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This is my anniversary. A year ago, I started working for the Columbia Union. During the past 12 months, I have been asked two questions more than any other: Why did I take this job? and do I like it?

The answer to the first is easy. "I believe God asked me to do this work," I reply. Since 1980, I have always consulted God before taking a new job offer. In this case, even more so.

Although I respond that, yes, I do like my job, very often there is the usual follow-up question, "Why do you like it?"

I've come up with three responses to that question—all relative to relationships. First, I like it because of pleasant experiences I've had with people I have served in the union territory. Second, I like the staff that I work with; they are just fun to be around. Third, I enjoy a good working relationship with my supervisors and my colleagues in the local conferences and other unions.

I have been spiritually encouraged by these interactions—these relationships. Like me, many, many Christians desire to serve Jesus and make Him happy. And I've discovered that many Adventists share my commitments to serve people and to our church's truth.

I've also been emotionally charged and affirmed by these relationships. It has been a joy to meet and become friends with so many here at the union office, but with that pleasure has come a little sadness. Some of those who were here when I came a year ago have retired or gone to other places of service. Evelyn, Ron, Hilda, Ann, Milt, Russ and Marge are no longer here, and Elaine is leaving soon. Relationships are changing.

The gospel is about our relationships with each other. It reminds us that people are more important than things. Jesus said, "This is how everyone will recognize that you are my disciples—when they see the love you have for each other."

I left friends in Virginia a year ago. Now some of my friends here are leaving me behind. Heaven is a place where we will never have to say goodbye. The interactions and friendships will last forever, the relationships eternal. That's an excellent reason to be there.

\*John 13:25. *The Message*, Eugene H. Peterson, (NAV Press, Colorado Springs, Colorado), 1993.

COVER: Dolly DeHaan, active in church and community life, was one of eight women honored during a banquet award ceremony at the 1994 International ASI Convention in Dallas, Texas. (See the story on page 5.) She and her husband, Frank, live in Hagerstown, Maryland, and provide industry and support to nearby Highland View Academy. DeHaan was photographed by Roger Morton, director of communication for the Mid-America Union Conference.

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**Mavis Tatiana Fumes, Arlington, Potomac.**

Mavis was baptized on Christmas Day in 1993 following Bible studies with Pastor Keith McNabb.



**Stacey Younger, Lancaster, Pennsylvania.**

Stacey was baptized in March of this year by Pastor Gabriel Katrib.



# Face 2 Face

Baptism Profiles

**Vickie Binkley, Lancaster, Pennsylvania.**

Vickie was baptized in March of this year after attending Bible studies in her mother-in-law's home and an evangelistic series.



**Ricky Binkley, Lancaster, Pennsylvania.**

Ricky, a VBS attendee, was baptized with his mother in March of this year.



## Fire leads to fond pastoral memory

It was November 15, 1984. I had just returned from the Houston Central church, where I was preparing for an evangelistic series. After parking the station wagon in the garage and starting my bath, I heard my wife shouting "The house is on fire!" Grabbing a towel, I ran outside.

Apparently my car had exploded, devouring the house with angry waves of fire.

This may sound like quite a

pastoral memory, but I haven't gotten to the good part yet.

More than 40 church members came to assist my family and me. They hugged us and loved us not only with words, but also in a tangible way. The following Sabbath, three elders stood up and raised a big offering for us while I was hiding in the pastoral bathroom! We didn't have words to express our appreciation. We could only say thank you, thank you, thank you.

In spite of the fire, at the end of the evangelistic meet-

Pastoral Memory



**Tamara Michalenko**  
Columbia Union Conference

## Two people— two stories

My father loves to talk about his children. One thing he talks about, every once in a while, is the younger years—how my brother, an easy-going spirit, could be told something once and would obey and I, somewhat of a strong spirit, had to be told several times. I always wanted to know "why?"

It's amazing how two members of the same family can require a totally different approach.

Many times there wasn't an answer to my question "why" except "because I said so." What kind of answer is that? Does that mean "I'm not sure, but it just doesn't feel right to me so I'm going to say no?" Or is it "You wouldn't understand why, so why bother to explain it?" Either way, "because I said so" always bothered me and still does a little.

It wasn't until my high school years that my parents and I started clicking. Talking

about it recently, my parents have different opinions on what made the change. My mother said she finally saw me as a maturing adult who could make her own decisions. My father said it was me who changed. Either way, now I have two wonderful friends who happen to be my parents.

I enjoy the interaction we have sharing topics and opinions. We don't always agree, but we have the same goal of being the best we can be.

The same can be said about the "twentysomething" generation. We, also, are just trying to be the best we can be. There may be different opinions on how to achieve that, but we all have a special story to tell.

A new publication called

*A New View of Adventism* was designed to share those stories. Whether it be on relationships, careers, current events, music or movie reviews, this small publication is for people in their 20s and 30s to share their stories.

How many times have you experienced something in life that you wanted to share? Maybe you found fulfillment in a job you didn't think you'd find. Or by trusting in the Lord you found the man or woman of your dreams.

Don't consider yourself a writer? Don't worry about it. We're here to help. Just send your story.

You never know. Maybe your story will be just what someone needs to find hope.

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ings, the Lord gave us 42 souls for the honor and glory of His name!

Proverbs 10:25 says "When the storm has swept by, the wicked are gone, but the righteous stand firm forever." Only through Jesus is this possible!

