



Heart to Heart

Ready To Keep Christmas?

by Orville and Jean Parchment



The furrow on his brow reflected his anguished soul.

Had not God directed him to take this woman to be his wife?

Life had been extremely difficult since the death of his former wife. The evenings were long and lonely. His task of taking care of the children seemed endless. "How much longer can I continue?" could have been his cry of desperation. The appropriate time of mourning had passed. Joseph had spent many hours in prayer, asking God to show him the woman whom he should marry.

God sent him Mary, innocent, pure, and vibrant. Like sunshine, her positive attitude lit the home whenever she visited. Plans for the wedding were progressing nicely until... He struggled with his intense emotions and probably asked himself, "How could she have betrayed me like this? Where was her self respect? Did she not think of the disgrace? And to add insult to injury, did she expect me to believe that absurd excuse that 'The Holy Spirit came

upon her, and the power of the most High overshadowed her?" "Luke 1:35 NIV

"I wonder," he might have reasoned, "if her visit to her cousin Elizabeth contributed to her imagination running wild?"

His troubled thoughts kept an endless march. Rationalize as he may, the pregnancy was confirmed and the baby was not his.

Life had lost its meaning. He knew he had no other recourse but to divorce her as the law prescribed. Yet his love for her was strong. To keep her from public disgrace, he would take care of the legalities as secretly as possible.

Having made the decision, emotionally drained and exhausted, he fell asleep, but not for long. He was awakened. How could a dream be so clear? He could still hear the words of the angel, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus,

because He will save His people from their sins." Matthew 1:20, 21 NIV

Here was Joseph, a man of royal blood, principled in his private and public life. Respected by all, especially in religious circles, and an angel of God now asked him to be a part of something that was directly out of character for him, his society and his culture.

He was asked to make a mental paradigm shift, a shift from the norm, from maintaining the status quo. A shift from his comfort level to taking risks.

He accepted the risk of criticism: "Joseph, you are nurturing an illegitimate child." "Joseph, you are married to an adulterous woman who should be stoned to death." But Joseph chose to listen only to one voice, the voice of God, "Joseph, take Mary home to be your wife."

Joseph chose to risk his reputation, his safety, and his family in order to serve his Saviour. He did this by caring for the woman he loved who carried within her womb the child Jesus, the Saviour of Joseph.

As Christmas draws near, we may choose to emulate the example of Joseph. He chose to risk all in order to obey the voice of His God. Henry Van Dyke, in an article published in *Better Families*, Vol. 20, No. 12, December 1996, asks:

"Are you willing to stoop down and consider the needs and desires of little children; to remember the weakness and loneliness of the aging; to stop asking how much others love you and ask whether you love them enough; to bear in mind the things other people have to bear on their hearts; to trim your lamp so that it will give more light and less smoke, to carry it in front so that your shadow will fall behind you; to make a grave for your ugly thoughts and a garden for your kindly feelings with the gate open? Are you willing to do these things for a day? Then you are ready to keep Christmas!"

This holiday season, let us focus on extending ourselves, leaving our comfort zone, making a paradigm shift, taking the necessary risks so that each of us can bring the Spirit of Christ to someone, not just for a day, but every day of the year. May you and your family have a prayerful, thankful, safe, giving and happy holiday.

With love and God's blessings,

Orville and Jean Parchment

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Holiday Thoughts

This Christmas and holiday season may we be concerned with:

- *Being clothed in the Robe of Righteousness more than with "what shall I wear?"*
- *Partaking of The Bread of Life more than with "what shall I eat?"*
- *Thirsting for the Springs of Living Water more than with "what shall I drink?"*

Then we shall have a blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year that will extend into God's great eternity.

Victor Fitch Announces His Retirement

At the 25 October 1996 meeting of the Canadian Union College Board of Trustees, Victor Fitch announced his plan to retire as president, effective 31 August 1997.

Fitch began his educational career at Canadian Union College as Dean of Men in the fall of 1957. During his first fifteen years at CUC he served as teacher, academy principal and academic dean of the college.

His forty years in Adventist education includes ten years at Walla Walla College-five years as Director of Admissions and Records, and five years as Director of Financial Aid; seven years as Director of Education for the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada; and two years as Superintendent of Education for the Alberta Conference.

The end of the 1996-1997 academic year will conclude Fitch's twenty one years of educational ministry with Canadian Union College, culminating in serving as president for the past six years.

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Would I Be Satisfied With Such a Gift?

by Robert Darken

In the semi-chaotic world of overseas humanitarian work, you frequently find out what you will be doing on a given day only once you have begun to do it. Thus it is that, on a cold morning in Azerbaijan, I find myself in a Volkswagen van with two Azeri co-workers, heading off toward the village of Vaeshli. My assignment for the day: clothes distribution.

Our local base is in the city of Ganja, and as we reach the outskirts of town, the dirty gray of tired winter, clinging resolutely to streets and cars, fades to broad fields dusted white with snow, and a background of hazy blue mountains.

Still only half awake, I notice a horse-drawn cart plodding along at the side of the road, possibly bringing potatoes or beets to be sold at the Ganja bazaar. The driver does not glance up as we flash by.

How striking, the difference between my world and this one! At times it's hard to believe that this place where I am now living is on the same planet with my hometown, along with mighty New York and busy Los Angeles. While this peasant drives his horse to the market, Michael Jordan scores 53 points at the United Center, and Bill Gates sells Windows '95.

Is it really 1996 here? By the looks of things, it seems that Ganja has barely reached the Industrial Revolution, while outlying villages are still stumbling around in the Dark Ages.

We pass the old aluminum factory,

now defunct, like most industries around here. From the road, the complex looks like a colossal, rusting clap-trap of tin and iron, assembled by some mildly deranged inventor in his basement workshop. Two smokestacks jut up here and there. They formerly exhaled the red dust that has now settled all about the factory in a kilometer radius, giving the pavement, the scrubby trees, and the road signs, all a red hue as if you saw them through red lenses.

Vaeshli is nearly two hours from Ganja, and accordingly backwards. I have never visited it before. After picking up the cheerful district administrator (himself a refugee) in a nearby town, we travel out to the village, together with an old flatbed truck bearing the 10 bales of clothing we will give away.

I get out of the van and look all around me. The first thing I notice is that there is dirt in every direction. Tiny homes and livestock shelters dot the area, but I cannot tell which is which. Some are hovels dug into the earth, rising into small mounds and fitted with glass windows and wooden slats hammered together for doors. Outside one of these, a woman cooks over an open fire. Her sleeves are rolled to her elbows, revealing strong forearms and tough, dry skin. She wears several layers of clothing, including pants under her long skirt, but no coat. The temperature is 40 degrees F or below.

Other dwellings are free-standing, built of wooden planks, with wooden roofs. In one area, there are two or

three fenced enclosures where little families of sheep eke out their existence on scrub grass. In the midst of the community stands one pathetic outhouse with three of its four sides tumbling down, providing a very limited degree of privacy.

