director, Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada*

**A**DVENTIST EDUCATION MUST RESPOND TO THE CHALLENGE "something better is the watchword of education, the law of true living". Ed. pg. 296. This requires the development of specific goals and objectives along with a plan of implementation.

The following items indicate that every church member has a part in Christian education — an Adventist essential.

1. To promote the concept of **Harvest '90** throughout the union, and to encourage each educator to become actively involved by
  - a.) personal renewal and growth through Bible study, intercessory prayer, fellowship and worship
  - b.) encouraging each student to commit his life to Christ
  - c.) seeking ways and means to increase the number of S.D.A. children and youth attending Adventist schools
  - d.) increasing the number of opportunities for children and youth to actively participate in Sabbath and other church responsibilities
  - e.) training and involving students in soul winning activities.
2. To further develop and expand the Educational Endowment Fund Program. Interest earned on these funds will be used to assist worthy students in meeting their educational costs.
3. To obtain and maintain a census of

- Adventist children and youth to assist in educational planning, and in the promotion of Adventist education.
4. To develop curriculum materials to assist the teachers in the integration of spiritual and moral values throughout the curriculum.
5. To continue to assist the teachers with their educational costs, with the desired goal of having each one denominationally certificated.
6. To provide financial assistance at the graduate level in training educational personnel who will provide long-term service to the Seventh-day Adventist education programs, especially in the areas of administration and supervision.
7. To promote the privilege and responsibility of each church becoming actively involved in Adventist education by having each church become a constituent church of some church school.
8. To provide more opportunity for the professional development of junior and senior academy personnel.
9. To encourage and recruit talented Christian young people to enter the teaching ministry.
10. To reevaluate the distribution formula for educational reversion funds to the conference in an attempt to assure equity. ☐



## Literature Ministry

**P.R. Cordray**

*Publishing Director, Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada*

### Publishing Department Plans and Objectives for Harvest '90

**D**URING THE PAST FIVE YEARS we, in the literature evangelist outreach program have been blessed, as you can see by Elder Wilson's report. We are happy and proud for the accomplishments but by no means are we satisfied.

Our plans and objectives for Harvest '90 will be based on Rev. 18, which is commented on in Vol. 7, p. 139.

"In a large degree through our publishing houses is to be accomplished the work of that other angel who comes down from heaven with great power and who lightens the earth with his glory."

Our plans and objectives for Harvest '90 are as follows:

I. (a) Renewal and personal growth through Bible study, intercessory prayer, fellowship and worship.

(b) Promote reading of SDA literature through ABC's, pastors and administration.

II. Double accessions achieved during the 1,000 Days of Reaping, which would give us over 600 baptisms during Harvest '90.

(a) Develop in each conference an LE paid-out account follow-up evangelism program.

(b) Organize group canvasses by LE's in every territory and also pre-



ceding a public effort.

(c) Double the number of Bible correspondence enrollments through LE contacts.

(d) Develop the airport "Signs of the Times" magazine project for Canada.

(e) Encourage our LE's to become soul-conscious through inspirational meetings.

III. Double the number of LE's and make every church a training centre for service.

(a) Cooperate with the church ministries department in training lay

members for door-to-door service.

(b) Work closely with SDA colleges and academies in training young people in the summer scholarship program.

(c) Have rallies in every church throughout Canada.

(d) Carry on an intensive recruiting program geared toward better qualified persons.

(e) Have more meaningful training programs for our LE's and to increase the number of training schools.

(f) Have leaders in every con-

ference.

IV. Double the number of members involved in soul-winning.

(a) Implement the dedicated pocket concept, in which every member is involved in distributing literature.

(b) Sales: The projected annual growth rate of 20% will achieve over 100% increase in sales levels over the next 5 years.

Year	Sales	Year	Sales
1986	\$1,761,486	1989	3,043,847
1987	2,113,783	1990	3,652,617
1988	2,566,540		



## Health Services

### A. George Rodgers

*Consultant, Health Care Institutions,  
of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada*

**T**HIS PURVIEW OF THE PAST FIVE YEARS, by reason of space limitations, does not elaborate on the normal day to day operations of our health care institutions. Rather, it seeks to indicate the salient features such as extensions, renovations and the erection of new buildings of multi-million dollar fiscal dimension.

