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EDITOR'S PAGE



by Dr. Roy Adams

Through the Eyes of Children: A Christmas Message



"...Except ye...become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven." Matthew 18:3. This is not a Christmas text, but it has a Christmas message nonetheless.

When I was little, I yearned for Christmas.

Weeks before the event, my mother fielded daily queries as to how far away it was. I have no recollection of toys and trinkets. But I do remember there was always new clothes, plenty of food, lots of baked things, and singing and dancing in the streets. (We were not Adventists then.)

Today, alas, I count the days no more! The reason? Don't think I know.

Or do I? Haven't I heard it said a thousand times or more that "Christmas is for kids"? "I ain't a kid no more." That's why—perhaps.

It's grown-up folks like me who raise the other Christmas questions, the ones that children do not ask: Should we celebrate it? Isn't it a pagan festival? Did not Mrs. White condemn it? And, isn't it true we don't even know the birthday of our Lord? Why spend God's precious dollars on gifts

and cards and coloured lights? Why decorate our homes with Christmas trees and mistletoes? And, abomination, why install the "pagan evergreen" inside the very house of God?

And once a year the yuletide answers come from other grown-up folks: No, there is no formal celebration by our church, and there never ought to be. Yes, there is a pagan origin. No, there is no condemnation from E.G. White. Yes, the true birthday of our Lord remains unknown. Go easy on your spending, be modest in your decorations. The evergreen definitely is not pagan. God is "well pleased" to have it in His sanctuary, its boughs laden with gifts to Jesus, the helpless, the destitute. (*Adventist Home*, 482.)

If children have a better time at Christmas, they deserve to. For it is "us grown-up folks" who've spoilt it—with our sensuality and our

secularism, our wilful lust for things and power, and our insatiable greed. Pagans and Christians, merchants and con men, all caught up in a scramble to make suckers of us all. Exploitation reigns supreme, and we prostitute the spirit and the genius of the day. No wonder guilty questions plague us older ones year after passing year at Christmas.

So I don't count the days till Christmas any more.

But perhaps my need, and yours, is to recapture the spirit of the little children. Their uncorrupted vision reaches past the greed and scramble of grown-up folks to the joy and simple beauty of the season. If we become like them, perhaps we'd see again the kingdom Jesus came to bring and experience even here a foretaste of our paradise home where "Christmas" never ends, and we shall all be "children" once again.



CROSSFIRE IN THE SENATE

by D. Douglas Devnich

Executive Secretary, Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada

FEW PEOPLE IN CANADA are aware of the heated religious controversy which has ranged in the Senate of Canada in recent months. Despite the fact that the furor involved an obscure, secret society, the effect of it all has impinged on the Seventh-day Adventist Church in at least one way.

The story begins when at the Quinquennial Business Session of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada on June 6-9, 1986, delegates voted to legally incorporate both the spiritual and the business functions of the Church. Such a determination requires that the existing *Act of Incorporation* of the Church in Canada must be amended. This amendment is to begin with a Private Bill in the Senate of Canada and will eventually require a hearing before a parliamentary committee, a vote in the House of Commons, and finally Royal Assent.

Under counsel from the office of the Law Clerk of the Senate, proceedings on behalf of the Church were initiated in Ottawa. However, several months into the process, the Assistant Law clerk advised the Church to slow down its work on the

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draft Bill because of the excitement in the Senate which has resulted from a similar Private Bill placed before the Senate in the name of Opus Dei. The Vicar of Opus Dei in Canada is seeking a legal enactment for the organization to operate in Canada as an incorporated religious body. Some senators are protesting. The Assistant Law Clerk suggested that the Adventist church should not come to the Senate before the Opus Dei issue is first settled.

Opus Dei is a rather mysterious conservative movement within Roman Catholicism which was founded in Spain in 1928. It claims to have at least 73,000 members throughout the world who, while remaining in their normal occupations and professions, commit themselves to pious lives of supporting the Church by sanctifying their secular work. In private, it is reported that, some members express their devotion in strict, disciplined behaviour and at times self-flagellation—in some cases, the wearing of a barbed metal band on the upper thigh.

Time magazine (June 11, 1984) reported that Opus Dei members particularly involve themselves in politics in some countries of the world. In one instance at least, “Opus members have been assigned top government jobs, especially in education, and control newspapers and magazines.”

Other sources report that Opus Dei uses brainwashing techniques and other “holy coercion” on children and youth in order to recruit new devotees to the cause. Senator Jacques Hebert in one of his speeches before

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From The President's Diary

*Martin Luther—What Have You Done?

by J.W. Wilson

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AT FIRST MARTIN LUTHER had no intention of withdraw-
 ing from the Catholic Church. To quote him, "Perish the
 thought!"

For all his efforts he was banned, derided, and vilified for over 400 years.
 Today Catholic scholars have readmitted him to the body of Christ. What
 is going on? Up until World War II, outrageous charges against Luther could
 be found anyplace, even to the point of proclaiming that Luther was not
 human, "but the devil dressed as a monk!"

In 1939 the transition began with the positive attitude toward
 Luther. The Catholic scholar, Joseph Lortz, did not blame Luther alone for
 the reformation. He said that the church *also* bore a share of the guilt for
 the "Reformation had become an historical necessity."

Therefore, Luther was not the cause of the reformation, but rather the
 pin which punctured the balloon that was ready to burst anyhow. So, the
 oppression, extortion, despotism and hedonism of the church had not gone
 unnoticed, and as the Catholic scholars say, "That if the church did not
 accept its share of responsibility for these breaches then settlement within
 Christendom would be impossible."

Thus, Luther, although dead for 400 years, is now being credited
 with the Catholic church confessing its faults, thus paving the way for recon-
 ciliation in Christendom. Vatican II has removed and blurred many dif-
 ferences that have previously established the gulf between Catholicism and
 Protestantism. To this point Protestants are now known as "separated
 brethren" rather than the earlier classification of "sons of the devil."

By the 1960's Catholic scholars lauded Luther in his work. He was called
 a religious man who was derailed into destructive criticism by the followers
 of the Pope. Now ecclesiastical authority would profit from his appeals to
 reform.

By the 1970's Catholic scholars were telling the world that Luther
 was not an innovator but a restorer of the true Catholic religion, and that
 he brought many positive aspects for church renewal. This all being traced
 back to the popes and bishops who did not feed the flock with the Word
 of God. So it was Luther who was the defender of traditional Catholicism
 and the savior of the church from humanism.

By 1983 the Catholic scholars have indicated that Luther is our
 brother in Christ. They say we must therefore "renew his theological in-
 heritance." And they insist that Protestantism within Rome is precisely what
 Luther wanted. "The Reformation was always meant to be a temporary
 movement." When the Roman Church is reformed there will be no justifica-
 tion for a separate Protestant Church.

It is around Martin Luther, who caused the first great split, that
 churches are now finding common ground for reconciliation. The new
 Catholic attitude toward Martin Luther and the Lutheran willingness to ac-
 cept the change could provide the climate where the unification needed
 to fulfill prophecy could be possible.

Revelation 13:3. "And the whole world wondered after the beast." The
 news media coverage of the recent Pope's North American visit does make
 one wonder.

*"Hands Across the Gulf", by Clifford Goldstein—available at the ABC, "The Reprieve of Martin Luther", Arnold V.
 Wallenkampf, October, 1987 MINISTRY.

the Canadian Senate reported that there are 500 to 600 Opus Dei members in Canada. In Quebec alone, Opus Dei has indirectly bought a number of real estate properties worth \$2 million to establish centres of operation in the "nicest neighborhoods." Hebert asked, "How many Canadians realize that the main purpose of all these houses is to recruit Opus Dei members, by the most crafty means, particularly among the very young?" In another part of his speech he referred to Opus Dei as "the Holy Mafia."

While several Senators would give support to an *Act of Incorporation* for Opus Dei, it appears that the larger number of Senators are vehemently

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opposed to the Bill for a wide variety of reasons. Senator Jean Le Moyné articulated his opposition in these words:

"Opus Dei is something that defies every attempt to define and label exactly what it is. We have here a pious eel, unctuous, smooth, slippery and elusive. In fact, Opus Dei is an institution that is religious but very much of this world; secular but clerical; open but veiled; public but secretive; free but autocratic; welcoming women as members but very much the patriarch; poor but rich; humble but arrogant; contemporary but reactionary... We could add to the litany of contradictions without ever really defining its essential nature" (Senate Debates, May 26, 1987)

Opus Dei is evidently motivated primarily by evangelistic fervor on

behalf of Roman Catholicism. Not only are new members to be proselytized quietly at the workbench, in the university or on the street, but in some instances by coercive means. The Founder of Opus Dei set out the objectives of the movement in 999 maxims found in his main book, *The Way*. Paragraph 399 says:

"If we resort to force to prevent a man from committing suicide, thus saving a life and earning general plaudits, why should we hesitate to use the same coercion—holy coercion—to save the Life of those who are bent on stupidly killing their own soul?"

For Seventh-day Adventists, the *Time* magazine summary of the Opus Dei phenomenon is not entirely comforting and could even be disturbing. Richard N. Ostling wrote,

"However unnerving they may be to liberal Catholics, the members of Opus Dei now seem to represent, for John Paul, an ideal for today's lay church member. There is speculation that the organization will gradually fill the traditional role of the Jesuits as an elite vanguard ready to do the bidding of Pope and church, and that John Paul has important evangelizing duties in mind for the organization. Given Opus Dei's ideology and its rich supply of disciplined members, such papal commissions would not be at all surprising."