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# The polished arrow

*"For you have made me into a polished arrow and hid me in your quiver,"*

—Isaiah 49:2 NIV

I looked at the prophet's words for the 127th time and asked, "Is there any similarity between how Indians make arrows and how God makes disciples?" With my curiosity thoroughly aroused, I began a search through magazines and books for information on traditional arrow making. That's how I found David Kissinger, the traditional bowyer of Mifflinville, Pennsylvania. He makes bows and arrows the old traditional Iroquois way and was willing to tell me about it.

During two hours with David, I learned five great truths about arrow making and about God's transforming grace.

## 1. Green wood makes terrible arrow shafts.

The simple reason is that when wood is full of its own life, it is impossible for the master arrow maker to form it to his purposes. The shaft always bends its own way.

David uses rose stalks for his best arrows, but before he can make arrows, he cuts the tall sticks, places them in the attic of his barn and lets the life slowly soak out of them.

Once they are thoroughly dead, he shaves off the bark and begins creating arrows. When they are dead, completely empty of self, he can fill them with his life, his design, ready them for his uses.

## 2. Every arrow must have a point.

The five arrows David made for me have five very different points. One is chipped from chert, another from smoke obsidian (and it's wonderfully beautiful!), another from black obsidian and two made of bone. Each is unique, different and perfectly matched to the shaft.

David makes each arrow point beside the creek behind his house. A stone point takes hours of careful chipping with a sharpened piece of antler. The bone points take thousands of rubs and polishes with natural abrasives. No sandpaper is allowed! When the point is perfect, David mates it with a shaft. He cuts a small notch in the end of a dead stick and slides the base of the point into the notch. Then he takes wet sinew from the backbone of a deer and wraps it tightly around the point and the shaft. As he works, the two become one, and the stick becomes a pointed shaft.

The next step is simply several hot hours in the steamy Pennsylvania sun, long enough to make sure the sinew dries, contracts and seals the oneness between shaft and point. Aren't you glad God has given your life a point, a personalized purpose that is uniquely yours and bonded to you forever?

## 3. Feathers are part of the guidance system.

The fledging comes from wild turkeys or hawks or from feathers traded with other Indians. Each is carefully trimmed to match the

shaft and then glued with sinew to the smooth wood. The feathers are there to stabilize the shaft and guide it toward the target. Without the fledging, the arrow would spin wildly and be impossible to control. With the fledging, the arrow speeds directly toward the target and even uses the breeze to the archer's advantage.

Aren't you glad God has stabilized you and given you every advantage over the devil winds?

## 4. The best arrows are covered with dimples.

Even dead sticks hold tightly to some of their own twists and bends. And since bent arrow shafts curve wildly when released from the bow, the bends must be straightened. David does this job over a small campfire beside his stream.

First, he carefully coats the shaft with just enough oil to soak thoroughly into each cell of the dead stick. (Better to be filled with the Spirit than with self!) Then he places the shaft over the hottest flames and turns it carefully. When it is just about to burst into flames, he clamps it tightly between his teeth and bends the shaft straight. Each straightening leaves permanent teeth marks on the arrow.

As I watched David, I suddenly understood God's use of trials to make us into better disciples. Just when I think I'm going to burst into flames, He kisses me with His straightening love.

## 5. Polishing is for pleasure.

David spends many hours polishing his arrows. "Is it because they fly faster if they're polished?" "No," he answered. "Does it make them fly straighter?" "No." "Then why polish them?" "Because it makes them prettier."

By the way, the set of arrows David made for me is unique. Usually, archers want each arrow in the quiver to be exactly like each other arrow. That way they can just shoot and not worry about which arrow they have drawn. But my five arrows are all different. David explained, "God never makes two arrows alike. Each of us is different, perfectly designed for our mission. Perfectly shaped for Him."

*The aim of Dick Duerksen, vice president for creative ministries, is hitting the bull's eye.*





**W**hat does the Lord have for you to do? With your time, your talents, your business, your resources? And what happens when you step out of the arena of self-confidence and self-control and into a life of faith—to give your life and your business to God? What happens when you choose to serve?

At the 1994 Adventist Laymen's Services and Industries International Convention, ASI members spent four days in Dallas, Texas, exploring those questions, sharing what God has led them to do and encouraging and challenging each other to grow into the men and women God would have them be, confident in His ability and waiting on His timing.

ASI is an organization of Seventh-day Adventists who work in the private sector in business and professional vocations. With membership nearing 1,000, the major objective of ASI's existence is to help educate, motivate and inspire its members to greater service for God. Their motto is "Sharing Christ in the Marketplace."

During the convention, members had the opportunity to attend seminars and workshops. There were featured speakers, including General Conference President Robert Folkenberg and North American Division President Al McClure.

"It's very uplifting—very spiritual," say Frank and Dolly DeHaan, who operate successful bakery industries by employing students from Highland View Academy near Hagerstown, Maryland.

"Fantastic" is how Rolland and Virginia McKibbin feel about the convention. Members for several years, they joined ASI to learn how better to share their faith with clients in their accounting and tax practice in Laurel, Maryland.

Mission opportunities displayed in 125 national and international exhibits represented academies, colleges, businesses and supporting ministries and gave ASI members a chance to get acquainted with other Adventist laymen and learn about new outreach opportunities.

But mostly it's about meeting friends and sharing how God is working in their lives, their business relationships, their community relationships. It's about sharing their

dreams with each other and telling how God is making those dreams come true.

Rolf and Carol Nieman come to the conventions because they enjoy hearing the experiences of the members. "It's like a continuous mission story." A Maryland physician, Nieman joined ASI to learn how to witness in his practice.