Elsewhere in these pages, the administration of the Branson Hospital, Toronto, has indicated the modernization of the plant, and the provision of new, spacious clinical and service areas. This prominent landmark of Adventist initiative, industry and dedication, makes Branson one of the outstanding health care facilities in Metropolitan Toronto.

Our chain of nursing homes, operated under the auspices of local conferences, and extending from Saint John, in the east, to Vancouver Island in the west, represent denominational enterprise, and the church's imperative of sharing our faith, and practising good works in the name of our Great Exemplar.

Established in 1982, Rest Haven Lodge, Sidney, British Columbia, opened its hospitable doors to the senior citizens of a grateful community and is, indeed, a worthy successor to the island-based Rest Haven Hospital which terminated its services consequent upon the sale of the property.

The Alberta Conference is also eligible for inclusion in this report with the building of the Sherwood Park Seventh-day Adventist Church adjacent to the Sherwood Park Nursing Home whose administration initiated this project. Manitoba-Saskatchewan Conference has the distinction of four nursing homes within its territorial jurisdiction. Perhaps the major achievement of this Conference, within the context of health care, and domiciliary accommodation, is the recent completion of a Senior Citizens Complex: East Lodge whose emergence was facilitated by the chairman of Park Manor's Board, and two very competent administrators. The Complex is adjacent to the recently enlarged Park Manor Personal Care Home.

In terms of an imposing structure, we must cite the Ontario Conference which completed the Heritage Green Seniors Centre, Hamilton, at a capital cost approaching five million dollars, in 1983. It is a 110 unit apartment

complex, with an adjoining nursing home with 34 beds.

As to the future, Heritage Green already is planning a chapel with seating capacity for 150, whilst Sherwood Park Nursing Home has ample land area for what is hoped will be a Senior Citizens Complex adjoining the Home.

Again, and certainly a commendable project for the near future, is the building of a church, vigorously espoused by the administration of the West Park Manor Personal Care Home. This institution has land available, and is eagerly anticipating early implementation.

Surely, the foregoing plans, and the vision of our leaders, elicits a prayer of praise, and the hymn Doxological!

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### ADRA, Canada

through the Annual Disaster and Famine Relief Offering.

3. To seek to increase funding through the Federal Government agencies by 10% per year. CIDA, NGO Division, CIDA, Bylateral, VADA, R & R Fund, and other agencies.
4. To approach in the next five years, the Manitoba, Saskatchewan and B.C. Governments for funding.
5. To sensitize the membership of the church in Canada by Development Education to the needs in the third world.
6. During the next five years, ADRA, Canada hopes to have an annual report that would be available to any church member who requests it, showing the various projects and the financial situation that exists.
7. To receive resumés of Canadian Church members willing to serve overseas with ADRA to help staff the various projects.
8. To establish Provincial ADRA Boards in the provinces across Canada.





## Trust Services

**F. Lloyd Bell**

Director, Trust Services,  
Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada

### Trust Services Department

**T**HERE HAS BEEN A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF GROWTH in the Trust Services program and income to the church, especially in some conferences. Our total income, for example, has almost tripled from \$1,120,057.14 in 1976-1980 to \$3,139,674.45 in 1981-1985.

The following figures give a comparison between 1980 and 1985.

	No. Documents		Total Value	
	1980	1985	1980	1985
Revocable Trusts	407	409	\$2,367,796.80	\$4,319,351.45
Irrevocable Trusts	27	4	146,631.61	15,962.45
Charitable Gift				
Annuities	38	52	835,129.05	962,413.07
Wills	1550	3000 app.	—	—
Maturities income to the church			1,120,057.14	3,139,674.45

These figures show a nice improvement, but they are basically the figures from only four out of our seven conferences. Just think what it could be if we had a Trust Service man working in each of the seven conferences!