To this bleak scene we come. In a few moments, a crowd has gathered, coming in twos and threes, dragging hoes and axes and scattering chickens in their wake. The district administrator smilingly produces a table from somewhere, and Etibar and Ainura, my fellow ADRA workers, set up to work registering these people so they can receive clothes.

I look at the crowd. The women are dressed in an array of bright colours. All have scarves on their heads, though mostly just the older women have wrapped them also around their faces, whether from cold or a Muslim sense of modesty. The younger women are generally attached to a groggy infant or two. The Vaeshli men all wear dark, somber colours, and most have suit-jackets though they have been working outside. Their hands are large, powerful, and stained with the earth.

The crowd looks back, and I become somewhat self-conscious. I have come to Vaeshli equipped with a down jacket, scarf and gloves, and warm boots. In my hands I hold a \$300 camera which I will use to capture their poverty on film. I feel embarrassed. But the district administrator just looks at me and laughs aloud. He seems to know what I'm thinking, and I'm grateful. He understands about the two worlds. It must be the first time I feel glad that someone is laughing at me.

The clothes distribution proceeds, with every 10 families receiving a bale of winter clothing. I follow one group and watch them divvy it up. Everyone seems happy and rather excited for the clothing. One woman laughingly turns to me to sport a blue knit cap she has just received. Children punch each other and caper around before my camera as their mothers desperately try to hold

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Season's Greetings From ADRA



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Dear ADRA Family:

December 31 will bring to a close another hectic year in our journey to the kingdom, and what a year it has been!

The major Canadian disaster in Quebec, and ADRA's immediate response, has been well recorded in the September Messenger. The flood of the Saguenay-Lac-St. Jean area has left permanent scars which will be visible for years.

In that occurrence the furies of

nature unleashed its artesian-like flooding power and tore, toppled and blew apart buildings, bridges and anything else in its path. It was a terrible, sobering and intensely dramatic disaster.

Less dramatic have been the scores of challenges met by Community Services workers from Newfoundland to British Columbia during this eventful year of 1996.

To every ADRA volunteer, pastor, elder and church across Canada I wish to share a heartfelt, sincere "Thank you" for every unsung response for the poor and hurting in Christ's name.

And our hearts beat harder as we sense the great tragedies, in Africa and other parts of the earth. In 1997 please determine to lend a dedicat-

ed hand to meet the challenges that are just as sure as "death and taxes".

Now as ADRA grows it also means changes! With the advent of 1997 there will be a new emphasis on Canadian community-based programs. ADRA's Community Services, with its national approach, will function in tandem with ADRA's international program.

This fledgling Community Services program will require your patience, input and support. This is the same way that ADRA Canada's international program gathered strength from its first fledgling efforts in 1977 in Alberta.

So here we grow again—20 years later! The national program will function in four key areas with our conference personnel:

1. Community Services
2. ADRA Annual Appeal
3. Disaster Response
4. Immigrants and Refugees

In conclusion I must thank the ADRA Staff who have worked diligently through this year of change. Elder John Howard is our Senior Advisor and now serves as Director for the Coordinated Ministries with the SDA Church in Canada. Kirsten Bissell Palipane and her husband have transferred to Canadian Union College. Alicia Homer is now working with the World Literacy Organization in Toronto.

As we all work together, may God's richest blessing be available for each of us in the New Year.

Sincerely,

K. Oliver Lofton-Brook
Executive Director, ADRA Canada

"WISE"

"And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus." (2 Tim 3:15 KJV).

Canadian Union College experienced a Week In Spiritual Emphasis ("WISE") October 28 to November 1, coordinated by Pastor Steve Little, campus chaplain. The themes presented were "The Heart of the Father" and "Power Moves." Speakers Pastor Frankie Lazarus, Youth Director for the Ontario Conference, and Pastor Bill Crofton, Youth Director for the Florida Conference, uplifted Christ and led the students to the cross. "Not only were we led to understand the loving heart of our Heavenly Father," reflects Pastor Little, "but we were shown that God's grace has the power to break sin and set us free."

Commenting on his week on campus, Pastor Lazarus states, "My soul was watered by the enthusiastic singing led by the praise teams and the various drama presentations that made the point of the presentations clearer. Most uplifting was the attentiveness of those who came to the meetings and the sincere desire to have a closer walk with God. The Afterglow was inspiring and the willing participation of students from all regions of Canada brought to my attention that CUC has a unique ministry of being the national school. The most important aspect of the week was to observe the strong desire of the student leaders to maintain a high spiritual standard. I got the sense that these students really love the Lord and would do anything to pass on this love to anyone who is interested. 'What a week this has been!' kept ringing in my head as I made my way back home."

Pastor Crofton adds, "It was a joy to be at Canadian Union College. I found the spiritual atmosphere of the campus embracing. The enthusiasm and energy that was present kept an 'old Florida preacher' warm. In talking with many of the students, it was obvious that the Spirit of God was working on your campus. Your Christian concern for each other and for me was infectious."

On Sabbath during the church service Elder Lazarus invited young people to make Christ number one in their lives.

Dozens of young people responded immediately and came to the front of the church for special prayer. Here are six students' reactions to the Week In Spiritual Emphasis.

Melane Mullings (Calgary, Alberta)



"Week In Spiritual Emphasis-In the past, it has meant time away from class, time to see friends and joke around about the events of the morning, and maybe once or twice I'd gain a spiritual tidbit that would stick in my head for the day. I must admit, however, that this past week of prayer has left me thinking more about my spiritual life, and about my views about God. After my struggle with leukemia ended, I thanked God for His healing power daily, but I still never really got to know Him and love Him for what He is rather than for what He did for me. I was serving Him out of respect and gratitude for His healing power. God revealed to me once again that He is not only One to serve for His good works on our behalf, but One to respect and love because He really loves us! I learned to look at Him as I look at my loving father and mother, friends and family more so than I have before. Lastly, during the course of my treatment, the chemotherapeutic drugs used on my body left me emotionally and, more importantly, physically scarred. Throughout the course of this week of prayer I learned to view my scars not as an ugly disfigurement, but a physical, tangible sign of God's love for me and His work in my life. Overall, I've learned important insights about God, not necessarily anything I had not known earlier, but a fresh new approach was used to make it somehow more real and applicable to my life!"

Campbell Page (Saskatoon, Saskatchewan)

"This is my third year at CUC and I would have to say that this Week In Spiritual Emphasis was probably the most



spiritual I have seen on campus. One of the messages by Pastor Bill Crofton touched me in a way few sermons have. It was about a friend of his son who was a very promising young Christian.

This young man left the church and experimented with pretty much everything out there. After years of rebellion he finally returned to be baptized by Pastor Crofton. A short while later he died in an accident. Because I have many family members and friends that are not practicing Christians, I felt the heartache of wondering if they will come to accept Jesus as their Saviour before it is too late. Through Pastor Crofton's and Pastor Lazarus' messages I have made a choice to strengthen my dedication to my daily relationship with Jesus, and to introducing my family, friends, and others to the loving God I serve."