"We like to hear the experiences of what other people are doing," says Frank DeHaan. His wife, Dolly, was one of eight women to receive ASI's Women of Distinction Award and was honored at a special banquet.

The convention is also about giving. It ends with the traditional banquet and an offering. The group gave



**Columbia Union members at ASI—Top: (from left) Tony Finch, Rolland and Virginia McKibbin, Frank and Dolly DeHaan and Rolf and Carol Nieman.**

**Above: Steve Vanderhorst, left, and Melvin Mapp.**

**Right: (from left) Al Newhart, Ron Wylie and Harold "Bud" Otis.**



## Choosing to serve



**A report of the international ASI convention**

**CARON OSWALD**

\$1,400,000 to support pre-selected denominational and supporting projects.

It's exciting what can happen when you come to see your business dealings as opportunities for God's work; it's life changing. As one member said, "It's the love of Jesus and nothing else that empowers us to share God and His gospel in the marketplace."

*Caron Oswald is director of development and editor of the Communique for Blue Mountain Academy in Hamburg, Pennsylvania. She was a presenter at the ASI convention, and at the request of the Visitor, did double duty as reporter of Columbia Union activities there. Photos are by Oswald.*

With Lynne Waihee (in red), First Lady of Hawaii, are the first ASI Women of the Year (clockwise from left): Rowena Rogers, Clermont, Florida, Professional Life; Mary Paulson-Lauda, Eugene, Oregon; Church Life; Dolly DeHaan, Hagerstown, Maryland, Church and Community Life; Dolores Slikkers, Holland, Michigan, Church and Community Life; Carmen Carter-McLeary, Scarborough, Ontario, Professional Life; Tonny Monteith, North Vancouver, British Columbia, Church Life; and Mattie Cheneweth Sanderson, National City, California, Professional Life. Not pictured: Helen Jackson, Murfreesboro, Tennessee, Achievement in Family Life. Waihee was also recognized for Professional Life. Photo by Roger Morton.





## Will my baby be *healthy?*

VERNON DALY

**A**t the end of a talk I recently gave on the importance of good prenatal services, a young woman from the audience asked to speak with me. Molly\* told me she was six months pregnant and hadn't received any prenatal care.

Sixteen-year-old Molly smoked several cigarettes a day during the past year and admitted to social drug use with friends and alcohol use as recently as two weeks prior to our meeting.

She was very worried and rightly so. Molly asked, "Will my baby be healthy?"

Her genuine concern gave us the opportunity to examine closely the matter of infant mortality—the number of babies who die before their first birthday.

Nationally, the figure stands at 10 deaths per 1,000 live births, but for blacks and other medically underserved groups, it is 17.8 deaths.

Low birth weight, below 2,500 grams, is the cause of many babies dying before their first birthday. Many factors influence the health and birth weight of the baby. These include:

**Maternal age.** Women under 17 and over 40 are more likely to have low birth-weight babies.

**Tobacco use.** Maternal smoking retards intrauterine development, leading to low birth weight, premature births and death.

\*not her real name

**Drug use.** Maternal drug use adversely affects the fetus. Growth retardation, deformity, illness, prematurity and fetal deaths are among the consequences. During pregnancy, only medication prescribed by a health provider should be used. Even over-the-counter drugs should be approved. Street drugs must never be used.

**Alcohol use.** This, too, is a drug and should never be used during pregnancy. It is a major cause of facial deformity, low birth weight and fetal death.

**Nutrition.** Proper nutrition is essential for the fetus to develop.

**Exercise.** Appropriate exercise is part of good prenatal care.

**Early and regular prenatal care.** Every pregnant woman needs to begin prenatal care in the first trimester. This will assist in proper fetal development.

Suddenly, Molly realized the important role she must play in the well-being of her baby and herself. She must observe proper nutrition, appropriate exercise and healthy lifestyle choices. This, combined with proper prenatal care, will help ensure a healthy baby and a healthy mother.

Unfortunately, Molly's story is not an isolated occurrence. It is repeated thousands of times in our neighborhoods. Molly's baby may have already suffered irrevocable damage. I hope not. But we must learn from her mistakes. Too many babies are dying and suffering needlessly.

We have a responsibility to help the many Mollys by emphasizing:

Abstemiousness—which will remove tobacco, alcohol, drugs, harmful food and destructive behavior from the lives of mother and baby.

Sunshine—which, enjoyed safely, is an excellent source of Vitamin D.

Temperance—what better time for temperate behavior?

Rest—appropriate rest is essential for proper fetal development.

Air—fresh, clean air is a vital blessing.

Water—this life-sustaining drink provides unparalleled benefits.

Nutrition—proper development of the baby depends on good nutrition.

Exercise—simple, frequent appropriate exercise aids the development of the baby.

Trust in God—can there be a more appropriate opportunity to aid the physical, mental and spiritual development of mother and baby?

With this information we can weave A STRAW NET of love, peace, trust and hope around the entire family and help meet their needs as Jesus did.

I view this as my mission; I trust you will accept it as yours, as well.

Vernon Daly is a physician in New Jersey and founder of the Heureka Center for Disease Prevention and Health Promotion. Because we believe there is an important relationship between physical health and spiritual life, the Visitor asked Dr. Daly to write a series of health-related articles to be printed every other issue between now and the end of the year. For further information about prenatal care, you may write the author in care of the Visitor or leave a telephone message by calling (800) SDA-7738.



The membership of the Seventh-day Adventist Church is continually changing, and so are Adventist attitudes and opinions. With the rapid approach of the start of a new millennium, what gives American Adventists their sense of direction and meaning in life? What are their religious and health practices? And how do members compare with non-Adventists?