Let us hope that when the Seventh-day Adventist Church Private Bill respecting an amendment to its *Act of Incorporation* comes before the Senate, the careful scrutiny of the Church's life and work will yield a better-spirited debate than that afforded Opus Dei. We may be assured that we will face equally probing questions as to our claims and legitimacy. Thankfully, even though we have not been a popular denomination, we are today fairly well understood by our Parliamentarians.

Let us never as individuals, nor collectively as a Church body, be satisfied with obscurity or mystery about our beliefs and practises. Every effort to become better known actualizes Christ's view of the true Church—"Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid." (Matthew 5:14) ✻

Loma Linda University Honors Program Plans Mexico Tour and Kenya Safari



SAFARI BOUND Loma Linda University Honors Program students pose with Loma Linda resident and veteran Honors Tours traveler, Florence Bell, in anticipation of a March 17-24 Mexico City/Cancun tour and a June 19-July 3 Kenya gamepark safari. Coursework credits include 2 hours college credit and 10 units CME/CEU offered through the schools of medicine and nursing.

The Honors Program of Loma Linda University has planned a Mexico City/Cancun Tour for March 17-24, 1988 and a Kenya Gamepark Safari for June 19-July 3.

Open to students, families, and community, over the past decade these tours have included travel to Mexico, Central America, Latin America, Europe, and North Africa. Honors Program tour coordinator is Charles Teel, Jr., professor of religion and society in LLU's school of religion.

On the premise that journeys of the mind can be augmented by journeys abroad, the Loma Linda University Honors Program follows up such seminars as "Human Being and Society," "History of Ideas," and "World Religions," with travel to distant lands, according to Martie Erne, assistant professor of communication and director of the Honors Program.

These tours carry two hours academic credit in the College of Arts and Sciences. Further, the Kenya trip is projecting a ten-unit continuing medical education seminar for physicians and nurses and offered through the schools of medicine and nursing.

For further information on these tours, write LLU Honors Team, Loma Linda University, Riverside, CA 92515 or phone (714) 785-2080.

SDA Church in Canada Executive Committee Report

The year-end Executive Committee once again was extremely busy with 68 actions being recorded in the minutes. Many of these will be reflected in the work of the church in the months ahead. I would like to highlight nine matters of general interest to the Canadian constituency.

by J.W. Wilson

*President,
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G.E. Maxson



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H. Larsen

1. Personnel Changes

Elder and Mrs. Glen Maxson have retired from the work here in Canada. Our deepest well wishes go with them to North Carolina. Elected in his place as Secretary of the SDA Church in Canada is Dr. Douglas Devnich. He and his wife, Rene, grew up in Saskatchewan, and have contributed many years of solid work to Canada. His most recent post was as Director of Public Affairs and Religious Liberty.

Dr. Roy Adams will be the

Associate Secretary. The job description of both the Secretary and the Associate have now been defined so that both men will carry equally heavy assignments. Among fifteen other duties, Dr. Adams will be the newly appointed editor of the *Canadian Adventist Messenger*, care for all retirement applications, be the authority on Constitution and Bylaws, carry the heavy post of Human Relations, be the liaison be-

tween the Adventist Nursing Home Association and the Church in Canada, as well as handling all Union statistics.

The definition of duties will add great strength and depth to the Secretariat here in the work in Canada.

Alberta President, Elder Herb Larsen, Accepts Call

November 30 marked the last day of the ministry for the Larsens here in Canada. Our prayers go with Herb

and Lorraine as they take up their duties in the Lake Union where he will be the Secretary. For over two decades the Larsens have served Canada well and from across Canada, we wish them well in their new work with residence in Berrien Springs, Michigan.

Elder Don Corkum—New President for Alberta

Beginning December 1 of this year, Elder Corkum and his wife, Phyllis, begin their duties in a special way in Alberta. Elder Corkum, native of Nova Scotia, takes up the mantle from Elder Larsen. From across the country and particularly Alberta, we welcome them to the challenges of the work in that great conference.

2. Canadian Adventist Media Foundation

Through the years Canada has had three separate foundations—It Is Written, Voice of Prophecy and Faith for Today. In cooperation with the

the Canadian Pathfinders to join them August 7-12, 1989 for a big pathfinder camporee—we accept!

4. CUC Annual Audit Report

Please note the detailed report on page 10 of this issue. This is the follow through from the vote of the SDA Church in Canada Quinquennial Session, June, 1986.

5. Canadian Adventist Education Study Commission

Since 1981 several bodies and meetings have desired to give additional input on the subject of Adventist education. The Church in Canada has now received the Board of Higher Education's Seltzer Daley Report on

the HHSC building has been dedicated to the training of literature evangelists. We publicly express our deep appreciation to Mr. and Mrs. Marvin McColpin for their gift which makes this training centre a reality.

7. Revolving Fund

What a blessing to the Church in Canada the Revolving Fund has been. For the months ahead the lending rate will remain at 8%. Mrs. Erika Skula is now administering the fund in cooperation with the Union Treasury.

8. General Conference Risk Management

Canada's time has come! General Conference Insurance has established an office in this Union as it has done with other Unions. Beginning November 1, 1987, Brother James Jacobs has been named manager for Risk Management and Mrs. Frances Chant as Technical Assistant. These two individuals will be doing the in-



Don Corkum



Erika Skula



James Jacobs



Frances Chant

Media Center in Thousand Oaks, Canada is now studying the concept of merging all the media interests into one Foundation Board. All accounts will be identifiable and will be kept separate for the various institutions, but one Board will do the business. The changing Bylaws are now being prepared for this transition to take place in 1988.

3. Pathfinder Camporee Invitation

The Columbia Union has invited

education in North America. In the light of this, Canada will now seek to meet the needs of those requests from the past several years here in Canada.

The steering committee will do preliminary fact finding and will report back to the SDA Church Executive Committee in March to establish a proper strategy.

6. LE Training Centre Ribbon Cutting

Through a special gift, a portion of

insurance business and the risk management here in Canada.

9. Canadian Signs

The decline in subscriptions in the Canadian Signs has fallen below any acceptable level. A committee has been struck to study the situation. Our question to you is simply this, "Do you really want to lose the Canadian Signs?" Without sufficient circulation, the alternative is to be swallowed up by the US Signs—help! There will be a further report later.



Kurt Cao

Kurt Cao has an M.A. in Counselling and is Director of Christian Family Counselling in Oshawa, Ontario.

Family Forum

"Just as a father has compassion upon his children..."—Psalm 103:13

TO SOME OF US, it's Christmas time again. To others, it's winter, just one season closer to spring. Whatever it is to you, it is also a time of opportunity. All of us have the opportunity to focus on children. Joseph and Mary bent every fiber of their being to protecting and raising their children, beginning with the first born, Jesus. They listened to God's radical message to flee, and did. They took the responsibility of parents to save and protect, not to blame. There was no yelling at Him for "... how you've made it difficult for us," or "Why did you have to be so smart?", or "Can't you just be like the others?" The wonder of the new life, baby Jesus. Helpless. Dependent. Vulnerable. Fragile. Remember? Remember when your's were that way? Remember when you were? God, our Father, Jesus' Father, looks down at us. So helpless, dependent, vulnerable, fragile. He has taken the adult responsibility of protecting us until we can and do choose our destiny. All of His energy and focus is for us. He will never have to apologize for mistreating or overlooking us. As God's role models on earth, let us, as parents, focus on the child, the child in all of us.

Eve said to Adam when Cain was born—"I have gotten a man from the Lord." Genesis 4:1.

Abraham to Isaac—"And Abraham said, My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering." Genesis 22:8

Jochabed with son Moses—"And when she could not longer hide him, she took for him an ark of bulrushes, and daubed it with slime and with pitch, and put the child therein; and she laid it in the flags by the river's brink." Exodus 2:3

David to Mephibosheth, Jonathan's son—"Fear not: for I will surely shew thee kindness for Jonathan thy

father's sake, and will restore thee all the land of Saul thy father; and thou shalt eat bread at my table continually." 2nd Samuel 9:7

Father of boy afflicted with demon—"there came to him a certain man, kneeling down to him, and saying, Lord, have mercy on my son: for he is lunatick, and sore vexed: for oft-times he falleth into the fire, and oft into the water." Matthew 17:14, 15

Jesus to Conference employee, oops, I mean synagogue official—"Why make ye this ado, and weep? the damsel is not dead, but sleepeth. And he took the damsel by the hand, and said unto her, Talitha cumi;

which is, being interpreted, Damsel, I say unto thee, arise." Mark 5:39, 41

Jesus to His disciples—"Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God. Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not enter therein. And he took them up in his arms, and put his hands upon them, and blessed them." Mark 10:14-16

Like the children of the parents in Scripture, much of our children's motivations and successes in discovering that they are children of God, comes from the message we give them. Like the story of Lenny, which I have taken from the *Concerned Communications Positive Parenting* manual:

Lenny was a troublesome first-grader. He had a perfect second-grade brother, and a perfect kindergarten sister. Being middle in the birth order, Lenny did his best to live up to all the expectations of a misbehaving child. He didn't do his schoolwork, he cut classes and ran down to the corner store, he got into fights during recess, and he called his teacher and classmates bad names. He was bright but refused to shine.