Natalie LeBlanc (Moncton, New Brunswick)



"I found that the morning speaker, Elder Crofton, had some very unique ideas regarding religion, Christianity and the Bible. I especially like how he took examples of modern life and

showed how it parallels with stories from the Bible and God's character. What really struck me was the Friday night Vespers, where he showed the videos of the British runner who couldn't finish the race and the boy who wanted to race for his school. In both cases, the fathers of the runners helped them finish the race when they were down. It became so clear to me that that's how God is. He is with us as we run the race of life and when we go through difficult times, He will help us through them-if we will let Him."

Ray Fankhauser
(Montreal, Quebec)



"I thought that the Spiritual Emphasis Week was a chance for us students to reaffirm our purpose at CUC. I was glad to have the opportunity to fellowship with many other students and to

hear God's word twice a day. I hope that others were able to experience similar spiritual upliftment and I am looking forward to another Spiritual Emphasis Week next semester."

Laura Ha
(Edmonton, Alberta)



"I found the Week of Prayer to be a wonderful spiritual inspiration! So many of us have become so caught up in the whirlwind of life and school that it seems like our focus has slowly

shifted. I think it is great that time was taken out to remember Who it is that has made all this possible. The speakers were wonderfully chosen! I know that God has led them here to this campus—for I have witnessed their success in touching several lives, including my own, with God's love. I perceived the Week of Prayer as a true success to spiritual revival and I look forward to many more to come!"

Brent Bol
(Kitwanga, BC)



"I have looked forward to this year's Week of Prayer and found it very uplifting. The topics were very interesting

and they helped me to reinforce my beliefs about God."

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DHEA-Just Another Will-o'-the-wisp?

Not long ago we discussed in our Healthwise column the hormone melatonin. We advised a "wait and see" approach when considering "is it for me?" Now there's a new one vying for attention, a hormone called, for short, DHEA.

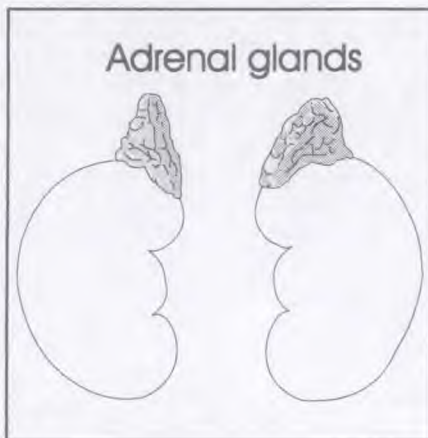
Remember "supracalifragilistic...?" Aficionados of "Mary Poppins" will be able to finish that magic word. Dehydroepiandrosterone is the multisyllable tongue-twister term for this almost magic compound we know as DHEA. Made in the adrenal glands, it's a second cousin to adrenaline and cortisone.

DHEA was sold in health-food stores, with promises for a brighter tomorrow. Claims include easy weight loss, help for Alzheimer's disease, AIDS relief, and even some cancer cures. It's alleged to prevent heart disease and even slow down the aging process—a veritable "pool of youth." All in all, it sounds like a hormone for buoyant health.

Can DHEA do all of these things? Can it do any of them? And how do we know? As usual, we must look to research. Recently a study by the University of California at San Diego revealed that men with lots of DHEA had only about half the incidence of heart disease when compared with those who didn't have as much. That was in 1986, and when these same men were followed several years later, these differences simply disappeared. Over the long haul, DHEA made no difference.

DHEA is found only in humans and primates. Nonetheless, studies have been done on laboratory animals, and one study revealed that lab mice did not develop cancer of the breast as long as they were given DHEA. Because of enhanced immune-systems, they outlived their brother mice who were not fed this hormone.

A couple of small studies suggest that DHEA might be a promoter of youth-like improving energy (and immunity), even a



builder of bone and muscle. Studies in women revealed that cholesterol levels drop when they are given DHEA.

Can we purchase it from our local pharmacy or a health food store? No, because in 1985 the Food and Drug Administration nixed over-the-counter sales. Is this sheer bureaucratic meanness? No, not at all. DHEA has been reviewed for safety and effectiveness. Health food stores do, however, sell an extract of yams, a chemical similar to DHEA. And as far as it's known, the body can't convert plant steroids into the kind of DHEA made in the human body.

Is there a dark side to DHEA? Consider this: While rats are not humans, we do experiment with them as a preliminary to human safety. In one study, 14 out of 16 rats who were fed DHEA (probably vast quantities) developed lung cancer. Some humans experience a growth of unwanted hair where it is not particularly desirable. In some individuals the good cholesterol (HDL), the kind we want in abundance, inched downward.

Hormones have influence and they have power. Until we learn more about DHEA, we vulnerable humans should be using it only with professional advice. And maybe not even then. For safety, let's wait and see.

Kingsway...Keeps on Giving

- Kingsway students from the dormitory and community gave the gift of service and caring on Halloween night. Over 20 students and staff spent several hours canvassing the neighbourhoods during the evening asking for canned food for the local Community Centre. Hundreds of goods were collected and the experience was a positive one for the students. Said one collector, "This was a great way to collect food for the needy. Almost everyone we visited was really complimentary about what we were doing and went to their cupboards and gave us something."

- The Kingsway Symphonic Choir, directed by Katherine Szamko-Bowes, gave a mini-Christmas program in the Oshawa Centre during the mall's Christmas Festival. Singing Christmas favourites, the choir was well received and obviously appreciated by the gathered audience.

- Christmas is a time for love and the Kingsway Student Association gave lots of that to over 70 children from the community. Students sponsored a child by becoming a big brother or sister for the afternoon. The children arrived at the campus and were hosted to fun and games in the gym and a pizza supper in the cafeteria. Then each child received a gift from under the Christmas tree that had been purchased for them by each student.



- Two very happy Kingsway students, Tanis Guiboche, grade nine, and Patricia Schildknecht, OAC, were recently baptized, giving their lives in full commitment to Jesus. Kingsway's commitment to a spiritual environment for its students, leads to the ultimate gift, a life given to Jesus.

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New Pastor at College Park

Pastor Damir Kanacki is a third generation preacher who came to the U.S. from Europe in 1979. Having already completed pre-med, his studies at Southwestern Adventist College earned him a B.A. degree followed by a Masters at Andrews University, with emphasis in theology and music. As President of International Affairs at Andrews, he also directed a ministry designed to reach the secular mind.

Before coming to College Park Church in July, he was the senior pastor of the Minneapolis First Church where he was thrilled to preach from the same pulpit that Mrs. E.G. White used in 1888. God blessed this church under the leadership of Pastor Kanacki by doubling the membership. Under his leadership at College Park Church, we are already seeing an increase in the attendance and baptisms. He enjoys reading theological literature as well as relaxing in leisure activities which include windsurfing, and downhill skiing.

Natalia, Pastor Kanacki's wife, came to Canada from Zagreb where she practised medicine as a general practitioner and was a leader in evangelism in her church. She often took time away from her profession to work with evangelists such as David Currie and Peter Roennfeldt. Under her small group ministry, 36 individuals have joined her church through baptism. Natalia enjoys music and literature, especially health articles.