To learn the answers to these questions, Survey Research Services of Loma Linda University in California conducted a special study in 1990. The representative sample was proportionate to union membership across the country, and the final analysis was based on 1,199 responses.

The results ranged from affirming to alarming, and they reflect the unique challenges facing the church today.

About 64 percent of the members were female, and 27 percent of the entire membership had a college

habits they wanted to change, such as getting too little exercise (69 percent), drinking too little water (42 percent), coping with too much stress (31 percent) and eating between meals (29 percent). Most members who exercise do so by walking about one mile every day.

About 56 percent of the members felt that they were overweight, with about 8 percent of these indicating they were considerably overweight. Unfortunately, only 44 percent of those who believed they were overweight were trying to correct the problem.

Another surprise came in the area of religious practices. When asked how well the local church meets their spiritual needs, 14 percent indicated "not very well," 3 percent said "not at all" and 7 percent didn't attend church. One in 10 members of those surveyed said that they had "seriously considered" leaving the Adventist church!

Regarding how often members

definitely believed that "God created the world in six 24-hour days."

Turning to family life concerns, "Where did you meet your spouse?" received the following response: 31 percent said through a friend, 18 percent said at an Adventist school, and 12 percent said at an Adventist church.

Forty-five percent of the respondents said they engaged in activities they really enjoy at least once a week. The highest number (53 percent) was among college graduates. However, 20 percent said they very seldom engaged in activities they really enjoyed.

Finally, the question "Does your life have meaning and direction?" was agreed or strongly agreed to by 87 percent of the respondents.

So what does all this number crunching mean? Obviously, Adventists aren't perfect. They can, for example, improve their health practices, even though they may be

*Adventists  
aren't  
perfect.*



# A look at ourselves

degree or more, which is higher than the 20 percent of the general population. Fifty-one percent were married for the first time, and an additional 15 percent were remarried. Along with a single population of 17 percent, the remainder was divided among separated, divorced and widowed members.

When asked to compare their health with that of other people, 36 percent of the members said they were in excellent shape, 48 percent good, 2 percent poor and 1 percent very poor. It's worth noting that 84 percent considered their health to be good or excellent, compared to 74 percent for the general public. And 94 percent of the college graduates surveyed reported that they were in good or excellent health.

But Adventists did have harmful

pray or meditate, the study indicated that 60 percent do so more than once a day, 17 percent once each day and 13 percent more than once a week. That leaves about 23 percent who have not experienced the power of prayer sufficiently enough to adopt the practice regularly.

What are the important influences in American Adventists' religious life? The four highest-rated factors were Scripture (91 percent), personal devotions (76 percent), Ellen G. White's writings (69 percent) and church friends (63 percent).

The response to "What is your view of Ellen White?" was astounding. Only 59 percent indicated that she was a true prophet similar to Bible prophets, in contrast to 89 percent of the membership who

somewhat better than the general public. As for spiritual matters, the survey showed that there is ample opportunity for most members to assist discouraged fellow believers who are contemplating dropping out of the church, lack the strength derived from prayer or rarely do things they enjoy.

Anyone who'd like further information on the survey can write to: Jan W. Kuzma, president of Sentinel Research Services, 990 Red Hill Valley Road, Cleveland, Tennessee 37323.

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**RANDY HALL**



USAID is funding ADRA's relief work for the orphans in the Goma camp, enabling ADRA to provide food and health care for 1,400 children during the next six months.



For weeks people in the Washington, D.C., metro area have watched the horrors of the Rwanda crisis on television and read about it in newspapers and magazines. Recently, they were given an opportunity to do something about it, as the Adventist Development and Relief Agency



(ADRA) International publicly requested donations of money, clothing and medical supplies.

"On TV they tell you what's happening, but they don't always tell how you can help," one contributor said. "When we heard on the news what ADRA was doing, we decided this was our chance to pitch in."

The agency set up two collection

sites, one at ADRA headquarters in Silver Spring, Maryland, and the other at the Alexandria, Virginia, Seventh-day Adventist Church in the Potomac Conference. "It was really an accident that our church became one of the drop-off points," said Henry Wright, pastor of the Alexandria church. "Our Community Services director, Heather, called ADRA for another reason. But when we found out what ADRA was doing for Rwanda, we were happy to respond. A church has no meaning unless it reaches out to others."

Pastor Wright continued, "Two other congregations worship in our church building. The Spanish Adventist church uses the downstairs portion on Sabbaths, and a Presbyterian congregation worships here on Sundays. So we had immediate feedback on this project from three church communities, as well as the help we received from people of the Alexandria community in general, many of whom we normally have no contact with."

Between one and five p.m. that Sunday, July 24, a total of \$3,400 was collected toward the relief effort, and more than \$20,000 was donated by phone over the entire weekend. A 14-foot cube van was

loaded full of clothing. Ken Larson, ADRA's warehouse manager, estimated this amount would clothe about 5,000 people.

"My faith has been strengthened through this," said LeeRoy Steele, head deacon at the Alexandria church. "I feel good knowing my community is willing to get involved out of concern for other people of the world."

At ADRA headquarters, calls poured in from across the nation from donors wanting to contribute not only money and clothing, but volunteer service as well. One Washington, D.C.-based physician called and explained that he was moving his practice to a different office location. He donated all the old office equipment and medical supplies to the relief effort.

On August 2, Washington's Channel 4 News telecast a request from ADRA for volunteers to help pack clothing at the agency's local warehouse; more than 100 people responded to offer their services, including a dozen members of the Spencerville, Maryland, church in the Chesapeake Conference.