Only one in every 15 Adventists who die remember the Lord's work in their wills. Why? Most die without having made a will; others just don't think of it. If all Adventists made wills

and all left only 10% (a tithe) of their estates to the church, the figures above would be quadrupled and could be a tremendous help in finishing the work.

#### Our Objectives or Goals During this Next Quinquennium are:

1. To have Trust Services directors operating in each conference in Canada.
2. To present the importance of having

a "will" at seminars, at all camp meetings across Canada and at workers' meetings.

3. To increase the number of wills written from 3,000 in 1980-1985 to 5,000 in 1985-1990.

"Christians who believe the present truth should manifest wisdom and foresight. They should not neglect the disposition of their means." 3T, p. 117.

### Risk Management — Loss Control

The General Conference has set up an Insurance Company called Gencon, under which most denomination institutions are insured. This, in itself, saves the church many dollars. In Gencon, representatives are detailed to look after special areas throughout North

America and the world. Each union and conference also has a loss control representative who inspects our churches and church schools for possible danger or problems. This very act of inspecting, reporting and correcting helps to keep down the cost of insurance,

and perhaps saves many accidents from happening.

During the past quinquennium, all churches in some conferences have been visited in this manner, and many churches in some of the other conferences.

The goals of the Risk Management—Loss Control Department during this quinquennium are:

1. To have every Adventist church and church school in Canada inspected for loss control and accident prevention.
2. To train Loss Control officers in each conference in Canada.
3. To continue to save the church thousands of dollars through prevention of fire, accident claims and insurance premiums.

### Revolving Fund

The Canadian Union Conference Revolving Fund has made loans to 176 churches, church schools and other institutions across Canada in the past 10 years, assisting them in their building programs. Seventy-seven of these loans were made between 1976 and 1980, and 99 were made during this past quinquennium, 1981 to 1985.

This plan was begun in Canada in 1976, and at the end of 1980 our people had invested the amount of \$2,408,879.14 in this fund. This amount has now reached \$4,495,328.62 (see chart).



The goals of the Revolving Fund during this next quinquennium will be:

1. To assist in the building of another hundred churches and church schools across Canada.
2. To increase the present fund of \$4,500,000 to \$7,000,000.

*"... the man who hoards his treasure for self cannot take it to heaven."*

— Gospel Workers p. 266





## Adventist Computer Services

**R.A. Sullivan**

*Director, Adventist Computer Services*

*Pictured here — left to right: Jeannie Dinning, Sebert Henry, Ron Sullivan and Cesar Bravo.*

**A**DVENTIST COMPUTER SERVICES (ACS) is a department of the Canadian Union Conference whose objective is to provide computer services to the conferences and institutions of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada. A manager, secretary/operator and two programmer/analysts make up the staff of this department. The services provided include all the functions associated with the design and implementation of computer applications software and time shared access to the computer hardware resources through local or remote

terminals. The Union offices house a Digital Equipment Corporation PDP 11/70 computer system. The organizations currently utilizing these resources are:

1. Ontario Conference of S.D.A. Church
2. Home Health Services of Canada
3. It Is Written Television Ministries
4. Pacific Press Publishing Assoc.
5. Canadian Union Conference of S.D.A. Church
6. Kingsway College
7. REACH Canada
8. Quebec S.D.A. Church Association

9. Adventist Development and Relief Agency CANADA

ACS also provides computer and data processing consulting services to the conferences in Canada. The Canadian Union through ACS is making available to the conferences a standard set of accounting software packages for General Ledger, Accounts Receivable and Accounts Payable. Three applications packages for local church use on personal computers is available for handling the church treasurer's functions, membership and church interests. ✚



## Home Health Service of Canada

**W. Ruba**

*Manager, Home Health Service of Canada*

*Pictured here — Elder Walter Ruba, Marjorie Juriansz, Evelyn Parsons and Lang Nguyen. Missing from the picture is Jean Boutcher.*

**T**HE HOME HEALTH SERVICE OF CANADA staff renders an important service to the Literature Ministry in Canada. Home Health is a vital link between the Publishing House, the Literature

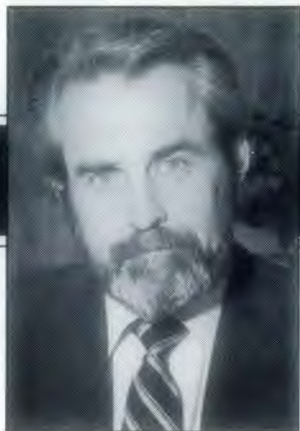
Evangelist and the customer. Book orders for one to two million are handled annually by the small but experienced and dedicated staff.