Together Pastor & Mrs. Kanacki enhance their ministry here at College Park Church through their dedication and genuine Christian love. This lovely couple have already endeared themselves to young and old alike, and we pray that God will bless their ministry as we, together with them, reach out with God's love to our community.

June Polishuk

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Mortgage Burning at the Oakville Church



On August 17, 1996 Tony Polzer, church treasurer, proudly burned the mortgage papers in front of the joyous congregation. Also in attendance were Pastors Ivkov, Bacchus, Parchment, Friesen and Villeneuve.

Three Join St. Thomas Fellowship



On November 9, 1996 Tammy Trueman, and Neil and Margretha Wall were baptized by Pastor Roy West in the St. Thomas Church. Neil and Margretha studied the Quiet Hour videos with Pastor West and along with Tammy attended Net '96.

Former Sikhs Join Willowdale Church Family



Left to right, back row, Pastor Dan Jackson, Rana Singh, Amarjit Singh, and their three children: Deepa, Joseph and Charlie; Daljit Singh and Gemma and Samuel Dass.

An entire family from the Sikh religion have been baptized in the Willowdale Church. This was a first for the Ontario Conference. Mr. and Mrs. Singh had been praying that God would send them someone to teach them truth and when they met Sam and Gemma Dass their interest in Christianity piqued. They studied health and temperance issues and then went into Bible studies. The family, though opposed by other relatives,

closed their photo shop on Saturdays and began attending Sabbath School and church services. Bible studies continued and they were baptized on August 24 by Pastor Dan Jackson. Another Sikh gentleman, Daljit Singh had been seeking peace and also, after studying with Sam Dass, was baptized. There was great rejoicing as these six precious persons made a public commitment to follow God.

College Park Baptism

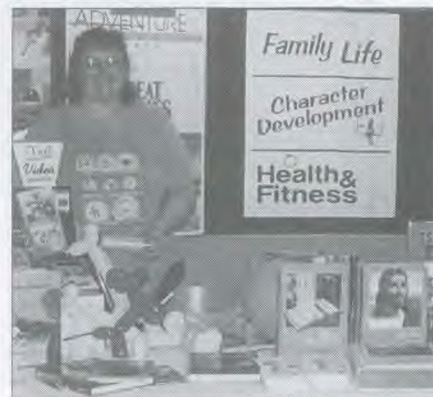


Three of the ten who were baptized following NET '96 meetings are pictured here. At left is Pastor D. Kanacki, with new members, Christopher Tarr, son of

John and Shirley Tarr, Elsie Bursey, sister of Shirley Tarr and resident of Newfoundland and Kim Maracle who was encouraged in his search for truth by

his cousins, Carol Ashby and Ron and Dian Ashby. Not pictured are Maxine Haynes, Mr. and Mrs. Hackett and their four children: Daniel, Rachel, Joseph and Sarah. They were all warmly welcomed by the church family.

Contacts Made Through Book Display



This attractive display at New Liskeard triggered an interest in Christian literature in October. Literature Evangelist director Gary Nurse and Ray Mongrain sold books valued at over \$2200. Tracts and Spirit of prophecy books were also given out as Debra Mallais tended the booth.

St. Thomas Mortgage Paid



It was a celebration of being debt-free and church elders, Doug Ross, Fred Lysiuk and Terry Heisler assisted Pastor Roy West in burning the mortgage. The dedication sermon by E.R. Bacchus, music by the Immanuel Choir and the church history by Fred Lysiuk were highlights of this very significant day. Don Upson attended from the church headquarters as well as Mayor Peters and MP Gar Knutson. A reception luncheon followed.

Surrey Baptism



September 4, 1996 was eagerly awaited by the Surrey Church. Many months of prayer and planning became a reality on the opening Wednesday evening of Pastor Leo Schreven's four-week seminar. As many new faces came to hear God's Word it was a real joy to witness the change and the eagerness of the people as they listened each evening to Bible truth. Forty individuals were baptized as a result of these meetings. These meetings were followed by Net '96.

Baptism at Portuguese-Brazilian Church

Pilar Milanello, Ana Maria (her daughter) and Paulo J. Duarte are our "first fruits." Our small group meets at the Surrey Adventist Church.

Pilar heard the Adventist message approximately 25 years ago in Toronto, Ontario from Francisco Botelho and his wife Apareciva (Tracy Bravo's father) during those early beginnings in the Portuguese community by Evangelist Henry Feyerabend and his team. They had not attended church for years when they finally met the Lord again here in our church group. Pilar and Ana Maria have a very impressive and miraculous experience with our precious Saviour! Both are Brazilians who have been living in Canada for a long time.

Paulo J. Duarte (from Portugal) met his wife Elisabeth (an Adventist young lady from South Africa of Portuguese parents). After their marriage they emigrated to Canada. They came in contact with Adventist friends and pastors in Vancouver where they heard about our group. In Portugal Paulo had met some Adventist members and visited the church there. Here in this new land he decided to be baptized.

On October 10, 1996 Pilar and Ana Maria were baptized and the following

Sabbath October 12, 1996 Paul was baptized.

It was a very meaningful day for Pilar and Ana Maria and for Paul and Elizabeth. (They dedicated their newborn Canadian baby Paolo to the Lord.)

It was an exciting day in my ministry! Once again we clearly see the truth as written in 1 Corinthians 3:6-God gives the growth!

Readers, if you know of any Portuguese-Brazilian or Hispanic speaking people living in British Columbia, let us know and we will be glad to contact them and introduce them to the Lord.

-David Bravo



Paulo Duarte, Pilar Milanello and Ana Maria Alves.

New Pastor-Aldergrove



At the end of September, 1996, the Aldergrove Seventh-day Adventist church welcomed Rick and Ruth Anne Labate as the senior pastoral team to work with associate pastor Marilyn Ammon. The Labates come from Virginia where Pastor Rick has pastored since 1983 except for two and a half years when he earned his Master of Divinity degree at Andrews University in Michigan. They met at Columbia Union College in Takoma, MD, where Ruth Anne was in the Baccalaureate Nursing program, and were married in 1982.

Pastor Labate is an accomplished musician. Two of his arrangements won national awards from the Association of Religious Artists and Musicians of America and as a result he received an invitation to perform the national anthem at one of the 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanta. Unfortunately, he had to turn it down because it conflicted with his Sabbath observance. He was also one of four musicians who gave a concert at the Worldwide Ministerial Association of the General Conference in Indianapolis in 1990.



90TH BIRTHDAY

Lola Alexander, of the Maple Ridge SDA church, celebrated her 90th birthday September 10, 1996. Her daughter, Lynne Linton, and grandsons, Kevin, Dean, and Clark along with relatives Bob and Helen Edgett and his daughter, Maureen, had a special dinner, and the next day a birthday lunch. She was honoured with a corsage from the church.

Congratulations, Lola, on reaching this milestone!

