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Electronic EVANGELISM!



FAITH FOR TODAY

GETS RESULTS FROM ELECTRONIC EVANGELISM

By Gordon Engen, Radio-Television Secretary
Lake Union Conference

The baptism had just ended. Barbara and two others were baptized at the Selma, Alabama, Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Just 22 months earlier Barbara, a Sunday School teacher, chanced to watch Faith for Today on television. She sent for the lessons and within a year started Bible studies with the pastor. Her husband, Ralph, had listened in on many of the Bible studies—when he wasn't watching a favorite television show.

On this August Sabbath in 1958, Ralph was in the audience at the baptism. Afterwards a church member,



Elder and Mrs. Ralph Sellers note in the Missouri Colporteur Newsletter that over 20,000 people in 1971 enrolled in the Faith for Today Bible Course in Missouri as a result of the pilot enrollment program being conducted in the state.

who was a fellow-worker on the railroad, asked him why he had not been baptized with his wife.

"Tobacco and Sabbath" were problems, he admitted.

"Might as well forget it," his friend chided. "You'll never do it."

To Ralph this was a challenge. He reacted by saying he would be baptized at the very next baptism.

"Why not today?" interrupted the pastor who had been standing nearby.

Ralph objected stating that all the members had left; but Pastor Obed Graham answered by rounding up a sizeable group still outside the church—and Ralph was baptized.

On his way home he threw away his cigarettes. Getting Sabbath off was not as simple. Before the next Sabbath came, Ralph had been fired.

On June 12, 1971, Ralph M. Sellers was ordained as a Seventh-day Adventist minister in the Missouri Conference where he is publishing department leader.

It is natural that Elder Sellers would have a special interest in Faith for Today. He is launching a pilot program to determine the effectiveness of having colporteurs leave the first lesson of the Faith for Today Bible Course with interested people. As the student progresses, the colporteur follows up the interest.

LINKS IN THE CHAIN

Experiences like this, multiplied many times all over the country, reward the Faith for Today telecast staff.

From the secretaries who open the mail to the pressmen who print the Bible lessons and the technicians who edit film, each worker feels he has helped to forge a link in the chain which has resulted in the 19,000 baptisms since the program was first aired.

During these years the station count has risen, with 325 stations using the program at some time during 1971. The weekly average last year was 265. On all but 29 stations, Faith for Today is aired free.

MILESTONES AND MILLSTONES

The year 1972 is a landmark year for Faith for Today. For three years production problems have forced it to become more and more self-sufficient in its filming. When studios that had been used became unavailable, the staff realized that the only way to shed the millstone was to build its own studio.

The next question was, Where?

Committees and boards studied location pluses and minuses in many sections of the country and finally recommended the West, where year-round filming could be carried on outdoors as needed.

As the plight of production problems made a decision more urgent, the General Conference Committee and Autumn Council added a new element—the idea of collecting related service functions of Faith for Today and other film and audiovisual areas of the church into a single center on the West Coast. Here studios could be used for various denominational filming and broadcasting needs. Faith for Today would further build its identity as a specific evangelistic arm of the church.

As this plan was voted by the Autumn Council in October, 1971, delegates expressed confidence that a milestone had been reached and that Faith for Today along with other broadcast programs could increase its effectiveness as an evangelistic agency.

COMPLEXITIES OF MEDIA POSE PROBLEMS

Foremost in any operation of the size of Faith for Today is the financial burden imposed by the need to keep pace with an ever-changing industry. Here are some of the problems Faith for Today faces.

COVER INFORMATION—These are the steps in Faith for Today's electronic evangelism. From viewing the program on television to studying the Bible lessons and attending evangelistic meetings, 19,000 people have been baptized as a result of some contact with Faith for Today's television ministry since the program began in 1950.

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1. Securing Better Viewing Times. About 50 percent of the Faith for Today outlets air the program during favorable viewing periods in the day. "We wish we could purchase time on more stations," says Manager William R. Lawson, "so that we could choose better time slots for Faith for Today." Yet, all available funds for purchase of time are being used for that purpose. Cutting out stations carrying Faith for Today at low or poor viewing times would not save enough money to purchase better time slots on those or other stations. Therefore, top priority is being given to maintaining all possible free stations, switching to better viewing times as rapidly as funds become available.

2. Format Changes. A great need is felt to experiment constantly with new formats and types of programs. Current new approaches in programming are the result of just such work on the part of scriptwriters and producers. But the search goes on.



William R. Lawson, manager of Faith for Today, and Roy Naden, new director of production, look at the printer which makes duplicate copies of programs. Purchased as a result of the children's Valentine offering, this machine saves \$30,000 a year in duplicating costs.

3. New Programs. Responding to repeated requests, Faith for Today is developing varied length spot announcements. The possibility of different-length programs, such as one-minute, five-minute, and fifteen-minute programs, is being discussed.

4. Evangelism. E. E. Duncan, evangelistic coordinator, says Faith for Today has requests for evangelistic teams backlogged for more than two years. The objective is to use evangelistic meetings to secure decisions for baptisms in areas where the program is being aired. There is hope that another evangelist can be added soon.

5. Scriptwriters. Development within the church of new, talented scriptwriters is a perennial need. One route being tried is to use freelance writers. Each year as many as 35 new programs are filmed, making it necessary to look for new approaches and fresh ideas.

6. Audience Analysis. Based on the age of Bible course enrollees, 60 percent of the audience is in the 16-to-30-age group. The more resemblance there is to preaching or to a church format, the less appeal to the unchurched. Therefore, a need is sensed to develop a program that can reach the nonreligious audience.

7. Bible Correspondence Course. Although the Bible school lessons have been the means of bringing many people to Christ, they have become dated and need to be revised through up-to-the-minute writing and modern formats. The project has begun. A new streamlined approach is being developed by Richard Utt of the Pacific Press who is working on the basic course. The seven other courses are also in line for updating.