According to Haroldo Seidl, ADRA's Rwanda operations manager, the agency currently has a 200-person multinational medical team in Goma, Zaire, responsible for providing basic health care and treatment to 400,000 people. Two ADRA trucks are continuously purifying and delivering water, and thus far the agency has supplied the refugees with approximately 20 tons of high-calorie biscuits and two tons of antibiotics. Sixty tons of clothing have just been shipped from Baltimore and are due to arrive in Goma by the end of September.

Robert Darken from Chicago, Illinois, served as a summer newswriter intern for ADRA International in Silver Spring, Maryland.

ROBERT DARKEN



# Community responds to ADRA's Rwanda drive





## Columbia Union Visitor 1994 Readership Survey

The *Visitor* staff is working to improve the magazine and make it more readable for all members in the Columbia Union. Because your opinion is an important part of making that happen, we are asking you to assist us by completing this readership survey.

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**Q5.** How many *Visitor* readers in your household other than yourself are under 27 years of age? (**Circle one** number)

1. One person
2. Two or three persons
3. Four or more persons
4. None

**Q6.** When do you usually receive your copy of the *Visitor*? (Please **circle one** number)

1. Within 1 or 2 days of cover date  
(Date shown on cover)
2. Within 3-7 days of cover date
3. Within 8-10 days of cover date
4. 11 days or more
5. I don't know

**Q7.** How long do you normally spend reading each issue of the *Visitor*? (**Circle one** number)

1. Less than 1/2 hour
2. Between 1/2 hour and one hour
3. More than one hour
4. I don't read it at all

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**Q8.** Rate the following *Visitor* cover items: **(Please use the following scale and circle the appropriate number before each item listed)**

- 1 Like
- 2 Dislike
- 3 No opinion

- 1 2 3 Colors
- 1 2 3 Readability
- 1 2 3 Appeal
- 1 2 3 Design
- 1 2 3 Photographs

**Q9.** Which type of *Visitor* cover do you prefer? **(Please rate in order of preference with your favorite being 1)**

- \_\_\_\_\_ People
- \_\_\_\_\_ Places
- \_\_\_\_\_ Nature
- \_\_\_\_\_ Events
- \_\_\_\_\_ Graphics
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Q10.** Indicate how often you read each of these information sections of the *Visitor*: **(Please use the following scale and circle the appropriate number before each section listed)**

- 1 Never
- 2 Seldom
- 3 Usually
- 4 Always

- 1 2 3 4 About the Cover
- 1 2 3 4 Legal Notices
- 1 2 3 4 News pages
- 1 2 3 4 Obituaries
- 1 2 3 4 Sunset Table

**Q11.** What length feature articles do you prefer in the *Visitor*? **(Circle one)**

- 1. One page
- 2. Two pages
- 3. Three pages or more

**Q12.** Which advertisements do you pay particular attention to in the *Visitor*? **(Circle as many as you wish)**

- 1. Classifieds
- 2. Small display ads
- 3. Half-page and full-page ads
- 4. Inserts in center of magazine
- 5. Back cover ads
- 6. Color ads
- 7. None

**Q13.** Help us rate the individual sections of the *Visitor*. **(Please use these five criteria and circle the appropriate number before each section listed)**

- 1 Not familiar with this
- 2 Not helpful, could be dropped
- 3 Has some value occasionally
- 4 Quite valuable, keep about same level
- 5 Very valuable, would like to see more

(Pages 2 and 3)

- 1 2 3 4 5 Editorial
- 1 2 3 4 5 Face 2 Face
- 1 2 3 4 5 Pastoral Memory
- 1 2 3 4 5 Family Life
- 1 2 3 4 5 Cartoon

(Other pages)

- 1 2 3 4 5 Living the Vision (pg 4)
- 1 2 3 4 5 Vision 2000 (pg 6)
- 1 2 3 4 5 Kay Kuzma family box
- 1 2 3 4 5 *A Healing Ministry*
- 1 2 3 4 5 *The Gateway* (CUC)
- 1 2 3 4 5 Your conference news
- 1 2 3 4 5 News from other conferences

**Q14.** Do you find special issues like the camp meeting issue helpful? **(Circle one)**

- 1. Yes
- 2. No

**Q15.** What other special issues would you like to receive? **(Circle as many as you wish)**

- 1 Health
- 2 Family
- 3 Adventist history
- 4 Adventist doctrines
- 5 Education
- 6 Other \_\_\_\_\_

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**Q16.** Have you ever: **(Circle as many as you wish)**

- 1 Once
- 2 Two to three times
- 3 Several times
- 4 Never

- 1 2 3 4 Used an ABC \$1-off Coupon
- 1 2 3 4 Used the 800-number Resource and Response Line
- 1 2 3 4 Submitted a story or photograph to the *Visitor*
- 1 2 3 4 Responded to a classified ad in the *Visitor*
- 1 2 3 4 Written a letter to the *Visitor*
- 1 2 3 4 Requested an address or name change

**Q17.** When the *Visitor* carries pages from another source, which ones do you read? **(Circle as many as you wish)**

- 1. Advertising inserts such as *Signs* or ARMS (Adventist Resource Management Service)
- 2. Local conference newsletters
- 3. NAD issue of the *Adventist Review*
- 4. None

**Q18.** The actual cost of each *Visitor* subscription is about \$10 a year. Do you feel you are getting a full value? **(Circle one)**

- 1. Yes
- 2. No

If "No," what changes could increase the value of this publication (attach another page if necessary)? \_\_\_\_\_