Coquitlam Baptism



A joyous Sabbath was shared by members and friends of the Coquitlam Church May 4, 1996. Steven Comm was baptized into membership by his grandfather, Pastor Richard Lyle Bergey (recently retired from the Texas Conference), and assisted by Pastor Eddy Johnson of Coquitlam Church. Steven has shared many happy hours with his grandfather in study and prayer. This has been a great influence in his young life and on his decision to be baptized and follow his Lord.

Father's Day Baptism



Ten year old Joshua, son of Debbie and Richard Streloff, is introduced to the Aldergrove Seventh-day Adventist church by the first elder, Dr. Michael Haluschak. Since it was Father's Day Joshua paid tribute to his dad before he was baptized by Pastor Arthur Spenst. A grade-five student at Fraser Valley Adventist Academy, Joshua is serious about his commitment to follow Jesus.

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230 requests have been received for information about the five-volume series, *Great Stories for Kids*, and these will be distributed to colporteurs in corresponding areas.

Would I Be Satisfied

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sweaters and jackets against their chests to check for size. The district administrator finds me and shakes my hand, and though I cannot understand his words, I can see that the thanks he offers me is profound.

Again I feel embarrassed. The clothes that were given were never mine, I made no sacrifice. The prevailing atmosphere floods over me and I try to comprehend it. I am disbelieving at their satisfaction. The people of Vaeshli are satisfied with what they have been given today. Would I be satisfied with such a gift? I wonder if their emotional response is not as outdated as the rest of their lives. But the simple elegance of their humble acceptance is too powerful to critique. To show such grace, in such circumstances, is too impressive.

I begin to think that it's not the clothes that make the man, nor his home, his car, or his job. We in the West have been greatly blessed by God with material possessions and enjoy a high standard of living. Do I think of the people of Vaeshli as my equals, or less, because of their humble means?

If I were not here, would I think of them at all?

My experience in Vaeshli encouraged me to redefine my concept of the brotherhood of man. I believe God has richly blessed us, materially, so that we can share those blessings with our brothers who have less. Christians who show generosity demonstrate God's good will to all men, and point to God as the source of all blessings.

When the distribution was finished, the district administrator insisted that we come to his home for lunch. His dining room, in the same room as his bed, was absolutely freezing. For lunch we ate green beans and bread.

He didn't have my coat or my camera, but he blew me away with his dignity, grace, and hospitality.

In the end I realize that these people's lives are a prayer. All I can do is add my amen.

-Robert Darken is a field assistant in Nakchivan, Azerbaijan. He is originally from Illinois and is a graduate of the University of Chicago.

Kingsway Corner

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Kingsway's Annual Fun(d) Dinner

On Sunday, November 24, 300 guests, staff and students participated in the Annual Fun(d) Dinner. Decorated in an Oriental theme, M.C. Dustin "Confucius" Thorne, challenged each person's intellectual ability during the delicious Chinese meal, served by students and staff.

Demonstrations were given in the proper use of chop sticks and a class in Karate. Other entertainment was given by K.C. Band ensembles, Choir and Aerials.

Recognition awards of continued support to Kingsway were presented to the S.D.A. Church in Canada, Ontario Conference, Maracle Press, The Stair Factory, and Elder Jim Wilson, Class of 46 agent.

Donations to the K.C. Worthy Student Fund amounted to \$8400. Thank you, Kingsway supporters.

A Walk for ADRA



Sunday, September 15 1996, marked Edmonton South's first annual "Walk for ADRA". The walk took the place of the church's ADRA Appeal and went very well. About 28 people raised approximately \$3,500 or an average of \$125 each. Many people raised over \$200 with one woman raising over \$500. Walkers had a choice of how far to walk. Some walked 5km, some 10km, and some 16km.

As an incentive, walkers who raised over \$75 were given an ADRA T-shirt. In addition the 8 top pledge raisers were given water bottles donated by a local

bicycle shop. Lunch was provided by some of the church ladies with a local corner store and IGA donating pop and nutribars for the event.

By far, the best part of the walk was that people had fun. There was excitement and anticipation in the air on Sunday morning as we all gathered for the walk. People were happy and proud of their pledges. I raised \$245 which was four times what I had brought in previously.

If your church is struggling with its Annual ADRA Appeal, do something different; try a "Walk for ADRA".

Sheila Beaudoin

Ponoka Baptism



The church members witnessed the baptism of Kelly Walker and Jennifer Hudema (inset). They were warmly welcomed into church membership after the baptismal rite performed by Pastor Les Sayler.

Baptisms in Vegreville



Kevin and Brenda Dawson from the Lavoy Missionary College with Pastor Brian Bechthold after going through the baptismal vows.

Sharing Better Health Through Vegetarian Cuisine

Last December over 90 people attended the Vegetarian Cuisine Instructor's Course at Red Deer. Aileen Albersworth, a member of the Alberta Conference Church who lives in Grande Cache, was one of the participants. She relates how the course has helped her share our health message in a number of northern Alberta communities:

I had conducted a cooking school in Grande Cache during February 1995. As a result, my husband, Gordon, and I were invited to set up a vegetarian food demonstration booth at the Summer Games Playoffs held in Grande Cache in July '95. We made a number of contacts and promised those interested that we would hold another cooking school.

Then I attended the Vegetarian Cuisine Instructor's course in December. The General Conference Nutrition Council has provided us with the latest scientific information and the manual we received gives us the tools necessary to conduct a successful cooking school.

At first I was nervous about sharing what I had learned, but God gave me the strength, wisdom, and courage to put together a new program in February 1996. Since a "merry heart doeth good like a medicine," Merry, the clown puppet, went to every school to break the ice and spread some laughter. Our theme song "Methuselah," my adaptation of John Harvey Kellogg's poetic rebuttal to a meat packer's advertisement, also helped to put everyone in the mood. We had nine eager participants.

I couldn't have managed without the assistance of my husband, Geri Rich and two other ladies and one's husband.

Each month the class members plan to meet in our home to share and encourage each other. Since the cooking school, one of the ladies is taking the Discovery Bible Lessons, and another lady has requested a third cooking school for her and some of her friends.

The coordinator of the Neighbor-Link program, who attended the first cooking school, has asked me to take part in their program.

Previous to the Grande Cache school, Trudi Comm from the Grande Prairie Church had asked if I would help them with a cooking school. The Grande Prairie Church held their six sessions in March and April and what a committed, well-organized group! Frank and Darlene Corlis, George and Janel Nessman, Diane Berthold, Eleanor Wade, Loralie Banson, Dorothy and Pastor Bruce Hayward, and Trudi Comm, the coordinator, shared their expertise with fourteen enthusiastic participants. Most of those attending were friends church members had made at their places of work.

The Grande Prairie group completed another successful Vegetarian Cuisine Cooking Class, which they held once a week in May and June. There were ten participants enrolled. They also plan to hold another one this fall.

An SOS request came from Ferne Stewart of Fairview, "Come over and help us." They held their cooking school in May. Ferne and Frances Edgson are two very dedicated ladies. They were extremely organized, and saw to it that the eight ladies in attendance got the most out of the program. Everyone

eagerly participated in the hands-on cooking and showed a keen interest in the nutritional information.