8. Laymen Involvement. Leading laymen from across North America have been invited to serve on a Faith for Today Lay Advisory Board. They receive no remuneration and even pay their own expenses to attend meetings. This is a bold venture on the part of Faith for Today to involve laymen in the search for methods of more effectively reaching the masses through electronic evangelism.

One of the tasks the board has undertaken is a study of the problems and needs of Faith for Today. In their research they plan to interview experts in the television industry, other religious telecasters, employees at Faith, church members in general, and any others they feel can add helpful information.

HAVEN'T SCRATCHED THE SURFACE

TV Pastor William A. Fagal is encouraged with the response from these laymen and the many others who have given their support.

"We haven't scratched the surface of the potential among our people," Elder Fagal observes. "Our aim is to have every member personally involved with Faith for Today, especially on Faith for Today Sabbath, February 12, so that each one will feel it is HIS program."

Faith for Today's Lay Advisory Board, under the chairmanship of Winton Preston, Cleveland, Tennessee.



Medical Science and the Spirit of Prophecy

Many of the medical concepts Ellen White wrote about were contrary to the medical practices of her time. But since then, scientific research has shown most of her statements to be true.

The danger of animal fats causing cardiovascular diseases was suggested by Ellen White in 1896. Science supported her by the 1950's.

The danger of over-use of sugar was stated in 1890 by Mrs. White. In the 1960's, scientific studies arrived at the same conclusion.

In the 1870's Ellen White recommended exercise as an aid to circulation. The value of exercise for a healthy heart is recognized now, aerobics being especially popular.

Until the 1950's scientists were fairly certain that cancer was not caused by a virus. This belief has now been reversed. Ellen White had written decades before of cancer-causing germs.

More than a century ago Ellen White linked the use of tobacco, alcohol, and some drugs with the incidence of birth defects. In the late 1950's science came up with similar, undeniable findings.

In *Medical Science and the Spirit of Prophecy*, quotations from Mrs. White's writings are compared directly with statements from recent scientific literature.

"Ellen G. White's keen 'foreknowledge' of now-accepted scientific information has provided a strong reason why large numbers of people have developed an enthusiastic faith and confidence in her messages." (page 3)

Order from your Book and Bible House—48 pages, 50 cents plus sales tax where necessary and postage.

New Periodical Manager at Review

A man who earned the title "Mr. MV of the Columbia Union" has lent his expertise to another field of endeavor as of January 1, 1972. Elder Ed Peterson, for 13 years Youth Director for the Columbia Union, has been elected periodical manager of the *Review* and *Herald* Publishing Association. He replaces Elder Bruce Wickwire, who has accepted a call to be associate secretary of the General Conference Publishing Department.

In his new responsibility, Elder Peterson will be fostering the growth of numerous periodicals produced by the publishing house. He already has indicated a desire to see our official church paper, the *Review* and *Herald*, in every Seventh-day Adventist home. With the new and widespread interest in health evidenced by all age groups in our country, he foresees a tremendous increase in the circulation of *Life and Health*. Other journals receiving particular attention will include *Liberty*, *Insight*, *Ministry*, and *Guide*.

Born in Canton, New York, Elder Peterson received his Th.B. degree from Atlantic Union College. He entered denominational work as a pastor-evangelist, serving in the Carolina and Northern New England conferences. His natural talent for working with young people was early



Elder Ed Peterson

CHAMPION OF THE WEEK

Dave Haugsted of Springfield, Missouri, takes the honors for this week's reports. In 54 hours the Lord blessed him with \$1,059.95 in deliveries! He also prayed with 15 families, enrolled 8 in Bible courses, gave away 32 pieces of free literature, and gave 4 Bible studies. Brother Haugsted is a champion soul winner. Last year he helped win 22 souls for the Master! Friends, please pray for more laborers to be sent forth into our ripening harvest fields!

J. N. Hunt, Publishing Secretary
Central Union Conference

recognized in his call to MV and educational secretary work in the British Columbia and Canadian Union conferences prior to his association with the Columbia Union.

He is widely known as the founder of the Adventist Amateur Radio Network. He, along with his associates in this around-the-world organization, has served the church in linking up missionaries with loved ones in the homeland, particularly in emergency situations. As an active "ham" he visits regularly with interesting people from Pitcairn Island to Africa, and even as he drives to work a mobile rig permits him to carry on spirited conversations with other amateurs.

In speaking of his new position, Elder Peterson says: "I

February Special



Pacific Press Does It Again!

Let Sam Campbell "the philosopher of the forest" speak to you.

His books are now at a special savings, buy 5, get 1 free.

\$1.95 each

Join the Reading Racket.

Order these now, if not sooner, from your local BOOK AND BIBLE HOUSE. Be sure to enclose 40 cents postage for the entire 6 volume set, plus sales tax should it apply to your area.

Here is what funds given to Faith for Today accomplish:

- \$1,000 will pay for FFT expenses for a decision series.
- \$ 100 will buy 14 minutes of TV time.
- \$ 25 will pay for two minutes of TV time.
- \$ 10 will pay for graduation of four Bible Course students.
- \$ 5 will pay for 1,000 Bible course enrollment cards.

Make your contribution to Faith for Today a matter of earnest prayer. Ask the Lord to lead you in what you give on February 12. And remember that God's Word will not come back to Him void.

don't intend to lose my contacts with youth in my new work. Young readers make up a sizable portion of the readership of our denominational literature. I definitely will be keeping them in mind."

The Petersons have two young people of their own, Bob and Donna, both of the Washington, D.C., area.