After meeting in several strategy sessions with the school principal, Lenny's teacher decided to try a new approach. Instead of the usual punishing and scolding, she decided to begin looking for and commenting on some of Lenny's positive qualities. But she knew this was bound to be a tough assignment. After days of careful observation, the

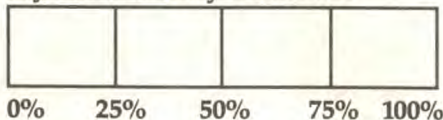
first positive note from the teacher went home to Mom in a sealed envelope. "Dear Mrs. Newman, Today Lenny had three good minutes on the playground!"

Noticeable changes began taking place in Lenny from that point on. Slow changes, to be sure, but noticeable. Even though the teacher was determined not to lose control of her responsibility to Lenny and his classmates, she was equally determined to begin giving Lenny a renewed self-concept. A self-concept that would teach him he was an okay person, filled with the possibilities of producing okay behaviour.

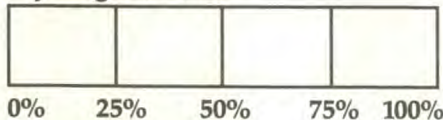
Lenny *did* change. And it all began with one adult's willingness to put aside her preconceived ideas and stereotypes about one small boy and begin seeing him through new eyes.

Have you measured what you give to your child in positives and negatives? It's worth thinking about, then you can control much of the value and worth to which your child is exposed. Measure it. Below are two graphs.* Shade in how much of your child's behaviour is okay. Think about it and shade it in. Now go to the second graph and shade in how much of your talk to that child you *honestly* feel is negative.

My Child's Okay Behaviour*



My Negative Talk*



Good. Now study them and see if they make any sense. Do you think the okay behaviour deserves as much negative talk as you give? Does the child's okay life get the positive encouragement it deserves? The whole point is that you do have an influence on your children, and you can adjust that influence just by adjusting your words. God already knows that. That is why He showers you with loving words and modelling like "for I so loved you I gave my only child to you that if you would believe He loves you and trusts you, like I do, then

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you won't have to miss out and die, but can live happily ever after." John 3:16 paraphrased.

Over and over again God invites us, praises us, offers to love us, confronts us, and rocks our boat. All of our life God spends wooing us with encouragement. Encouragement to discover our heritage, our future. Encouragement to challenge life now and use His power to conquer it and not be victims of it. We are helpless, like the children, and we need God to make our lives pure, which He does through Jesus' life and sacrifice. We need God to do the impossible . . . to save us. All we have to do is listen to what He says to us, and watch how He works seeing what He has done, and then take His power and live and learn. Just like our children do from us. I'm not just speaking to birth parents. The privilege and responsibility belongs to parents, step-parents, uncles, aunts, older brothers and sisters, grandparents, neighbours, baby sitters, teachers, church officers, employers, and on and on. All can do the work of the Holy Spirit in en-

couraging others, especially the children.

Pause for a moment and consider how encouragement helped you or would have helped you. Did you have to learn some things the hard way? Is God easier to trust because your folks almost never let you down or put you down? Just remember what it was like in your darkest time, and imagine right now, how it could have been. "What if...?" is all you ask yourself to see how your life was or could have been much happier with encouragement. So don't blame or starve your child because it didn't happen for you. Let it happen for them. Help your heartaches heal through your happy children. Then you and God can be on the same side.

Christmas is a time to be on the same side as God. Take the time to meditate on Jesus and His parents, and His and your situation. What your parents did that hurt you, determine to tell them and forgive them and not duplicate those things to your children. What your parents did that was good, tell them and model them. At night when your children are asleep, go in and look at them. Look for the wonder of baby Jesus, of Jesus the boy, of Jesus the man, and Jesus the Son of God and God. See your children filled with Jesus' love. See them growing with your encouragement, now and forever. And see yourself. Not the old, helpless, hopeless, frustrated person, but as the baby that needs a parent—your Heavenly Father—to care for you and guide you as you grow . . . forever, and discover that Jesus is indeed your brother. He grew up here too.

May this time of year focus on you and I, the children of God, whatever our age, whatever our need. "Just as a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who revere Him." Psalm 103:13 Godspeed. ✨

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AUDIT REPORT SUMMARY

INTRODUCTION

The 12th session of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada, held at Oshawa in June 1986, voted a Debt Liquidation Plan for Canadian Union College. The plan would provide \$4.0 million from Local, Union, and General Conference Sources and \$2.0 million from reorganization of the major industries owned by C.U.C. The action recognized that every conference and church in Canada would be asked to assist and that safeguards would be needed to assure that "academic, financial and industrial situations (would) not arise the second time." The safeguards covered the Academic area, the Financial area for the current quinquennium, Capital projects, and the separation of the industry from the College.

A subsequent action (86-86) recommended to the Executive Committee of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada that "a standing audit committee of three to seven Seventh-day Adventist lay persons be established for auditing the compliance of Canadian Union College with the Debt Liquidation Plan". This committee to report once per year to the fall meeting of the Union Executive Committee and to the Church in Canada through the *Messenger*.

The 1986 fall Executive Committee meeting implemented the recommendation by appointing a committee of five lay persons and a resource person from C.U.C. The members of the Committee are:

Glen Brown, Edmonton, Alberta, Laboratory Director, Chairperson

Ike Cadogan, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Business Person (owner)

Carol Domke, Victoria, British Columbia, Business Person/
Nurse

*Evans Morgan, Toronto, Ontario, Manager - Government of Canada

Dr. Wilford Tetz, Lacombe, Alberta, Physician

Bernard Skoretz, Lacombe, Alberta, Vice President -

Financial Affairs, C.U.C. resource person

The committee felt the need of assistance in the review so asked Dr. Gurubatham, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Columbia Union College to review the academic performance and Dunwoody and Company, C.U.C.'s financial auditors for input in the financial area.

The Audit Committee felt the constituency needed a statement about the total debt load of C.U.C. at the time of the debt liquidation plan went into effect. This is presented in the final section of the report.

*Inactive

ACADEMIC SAFEGUARDS

1. **"Course offerings must be more increasingly cost effective and not be expanded for the next five years."**

FINDING

- The average cost of teaching a course at C.U.C. in the 1985/86 school year was \$5,224.66. In 1986/87 it was \$5,258.72. When inflation is considered, the cost in 1985/86 dollars is \$5,052.00, a reduction of 3.3%.
- The 1986 report by Dr. Brown of the General Conference Department of Higher Education indicated a 1985/86 breakeven point of 10.52 students per class. In 1985/86 (second semester) only 26.5% of the classes exceeded that number. In the 1986/87 school year 34.0% of the courses taught had 11 or more students enrolled. Also the number of courses with 3 or less students dropped from 51 in 1985/86 to 44 in 1986/87.
- There were 221 courses taught in the 1985/86 school year. In 1986/87 there were 197.
- The number of college faculty has been reduced by one.
- The faculty/student ratio has remained fairly constant ranging between 1:9.8 to 1:10.8 over the past four years. The 1985/86 was 1:10.2.

CONCLUSION

The College administration and staff have been able to keep the cost of instruction per course below the 1985/86 dollar equivalent. They have also reduced staff and maintained the faculty/student ratio.

2. **"Alberta Accreditation to be implemented only as funds are available."**

The Committee interprets this to mean that accreditation and actions towards accreditation will not in-

crease costs of the academic operation.

FINDING

- a) Progress is being made towards accreditation.
- b) Review of supplied Academic Committee minutes and Board actions indicate that "no actions were taken toward accreditation in which additional costs were accrued to the institution... No new courses or staff were recommended, voted or put in place..."
- c) Review of financial statements does not indicate otherwise.
- d) Purchases for the library were within the normal range of the preceding four years.

CONCLUSION

The Committee found no evidence that actions taken towards achieving accreditation have increased the demand in available funds.

FINANCIAL SAFEGUARDS - CAPITAL PROJECTS

1. **"No capital projects will be permitted except for those approved by the College Board and financed by donations that would not be available for debt liquidation. The project will not require funds in addition to the specific donation(s)."**

INTERPRETATION

That building projects and/or equipment purchases valued at greater than \$5,000 will not be undertaken unless entirely funded by specific donations.

FINDINGS

- During the 1986/87 school year three capital items were undertaken:
- refinishing the grand piano—\$9,990.00
 - purchase of a school bus—\$36,611.77
 - purchase of the postage meter and scale—\$6,800.00
- a) Refinishing the piano was entirely funded by private donations, the majority of which were received during the 1985/86 school year. The contract for refinishing was

agreed to prior to June 7, 1986.

- b) The purchase of the bus was agreed to by the College Board. The College allocated \$10,000 towards the purchase. This reduced the cost of the College Board spring tour to eastern Canada by about \$11,000, from an estimated \$23,000 to \$12,050.
- c) The postage meter and scale were purchased to replace worn out equipment. It was voted by the Board.

CONCLUSION

No capital building projects were undertaken. The other purchases were justified. The intent of this section of the safeguards has not been violated.

2. **"Emergency major repairs ... involving more than \$50,000 will be referred to the Union Executive Committee and the Conference Committees for approval."**

FINDINGS/CONCLUSION

No emergency major repairs were made.