After the Fairview school, I was asked to help with the Edson cooking school, which they intended as a preliminary outreach for Net '96. Five consecutive sessions were a challenge but Marla Crabbe assured me that they'd be ready. And ready they were. Marla and Julia Pepper prepared the food for the fourteen people who attended. You would have had to see it to believe it.

The Edson group is also keeping in touch with their friends from the cooking school, and they are preparing a stop smoking class.

Being able to share the "good news" of better health through diet was such a blessing to me! I am so thankful that my fears didn't prevent me from helping others. I would like to encourage everyone who attended the VCI course to step out in faith and share what you've learned.

Aileen Albersworth



Grande Cache vegetarian cooking school group

Rocky Mountain House Holds Crusade



Left to right, back row: Evangelist Verne Snow, Joyce and Verne Grosso, Joseph Tulloch, Kelly Bell, Melody Molnar, Heather and Pastor Don Johnson. Middle row: Mandy Tulloch, Eileen and Beth Robertson. Front row: Aaron Wigley and Philip Djonov.



Kelly Pelsma, Kim Campbell and her son Brayden.

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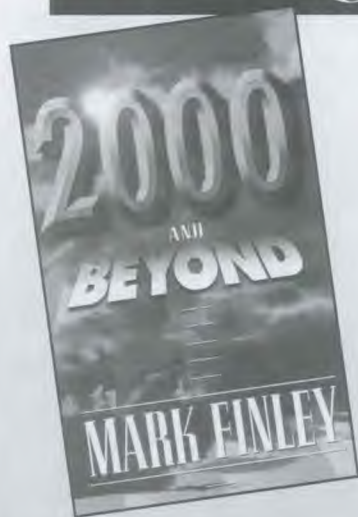
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ANNIVERSARIES

GOLDEN WEDDING MR. AND MRS. GORDON GIRVAN



On August 11, 1996 Marjorie and Gordie Girvan celebrated their 50th anniversary with an open house at their home in Ford Bank, Kent County, New Brunswick. Together to join in the celebration were many friends and relatives as well as their two sons, Fred and Ross, their wives Nancy and Lynne and two of their grandchildren, Tennille and Lauren. The Girvans are long time members of the Moncton church. Their many friends wished them good health, happiness and God's blessings.

60TH ANNIVERSARY MR. AND MRS. NORMAN HOW



Norman and Frances How celebrated their 60th anniversary October 23, 1996. They were married in the Norwood United Church in Edmonton in 1936.

Norm and Fran lived in Edmonton for a number of years. In December of 1948 they were baptized into the Adventist Church by Elder Don Neufeld in the College Chapel. Norm began his work for the church in 1949 as a colporteur in Alberta and assisted students during the summer.

Norm and Fran served the church in denominational employment until Norm retired in 1980. He served as the Publishing Director, Book and Bible House manager, and Secretary-treasurer in the Alberta Conference; Secretary-treasurer and President of the British Columbia Conference; President in Newfoundland; and Executive Secretary and Editor of the Canadian Adventist Messenger for the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada with headquarters in Oshawa, Ontario. Fran served as office secretary in these conferences. Their sincerity, dedication, and hard work for God and the church has been appreciated.

They now live in Lacombe where they are still active in the College Heights Church.

They have two sons, David and Fred. David with his wife, Vivienne, and two daughters, Lesley and Robyn live at Lacombe. Fred with his wife Bev and two children, John and Wendy are in California.

We wish Norm and Fran many more happy years together.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY-50 YEARS MR. AND MRS. GLENN HUDKINS



Glenn and Trudy van der Valk met at the Adventist Church in the Hague, Holland in 1945 while Glenn was serving with the Canadian Army. They were married on October 9, 1946.

Glenn and Trudy celebrated their 50th Anniversary August 25, 1996 so their four children could attend. Three of five grandchildren, three great-grandchildren and Trudy's sister, Mel, from Holland, as well as a number of other family members also participated in the banquet celebration.

Trudy, who was an R.N., worked in Calgary for many years, while Glenn taught in church and public school. In 1965 they moved to Parksville, Vancouver Island.

After the church service on August 24, members of the Nanaimo Church took the opportunity to congratulate and share light refreshments together with Glenn and Trudy and some family members.

May the Lord richly bless them with many more years together.

50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY TONY AND KAY MANCHUR



On August 4, 1996, at Springside Town Hall, Springside, Saskatchewan, Tony and Kay celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. They were married August 19, 1946, at Theodore, Saskatchewan and have enjoyed the pleasure of five children, seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

The couple have lived in Spalding, Saskatchewan and now Springside where they are retired.

Together for fifty years they have made

a lasting impression. Their family and friends wish them many more years of health and happiness.

50TH ANNIVERSARY MAX AND GOLDIE MERCER



It was a beautiful Sabbath afternoon in July when we gathered as a complete family to celebrate the joy of our parent's 50th wedding anniversary: Sharon and Carl Okimi, Mark and fiancé Michelle Szabo, and Sara from Smithville, Ontario; Carol and Mel Webber, Melonie and Jeri Clarke, Tamara, Kimberly, Timothy, and Katie-Beth, from Queensville, Ontario and Maxine and Curt Fischer, Lori and Eric from Battle Ground, WA. Pastor and Mrs. Gerard Christenson, and family, long-time friends and colleague of Mom and Dad, joined us as we gave tribute to two lives dedicated to the service of God.

On September 12, 1946, Max and Goldie began their life's journey together in South Lancaster, Massachusetts, where they were attending Atlantic Union College. From 1952 to 1986 they ministered in pastoral and departmental work in the Canadian Union. Today they enjoy their country home in Warminster, Ontario. Dad and Mom are still very active in church work: Dad preaches, participates in the ADRA appeal, and builds churches; Mom plays the piano and organ for their church in Bracebridge, sews, knits, and makes crafts for her church building fund-raising sales.

May God continue to richly bless you, Mom and Dad. We love you dearly.

65TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY PASTOR AND MRS. W. POLISHUK



On September 27, 1996 William and Natalie (Tillie) marked their 65th anniversary quietly at home with family members and friends. They were married in Alberta and have spent their lives in the ministry, first in British Columbia, Alberta and for many years in Toronto as pastor of the Ukrainian

Church. Fluent in several languages, they were called to South America where for 15 years they ministered in Argentina, Paraguay and Uruguay. They retired in Toronto but have kept a very steady pace with their outreach to the people of Russia and Ukraine, translation work, part time church work (she as church treasurer) and their very large garden. A lover of music, Elder Polishuk is well-known for his choirs in many churches. They have one son Eric, in Vancouver. Friends from across Canada wish them God's many blessings.