K. W. Tilghman,
General Manager
Review and Herald

PLEASE USE YOUR
CHURCH TITHE
ENVELOPE

Yours may differ slightly from the sample. Mark as follows to give your annual Faith for Today offering on February 12, 1972. You will need to write in on a blank space, Faith for Today offering and list the amount included. The offering goal of \$500,000, if reached, will be the largest given in the history of Seventh-day Adventist radio and television. Plan now to double or quadruple what you have done in the past to reach hearts with gospel tidings.

DATE <u>Feb. 12, 1988</u> RECEIPT NO. _____		
NAME <u>Trinity Lutheran</u>		
ADDRESS <u>Long Beach, CA 90804</u>		
TITHES & OFFERINGS		
(Use your last four accounts. Your gift will first be forwarded to FAITH FOR TODAY. Thus you will have a (check) record.)		
MONTHLY	Tithing	\$
	Worship	\$
	Sabbath School	\$
	Ministerial Offering	\$
	Ministerial Expenses	\$
QUARTERLY	Gift of Stewardship	\$
	<u>Faith For Today</u>	<u>20.00</u>
	Quarterly Offering C	\$
	Admissional Home	\$
	Camp Contribution	\$
SPECIAL	Camp Meeting Offering	\$
	Gifts - Other	\$
	Church Budget	\$
	Church School	\$
	Church Building Fund	\$
Subtotal (check) Expense		\$
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS		<u>20.00</u>

UNION COLLEGE

Union College Receives Foundation Grant

Union College has been notified that it is one of 10 privately supported colleges in Nebraska that will receive grants from the Sears Roebuck Foundation.

The grant, totaling \$1,100, is to be used in two different ways. Four hundred dollars comprises the library grant, which is to be used to supplement the normal book

ATTEND SABBATH SCHOOL REGULARLY

acquisition budget of the college. This is the third year that the Sears Foundation has supported the library grant program, which purpose is to strengthen and add depth to private college libraries.

The balance of the grant consists of \$700 for unrestricted use, to be used as the college deems necessary.

Nationally, the Sears Foundation will contribute one million dollars in unrestricted funds and an additional \$500,000 in library grants to private colleges and universities.

In addition to its unrestricted and library grant programs, the Foundation will also invest slightly more than \$500,000 in various student financial aid and other education programs, thus bringing its total higher education expenditures for 1971 to more than two million dollars.

BOULDER MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Dr. Wheeler Is New Chief of Staff

Gaylord B. Wheeler, M.D., family practice physician, is the new chief of staff at Boulder Memorial Hospital for 1972. Elected by the staff at a recent meeting, he succeeds Richard Padnos, M.D., who served in 1971.

Dr. Wheeler, a 1961 graduate of the Loma Linda University School of Medicine, interned at Porter Memorial Hospital in Denver, a sister hospital of Boulder Memorial. He was in private practice in Rocky Ford before coming to Boulder in 1963, where he is a partner in the Flatirons Medical Group. A member of the American Medical Association and the Academy of Family Practice, earlier known as General Practice, Dr. Wheeler is also on the Bureau of Standards, Ball Brothers Head Ski Co. He is interested in and enjoys his hobbies of golfing and skiing.



Dr. G. B. Wheeler

Dr. Wheeler is a son of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Wheeler, members of the Hemingford, Nebraska, Seventh-day Adventist Church. A brother, Karl Wheeler, D.D.S., practices his dental profession at Rocky Ford, Colorado. His sister, Mary Alice Wheeler, R.N., a member of the class of '61 Union College School of Nursing, was recently appointed the White House nurse. She was selected from the top five applicants, and serves in the White House Dispensary. Many times the White House nurse accompanies the President on his various trips throughout the world.

At Boulder Community Hospital he serves on the Executive Staff and the Department of Medicine Committee. One of his main interests, he declares, is to "get the medical staffs of both Memorial and Community Hospitals to work together. In fact it is my goal to combine the two staffs this coming year. The departments are the same for each hospital," he added.

Other executive officers are: President-elect—R. L.

Eddy, M.D.; Secretary—Dale D. Marcotte, M.D.; and Past-president—R. E. Padrnos, M.D. Members at large are J. S. Avery, M.D., 1 year; K. F. Dubach, M.D., 2 years; and C. A. Evans, M.D., 3 years.

Alten A. Bringle, *Director Community Relations*

MISSOURI



KINDERGARTEN INVESTMENT— ST. LOUIS CENTRAL CHURCH

Mrs. Jan Bloecher, leader of the St. Louis Central kindergarten group, congratulates Steven Vermilyea who raised \$87 from his investment project. The children shown here, and their leaders, are very investment conscious. Each child had his own "ladybug" investment device and placed a black sequin spot on the bug for each nickel brought for investment. The devices were given to each child at the close of the year.

Mrs. Jan Bloecher

Ministerial Council

The MISSION '72 evangelism thrust by every member and every minister in every church was the keynote sounded by almost every speaker at the annual Missouri Ministerial Council. The meeting, held January 9-11 at the conference office, was attended by all of the ministers and the families of many.

Elder R. H. Nightingale, Central Union president, challenged the workers at the opening devotional to a deeper devotion to God's work and a single-minded approach to soul winning. He encouraged consideration of the unique possibilities of the entire church in North America united in a program of evangelism. Elder Ben L. Hassenpflug, ministerial secretary of the Central Union, emphasized the many ways in which the evangelistic meetings to begin March 4, can be made attractive to both members and the public.

The place of the Sabbath school in MISSION '72 was presented by Elder E. E. Hagen, Sabbath school secretary of the Central Union. He especially pointed out the possibilities for soul-winning work with the children. The General Conference has prepared special materials for use in meetings which may be held at the same time as the adult evangelistic meetings.

While MISSION '72 will require much planning, organization, and hard work, the response of the working force of the Missouri Conference was ready

to accept the challenges and make 1972 the greatest year of evangelism.