FINANCIAL - NON CAPITAL

1. **"The College will adopt an annual budget... (that will) eliminate any deficit financial position and allow the building of working capital by showing a 3% to 5% operating gain. Any previous deficit financing will be corrected in the new budget for the following year."**

FINDINGS

- a) At the time the Debt Liquidation Plan was voted the budget for the 1986/87 school year was advanced beyond the point of making major changes.
- b) Preliminary figures indicate that:
 - i) the College had a gain net worth of approximately \$8,000.
 - ii) the College has reduced its liabilities by \$486,470, from operating funds available.
 - iii) since receiving the debt liquidation payment, the Col-

lege has operated on a cash basis without using a line of credit at the bank.

CONCLUSION

Even with a previously set budget the College appears to have attempted and partially succeeded in meeting this safeguard.

INDUSTRIAL SAFEGUARDS

1. **"Academic operations will be organizationally and functionally separated and insulated from the industrial operation by June 30, 1986 through the establishment of a not-for-profit corporation to hold the assets and liabilities of the industries and farm."**

FINDINGS

- a) A not-for-profit company, PARKLAND EDUCATION ADVANCE CORPORATION (P.E.A.C.), has been set up to operate:
 - Parkland Furniture Manufacturing Ltd.,
 - Parkland Colorpress Ltd., and
 - College Dairy Ltd.
- b) The members of P.E.A.C. are the S.D.A. Church in Canada and the Alberta Conference Corporation of the S.D.A. Church. The two organizations appoint the Board of Directors.
- c) The current board is made up of:
 - Gary DeBoer — Chairman, Treasurer, S.D.A. Church in Canada
 - Gerald Chipeur — Secretary, S.D.A. Lawyer, private practice, Edmonton, Alberta
 - Gordon Gray—Treasurer, Ontario Conference Corporation
 - Ron Hosking—President, P.E.A.C.
 - Peter Miller—S.D.A., Corporate Lawyer, Calgary, AB
 - Bernard Skoretz—V.P. Financial Affairs, C.U.C.
- d) The separation of the industries from the College took place in stages:
 - July 1, 1986; financial separation was effective.
 - August 7, 1986; transferring management of industries to P.E.A.C. (management agree-

ment entered into).

- August 7, 1986; P.E.A.C. incorporated as owner of industries with ownership back-dated to July 1, 1986.
- October 31, 1986; employees of the industries became employees of P.E.A.C.

CONCLUSION

The actions taken to form P.E.A.C. have achieved the purposes of separating the industry from the academic areas. Closure of any of the industries should not place an additional drain (except for lost rent) on the resources of C.U.C.

2. "Commit the specific College assets to meet the \$2,000,000 portion outlined in the Debt Liquidation Plan for Canadian Union College."

FINDINGS

Canadian Union College turned over assets to P.E.A.C. with a value of \$5,556,339. Also the industry retained a liability of \$1,039,086. In turn P.E.A.C. paid C.U.C. \$900,000 in cash and provided an interest bearing demand note for \$1,100,000. Additionally, three non-interest bearing promissory notes (one from each industry) valued at \$3,556,339 were provided to the college. Since that time the college has signed an option to convert the promissory notes to preferred shares of equal value. This will reduce the liability of P.E.A.C. and provide it with a better financial standing. If at any time the preferred shares of one or more of the industries are redeemed, it could result in receiving additional funds.

CONCLUSION

Actions by P.E.A.C. have reduced C.U.C.'s debt by \$1,939,086. The College will receive an additional \$1,100,000 when the demand note is paid. This will bring the total contribution of P.E.A.C. towards debt reduction to \$3,039,086. Intentions of this safeguard will be surpassed.

3. "Encourage private investors, and/or corporations supportive of the S.D.A. education work-study concept, to purchase and operate the industry and farm."

FINDINGS/CONCLUSION

Interest was shown by a few persons or groups of persons. No agreements were reached and at this

DEBT REDUCTION

Financial Position of C.U.C. as of June 30, 1986

Canadian Union College			
Debts:	Royal Bank	4,144,620	
	Accounts Payable	330,776	
	Private Notes	449,238	
	Agency Accounts	37,953	
	Conference Notes	992,211	
		5,954,798	
	Endowment/Restricted Funds	867,056	
		6,821,854	6,821,854
Industries			
Debts:	Accounts Payable	709,520	
	Bank Notes	5,050	
	Equipment	124,966	
	Lease	65,836	
	Canadian Union Notes	133,714	
		1,039,086	1,039,086
Total Debt		7,860,940	7,860,940
Debt Reduction			
Conferences:	Alberta	900,000	
	British Columbia	800,000	
	Manitoba/Sask.	275,000	
	Maritimes	120,000	
	Newfoundland	55,000	
	Ontario	750,000	
	Quebec	125,000	
		3,025,000	3,025,000
	Canadian Union/General Conference	775,000	
	General Conference Special Appropriation	200,000	
Industry			
	Cash	900,000	
	Retained Liability	1,039,086	
		1,939,086	1,939,086
		5,939,086	5,939,086
Remaining Debt			1,921,854
Receivable from P.E.A.C. (demand note)			1,100,000
Debt Retained by C.U.C.			\$821,854

CONCLUSION

The Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada, its affiliated Conferences, and the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists have met their commitment to the Debt Liquidation Plan.

As indicated above, P.E.A.C.'s contribution to the Debt Liquidation Plan will, when the demand note is paid, have surpassed the planned contribution from that source. The \$821,854 is an "internal debt", with funds needed to replace endowment

time there are no current offers to be considered. Various avenues of acquiring capital are being assessed and pursued.

and restricted funds borrowed in times of financial crises.

The Audit Committee, in its review of Canadian Union College's compliance with the debt liquidation plan, has determined that the College has complied with the restrictions and guidelines. The committee believes that the College Board, Administration, and Staff are attempting to provide quality education for Seventh-day Adventist young people within the limits placed upon it. ☼

DIVERSIONS—Life-Saving Changes of Pace

IT IS SEEMINGLY SO EASY for all of us, at one time or another, to become so preoccupied with the "importance" of what we do for a living that we forget that there is a whole world "out there" awaiting our exploration.

Stress-related disorders—ulcers, high blood pressure, many types of cancer, digestive difficulties, headaches and insomnia—are common in today's highly technologically-oriented society.

Labour-saving devices, prepared foods, and a shift to more service-type occupations (computers, food service, sales) away from the more labour-intensive traditional jobs (farming and industry) have led to more leisure time and less physical activity. In ad-

dition, there is more specialization in education, with fewer individuals possessing the jack-of-all trades ability that was needed in our pioneer days.

Many cope with their stress symptoms by using drugs, from the common analgesics like aspirin and smoking tobacco to alcohol and the "harder," usually illicit, drugs like cocaine and marijuana. These escapes create their own problems for one's health and well-being.

There is another way you can handle this terror-filled aspirin age. Develop an interest in a hobby or two. A hobby is simply an activity that you engage in that is not something that you have to do in order to "make a living." It is something that focuses your skills and natural abilities doing something that is pleasurable, not that work should not be fun as well!

Hobbies can be art work, like painting or woodworking; sports, like gymnastics or tennis; collections; such as stamps, butterflies or flowers; or a hundred and one other activities, like backpacking, sailing, travel, or photography. Whatever relaxing hobby you select, be enthusiastic about it.

Sir William Osler, the Canadian-born physician and distinguished professor of medicine at John Hopkins University, once told an audience of health professionals: "No man is really happy or safe without a hobby, and it makes precious little difference what the outside interest may be—botany, beetles or butterflies; roses, tulips or irises; fishing, mountaineering or antiques—

anything will do as long as he straddles a hobby and rides it hard."

No better prescription for avoiding stress was ever penned. Diversions are as essential to our health and individual development as schools are to our education or as food is to our nourishment.

So when stress signals appear—the worried frown, the set of the jaw, the irritability with others, the fatigued mind—it's time to shift gears and change hats. In other words, don't "cave in." Get away! Don't crumble. Create! If you have never developed interests outside the realm of your work, you are in need of the restoration provided by a hobby.

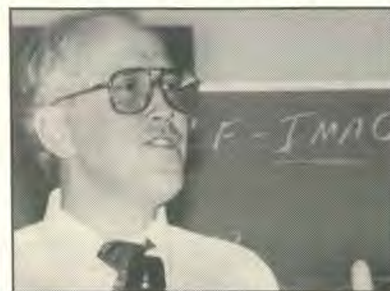
Enjoy a more "abundant life." Select a hobby and "ride it hard!"

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Kingsway College



During October 19 to 25, Pastor Ken Crawford of Fredericton, New Brunswick visited Kingsway College to conduct his first Week of Prayer on an academy campus. God worked during the week and it was a success. In the morning meetings, Pastor Crawford talked to the students and faculty about the unconscious, subconscious, and conscious minds and how they affect their daily lives. He recounted experiences from his past when God worked miracles in his life. The evening services were spent listening to parables from the life of Christ.

Pastor Crawford was an example to Kingsway College. He showed that a Christian does not have to be perfect from the start or at anytime in his life to fit into God's plans. The key to serving God, despite any bad habits, is a desire to know God and serve Him. By spending time with God, bad habits will fade and be replaced by the desire to serve God as never before.

This fantastic Week of Prayer ended by celebrating the communion service as a school family. The cafeteria was set up so that students could participate in the Service of Humility and then share together the symbolic Bread and Wine. The service ended with students sharing what they were thankful for at Kingsway. Many students remained to talk, to relax, to make new friends, and to settle differences with old friends. God's presence could be felt as students were drawn closer to Him. One person was overheard commenting that "the Friday evening service was the highlight of the year so far."