**Q19.** Which of the following magazines do you receive in the mail? **(Circle Yes or No)**

- |     |    |                                |
|-----|----|--------------------------------|
| Yes | No | <i>Liberty</i>                 |
| Yes | No | <i>Message</i>                 |
| Yes | No | <i>El Centinela</i>            |
| Yes | No | <i>Listen</i>                  |
| Yes | No | <i>Adventist Review</i>        |
| Yes | No | <i>Signs</i>                   |
| Yes | No | <i>Insight</i>                 |
| Yes | No | <i>Guideposts</i>              |
| Yes | No | <i>Today's Christian Woman</i> |
| Yes | No | Other _____                    |
| Yes | No | Other _____                    |

**Q20.** Of the magazines to which you answered yes in the previous question, how long do you normally spend reading them? **(Select a number from the following scale)**

- 1 Less than 1/2 hour
- 2 Between 1/2 hour and one hour
- 3 More than one hour

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| 1 2 3 | <i>Liberty</i>                 |
| 1 2 3 | <i>Message</i>                 |
| 1 2 3 | <i>El Centinela</i>            |
| 1 2 3 | <i>Listen</i>                  |
| 1 2 3 | <i>Adventist Review</i>        |
| 1 2 3 | <i>Signs</i>                   |
| 1 2 3 | <i>Insight</i>                 |
| 1 2 3 | <i>Guideposts</i>              |
| 1 2 3 | <i>Today's Christian Woman</i> |
| 1 2 3 | Other _____                    |
| 1 2 3 | Other _____                    |

**Q21.** What importance do you place on reading the *Visitor*? **(Use the following scale and circle the appropriate number before each section listed)**

- 1 Very important
- 2 Somewhat important
- 3 No importance

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|-------|---|
| 1 2 3 | To get news of the Columbia Union Conference            |
| 1 2 3 | To be informed about the church's direction and mission |
| 1 2 3 | To receive spiritual inspiration                        |
| 1 2 3 | To learn what upcoming events are scheduled             |
| 1 2 3 | To see what is being advertised                         |
| 1 2 3 | To read about local conference                          |
| 1 2 3 | To read about local academy                             |
| 1 2 3 | To learn about health ministries and hospitals          |
| 1 2 3 | To read about CUC or KCMA                               |

**Q22.** Do you share your *Visitor* with non-Seventh-day Adventist friends? **(Circle as many as you wish)**

- 1. One in your household
- 2. More than one in your household
- 3. One or more outside your household
- 4. None

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**Q23.** What is your current marital status? (**Circle one**)

1. Single, never married
2. Married
3. Divorced
4. Widowed
5. Separated

**Q24.** How many children are in your household? (**Circle one**)

1. One
2. Two
3. Three
4. Four or more
5. None

**Q25.** What are the ages of the children in your household? (**Circle all that apply**)

1. Birth to three years of age
2. Four to eight years of age
3. Nine to 12 years of age
4. Thirteen to 17 years of age
5. Eighteen or older

**Q26.** Which of the following best describes your racial or ethnic identification? (**Circle only one**)

1. Asian/South Pacific
2. African-American
3. Hispanic
4. White/Caucasian
5. Other

**Q27.** Which is the highest level of education that you have completed? (**Circle only one**)

1. Grade school or less
2. Some high school
3. High school degree
4. Some college
5. College degree
6. Some graduate work
7. A graduate degree

**Q28.** What is your gender? (**Circle one**)

1. Male
2. Female

**Q29.** What is your age? (**Circle one**)

1. 27 years or under
2. 28 to 44
3. 45 to 55
4. 56 to 65
5. Over 66

**Q30.** How long have you been a baptized member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church? (**Circle one**)

1. Less than 1 year
2. 1 to 3 years
3. 4 to 6 years
4. 7 to 10 years
5. 11 to 20 years
6. 21 years or more
7. Not a baptized member

**Q31.** Please indicate how often you attend Sabbath school. (**Circle one**)

1. Every week
2. Three times a month
3. Twice a month
4. Once a month
5. Occasionally
6. Never

**Q32.** Please indicate how often you attend church. (**Circle one**)

1. Every week
2. Three times a month
3. Twice a month
4. Once a month
5. Occasionally
6. Never

Thank you for your participation.

1. Please double check to be sure you answered each question on every page of the survey.

2. If you participated in a . . .

**Church survey**, please return this survey to the coordinator.

**Mail or Visitor survey**, please mail the survey to the address below. Your postage contribution and your time are appreciated. Your promptness in returning this survey will guarantee your being included in the survey results.

Columbia Union *Visitor Survey*; 5427 Twin Knolls Road;  
Columbia, MD 21045.

Survey deadline is November 1, 1994.



## PENNSYLVANIA



At the recent national trust services meeting held in Orlando, Florida, Thomas Kapusta (left), recently elected trust services director for the Pennsylvania Conference, received his certification from George Crumley, the chairman of the North American Division Trust Services Certification and Accreditation Committee.

## POTOMAC

### Teacher surprised by church's appreciation

Cynthia Carroll, head teacher with the Three Angels school in Radford, Virginia, received a happy surprise on July 30.

During the church service that morning, Pastor Phil Hammon led off with words of encouragement and thanks, followed by remarks from Renee Nicholas, Karen Epperly, Phil Howell, Vicki DiNitto and Judi and Danny Shaver.

An excellent teacher, Carroll is always willing to help with church functions and assist in a variety of projects.

The congregation decided to give her a Conflict of the Ages set engraved with the following: "To Cynthia Carroll from the Radford Church Family."