Home Health is capable and ready to handle all the orders from across

Canada. The staff is praying that the Literature Ministry in Alberta, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and the Maritimes will be re-established to contribute to the evangelistic outreach of the Church. ✚

*"The work of God in this earth  
can never be finished until the men and women comprising  
our church membership rally to the work, and unite their efforts  
with those of ministers and church officers . . ."* —Gospel Workers,  
page 352





## North York Branson Hospital

**J.A. Bruce**

*President, North York Branson Hospital*



**T**HIS DOCUMENT SETS FORTH the overall objectives of North York Branson Hospital for the years 1986-1990. They are to:

1. Create a better understanding and appreciation of Seventh-day Adventists in the minds and hearts of Canadians both in Toronto and

across the country.

2. Expand the positive influence of our Centre for Health Promotion, recognizing that this "entering wedge" work is designed not only to help people find better health, but to help them acquire an interest in the One who authored the better way.

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### President's Session Report

the Revolving Fund has been to the Church!

Now back to Kadesh-Barnea. The children of Israel finally went into the promised land, not because of anything they had done, or anything that they had become. They went in spite of themselves because the people of the land of Canaan had filled their cup with iniquity.

And isn't that the way it is in the world today? Isn't the cup of iniquity filled up? The Lord's coming must be close. The question is, "Am I ready?"

As we inventory our own lives, are those matters of pride, gossip, impatience and bad habits stronger than the coming of the Lord? These are the

giants.

You see the story of the Old Testament was not just written to be a history lesson. It was to get us to look away from the giants to Jesus. God never revealed the giants of Canaan to His people to get them to fight giants. He showed them the giants to drive them to their knees to see God's power to overcome.

Fellow delegates, do we really believe that we are again on the borders of the promised land? Evidently the impact of being on the borders now for over 140 years hasn't really registered the way it should.

Mark 16:14-16 is still our great commission! We tend to ask how can a handful of pastors and a few thousand laymen finish the work. Of course, with

3. Complete the hospital's current capital expansion project of a new laboratory and operating suite, enabling us to continue Branson's tradition of excellence in medical care.

4. Develop a strong Hospital Foundation capable of moving an effective and continuing fund-raising programme, with monies raised being used to meet various needs which the hospital could not otherwise address.

5. Foster closer ties with the leaders and members of the church, communicating the historical background of the medical work and how today it works closely with and complements the overall goals of the church.

6. Recognizing the rapidly growing elderly population of our hospital community, to develop a programme which will both identify and more appropriately provide the particular health care services required by this increasingly significant segment of our society.

7. Continue to provide compassionate and quality healthcare, ministering to the sick of body and of spirit, labouring with the Master Physician who came 'To make man whole.' ☼

man it is impossible to negotiate the mountain.

With Caleb, he was on the King's business and nothing else mattered. The difficulty of the test lost its awesomeness when he realized the Lord was on his side and for Caleb, that was enough. Should that not be the same for us today? God has ordered the heights to be scaled. He has promised to be on the side of His children. With Caleb, he had faith fed by personal experiences, and a life that was totally committed and that he "wholly followed the Lord." The mountain was his consuming passion.