Pastor Crawford came as a stranger to most people at Kingsway but left as a friend to many. By sharing what Jesus meant in his life he showed what Jesus can do in our lives.






Faces in the Inner City

R. L. Woodfork

Associate Secretary, General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists



THE TELEVISION AND NEWS MEDIA are full of faces these days. Faces that haunt us, faces of hunger, of desperation and despair. They are the faces of the old, the young, the helpless. The faces of thousands and potentially millions who have no food, no home, no hope! These are the faces of people who are victims of a depraved society, trapped in the dungeons of poverty in the inner cities of America.

The inner city is not to be interpreted as "downtown" or the well-endowed fortress where the exclusive boutique business people live. The inner city refers to the core city—the ghetto. The city in transition—transition from the wealthy aristocratic family dwellings to the poor black hovels of almost indescribable poverty.

The inner city is what the suburban-bound Anglos have left behind. The inner city is what Ellen White referred to when she wrote, "In the great cities are multitudes who receive less care and consideration than are given to dumb animals... families herded together in miserable tenements, many of them dark basements, reeking with dampness and filth. In these wretched places children are born and grow up and die. They see nothing of the beauty of natural things that God has created to delight the senses and uplift the soul. Ragged and half starved, they live amid vice and depravity, molded in character by the wretchedness and sin that surround them. Children hear the name of God only in profanity.... The fumes of liquor and tobacco, sickening stench, moral degradation pervert their senses. Thus multitudes are trained to become criminals, foes to society that has abandoned them to misery and degradation." *MH* pp. 189, 190.

It is these people that are locked in to these deplorable conditions who cannot extricate themselves that you and I have a responsibility to help.

This is what inner city ministry is endeavouring to do. Ministries such

as Operation HOPE (Helping Other People Endure). Through this program and other similar ministries thousands of people are given food and clothing on a regular basis. Shelters have been provided for the homeless. Job-referral services are helping people find meaningful jobs who could not secure them otherwise.

In all the major cities today drug abuse is the number one cause of increasing crime. To combat this terrible menace to society, drug abuse seminars are being conducted in public and parochial schools. Reports reveal that a number of young people have kicked the drug habit and have been baptized into the church as a result of these seminars.

Other seminars in parental responsibility, family planning, child raising, and budget planning have helped to change the outlook of hundreds of people and today they have a different face—they have hope for a better life in the future.

This is inner city ministry, the kind of work that is enjoined in Isaiah 58. "Is not this the fast that I have chosen? to loose the bands of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens, and to let the oppressed go free, and that ye break every yoke? Is it not to deal thy bread to the hungry, and that thou bring the poor that are cast out to thy house? when thou seest the naked, that thou cover him;... Then shall thy light break forth as the morning... and thy righteousness shall go before thee; the glory of the Lord shall be thy reward."

Inner city ministry needs your support so that thousands more can receive this kind of assistance.

In 1987 the General Conference appropriated \$200,000 directly to inner city ministry. The needs in 1988 are far greater. Sabbath, January 9, 1988 has been designated as Inner City Sabbath. May we appeal to the members of all churches to give a generous offering to facilitate the inner city work and help change the faces in the inner city.

Literature Evangelist Training Centre Dedicated in Canada

by W. Ruba

Director, Home Health Service of Canada

ON OCTOBER 21, a literature evangelist training centre was opened for the Canadian Union in Oshawa. Brother and Sister McColpin of Tennessee travelled to Canada especially for the ribbon cutting and dedication ceremony. The McColpins have supported the literature ministry over the past 50 years through personal participation and generous financial support.


with modern audio and video equipment, a library and is ready for the first group of Literature Evangelists to receive thorough training in Christian salesmanship.

The McColpins provided the funds for the Training Centre and established a trust fund for its operation. A special plaque was presented to them as a token of appreciation from

Training Centre will contribute in a large measure to the expansion of the Literature Ministry in Canada.

The following was a special blessing to me. As I took Sister Diane Roy out for the first time, we found upon knocking on the second door a good interest. This lady wanted to understand the book of Revelation better and she wanted to know when Jesus was coming again. We invited her to come to the crusade of Gerard Dis. She was baptized three weeks ago! What a way to start the canvassing work!

To finish I would say that the other literature evangelists are getting lots of good interests and studies. Brother Tremblay is putting on a series of conferences on Aids, Depression, and Diabetes. He has done this before, some health organizations have asked him if they can videotape him, so that they can present him all over the province. The media is announcing that Mr. Tremblay from the Home Health Service of Canada will be presenting these topics. Already the Government Health Department is regarding the Home Health Service of Canada as an important organization and is requesting our books and magazines.

It is time to wake up from our sleep! 



Opening ceremony for the Training Centre. Left to right: Elder Gary DeBoer, Elder Glen Maxson, Elder Paul Cordray, Mrs. R. McColpin, and her husband, Mr. M. McColpin, faithful supporters of the Literature Ministry, Elder James Wilson, and Elder Robert Smith, Publishing Director for North America.

Sister McColpin canvassed twice in Canada with great success. In Labrador she sold in less than 3 months \$50,000.00 worth of books and donated nearly all the commission to the Newfoundland mission.

The training centre is equipped

the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada.

The entire Home Health Service Board and Elder R. Smith, Publishing Director of the North American Division participated in the dedication. It is our prayer that this

Seeing Souls Converted

by Robert Fournier

"The time has come when a large work should be done by the canvassers. The world is asleep, and as watchmen they are to ring the warning bells to awake the sleepers to their danger. The churches know not the time of their visitation. Often they can best learn the truth through

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Seventh-day Adventist CHRISTIAN EDUCATION Is Alive And Well Across The Union!

*Here are the people
that work directly with
the K-12 program:*



Frank Skoretz
*Superintendent of
Education:
British Columbia*

Graduated from Canadian Union College with a B.Th., Andrews University with a B.A. and M.Div. and from Loma Linda University with an M.A.

He has worked in various capacities including pastoring in Alberta, Mission President & Education Director in Belize, Education, Sabbath School & Youth in Costa Rica, Bible Teacher, Guidance Counsellor, Vice Principal of Glendale Academy and just before joining the staff in B.C. was Principal of Glendale Academy.



Lorraine Martin

*Associate
Superintendent of
Education:
British Columbia*

Graduated from Walla Walla College with B.Sc. and Loma Linda University with M.Ed.

She has taught all grades from K-12 for the past 30 years, with the majority of that time spent among elementary grades. She has taught in Calgary, Alberta, Burnaby and Okanagan in British Columbia. She was also Dean of Women at Canadian Union College.

Lorraine is working at inservicing all the elementary teachers in B.C. in workshops that will help make their classrooms attractive and more manageable.



Ron Sampsel
*Superintendent of
Education: Alberta*

He has attended the University of Alberta, the University of British Columbia and Walla Walla College. He has a B.Ed.

He has served as principal of several academies including: College Heights Adventist Jr. Academy, Parkview, New Westminster and Winnipeg. He also served as Associate Superintendent of Educa-

tion in Alberta before assuming his current position.

He would like to arrange many more in-service programs for teachers in his province.



Frank Owens
*Associate
Superintendent of
Education: Alberta*

Graduated from Walla Walla College with a B.A. in Religion, from Loma Linda University with an M.Ed. and University of Idaho with an Ed.D.

He has served as pastor and teacher in several areas and as Associate Professor both at Southern College and Canadian Union College.



Myron Wareham

***Superintendent of
Education: Manitoba-
Saskatchewan***

Graduated from Loma Linda University with a B.Sc. in Physical Education and Masters from University of Idaho.

He has taught for ten years with the Upper Columbia Conference and Northern California Conference. He has also worked with the Wawona Youth Camp.

Myron would like to become a resource person for the teachers of his Conference.



Bill Easterbrook
*Superintendent of
Education: Ontario*

Bill is a son of Ontario having been born around the Niagara area. However his "other home" would have to be India and Pakistan.

Graduated from P.U.C. with a B.A. in Religion and an M.A. in Education Administration. His career with the Adventist Church began as baker, dairy and store-worker on the campus of Kingsway College. Since then he has served in various capacities including pastor and principal in South India at Kottarakara, as Union Treasurer and Principal of Lowry Memorial Junior College in

Bangalore, as President of Kingsway College, as Personnel Manager, Chief Accountant, and Business Office Manager at Branson, as Principal of Crawford Adventist Academy and was the moving force behind the addition of Grades 11 & 12 there, as President of Pakistan Adventist Seminary and College.

He would like to help as much as he can to upgrade the professional status of the teachers and the system in Ontario.

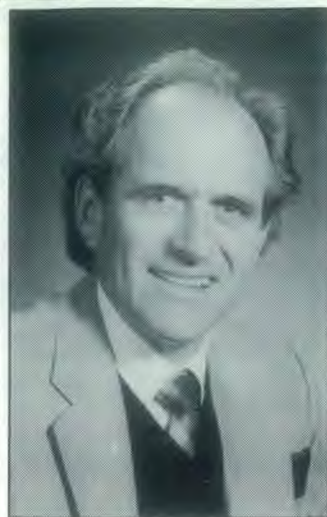


Dave Higgins
*Associate
Superintendent of
Education: Ontario*

Graduated from Atlantic Union College and Loma Linda University with a Master's degree in Health Education.