**JUDI SHAVER**  
Communication Leader

## COLUMBIA UNION

### Celebration of Recovery slated for late October

A Celebration of Recovery, which brings a new dimension of hope to Adventists with dependency problems and providing for them, their codependents and families the assurance of continuing recovery, will be held at Washington Adventist Hospital in Takoma Park, Maryland, October 21-23.

"The Joy of Serenity and Salvation," as the Celebration is titled, is a weekend convention that follows the guidelines of the

"Twelve Steps" of Alcoholics Anonymous. During open speakers' meetings, recovering persons tell their stories of God's work in their lives. Workshops and closed discussions deal with aspects of recovery.

"Class Time" is celebrated with sobriety anniversaries at a Saturday night ceremony. Concluding the weekend are a "Step Breakfast" and a group conscience meeting for evaluation and future plans.

These celebrations are held annually across the United States. The idea originated at Andrews University in Berrien Springs, Michigan, where the first of these events took place in 1967. Since then, celebrations have been held in the Washington, D.C., area, southern California, the Pacific Northwest and New England.

The sponsor of these programs is the Association of Adventist Parents, which was founded in 1985 to help cope with the growing addiction problems in Adventist churches and families.

"These Celebrations of Recovery take a positive, supportive role that encourages and enables," said Barbara Manspeaker, church ministries director of the Columbia Union Conference. "The union applauds the leadership that is making these annual events possible."

For further information, write to the Association of Adventist Parents at Route 2, Box 368A, Stanley, Virginia 22851; or call (703) 778-5132.

**FRANCIS SOPER**  
AAP President

## ALLEGHENY EAST

### Calvary gives pastor fond farewell

After benefitting from seven and a half years of his leadership, the Calvary church in Newport News, Virginia, recently bid farewell to Pastor Gerald Wells and his wife, Beverly.

A "Chimes of Time" reception organized by Ruth Thompson and the hospitality committee recalled many fond memories of past times, along with firm devotion and commitment from a dynamic leader. Family after family came forward to express love and thanks for a job well done.

With regrets the congregation has said "goodbye," comforted by the knowledge that the Lord has a new vineyard for this capable leader.

**JEAN TOOMBS**  
Communication Leader

## COLUMBIA UNION COMMUNICATION

### Preparing Adventist youth for the 21st century

Have you seen the YouthNet logo? Have you wondered what it's all about? Read on to find out...

YouthNet is about lifestyle. A lifestyle that will get you to the year 2000 in fine shape—doing what God wants you to do and bringing your friends with you. It's for high school students, freshmen to seniors, who are Adventist youth within the Columbia Union Conference.

Held at the Mount Aetna Hagerstown, Maryland, YouthNet is a retreat with the goal of advance against the enemies of the lifestyle God wants for His youth. weekend of action and activity. theoretical sermons. You will

working on the front lines—the cutting edge. People who have been there and back. People who have taken hold of the positive side of life and can demonstrate victory.

Should you choose to attend, you have chosen a responsibility—a lifestyle. You will increase your network with others back home, at school, in your neighborhood and community by sharing your lifestyle. And you will have much to share.

YouthNet is scheduled for November 17 to 20. Talk to your principal, youth leader or pastor and call (800) 438-9600 for registration information. Take hold of this challenge—join the positive side!

**TAMARA MICHALENKO**  
Assistant Director of Communication





## POTOMAC

### Evangelism yields 36 souls in Silver Spring

An evangelistic series conducted by Pastor Tony Mavrakos at the Silver Spring, Maryland, church has to date resulted in 26 first-time baptisms or professions of faith and 10 rebaptisms. Five to seven more people are contemplating or preparing for future baptism.

The spiritual impact of Mavrakos' messages has been felt and appreciated by members of the church. Pastor Dan George has continued with follow-up and counsel.

**VIVIAN ROSS**  
Communication Leader

## NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION

### Bible teachers' conference looks at church youth issues

Three hundred Bible teachers, chaplains and principals from nine unions in the North American Division came together

July 17-21 to discuss ways to better help the youth of the Adventist church.

The convention, which had as its theme "Reflecting and Affecting God's Kingdom," was sponsored by the division office of education and hosted by the Hancock Center for Youth Ministries at La Sierra University in Riverside, California.

The event included morning devotions, general sessions and a series of more than 70 breakout sessions. "Hearing Smuts van Rooyen's illustrations of grace in his life has been worth the whole conference," said John Gatchet, principal of Gem State Academy in Caldwell, Idaho, about one session. He felt that participants needed at least a week to stop and think about all that was discussed at the conference.

More than 50 youth specialists from across the division presented breakout sessions ranging from "Relating to Teenage Indifference" and "Standards in Crisis" to "Shop Talk for Religious Educators."

In one breakout session, Dick Duerksen, vice president of creative ministries for the Columbia Union, challenged the educators to make their students agents of change. "Make them leaders now so they can become leaders later," he said.

A highlight of the conference was a communion service held the night before the event ended, which included a vivid reader's theater presentation of "The Table" by Mel Campbell, professor of curriculum and teacher education at La Sierra University.

Joining Duerksen as presenters from the Columbia Union were: Principal Larry Blackmer, teacher DeWayne Boyer and Vice Principal Dunbar Henri of Takoma Academy in Takoma Park, Maryland; and Dean Hunt, principal of Shenandoah Valley Academy in New Market, Virginia.