Philippians 4:13 tells us, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." Let us never lose our sense of urgency. ☼



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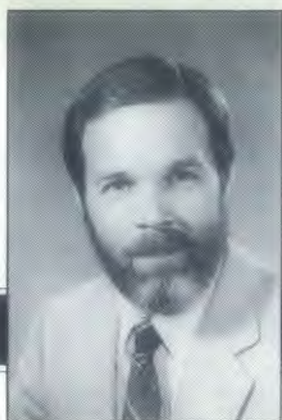
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## **Family Forum**

### **Family Violence and the Christian**

**T**HIS IS THE FINAL ARTICLE IN THE SERIES. Not every home is a hiding place for violence yet, every home is affected by it. Every home condones violence if they allow it to continue inside, or ignore and tolerate it elsewhere. In these last days God is allowing the secrets of home and personal tragedies of abuse to come into the light. How will each of us respond? As Christians, will we also be Samaritans to those suffering? Can we love our sister or brother and allow them to suffer? Can we allow a friend or loved one to continue damaging God's creation? Can we allow our children to continue seeing God, as some children see Him? "If God is like my dad, I'm glad I'm not going to heaven!" Can we see that in some situations, separation for safety is a temporary or survival move, and not an act towards divorce without Biblical grounds? The final question here, although there are more to be asked, is this: "Am I close enough to God, in word and prayer to hear His voice?" If as a Seventh-day Adventist Christian, you cannot say "yes", you have a problem. That relationship *must* be there to give you a true perspective on handling life's issues. Why would you want to survive a battering relationship, or stop abusing your children, and still end up dead for eternity?

Any trial is an opportunity to start with God. Take this opportunity. This article suggests ways to stop the violence. Read it. Do it. Share it.

The basic premise for change is, "I am responsible for my actions", and "I am responsible for my non-actions". This allows God to empower me, with my permission, to change my actions or attitudes. No matter how guilty I feel, or how angry I am because I may have been abused, I do not have to take it out on others. No matter how unfair life has been (and life is rotten sometimes), I can take control. It will, when I take control, surprise or even upset and anger the people who are used to victimizing or using me. It will bother

those who are used to blaming me, instead of themselves. Pressure will come for me not to change, or "not to make waves". Jesus came to make waves, and teach us to swim. I can learn and you can learn.

#### **Treatment Options**

##### **I. Batterer**

- A. Stop the violence, now. Walk away, move out, anything, but no more violence.
- B. You were probably battered or witnessed battering your-

self. Admit to yourself and God that you have a problem.

- C. Then get help from a local source to build up your self esteem (so you don't have to destroy those who disagree with you), and to learn ways to break anger cycles, and ways of handling conflict and communication without striking out. Phone me or your local information centre for who is available.
- D. The most critical change is prayer, for yourself, for forgiveness, for healing, for acceptance of those you see as less intelligent than you. (We are all equal. God even tells us to treat others as better than ourselves.)
- E. You need a support group to talk with. Your pastor, your prayer group, your group for batterers, all can help you give up your temper to learn self acceptance and value as a child of God.

##### **II. Survivor**

- A. Your self-esteem may be non-existent. This is not your fault, just as the violence is not your fault. But, only you can change it. Just letting yourself sit under God's gentle, warm showers of promises and love can bring peace.
- B. Reach out. If someone is trying to help you, let them. Phone a women's shelter and find out what is available. You never have to give your name. Some churches have sheltered their own members in homes while they received counselling and began a new relationship.
- C. Safety. You are no good to



anyone dead. Your children should not have to grow up in fear and terror. Trust God enough and act to protect yourself and/or your children. To move out isn't necessarily permanent. Many victims of violence have no place to go. Do not be above begging someone to help you. Hard hearts need to be broken.

D. If you are a child, remember that battered children grow up generally, if boys, to be batterers, if girls, to marry batterers. Do you want that? No.

1. Talk to your teacher or guidance counsellor. They have to help.
2. Love your parents, but if obeying them means to disobey God, go for God. He always wins in the end and He is on your side.
3. Remember that what is happening to you is *not* your fault. However bad or naughty you may or may not be, getting beaten up or degraded is a choice the batterer is making.
4. It is normal to love a parent and hate some of the things they do. Confusion is expected if you are getting confusing messages.
5. Not saying anything about the violence or abuse because the authorities might take the family apart is understandable but it is not acceptable. People need help. The help is out there. Some people need help to get help. Tell someone and get help. Jesus told you, "I am with you always, even to the end of the world." Isn't that where we are today?