Dave has worked in U.S. Virgin Islands, California and most recently as Principal in Toronto at the Western Elementary School.

He plans to work with in-service programs and curriculum development with the teachers in Ontario.



Lee Patterson
*Superintendent of
Education: Maritimes*

Graduated from Walla Walla College with a B.Sc.

Has worked in various capacities in the U.S. and Canada. He has been a pastor, teacher, and academy principal in Saskatchewan, Montana, and in Oregon served as Migrant program director.

He also serves the Youth and Sabbath School departments currently.



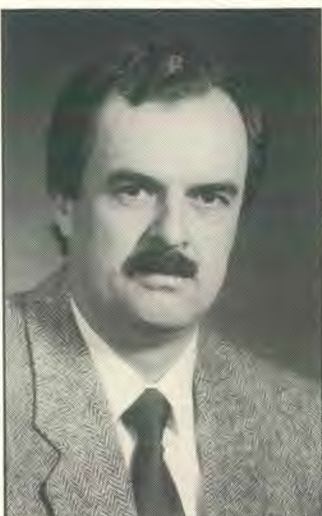
John Waters
*Superintendent of
Education:
Newfoundland*

John has attended Avondale College, Atlantic Union college, and An-

draws University. He is finishing up work on his Ed.D.

John has worked as principal in New Zealand, Halifax and British Columbia.

John has been an asset to the unique program of Education in Newfoundland. He is presently involved with the construction of two new school buildings: Corner Brook and Botwood. He would like to see these completed and to increase the effectiveness of Newfoundland schools in bringing Christ to the students.



John Janes

*Acting Principal:
Parkview Adventist
Academy: Alberta*

Graduated from Atlantic Union College with a B.A. in History and from Memorial University in Newfoundland with B.Ed. and M.Ed.

He has served as History teacher at St. John's Academy in Newfoundland, Principal at Calgary S.D.A. School, Socials teacher at Coralwood Jr. Academy in Edmonton and Vice-Principal at Parkview.



Ralph Janes

*President of Kingsway
College: Ontario*

Graduated from Atlantic Union College with a B.A. and Andrews University with an M.A.

Ralph has served as principal at several schools including: Schaber Memorial Jr. Academy, Crawford Adventist Academy, and Parkview Adventist Academy. In addition, he has been Registrar at Canadian Union College and Superintendent of Education and Treasurer in Newfoundland.



Janice Saliba

*Associate Director of
Education:
Seventh-day Adventist
Church in Canada*

A graduate of Andrews University with a B.A. in English and two Masters degrees: one in English and the other in Guidance and Counselling. Currently enrolled in the Ed.D. program at Ontario Institute of Studies in Education.

Has served as teacher and principal at College Heights Adventist Jr. Academy, Dean of Women at Kingsway and teacher and Registrar at Crawford Adventist Academy.

In this newly created position, she hopes to upgrade the professional standard of teachers across the union and to initiate the development of Canadian-based curriculum materials.



Victor Fitch

*Director of Education:
Seventh-day Adventist
Church in Canada*

Graduated from Walla Walla College with a B.A. and from Western Washington University with an M.A. in Mathematics.

He has served in several capacities including: dean of men, high school principal, teacher and academic dean at Canadian Union College. Before assuming his position here, he served for ten years at Walla Walla

College as Director of Admissions and Records and Director of Financial Aid.

Vic works closely with the North American Division in implementing programs to suit Canada's needs. He hopes to sponsor and develop curriculum materials and workshops across the union and promote programs that will effectively lead our students to Christ.

And
all thy
children
shall be
taught
of the
LORD;
and great
shall be
the
peace
of thy
children.

—Isaiah 54:13

BRITISH COLUMBIA



Baptism in Aldergrove Church

There was great rejoicing on June 13, 1987 at the Aldergrove church when six precious souls took their stand to follow their Lord through the waters of baptism. Pastor Ken Wiebe officiated and the candidates were welcomed into the church family. Left to right: Brian Tall, Pastor Ken Wiebe, Rachele Ford, Chantelle Skoretz, Janine Knowlton, Michael Kosty, Kristi Kotanko.



Baby Dedication

Ronald and Petra Donatteli of the Mission S.D.A. Church presented their baby daughter, Jennica Christine in dedication to the Lord on July 18, 1987. The parents of Ronald and Petra, along with other relatives and special guests, witnessed the ceremony during the Sabbath service at which Pastor Terrence Davin officiated.



Parents Present Four-Month-Old in Dedication

On Sabbath, September 12, 1987 the North Shore Church was witness to a baby dedication service, officiated by Pastor Sil Lindo. Allison Kathleen Louie was dedicated to the Lord by her parents Sam and Marla Louie. Also present were big sister Lisa and little brother David.

Creston Members Remember 45 Years of Church History

The 45th anniversary of the founding of the church in Creston, British Columbia was a reunion as well as a tribute to the work of the early workers in the Kootenay community.

The work began in Creston in 1941 as Elder C.C. Weis began studies with several people. Later, he was joined by Malcolm Fisher who was a ministerial intern. When the church received its charter 45 years ago, there were 31 members. Of these, only four are still living. Two of the charter members were present, Mary Leiske and Bertha Thomas. Frank Martin and Tom Mathews could not attend. The members faced hardships as they met in the Blair home and then in a tiny church. There were problems with property and with finances but the members faithfully supported the work. In 1964 a decision was made to build the present church. A small church school, since torn down, was also located on the grounds. The present church was dedicated in 1967.

Former pastors took part in the services as John Popowich led out in song service, Al Reimche took the Saturday evening meeting, and Everett Tetz helped out as a participant in the afternoon program. Many former members added richness as the early days of the church were relived in a church history drama led out by Joy Wells with help from Ginger Albrecht and Shawna Kettner. Special music for the weekend was provided by Marjorie Comm, Hardy Delafield with his violin and the Creston Church orchestra. Pastor Al Reimche also shared his musical talent.

After the Sabbath morning church service, the ladies served a fine dinner and further programs followed.

Marjorie Comm

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Seeing Souls Converted

the efforts of the canvasser." Vol. #6 p. 315 Testimonies.

Let canvassers go forth with the word of the Lord, remembering that those who obey them will be rewarded by seeing souls converted and one soul truly converted will bring others to Christ. Thus the work will advance into new territory.

How true are these words as we see this prophecy being fulfilled here in Quebec. It seems to me like a beehive around here! Brother and

Sister Otis up north have seen God's blessing through their work. Three souls were baptized this summer. But, the most impressive is that one of these persons has been writing and contacting by letters her family in the Philippines. She also appealed to the nearest pastor to visit her family. Impressed by this request this pastor has started a seminar and nine souls from her family were baptized. As a result of this seminar, twenty-five persons were baptized in all.

Sister Parent, a literature evangelist from Grand'Mère, has been working

faithfully door to door for a year or so and has just seen two lovely people baptized. What rejoicing is in her heart!

Pastor Taine Lamour, a literature evangelist in the Montreal area, took a month off from his canvassing to organize a crusade for the Montreal North Church. It was wonderful to see eight souls baptized and rejoicing in their new-found faith. There will be another baptism with four more candidates from his effort. It is a blessing to see him go door to door finding even more interests for a future crusade.

Perth Has Baptism and Dedication Services



Several years ago, Pauline Devlin began reading her Bible with a desire to know God. During this period the Holy Spirit brought her a new birth into God's kingdom. About two years ago, she began to study the prophecies of Daniel &

Revelation and some happy winter hours were spent with God's Word. Early this year she joined in with our Bible study and prayer group in Smiths Falls. Many prayers went up to Heaven as we left room for the Holy Spirit to speak to her heart. This past summer she expressed a desire to be baptized and on September 5 Pastor Orpana had the happy privilege of baptizing her. Pauline joins her niece, Louise Umpherson and her two sisters, Dorothy Campbell and Ruby Richardson in God's remnant church.

On October 31 Dale & Marilyn McCann presented their son, Jordan, to the Lord. Pastor Orpana held him in his arms as he prayed a special prayer of dedication. As we wait for Jesus' return, it is a privilege for the church to support all parents as they raise their children to be members of the family of God.



Baby Dedication at Sudbury

On Sabbath, September 12, 1987, Joseph Wesley Richards, son of Winston and Inez was dedicated to the Lord by Pastor Dennis Heintz. Many members and visitors of the Sudbury congregation were present to witness the challenge for his parents and sister Arlene as they rededicate their lives to the Lord.



Four Join Owen Sound

On August 15, the Owen Sound Church rejoiced in welcoming four young people into church fellowship. Left to right: Pastor H. Sormin, David and Norma Sutter, Amy Pleasance, and Ted Beaulieu. May the Lord's blessing continually rest on these young hearts as they live for Him.



Sabbath Baptism of the Banfield Family and the Leon Children

The Banfields—William, Valerie, Peter and David are pictured by Pastor E.L. Anderson, who has studied with this family for several months. The Leon children—Francisco, Rossa and Dalupe are among the dozen Spanish children attending the Windsor Church School at Maidstone, who studied with Pastor D. Barrios. The Windsor Church as a whole had witnessed in word and deed to all of these new members.



Infant Dedicated

It was the privilege of Pastor Harold King to dedicate Kenneth Lee McLacilin to the Lord on August 22, 1987, at the Windsor Church. Kenneth is the son of Pastor King's niece and her husband, Dianne and Timothy McLacilin.