MILESTONES

90th Birthday



In celebration of Pastor Peter Samograd's 90th birthday, the church members in Vegreville honoured him at a banquet dinner on May 16, 1996. His son Marvin and family members hosted a gala party at a later date at the McDonald Hotel in Edmonton. Born in Krakow, Alberta, Peter attended Battleford Academy and Canadian Union College where he studied for the ministry. He pastored in the Edmonton, Beauvallon, Myram and Innisfree churches in Alberta and in the Manitoba-Saskatchewan Conference at the Quill Lake, Hudson Bay, Beaver Creek, Steeman, North Battleford and Winnipeg locations. Three years were also spent in the South Dakota Conference before returning to Winnipeg. A total of twenty-seven years he faithfully served his church. Now he resides in Vegreville where he enjoys good health. His motto is "Christ teaches us that we are called to service as long as life shall last"-Desire of Ages.

WEDDINGS

ANDERSON—TOOP

Christopher John Anderson and Stacey Anne Toop committed their lives to each other in a beautiful candlelit ceremony at the Centerville, Ohio S.D.A. Church on April 28, 1996.

Chris is the son of James and Diana Anderson of Hanford, California, and Stacey is the daughter of David and Linda Toop of Willowdale, Ontario.

The couple will be residing in the Dayton area where Chris works in a Health Club and Stacey is a Respiratory Therapist.

ANTIFAEFF—JAASKELAINEN

Marie Jaaskelainen and Dave Antifaeff were united in marriage in Kelowna, BC July 21 by Pastor Ray Halvorsen. Dave and Marie will reside in Delta, BC.

GLOVER—BRUCE

Corene Bruce and Mark Glover were united in marriage in the Saskatoon Central Seventh-day Adventist Church on September 1. Corene is the daughter of Robert and Victoria Bruce of Lacombe, Alberta, and Mark is the son of Pastor Graham and Sharon Glover of Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. The service was conducted by Pastor Darren R. Godsoe. Corene and Mark will make their home in Clavet, Saskatchewan.

SOPER—AHNER

Mark Soper and Theresa Ahner were married by Pastor Ron Nelson on October 12th. They will make their home at Sylvan Lake, Alberta.

ST. ONGE—KOSCIELNY

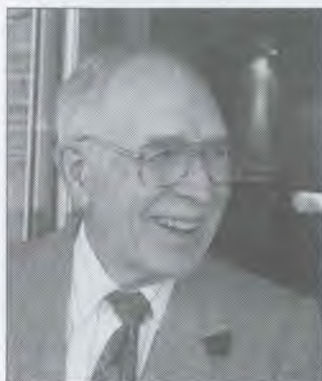
Sunlight streamed through the windows of the Grandview Seventh-day Adventist Church (Armstrong, BC) as Angela Koscielny and René St. Onge committed their lives to each other in a lovely ceremony officiated by Pastor Everet Potgieter on July 14, 1996.

René is the son of Leon and Evelyn St. Onge of Mara, BC and Angela is the daughter of Donna (and the late Bruno) Koscielny of Armstrong, BC. The couple will be making their home at Mara, BC.

THORNE—BUSSEY

On June 23, 1996, Barbara Bussey and Damon Thorne exchanged their wedding vows during a beautiful ceremony in Oshawa, Ontario. The wedding was performed by the bride's brother, Pastor Barry Bussey and assisted by Pastor Milton Perkins, a family friend. Barbara is the daughter of Winston and Gladys Bussey of Port Carling, Ontario and Damon is the son of John and Beverley Thorne of Courtice, Ontario. Damon and Barbara are making their first home in Courtice, Ontario.

Tribute Frank Connors 1908-1996



Frank W. Connors, former manager of the Book and Bible House in Oshawa, and long-time colporteur in Manitoba-Saskatchewan and Ontario, died suddenly on May 24, while gardening at his home.

He was born in 1908 in Sunny Corners, New Brunswick, the eldest of eight children. From the age of 14 he worked in the lumber camps as a cook, and later travelled west to Alberta on the harvest train, which brought hundreds of young men to help bring in the crops. He said that he had little formal schooling, and met most of his teachers "on the road" as he travelled through life.

While working as a laborer in Fort William, he met and married Annie Wilson. Shortly afterward, he was promoted to foreman, but when the city laid off a number of men, he was left with only one bricklayer on his crew, who was a very efficient worker. He was also an Adventist Christian, and as he talked to his unconvinced foreman, Frank was led to purchase a Bible from a door-to-door salesman, "just to see if Harry was right." He was baptized the following spring, and promptly lost his job with the city because he wouldn't work on Saturday.

Not long after, he was recruited to the literature ministry. With no car, he took a 1500-mile trek, walking up the railroad through the bush to Sioux Lookout, to the Manitoba border, and down the Grand Trunk line to Hearst. That year he was the top salesman in North America, having sold \$3700 worth of books.

Frank was always an earnest sharer of the Word, and on that trek he stayed with a bachelor named Kozachenko, who was convicted that very evening of the Sabbath truth. From that contact, 13 persons were baptized, two of whom became ministers. In the years that followed, dozens can trace their introduction to Jesus Christ, to Frank's enthusiasm.

He lived 22 years after his retirement, and in that time he served as a trained hospital visitor, a chauffeur for single moms, and a driver for Meals on Wheels. For years he did all the Customs clearance for the Church in Canada, and was the liaison with the Canadian Bible Society. He was a hopeful gardener, a helpful carpenter, a furniture-mover, and a counsellor and trusted friend for anyone in need. He read avidly, and never grew tired of learning and sharing

more about the Gospel of his gracious Lord.

He is missed by his many friends of all ages, and by his six surviving children, Gail Robinson of Oshawa, Arlene MacDonald of Willowdale, Bob of Oshawa, Frank of Whitby, Alan of Toronto, and Dianne of Lacombe, Alberta. There were 21 grandchildren and 22-great-grandchildren, all of whom look forward to renewing acquaintance with this most gracious and loving man in the heavenly country soon to come.

OBITUARIES

ALEXANDER—Thomas Foster was born in Indiana on August 11, 1896.

The Alexanders settled in Saskatchewan in March 1910. During the same month on another train was a two and a half year-old girl, Leola Ramsey, who would one day be his wife.

Thomas attended school in Indiana and Battleford Academy in Saskatchewan. The family moved to Langley, BC in 1934 where in 1941-42 Thomas donated the wood for Langley's first Adventist Church.

To the marriage of Thomas and Leola Alexander were born three daughters and four sons.

He is survived by his wife Leola; daughters, Ila Lopez, Joy Mitchel, and Dolly; sons, Chester, Victor, Arlo, and Irving. Other family members include grandchildren, great-grandchildren, one sister and nieces and nephews.

BANCARZ—Alice was born on November 24, 1935 and quietly passed to her rest on October 21, 1996.

Two services were held to accommodate the many friends who came to honour her life of dedication to community needs and the church.

Alice was an individual who worked untiringly to serve the needs of those around her and will be greatly missed but lovingly remembered by her husband Karl, her immediate family and many friends.

Alice awaits the call of Jesus at the S.D.A. Church Cemetery in Innisfree, Alberta. Pastor Les Saylor officiated.