One thousand souls to be won in 1972 was the goal set by the ministers in the final meeting of the council. This is a very high goal and yet, under the power of God, it is possible. Before the meeting one church board encouraged its pastor to set a goal of two souls for every member for '72. Each church goal was set with the thought clearly in mind that it could only be reached as each layman developed a burden for men for whom Christ made possible eternal life.

Elder J. N. Hunt, Central Union Publishing department secretary, joined with Elder Ralph M. Sellers, in discussing the vast opportunities that need to be met now by laymen fully consecrated to God. There is limitless opportunity for literature evangelism.

The final devotional sermon was given by Elder W. S. Lee, secretary of the union. He called to the attention that Christianity is a very personal religion, that every man must be "fully persuaded in his own mind." The church does not, and should not, legislate the lives of its members. Each individual can truly serve Christ only as He comes to an honest understanding of the demands of that service on himself alone. He will then find the answers in the area of standards such as eating, drinking, and proper attire. He will also find very definite answers in the realm of service, sacrifice, and personal sanctity.

A strong spirit of loyalty and cooperation exists among the workers of the Missouri Conference. Each man is deeply concerned about his district and churches and the challenges before him. Of special interest is the love and concern with which each minister speaks of the loyalty and faithfulness of the laymen in his churches. The servant of God knew whereof she spoke when she said that the world will be warned when ministers and laymen unite their efforts to finish the work.

PR Department

KANSAS

Enterprise Academy Announces

Enterprise Academy is very happy to announce the recent purchase of a new \$10,000 Allen organ, which will make possible the teaching of individual organ lessons during second semester. This organ was made possible through the combined efforts of the Central Union Conference, the Alumni of Enterprise Academy and a Kansas church member.

With the assistance of a student teacher from Union College second semester, we will be able to offer organ lessons to perhaps 12 students.

At a recent meeting of the Academy Board, plans were made for a building program which will make possible certain additions to our curriculum for next year. These are the addition of automobile mechanics, shop, driver training,



Elder Wayne Olson, principal of Sunnydale Academy, spoke to the workers.



Mrs. Jim Hoehn and family attended the meeting with her husband, as did several other families.



His personal goal for soul winning in 1972 is written on the blackboard by Elder Ed Motschledler.



The secretary of the Central Union, Elder W. S. Lee, is always an outstanding speaker.



Elder R. H. Nightingale gave the first devotional at the Missouri Workers' Meeting.



Elder A. V. McClure thanked the ministers for their faithfulness in the Ingathering Program.



Emphasis on the personal prayer life was the theme of Elder B. L. Hassenpflug's devotional.



Elwin Vixie receiving the keys to the organ from Dr. E. W. Taylor.

and also, as stated above, individual music lessons. Also several of our teaching areas will be relocated to provide more adequate space for Graphic Arts and the Art Department.

On January 17 to 20, Enterprise Academy will be evaluated by the Board of Regents of Seventh-day Adventists. We look forward to favorable consideration by our denominational leaders as they evaluate our total program at Enterprise Academy.

W. F. Wright, *Principal*

Pastor's Profile

Fortunate indeed were the literature evangelists of Kansas to have Bernd Weidling, a dedicated young German, to follow up some of their interests here in the State of Kansas. Born near Hamburg, Germany, Bernd attended the local public school until the age of 15. He was reared in a basically Christian home. Since his father had been an Adventist as a young man and always considered what Adventists believe to be true, he created enough interest on the part of Bernd's mother, who was a Lutheran, and Bernd to desire a personal investigation of "our church." Bernd already had received one year of Lutheran confirmation studies; but, like his mother, he felt so impressed with the message preached that the steps from that first Sabbath service to Bible studies and finally baptism seemed almost natural.



Mr. and Mrs. Bernd Weidling

Almost simultaneously with his acceptance of Jesus Christ as his personal Saviour he felt the call to become a missionary for Him. Financially unable to begin the preparatory training for the ministry immediately, he began a three-year apprenticeship in type-composition and lay-out at the Hamburg Publishing House. He received his diploma in 1961. After one year of practicing his profession, he yielded to God's call and took the ministerial course at our training school, Seminar Marienhoehe, at Darmstadt, until in 1964 he received an opportunity to come to the United States and attend Atlantic Union College. Following his junior year he transferred to Andrews University in Berrien Springs, Michigan, from which he graduated in 1968 with a B.A. in theology. It was there that he met his wife, the former Joyce Dittmer, who was teaching English in the under-graduate school, while working on her M.A. degree.

In 1968 Bernd went to the Theological Seminary at Andrews University, and on November 18, 1969 he became a citizen of the United States. After completing his course for the Master of Divinity degree in December of 1970 he began his ministry in Kansas as the follow-up worker of our literature evangelists. "What a joy it was to see three people for whom we were working join the church, following the evangelistic meetings of Elder Carlton Dyer in Manhattan, Kansas, last spring!" exclaimed Pastor Weidling.

Reminiscing, Brother Weidling said, "I believe the hard years following World War II when I saw my parents literally cry for bread, the severe testing in regard to Sabbath keeping which both my family and I personally experienced, the loss of all our possessions in the terrible flood of 1962 in Hamburg, as well as the remarkable experience of my wife who is the only Adventist in her Catholic family, will make our ministry especially meaningful to those who have to go through similar experiences.

"We believe the Lord is coming very soon, and it is our particular burden to help everybody with whom God brings us in contact to find a closer, living relationship with the Lord, through daily study of the Word and the life of Jesus, daily communion with Him, and constantly sharing their experiences with others—always seeking to 'know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.'"

Brother Weidling is especially interested in music, singing in particular; in the fine arts; and all sports, especially swimming and water skiing. Both he and his wife, Joyce, enjoy working with the young people.

How happy we are that the Weidlings are with us in the Kansas Conference! We have found that their dedicated spirit and all-around usefulness have created a special place for them in the heart of the Kansas constituency.