Farewell to the McLearys

It was with mixed emotions that the members and friends of Toronto Perth Church bid farewell to Pastor and Sister McLeary. Pastor McLeary accepted a call to serve at the Bethel S.D.A. Church. The members extend best wishes to the McLearys in their new assignment.

Perth Church Crusade Climaxes in Large Baptism

If attendance and baptisms are any indication, the Evangelistic Crusade held at Toronto Perth Church September 12 to October 8, 1987, was a great success. Pastor James Fox, Ontario Conference evangelist expounded the gospel each

night with fervor and conviction. At the conclusion, 26 souls were baptized. We give God the glory for those who are now part of the family of God and who are re-joining in their new-found faith.

V. Cleghorne



Evangelistic team and some of the souls that were baptised during the crusade.

Announcement

Willowdale Church Members

The Willowdale Ontario Seventh-day Adventist Church will be celebrating its 35th Anniversary on Friday, December 18, 1987 Evening Sabbath, December 19, 1987 All Day. Former members please respond if able to attend, to:

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Another Son!

The Lord has just gained another son. Praise His name! Gary Dehn was baptized Sabbath, August 29 and looks forward to a new and better life in Jesus. His grandfather, Alvin Putman, had studied with Gary to help prepare him for his new walk. Praise the Lord for our layman. Pastor Paul Boudreau accompanies him.

QUEBEC

Eight Join Westmount Church Following Crusade Meetings

The Westmount Church under the leadership of Pastor-Evangelist Cyril Millett III, conducted a three-week crusade during the month of October. The meetings, held in one of the high school auditoriums in Montreal, were well attended by friends and members alike.

Using the theme "Victory in Jesus," the Westmount Church worked together under the power of the Holy Spirit, to support the work of the Lord of the Harvest. At the end of October eight souls followed the example of Christ in baptism. Others who attended have requested baptism and still others are engaged in Bible studies.

Today the church family continues to praise God for the blessings received and is looking forward to the "Youth for Christ Crusade" planned for next spring.



Baptismal group, back row, left to right: Lystra Marshall, Ann-Marie Marshall, Ann Andrews, Dawn Smith, Shem Fraser, Pastor Millett. Front row, left to right: Ponzita Steele, Melissa Redmond and Owen Gayle.

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Unique Baptism

Twin Boys and Presbyterian Elder Join Yorkton Church

Many a mother has prayed for the day when her children would join her in the faith she has learned to love. Over 30 years ago a mother prayed for her family. Sister Peet was one of the first converts to Adventism in the Yorkton area. She was a very faithful member. One of the last things she did was to purchase the property and give it to the Yorkton church for a site for a new church building. I am sure that she offered many prayers for her children that they would one day be members of that church. Recently her son, Cecil, responded to the working of the Holy Spirit on his heart. He told Elder James, "I have always believed that the Seventh-day Adventist Church was the true church, and that the Sabbath should be kept, but I never acted on that belief. I feel that now I must act, and not put it off any longer, even if it isn't convenient."

Cecil Peet had been an Elder of the Presbyterian church. In his resignation, he told the Presbyterian congregation that he could no longer be an Elder of their church because he could not teach the doctrines of their church, and that he was being baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

We thank God that He does not forget our prayers, but keeps working on hearts and lives of those we love, never giving up on them.

Another mother's prayers were answered when her twin sons were baptized along with Brother Peet. This mother is happy that she was able to witness their baptism. Leslie and Leonard have celebrated their birthday together for 15 years, but now they can celebrate their rebirth together for eternity. We rejoice together with Leonard and Leslie Gardner as their baptism unites their whole family together in the Lord.



Leonard and Leslie Gardner, Elder Will James, Cecil Peet.

The Subject was Ingathering

"What are the funds used for? Do they meet needs locally, provincially or world wide?" These are some of the questions put to Elders W. James and R. Lehmann by TV hostess J. Peppler.

Immediately following the interview on CKOS-CICC TV, the station manager made a donation to the Ingathering Appeal with the comment that he was happy to be a part of our ministry.

The television interview made plain the purpose of the Ingathering solicitation, and Elder James says that solicitors have been very well received since the program was aired. Students at the Yorkton school alone have raised \$975.00 in two days.



Yorkton pastor, Will James and Church Ministries Director, R. Lehmann are interviewed by J. Peppler on a local television station to explain the Ingathering Annual Appeal

MARITIMES



Baby Michael Dedicated at Hampton Church

Pictured are, left to right: Front Row: Bobby, Charity and Michael, children of Kelvin and Kim Vanwart, back row. Holding Baby Michael is Pastor Dan Harris who officiated at the baby's dedication to the Lord, September 26, 1987 in the Maranatha church, at Hampton, N.B. Kelvin and Kim are charter members and active officers of the Maranatha church, and their children are sixth-generation Adventists.

Crusade for Investment



During the first six months of this year the Sabbath School divisions of the Bridgewater church have been busy investing their pennies, dimes and dollars for Jesus. Between January and June over eighty dollars was raised by the three classes for Investment.

Mrs. Bonnie Sharpe

ALBERTA

Vegreville Members Mark 25th Milestone

It all began with Friday evening song service led by Ken and Venita Elkow and ended with a ball game at Pearl Werezuk's farm. It was the 25th anniversary and homecoming of the Vegreville S.D.A. Church and was attended by 350, many of whom were former members. Present pastor, Roy Jamieson was joined in weekend services by former pastors.

Lillian Matiko presented Sabbath School as it was 25 years ago and a group who had grown up in the church provided special music. Pastor Bill Wigley conducted the lesson study.

During the church service Stan Gallant and Norma Sayles shared experiences of God's leading during the past years in the Vegreville area. Bill Soloniuk presented the consecration service.



Pictured above is the new church sign at the Vegreville Seventh-day Adventist church. Thanks to Dr. Lee Farrow and the church members, we are enjoying this new addition. This sign was installed on August 6, 1987 by the members shown in the picture (left to right): Pastor Peter Samograd, Joe Elkow, Metro Iluik, Dr. Lee Farrow, and Fred Sanjenko.

GENERAL



Golden Wedding

Angus Foulston married Sheila Large on September 15, 1927. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a buffet dinner put on by their son, Donald, and his wife Sharon, and granddaughter Darla, in the Eyebrow Memorial Hall with over 100 family and friends in attendance. All of Angus' six brothers and sisters were present, as well as Sheila's brother and two sisters-in-law and many other out-of-town guests.



Banks Celebrate Seventieth Wedding Anniversary

Charles and Amelia Banks of New Glasgow celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary on September 26, 1987.

Charles and Amelia have both been very active in the church they love. They are an inspiration to all they come in contact with. Our congratulations to Charles and Amelia Banks!

Cindy White

Canadian Union College Alumni Increase Giving

Canadian Union College received a grant of \$11,500 from the Business Executives' Challenge to Alumni (BECA) for raising \$105,080 in unrestricted gifts and student aid from 15 percent of the alumni during the 1986-87 fiscal year. Included was \$500 for achieving at least 95 percent participation from its senior class.

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Births

FERGUSON—Dwain and Nellarene (nee Gazan) happily welcome the arrival of their second child, Colbryn Tyler on June 25, 1987 in Vernon, B.C.

HOLLAND—Brian and Szuzsanna (nee Hegedus) are proud to announce the birth of their first son, Jonathon David, born April 18, 1987.

JAMIESON—David and Shandra (nee Schafer) thank God for their baby girl, Shantel Maria, born on September 6, 1987 at Berrien Springs, Michigan.

JEFFERY—Ron and Beverly (nee Williams) are proud to announce the arrival of Erica Gail, on September 5, 1987, at Oshawa, Ontario.

JOHNSON—Delisle and Danene (nee Shivak) are happy to announce the birth of a baby girl, Channelle, born on September 28, 1987 at Burnaby, B.C.

JOHNSON—Mark and Rhonda (nee Stickle) are pleased to announce the arrival of their baby girl Brittany Nicole on July 31, 1987.

MALOWANIUK—David and Susane (nee Kordysz) are overjoyed, and thank the Lord for the safe arrival of their first child, Justin David, born September 7, 1987, in Windsor, Ontario.

MIKUL—Stephen and Esther (nee Beneduk) welcome into their family, Matthew Josef, born on September 28, 1987 at Surrey, B.C.

PRYDE—Greg and Angela (nee Fong) are happy to announce the birth of their son David, born on August 29, 1987 at Burnaby, B.C.

PYE—Neil and Susan Pye are proud to announce the birth of Laura Katrina Marie, born November 4, 1987 at Oshawa, Ontario.

SLOAN—David and Erika thank the Lord for the safe arrival of their second son, Devan Emmanuel, born September 18, 1987 in Simcoe, Ontario.

STIRBYS—Kelvin and Sharla (nee Munson) are pleased to announce the arrival of their first son, Kelsey Cavelle, born May 2, 1987.

ZAYACHKOWSKI—Ben and Sandi (nee Jacobson) are happy to announce the birth of their first daughter, Sara Leeann, born August 6, 1987.

Weddings

CHRISTISON—HILL

Susan Hill, daughter of Kenneth and Hazel Hill, and Kroy Christison, son of John and Anna Christison, were united in marriage on July 12, 1987 at the S.D.A. Church of Dartmouth, N.S. The service was officiated by Pastor Ken Crawford of Fredericton, N.B., where Susan and Kroy are beginning their career as teachers.