### III. Pastor, Friend, Neighbor

- A. It takes nerve or faith to jump into hot water. You might get burned. My experience has been that the water was only imagined to be hot. Actually getting involved gives you strength and vigor and a chance to witness God's miracles of

change. Satan would love to keep you afraid of helping, right up to the close of probation, if possible.

- B. Peer pressure has a value, just ask your children. A church of friends can make abuse very difficult when all are praying and encouraging the family towards health and happiness. Don't tell everyone everything but you must help by offering prayer, shelter, money, time, transportation, or whatever is needed. Phone a women's shelter or information centre and ask what you can do.
- C. Discover the power of intercessory prayer. Get some honest believers together, 3 or 4, and in fasting and prayer rebuke Satan in that home, and present each member to God, yourself, in Jesus' name, and ask Him to make a change.

Look up and claim God's promises, and keep it going weekly until God moves. He will.

Jesus reminds us, "Inasmuch as ye did it to . . . these, ye did it unto me." People are beautiful creatures if they don't have to hide in silence or behind a mask of violence and fear. Do your part, whether you are a batterer, survivor or a spectator, act now to break the silence and free God's people to enjoy heaven on earth. "... ye shall be sorrowful. But your sorrow shall be turned to joy." John 16:20

*Note: To keep these articles relevant we need your letters, with or without names, asking your questions about personal and family life. Remember, if it has happened to you, it is happening to someone else reading this column. Godspeed.*

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## HARVEST 90 SONG

**Oh there'll be joy when the work is done  
When the redeemed are gathered home.  
Bring precious souls to Jesus feet,  
When in heaven we shall meet.**

*Chorus:*

**Joy, joy, oh what joy there will be  
Joy, joy, when from sin they are free  
Joy, joy, sing in happiness,  
Harvest Ninety God will bless.**

**I will be with you, Christ did say,  
For Harvest Ninety let us pray,  
We'll bring the souls to set of sun  
Joyful that the work is done.**

**Sweet are the songs we hope to sing,  
Praising forever Christ our King.  
Joyful for souls that we have brought  
For the Harvest He hath wrought.**

**Pure are the joys that await us there  
Many the golden mansions fair,  
Jesus Himself did them prepare.  
Harvest Ninety souls will share.**

*Adapted to Music — New Church Hymnal #430  
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By Nick Tkachuk,  
January 4, 1986





## DEDICATION LITANY FOR HARVEST 90

Leader:

From the quiet beauty of contemplation,  
from hearing and feasting on the Word of  
God,  
we must move out into the world of action.  
There we anticipate the grand feast of  
power  
as the Holy Spirit moves upon the caring  
church.

*Response:*

*Since the church is God's appointed agency  
for the salvation of all people,  
we will organize her for service  
and fulfill her mission to carry the gospel  
to the world.*

Leader:

It is fitting at such a time as this  
to consecrate and dedicate ourselves to  
objectives  
that God through His servants has set  
before us.

*Response:*

*It is indeed proper that we do so.*

Leader:

To renewal and personal growth  
through Bible study, intercessory prayer,  
fellowship and worship —

*Response:*

*We consecrate ourselves.*

Leader:

To doubling the number of people won to  
Christ

through the One Thousand Days of  
Reaping  
during the Harvest 90 quinquennium—

*Response:*

*We dedicate our endeavors.*

Leader:

To doubling the number of people  
attending and participating in church  
functions on Sabbath—

*Response:*

*We consecrate our energies.*

Leader:

To training, equipping, and involving  
a majority of attending church members  
in soulwinning activities of the caring  
church—

*Response:*

*We dedicate our efforts.*

Leader:

Having thus dedicated ourselves,  
we affirm that God has called us  
out of darkness into His marvelous light.

*Response:*

*Now we will show forth His glory.*

Leader:

In the church rests the riches of the grace  
of Christ.

*Response:*

*We the members of the church, Christ's  
body,  
will do our part in the final and full  
display of God's love.*