S. S. Will, *President*

NEBRASKA

I Thought No One Cared

We are living in an age when people wonder if anyone cares and evidence many times points to the fact that they don't. The following report comes to us from Mrs. Fred Gramlich, Omaha Welfare Center director.

"A young black mother came to us and asked for help. We were happy to supply clothing for her four children. Then we asked if she needed some things for herself. She was so appreciative of the help given. When she started to thank us she burst into tears and said, 'And I thought no one cared what became of my children and me.' We assured her that we cared and most of all Jesus cares."

Make every Community Service contact count for Christ during MISSION '72. Let everyone know that Seventh-day Adventists care.

James B. Gray, *Secretary*
Lay Activities Department

WELCOME TO ANOTHER LITERATURE EVANGELIST

We welcome Brother Leonard Lewis, brother of literature evangelist Ray Lewis, into the literature ministry. Brother Lewis has just retired after 20 years with the United States Air Force. He has been an Adventist for three years now. We are praying for his success as he enters the Lincoln area to work for judgment-bound souls.



C. Glenn Yurth

Nutrition School at North Platte

"Fun with Food" classes were held in North Platte, Nebraska, just before the evangelistic meetings were to begin. The Cody Elementary School Auditorium was used, since the facilities were ideal. These classes were designed to balance the diet and the budget at the same time, to satisfy hunger while controlling weight, to improve one's personality and efficiency, and to prepare meals that are appetizing and nutritious.

This nutrition school was sponsored by the Seventh-day Adventist Community Services of North Platte. The three local radio stations and the TV station gave free spot announcements and the local newspaper printed a story about each class—31 column inches. Approximately 75 of the North Platte residents applied for the course; over 40 percent of these were non-Adventists.

Mrs. Hope Clausen was the instructor. She received her training as a nutrition instructor at Loma Linda University and the New England Memorial Hospital. She has conducted



Mrs. Clausen is using the scale of Justice to demonstrate the need for balance in supplying the body's daily nutritional needs.

such classes in five of the unions comprising the North American Division. Manuals for the course were prepared by Mrs. Clausen. The manual included a complete set of recipes to adequately set forth the principles of good nutrition in practice. A lesson guide to the book *Counsels on Diet and Foods*, prepared by Mrs. Clausen, was included in the manual as well as the *Everyday Nutrition Lessons*, prepared by the SDADA (Seventh-day Adventist Dietetic Association).

Preceding each demonstration the writer presented a short discussion on the relationship of diet to spirituality, using color slides to give added emphasis. Topics such as, "The Blessing of Pain," "A Spurious Basis for Happiness," and "Adding Years to the Life" were covered.

More than ten food companies donated food to be used in demonstrations and given as door prizes. The Review and Herald Publishing Association donated copies of *Life and Health*, and the October, 1971 issue of *Listen*, was given to all attending. This issue featured the relationship of diet to alcohol and drug addiction, from the Pacific Press Publishing Association. The Southern Publishing Association contributed several recipe books and the new book, *About Nutrition*.

Over 30 North Platte merchants contributed generously of their supplies to be used as awards at the closing session. Since any education is of value only to the extent it is put into practice, first and second awards went to the two ladies who showed greatest advancement toward improved nutrition. One was an SDA homemaker, the other a fifth grade elementary public school teacher and daughter of the North Platte Methodist minister.

Over 60 diplomas or certificates were given. Children and men were in attendance as well as the ladies. One of the

men getting a diploma gave a demonstration of a roast that the group agreed was tops. One boy, of eleven, also worked hard at gaining points and received the fifth place award.

Several community groups have invited Mrs. Clausen to give health lectures to their various clubs as a result of these classes. Many who attended the classes also attended the evangelistic meetings that followed at the Seventh-day Adventist church. Seventh-day Adventists were heard to say, "This is the first time Health Reform has made sense to me, I have enjoyed this immensely."

"As a people we have been given the work of making known the principles of health reform. There are some who think the question of diet is not of sufficient importance to be included in their evangelistic work. But such make a great mistake."—*Testimonies*, vol. 9, p. 112.

"Yes, we are God's property, and the path of obedience to nature's laws is the direct path to heaven. He who is converted from errors in eating, drinking, and dressing is being prepared to hear and receive the truth into a good and willing heart."—*Counsels on Health*, p. 222.

Roger H. Clausen

CENTRAL STATES

Des Moines Member's Memories

As an old year comes to an end, a person often reviews past happenings and mentally files away the pleasant memories for future enjoyment. Such is the case with Brother Tony Anthony of Des Moines, Iowa. One very special memory is his to cherish and keep.

Brother Anthony, who is one of the newer members of the Philadelphia SDA Church, is a security guard with a private protection agency. During the past eight years or so, his face has become familiar to the thousands of people who, each year, throng the Iowa State Fair, which is held in the month of August. There, he is on duty as a traffic and crossing guard at one of the busiest corners in the encampment.

While the 1971 fair was in session, the city's main newspaper carried a picture story about Brother Anthony. This was captioned, "The State Fair's Man in Motion." The story told about the seriousness with which he conducted his duty and how he had saved some 25 or more persons from being hit by vehicles in the area.

Brother Anthony and his wife, Eula, both active members of the church choir, especially cherish a letter which was received after the fair session was over. His faithfulness to duty was noted by those in authority and as a result, he received a nice letter of thanks and commendation from the assistant to the State Safety Director.

The letter was a fitting tribute to one who takes seriously the words to the song which says—"If I can help somebody . . . then my living will not be in vain."



Tony Anthony

ELDER COX VISITS OMAHA

Elder S. H. Cox, MV, educational superintendent, and public relations secretary of the Central States Conference, spoke at the Omaha church for Youth Day on December 18. The youth at Omaha are really on fire for God. This year they plan to do even greater work for God.