DOST—WRIGHT

The wedding of Teri-Lynne Wright, daughter of Patricia Wright of Calgary, and Gerald Gottfried Dost,

son of Gottfried and Lydia Dost, took place in Williams Lake S.D.A. Church on July 19, 1987. Teri-Lynne and Gerald exchanged their vows in a beautiful ceremony officiated by Pastor Ron Johnson.

Best wishes and God's richest blessings are extended to Gerald and Teri as they make their home in Calgary.

EDWARDS—WHITE

A beautiful candlelight ceremony was performed on the afternoon of August 23 in the Westminster SDA Church when Carson Edwards and Daphne White united their lives in marriage. Pastor Bob Schafer officiated at the ceremony. A wish for God's blessing and happiness follows this couple as they establish their home in Burnaby, B.C.

HADDAD—GNEO

On Sunday, May 17, 1987, a lovely wedding was solemnized at the Windsor Seventh-day Adventist Church. Monalee Gneo, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Luigi Gneo and Gerald Stephen Haddad, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Haddad were united in marriage by Pastor E.L. Anderson.

Both Mona and Gerry have recently become members of the church and are enjoying this, another new relationship with Christ as their senior partner. Their home is in Windsor, Ontario.

HANNAH—MESCHERJAKOW

On Sunday afternoon September 27, 1987 Mark Hannah and Mary Mescherjakow were united in marriage in the Calgary Central Seventh-day Adventist Church. Pastor Allan Robertson officiated at the ceremony.

Mark is the son of Margaret and Paul Jensen and Mary is the daughter of Maria Mescherjakow. Mark and Mary will be making their home in Calgary.

HUDENA—BURNS

The Saint John, New Brunswick SDA Church was the setting for a lovely wedding ceremony on June 28, 1987 in which Kristie Burns and Phillip Hudena were joined together before God. Pastor Don Watson from Tampa, Florida officiated at the ceremony.

Phil is the son of Fred and Elda Hudena of Golden, British Columbia and Kristie's parents are Gordon and Shirley Burns of Saint John, New Brunswick.

Kristie and Phil have set up their home in Tampa, Florida.

KENNEDY—HOLDING

On July 12, 1987, Kathy, daughter of Frank and Jean Holding of Burnaby, B.C. and Mervin Kennedy pledged their love to each other and to God in a beautiful ceremony in the Westminster Church. Pastors Morris Venden and Bob Schafer had the privilege of uniting this special couple. They are living in Penticton, B.C.

KOZACHENKO—WILLIAMS

It was on the afternoon of August 16, 1987 that the union of Joel Scott, son of Mike and Joan Kozak of St. Catharines, Ontario and Susan Derrydale, daughter of Dennis and Dorina Williams of Houston, Texas, was celebrated by both family and friends. Pastor Brian Juriansz officiated the beautiful ceremony at

Willowdale SDA church. As Scott and Susan begin their new life together, may Christ be the head of their home and the Lord of their lives.

NAUMANN—CIMBALA

A pretty wedding was conducted on September 6, 1987 when Monika, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Cimbala of Surrey, and Andreas Naumann, son of Mr. and Mrs. Uwe Naumann of Surrey, B.C. were united in marriage. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Bob Schafer. The happy couple are now residing in Surrey, B.C.

SCHAFER—COOPER

A lovely afternoon wedding of Carole Cooper, daughter of Art and Alice Cooper of Edmonton, Alberta, and Scott Schafer, son of Herb and Carol Schafer of Caldwell, Idaho, took place on August 9, 1987 in the Edmonton Central Church.

Scott and Carole will be making their home in Bozeman, Montana, where Scott is teaching at the Mt. Ellis Academy. Pastor Bob Schafer, uncle of the groom, officiated at this happy occasion.

SMITH—HAGEN

On August 9, 1987 Tammi Shareen Hagen, daughter of Carole Hagen and Kurt Hagen, and Robert James Smith, son of Leonard and Dorothy Smith, pledged their love to each other and to God at a beautiful ceremony at the Williams Lake S.D.A. Church. Pastor Ron Johnson officiated. Rob and Tammi will be making their home in Madras, Oregon.

VIAU—SIBLEY

On May 7, 1987 a beautiful wedding took place in the North Bay Seventh-day Adventist Church when Aldeo Viau and Ruby Sibley exchanged vows. Pastor Ralph Juriansz performed the ceremony. On Sabbath, May 9 Aldeo and Ruby were baptised by Pastor Juairnsz. They have joined the church in Sudbury.

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Obituaries

BEAVON—Eric Armson Beavon was born November 15, 1898 in Birmingham, England, and died August 8, 1987, at Albany, Oregon. He is survived by his wife, Myrna; four sons: Harold, Fred, Everyl, and Chester, and one sister. Elder Beavon served the denomination 68 years, as teacher, minister, missionary and administrator. He began his service as principal of a church school in London. He then was in charge of the Kisii Mission in Nyanza Province, Kenya, East Africa. While there he helped translate the New Testament and more than 100 hymns into the Kisii language, and wrote the book, "Sindiga the Savage". After holding a pastorate in Ontario, Canada, he served as president of the British Columbia and Maritime conferences. He did pastoral and youth work in Pennsylvania, pastored in Colorado and Washington, then moved to Salem in 1974. Although retired, he often spoke in churches throughout the Oregon Conference.

BLACK—Judie Lynette Newman was born on November 18, 1960 in Wichita Falls, Texas, and passed away on August 25, 1987 near Logan Lake, B.C. as the result of a tragic automobile accident. At the time of her passing she was living in Williams Lake, B.C. She married Robert Ivar

Black on September 12, 1981 and on December 20, 1985 their daughter Stephanie Amber was born. Judie was always infectiously joyful and her special leadership talents will be missed in the Williams Lake S.D.A. Church. Judie will be deeply missed by her husband Bob Black, daughter Stephanie, parents Claude and JoAnn Newman, brother Wesley, grandfather George Newman, as well as numerous other relatives and friends.

Pastor Ron Johnson spoke words of hope and reassurance at the funeral services conducted on September 2, 1987. Interment was in the Williams Lake cemetery where she is awaiting the call of Jesus.

BROWN—Lela May (nee Ardiel) of Mission, B.C. passed to her rest in the Lord on September 6, 1987. She was born on December 16, 1890 at London, Ontario, and later moved to Brandon, Manitoba, and eventually to New Westminster, B.C., where she married Kenneth Seymour Brown on September 1, 1914. It was in 1931 that Lela became a member of the New Westminster SDA Church.

She leaves behind her surviving loved ones: son Robert, daughters Elma, Florence Roberts, Marion Roberts, and two sisters.

The funeral service was held at the Mission SDA Church on September 10 with pastors Terrence Davin and Alfred Lennox officiating. She was laid to rest in the Valley View Cemetery, Surrey, B.C.

CARTER—Elizabeth Jane (Bess) Carter (nee Ineson) died September 20, 1987 at Clinton, Ontario, in her 85th year. Beloved wife of Ronald John Carter. Survived by children: Terrence, Richard, David, Eleanor Brooks, Margaret Warren, Ross; one brother; many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Pastor John Beausoleil officiated at the service. Bess awaits the call of the Life-Giver.

COATES—John William was born in Yorkshire, England on October 4, 1896, and passed to his rest at Outlook, Saskatchewan on October 8, 1987.

In 1927 he married Helen Goertzen, and the same year joined the Adventist church in Macrorie, Saskatchewan where he was an active member until recently.

He leaves to mourn his loving wife, Helen; two sons: Orlando and Archie; daughter Marlene; nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held in the Macrorie United church, and were conducted by pastors J. Boardman and W. Soloniuk. Interment took place in the Macrorie Cemetery.

SMITH—Norah, of Cottam, Ontario, was born October 10, 1899 and passed to her rest September 8, 1986. She leaves to mourn her passing, one son Dale and five daughters: Patricia Thornton, Leila Sullivan, Jean McComb, Shirley Kantymir and Marion Dalgleish, as well as many grandchildren. The funeral service

was conducted by pastors E.L. Anderson and William Glenn. Interment was in the Woodslee United Church Cemetery. Sister Smith will be remembered for her dedication and faithfulness to her Lord.

STONEMAN—Gordon Thomas and Jean McCheyne died as a result of a car accident on September 18, 1987. Gordon was born on October 15, 1922 in Portage la Prairie and Jean was born on December 28, 1921 in Winnipeg.

The Stonemans joined the Adventist church about seven years ago through the efforts of pastors O. Orpana and F. Maitland. After thirty years in the Brantford Police Force, Gordon retired five years ago as staff inspector. Two years ago they moved to the Kitchener-Waterloo area to be closer to their grandson, Devon Christopher, and their daughter-in-law, Wendy Burtis. Gordon and Jean were married 40 years ago and had one son, Richard John, who died in 1982. Gordon is survived by two brothers and three sisters. Jean is survived by three nieces.

Gordon and Jean were very active church members in Brantford, Kitchener and also in Meza, Arizona where they spent their winters.

Memorial services were held in Brantford with Pastor Olavi Orpana officiating, assisted by pastors Arthur Zaft, Fitzroy Maitland and Ralph Juriansz on September 24, 1987. A memorial service was also held in Meza, Arizona.

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June Strong

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