COON—Glenn A., 93, of Ooltewah, Tennessee, died Thursday, November 7, 1996, at his home. He was a native of Lincklaen Center, New York, having lived there through his teenage years. Mr. Coon pastored in several churches in New York, Florida, New Jersey, Washington, D.C., and Tennessee. He made his home at Roan Mountain for over 40 years during the summer months and other parts of the year he traveled all over the world in places such as Korea, Australia, England, Singapore, China, West Indies and had ministered in all 50 states. He was a well-known writer having penned from his heart more than 30 Christian books on prayer. His whole life stood for Jesus, showing in his smile, and love for others. He was the founder and President of the ABC Prayer Crusade International, Inc. Mr. Coon was a travelling evangelist for the Seventh-day Adventist Church for over 60 years. He was a member of the Collegedale Seventh-day Adventist Church. Survivors are his wife, Ethel

(Numbers); one daughter, Juanita L. Steffens; one son, Glenn A. Coon Jr.; one brother; six grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren. A private memorial service was held with Eugene Remmers officiating.

DAIS—Emma was born in North Dakota and died in Richmond, B.C. on August 18, 1996. She was 96 years of age. She moved to Canada where she married Jacob Dais of Beiseker, Alberta. They lived in Kelowna, B.C. and finally in Richmond, B.C. After Jacob's death in 1981, she lived with her daughter and finally became a resident at Pinegrove Place. She is missed by her family.

FITCH—Jennie Sylvia of Sylvan Lake, Alberta, died on October 30, 1996. She was born in the area in 1908 and married Guy Fitch, also of Sylvan Lake, in 1934. Their lives centered around their farm and the Sylvan Lake church. Predeceased by her husband, Jennie leaves her children: Marie Johanson (George), Wanda Nielsen (Terry), and David Johanson (Caroline); and six grandchildren. Pastor Levern Krenzler spoke words of comfort to the family. Mrs. Fitch was laid to rest beside her husband in Burnt Lake Cemetery.

GIRDAUCKIS—Felix, from Red Cliff, Alberta passed away on September 7, after a serious car accident near Viking, Alberta. Felix was born March 15, 1921 near Finnigan, Alberta, (Brooks area). He served overseas during the Second World War in the air force. He was married to Audrey Crooker who predeceased him in 1989. He is survived by his son Darwin and wife Trudy; Sheryl and husband, Lee Richards and one brother and four sisters.

Funeral services were held at the Lacombe church with Pastor Henry Bartsch officiating.

GOSS—Gloria Goss passed away October 9, 1996. Her funeral service was held at the St. John's S.D.A. Church on October 12, 1996. Gloria was greatly loved by her church friends and her own family. She leaves to mourn her loving husband, Mike Goss, her children: Michelle, Michael, Cindi Hanlon, Gordon Goss, Beverly Gardner and Gail Wilton. She also leaves two sisters and one brother. The funeral service was conducted by Pastor G. Hodder.

HANSON—Doris Virginia (nee Johanson) was born December 17, 1924 at Red Deer, Alberta and passed to her rest on October 7, 1996, in Duncan, B.C. Doris studied nursing at Portland Sanitarium with her greatest interest being maternity nursing. Left with fond memories are her husband, Delbert; two sons, Lawrence and Kent and their wives; three grandchildren; six brothers and sisters and many friends. A memorial was held at Rest Haven, B.C. and the funeral at Sylvan Lake with Bill Spangler officiating. Interment was at Burnt Lake Cemetery.

HEINRICHS—David C. of Saskatoon was born September 21, 1906 in Russia of German parents. Coming to Canada in 1926, he attended Battleford Academy. He married

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Sarah Koseruba in 1933. He worked in food processing and a bakery business. He served on several boards and served as administrator of Sunnyside Nursing Home. He retired in Walla Walla for nine years and then returned to Saskatoon.

He is remembered lovingly by his wife Sarah and his children: Betty (Dr. Cliff) Sorenson, Dr. Harvey (Jean); five grandchildren, seven grandchildren and other relatives and many friends, Brian Hawes presided. Interment followed at Woodlawn Cemetery. Donations in his memory may be sent to the Voice of Prophecy.

ILCHUK—Theodore (Ted) was born January 22, 1924, at Vermilion, Alberta and passed to his rest on July 18, 1996.

He was laid to rest at the Fairview Cemetery, Lacombe, Alberta where he awaits the resurrection morning.

Ted will be greatly missed by his wife Ann and immediate family as well as by all who knew him. Pastor Les Saylor officiated at the service.

KAPINIAK—Frank was born at Dobrowody, Saskatchewan on April 15, 1909. He died October 23, 1996 in Kelowna, B.C. He and his wife Olga (Tataryn) farmed near Ketchikan, Saskatchewan for 47 years. They were charter members of the Hazel Dell S.D.A. Church.

Frank leaves his wife of 67 years; five children, Anne Pearson, Joyce Adams, Joe, Alex and Victor; eighteen grandchildren, seventeen great grandchildren, one great-great grandchild; three sisters and two brothers. Frank rests in Lakeview Cemetery. Pastors Teranski, Reimche and Antunes presided at the Rutland service.

LIPPERT—Henry was born March 2, 1919 at Hilda, Alberta and passed to his rest on May 20, 1996.

Mr. Lippert was laid to rest at Fairview Cemetery, Lacombe, Alberta, where he awaits the call of the Life Giver. Pastor Les Saylor officiated at the service.

MACKAY—Mary Isabelle was born in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan on October 29, 1917 and passed to her rest October 30, 1996 in Kelowna, B.C. Predeceased by her husband Roy, she is survived by one sister, her extended family and many friends.

A memorial service with Pastor Allan Robertson officiating was held in the Kelowna Seventh-day Adventist Church of which she was a loyal member during the last few years of her life.

REISWIG—Alfred was born in Armstrong, BC October 22, 1917 and passed to his rest October 29, 1996 in Kelowna, BC.

He and his family spent some years farming in the Peace River area of Alberta. He also lived in Winfield, BC. Surviving are his loving wife Grace; sons, Glen, Milo and Barry (Jeanne); two sisters, one brother, eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

ROSE—Maxwell Garfield Rose was born September 18, 1927 at Glovertown, Newfoundland and passed to his rest at the

James Paton Memorial Hospital, Gander, Newfoundland on October 15, 1996.

He leaves to mourn his passing one brother Lewis (Phyllis); two sisters-in-law, Pamela and Annie Rose; nine nieces and nephews.

The funeral service was held at the Glovertown Seventh-day Adventist Church conducted by Pastor David Crook assisted by Cluny Moyles.

SUKOW—Edwin John was born February 8, 1921 at Merrill, Wisconsin and passed to his rest on August 15, 1996.

He will be lovingly remembered by his wife Betty, his immediate family and many friends.

Sukow is awaiting the call of Jesus at the Forest Home Cemetery, Ponoka, Alberta. Pastor Les Saylor officiated.

WINSOR—Elizabeth Ann Winsor, passed away on October 23, 1996 in Oshawa, Ontario. Her memorial service was conducted in St. John's at the Seventh-day Adventist Church on November 3, 1996. Mrs. Winsor was a member of the Church for over 30 years. She leaves to mourn several children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. The funeral was conducted by Pastor Gary Hodder.

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