Elder S. H. Cox



Top left: Opening prayer was given by Angela Taylor. Top right: A flannelgraph exercise was presented by Quinton Taylor. Second row: Costumed nativity scene by the Branch Sabbath School, with the junior and earliteen departments giving appropriate background music. Third row: Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Patterson presented their baby to the Lord in a dedication service. The speaker for the morning service was the pastor, Elder F. N. Crowe. Fourth row: The Crowe family being presented with a gift.

Christmas Day at Bethel

I had the wonderful privilege of visiting the Bethel SDA church in Kansas City, Kansas, on December 25, 1971. The day started with the Thirteenth Sabbath program. A trumpet solo was given by Alfred Reece and the memory verses for the quarter were recited by the children from the kindergarten and primary divisions. The other parts of the program are pictured. Mrs. Martha Ewing was the division coordinator and is entitled to hearty congratulations for a job well done.

Just prior to the eleven o'clock hour, the baby of Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Patterson was dedicated to the Lord. Elder D. L. Crowder, one of the local elders of the church, presented a gift from the church to the Crowe family. After the presentation, Elder Crowe gave a most informative and inspiring sermon on the "History of Christmas." This was intermingled with solos and musical selections by the combined senior and youth choirs and in keeping with the Christmas season.

The day was truly a delight.

S. H. Cox, PR Secretary

WYOMING

WYOMING CAMP MEETING DATES

The official dates for the 1972 Wyoming Camp Meeting are August 1-6, 1972. The camp meeting will be held at Mills Spring Camp on Casper Mountain. We urge all Wyoming Adventists to begin now to plan to attend the 1972 Wyoming Camp Meeting.

Wm. C. Hatch, President

A Church Grows Larger and A Need Grows Greater

Recently Elder Richard Necker, Wyoming Conference evangelist, conducted a very successful series of evangelistic meetings in Rawlins. Ten new members were added to the church by baptism and older members have indicated a deeper interest in the church than ever before. We now have between 30 and 40 people meeting in rented quarters each Sabbath in Rawlins. The building that we have used in Rawlins for years has been sold since it was no longer serviceable.

One of the greatest challenges facing Adventists in Wyoming is found in Rawlins. We have a fine group of people, a building lot and a limited amount of money. We also have a tremendous need for a representative church home for this struggling congregation. Will you join your conference officers and the members of the Rawlins church in praying that God will open the way for a new church building in Rawlins?

Wm. C. Hatch, President

Fall Book Sale

On November 27, 1971, the Newcastle district was pleased to have Elder C. Henry Turner, Book and Bible House manager, in the Newcastle church to conduct a fall book sale at the close of Sabbath. During the morning worship hour we were pleased to have many visitors among our congregation. Our conference president, Elder Wm. C. Hatch, was the speaker and gave a very thought-filled talk on tithe.

When our book sale began following sundown, we were privileged to have Brother and Sister Lance Liebelt of the Omaha Branch of the Pacific Press here to promote some of the new books. It was a terribly stormy weekend and we did appreciate the long distances which they drove to be with us for this occasion.

All church members took advantage of the many bargains offered by the sale, especially conducted for the benefit of our members. We wish to thank our guests for coming to our district in the wintry weather and providing us with such an excellent opportunity to keep abreast of the newest releases in the field of reading and records.

Myron Tait, Pastor



ROCK SPRINGS INGATHERING VICTORY DINNER

Left: Receiving special honors at the Ingathering Victory Dinner for the Rock Springs district are Miss Jane Stucker and her grandmother, Mrs. F. R. Stucker. Both were out 12 nights and each earned a Jasper Wayne Award. About 50 people met at Kemmerer for a snowmobile party in connection with the Ingathering Dinner.

Center: Mrs. Billie Baxter of Afton was the top Ingatherer in the Rock Springs district with \$306 to her credit. Herman Genetti was second with \$268; Herman is from Big Piney. A Rock Springs member, Mrs. Matt Tolar was third with \$258.50 at the time of the party. Mrs. Tolar is not pictured.

Right: Norm and Doris Beachler made possible the delightful snow party by arranging for seven snow machines and an old abandoned ranch. The woodstoves warmed the old house and the party group was very comfortable between rides. The Beachler home was used for the evening dinner. There was two feet of snow for the party in Kemmerer and the weather was just right.

Lester Fowler, Pastor

COLORADO



New members of the Denver Spanish church—left to right: Mrs. Georgina Nieves; Itzia, Zadia, and Jacqueline Robles; Ernest DeHerrera, Jr.

Report from The Denver Spanish Church

Christmas day found the Denver Spanish church with a full morning, beginning with the Thirteenth Sabbath program. Each division presented a well-prepared presentation, after which the church members decorated an evergreen tree with many "green" gifts for the Lord.

Two children were dedicated to the Lord in a double Baby Dedication service conducted by Elder H. V. Reed and Pastor Manuel Vasquez. Elder Reed dedicated his grandson, Jonathan Bradbury Reed, and Pastor Vasquez dedicated Anthony Gonzalez from Greeley.

At the eleven o'clock service, five souls were presented to the Lord in baptism, another appropriate gift to the Lord on Christmas day. Elder Reed officiated at the baptism. Following the baptism the new members were presented with flowers, baptismal certificates, and a special religious book. All the members of the church then formed a line to receive them into Christian fellowship. This was truly a Christmas day to be remembered by many people.

Manuel Vasquez, Pastor

Campion Academy Thanksgiving Banquet

The boys' dorm was in a flurry of excitement as guys crowded into the shower and shaving lines trying to do those last minute touch-ups in effort to make an impressionable escort for their dates.

The Thanksgiving banquet, held November 21, was held in a candle-light setting. The students were seated at tables in groups of four. Light music was played in the background as each table was individually served a delicious variety of foods. A highlight during the meal came when Mrs. Barker, wife of the guidance counselor and biology instructor, was presented a birthday cake accompanied by the students singing happy birthday to her.

Following the dinner a 90-minute film was shown in the school chapel. Everyone seemed to enjoy the film, "Escapade in Japan," the story of a young boy and his adventures in Japan as a runaway child.

With the end of the program the girls were escorted back to their dorm. Comments and memories lingered late into the night until one by one each slipped into his own dreamland experience.

Tom Enders, PR Student Association
Campion Academy

From Salvation Army To Seventh-day Adventist

From an active work program in the Salvation Army to membership in the Seventh-day Adventist Church, this is the experience of Mrs. Samantha Shattuck in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Mrs. Shattuck says, "I am glad I have always felt God's hand on my life. I am glad God talks to me. I am glad I am an Adventist— and most of all, I am glad I belong to God's church."

Elder Arnold J. Scherencel baptized Mrs. Shattuck into membership in the Colorado Springs Adventist church on December 5, 1970, at the conclusion of a series of evangelistic meetings conducted by Elder William R. Bornstein, who was conference evangelist at the time.

The Salvation Army was the center of Mrs. Shattuck's religious life and work for 19 years. And yet, as a child, she read about the seventh-day Sabbath in a Bible story book and had always had a sense that the seventh day was the right day. "I heard Paul Harvey (a news commentator) speak about the Bible Story books on television, and I wrote in and Paul Clear (a literature evangelist in Colorado) came to my home and showed me a complete set of the books," she said.

Mrs. Shattuck said she heard Elder George Vandeman on television while she was in the hospital. She sent for his lessons and Mrs. Ethel Neeley, a member of the Colorado Springs church, was sent to her home to help her with the lessons. "I was eager to learn and also listened to Faith for Today and completed other Bible study courses," she added.

Thomas Ferguson, a Colorado literature evangelist,



Some of those who had a part in Mrs. Shattuck's acceptance of the Adventist faith, from left to right: Mrs. Ethel Neeley; Tom Ferguson; Mrs. Samantha Shattuck; Mrs. Tom Ferguson; Paul Clear, associate publishing department secretary in the Colorado Conference.

called on her, discussed the Sabbath and invited her to the Adventist church. She came twice.

In the fall of 1970, Mr. and Mrs. James Erwin of the Colorado Springs church called at Mrs. Shattuck's home, and shortly afterward Mrs. Neeley invited her to Elder Bornstein's meetings and she attended regularly.

Adventist books, church members, literature evangelists, and ministers—all had a part in influencing Mrs. Shattuck to join the Adventist Church.

Abe Heiser, Lay Activities Leader



The original Trinidad Seventh-day Adventist church pictured in 1919, just before it was torn down. A new church was built on the same spot. Elder J. Z. Walker, pastor, is fourth from the left in the back row.

First Adventist Church in Trinidad

A few days ago I found a letter on my desk from Elder J. Z. Walker, a retired Seventh-day Adventist minister. In it was a picture of the first Adventist church in Trinidad, Colorado, located on the corner of Bacca and Nevada.

Elder Walker went to Trinidad in 1907, adding 13 members that year. In 1917 he held a tent meeting, adding 10 members. In 1919 the old church building was torn down and a new one built on the same spot.

Elder Walker's letter was prompted by a *Reaper* report on the present Trinidad church.

Arthur R. Lickey,
Public Relations Secretary

Christmas Story Presented in The Denver Spanish Church

"The Impact of the Christ Child," an unusual and interesting portrayal of the Christmas story, was presented by the Denver Spanish church on December 19.

This presentation, compiled and directed by David Craig, revealed the impact which the life of Christ had on 12 of the New Testament characters such as Herod, Mary, the mother of Jesus, the High Priest, Nicodemus, etc. These characters were portrayed by several members of the Spanish church against a setting of the manger scene.

Interspersed between the monologues were several beautiful Christmas songs, both instrumental and vocal. A children's choir, the wise men and the shepherd boys also lent their support to the program. The program was climaxed by the entire cast singing Christmas carols.

This outstanding program was indeed one of the highlights of the year at the Denver Spanish church.

Manuel Vasquez, Pastor

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The Privilege of Prayer

Prayer is the opening of the heart to God as to a friend. Not that it is necessary in order to make known to God what we are, but in order to enable us to receive Him. Prayer does not bring God down to us, but brings us up to Him.

When Jesus was upon the earth, He taught His disciples how to pray. He directed them to present their daily needs before God, and to cast all their care upon Him. And the assurance He gave them that their petitions should be heard, is assurance also to us.

Jesus Himself, while He dwelt among men, was often in prayer. Our Saviour identified Himself with our needs and weakness, in that He became a suppliant, a petitioner, seeking from His Father fresh supplies of strength, that He might come forth braced for duty and trial. He is our example in all things. He is a brother in our infirmities, "in all points tempted like as we are;" but as the sinless one His nature recoiled from evil; He endured struggles and torture of soul in a world of sin. His humanity made prayer a necessity and a privilege. He found comfort and joy in communion with His Father. And if the Saviour of men, the Son of God, felt the need of prayer, how much more should feeble, sinful mortals feel the necessity of fervent, constant prayer.

Our heavenly Father waits to bestow upon us the fullness of His blessing. It is our privilege to drink largely at the fountain of boundless love. What a wonder it is that we pray so little! God is ready and willing to hear the sincere prayer of the humblest of His children, and yet there is much manifest reluctance on our part to make known our wants to God. What can the angels of heaven think of poor helpless human beings, who are subject to temptation, when God's heart of infinite love yearns toward them, ready to give them more than they can ask or think, and yet they pray so little and have so little faith? The angels love to bow before God; they love to be near Him. They regard communion with God as their highest joy; and yet the children of earth, who need so much the help that God only can give, seem satisfied to walk without the light of His Spirit, the companionship of His presence.

The darkness of the evil one encloses those who neglect to pray. The whispered temptations of the enemy entice them to sin; and it is all because they do not make use of the privileges that God has given them in the divine appointment of prayer. Why should the sons and daughters of God be reluctant to pray, when prayer is the key in the hand of faith to unlock heaven's storehouse, where are treasured the boundless resources of Omnipotence? Without unceasing prayer and diligent watching we are in danger of growing careless and of deviating from the right path. The adversary seeks continually to obstruct the way to the mercy seat, that we may not by earnest supplication and faith obtain grace and power to resist temptation.

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WEDDINGS

Heaston-Reagin

Jeanette Heaston and Walter Robert Reagin were united in marriage on December 16, 1971 at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Noble Newbanks, of Greeley, Colorado. Mr. and Mrs. Reagin will make their home in a suburb of Atlanta, Georgia, where the home office of Mr. Reagin's business is located. We wish every blessing of God upon the new home formed in love and dedication.

Fred Schultz

Childers-Darrell

On August 8, in Wichita, Kansas, Donna Childers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Childers of Wichita, and Daniel Darrell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Darrell, of Kansas City, Kansas, were united in marriage by Pastor Fred Schultz. Mr. and Mrs. Darrell are residing in Olathe, Kansas, where Dan is employed in construction. Our prayers and best wishes attend the young couple in their new home and consecrated life.

Fred Schultz

Brown-Martin

On Tuesday, December 28, a wedding was held in the Wray, Colorado, church when Mrs. Anna Brown and Peter Martin of Haigler, Nebraska, were united in marriage with Pastor Reuben Johnson officiating. A reception followed in the home of the bridegroom's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Basil Doyle.

The couple is at home in Haigler.

Reuben G. Johnson

OBITUARIES

JORDAN, Lydia, passed from this life Oct. 25, 1971, at the age of 82 years. Mrs. Jordan was born in Warrenton, Mo., and came to Wichita in 1905. She is survived by 1 brother—William Tegeler and a sister—Mrs. Louis Priest. She awaits the call of the Lord Jesus on the glorious resurrection morning.

R. E. Brewer

JOHNSTON, Vera E., passed from this life Oct. 26, 1971, at the age of 56 years. She was born in Bad Axe, Mich. She came to Wichita in 1952 from Midwest City, Okla. She leaves to mourn her passing her husband—Robert E. Johnston: four daughters—Mrs. Gloria Vick, Barkley, Mich.; Mrs. Joyce Haggard, Clawson, Mich.; Darlene Gormley and Miss Jacquetta Johnston, Wichita, Kan. Mrs. Johnston awaits the call of the Life-giver on that glorious resurrection morning.

R. E. Brewer

OLSON, Ruben S., was born to Carl and Emma S. Olson on June 19, 1889, in Gefle, Sweden. He was married to Vivian E. Cayou in Billings, Mont., Dec. 14, 1942. He passed away Sept. 4, 1971. He was a member in Craig, Colo. Left to mourn are 2 sons and his wife. One son was presumably lost in action in U.S. Air Force. Also surviving is a brother—Henry C. Olson of Greybull, Wyo., and a host of nieces and nephews.

HURLEY, Dwayne Edgar, was born March 5, 1925, to Luella and Edgar Hurley at Fullerton, Neb. He passed to his rest on Dec. 27, 1971, as the result of a truck accident. On May 26, 1954, he was married to Jeanine Lane. Services were conducted by Don Dronen and he was laid to rest in Soldiers Circle, Wyuka Cemetery in Lincoln, Neb. He is survived by his wife—Jeanine; 3 sons—Wales, Steven and Gregory; 1 daughter—Carol Ann; his mother—Luella Hurley; a sister—Betsy Hickman; and several uncles, aunts, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Pastor Don Dronen

SUNSET CALENDAR

	Jan. 28	Feb. 4	Feb. 11
Denver, Colorado	5:14	5:23	5:31
Grand Junction, Colorado	5:30	5:39	5:46
Topeka, Kansas	5:39	5:48	5:55
Kansas City, Missouri	5:34	5:43	5:50
St. Louis, Missouri	5:17	5:26	5:33
Lincoln, Nebraska	5:39	5:48	5:56
Casper, Wyoming	5:13	5:22	5:32

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By R. H. Nightingale, President

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The Faith for Today television program is doing a wonderful soul-winning work, and we are pleased to announce that 25 stations are carrying the program each week. We are happy for the souls who are being baptized, and we are glad to report that an additional 955 are studying this message through the Faith for Today Bible Correspondence Course.

Listen to these two excerpts from letters written by individuals in our union:



Central Union President R. H. Nightingale and TV Pastor William A. Fagal discuss Faith for Today's future during a break at the 1971 Autumn Council in Washington, D.C.

"After my husband's death I found your Faith for Today Bible lessons among his possessions. I want you to continue to send the lessons to me. I spent many hours studying them after my husband's death. I enclose a contribution for your good work. Please accept it in memory of my dear husband. I hope it will help someone find a much-needed answer in meeting life's problems."

Mrs. R. S.—Missouri

"Mrs. B. is in the hospital and has asked me to let you know she is unable to finish your Bible course. Doctors say there is no hope of recovery from cancer. She may not be living by the time this letter reaches you, but she asks for the prayers of Faith for Today. Her husband especially asked us to thank you for the hope and courage you have given her. She has expressed a desire to become a church member and will be added by profession of faith."

H. M.—Missouri

We trust that all of our members will strongly support the Faith for Today program with their offerings and prayers and spread the word to their neighbors and friends to tune in to Faith for Today wherever it can be viewed.

In the shadow of the state capitol in Lincoln, Nebraska, Everett E. Duncan will conduct a three-week Faith for Today series beginning March 4. Built around the Mission '72 theme "Reach Out for Life," the series will have special appeal for the Faith for Today interests in the Lincoln area. ("Nebraskaland Magazine" photo)

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