**HEATHER MILLER**  
La Sierra University Public Relations Director

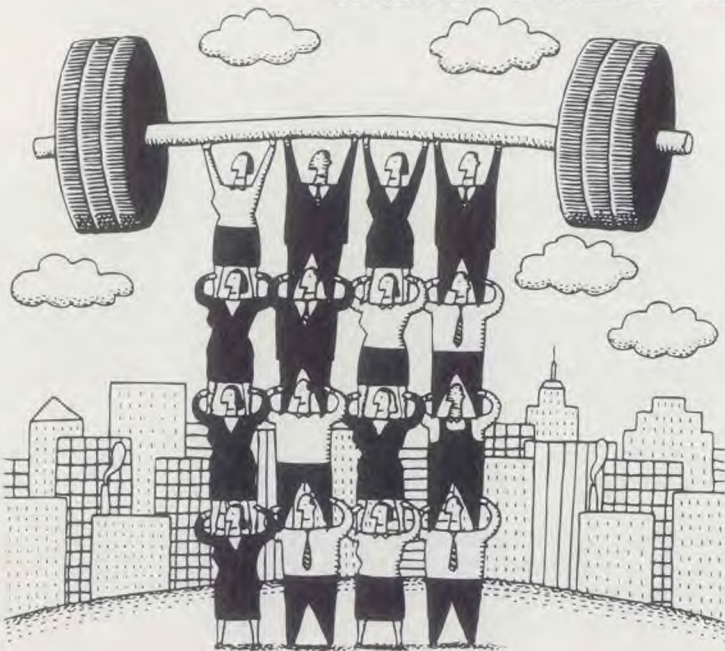
## POTOMAC

### Radford church brings Hawaii to Virginia

In celebration of the International Year of the Family, the Radford, Virginia, church has decided to hold multicultural events, the first of which had a Hawaiian theme and was held on July 16.

Forty-three members attended the program, where they enjoyed Hawaiian bread,

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## Dr. Kay's Q&A

### *Internal boiling causes behavior explosions*



**Question:** My husband and I came out of very rigid, strict backgrounds where we believed that children should be made to obey. My boy has rebelled since he was 2, and now at 5 he is defiant, throws horrible temper tantrums and yells dreadful threats. I now realize we were wrong to be so harsh and controlling and for spanking him so often, but the damage has been done. I am trying to be more patient and understanding, but it doesn't seem to work. I'm about to give up.

**Answer:** Internal boiling will eventually cause explosions. Your son is angry, and what you're seeing in his temper tantrums and his verbal threats is his letting off steam. Believe it or not, this is healthy! If a volcano can let steam off a little at a time, it won't have a devastating eruption, yet you're alerted to an underlying problem. The same with your son.

Now that you know your son's anger is boiling, what can you do about it?

I'm glad you've reconsidered your harsh, controlling behavior and are developing more effective parenting skills. I want to commend you for that. It's not easy to change. You may actually get more negative behavior through this transition time than you did previously because your child is testing you to see if you really mean what you say. He knows you mean it when you yell and hit him, but for a while your more gentle ways may be interpreted as indifference. So be prepared; your patience will be tested. But even through this, you can respond calmly and coolly. When you exhibit self-control, it will be a mighty lesson to your son to do the same.

Start feeding him a positive diet. Catch him being good. Smile. Wink. Let him know he's loved and you like to be around him. Don't bug him with "sit up straight, blow your nose and don't talk with your mouth full." Ignore some of his inconsequential obnoxious behavior right now in order to build a more positive relationship with him. You can make corrections later when you are not "the enemy."

Right now, your focus must be on stopping behavior that is absolutely forbidden; behavior that could hurt himself, others or things. Be strong on maintaining the limits that really count. For example, "You may not scream those words at me because it hurts me—and you may not hurt another person. But you can say, 'Mommy, I'm so angry I feel like saying something nasty,' and I will listen to you and see if we can solve the problem so you don't have to erupt like a volcano." If a child has an opportunity to express his angry feelings in words, it reduces the need to act them out with tantrums and threats.

**[Read more from Dr. Kay Kuzma in the Family Times newspaper. For a free year's subscription, just write to: Family Matters, P.O. Box 7000, Cleveland, TN 37320; or call (615) 339-1144.]**

papaya, mangos, cantaloupe, kiwi, ground FriChik and vegetarian sausage with teriyaki barbecue sauce baked in banana peels.

Each member was given a lei by the "Hawaiian girls," Kelly Epperly and Danielle Kerr. Travis Epperly demonstrated how a volcano erupts, and Amelia and Tiffany Mohler drew numbers for door prizes.

Decorations were made by Family Life Coordinator Judi Shaver, Head Teacher Cynthia Carroll and Deacon Jeremy Cultice.

The church's next event is set for October 8 with the theme, "Lost in Africa."

**JUDI SHAVER**  
Communication Leader

## CHESAPEAKE

### **Spencerville program focuses on Newbold College offering**

The Spencerville church in Silver Spring, Maryland, will host a tribute to Newbold College on Sabbath, September 24.

The program is timed to coincide with the collection of the 13th Sabbath overflow offering, which will provide a badly needed dedicated place of worship at the college in Berkshire, England.

Beginning at 9:30 a.m., the event will feature several Newbold graduates, including: General Conference President Robert Folkenberg; Jan Paulsen, president of the Trans-European Division; and Bryan Ball, president of the South Pacific Division.

Following the services, the "Friends of Newbold College" will hold a fellowship dinner at the church.

For more information, phone the church office at (301) 384-2920.

**REG BURGESS**  
Correspondent

## OHIO

### **Columbus youth experience "box city"**

Twenty-one young people spent Saturday night, August 13, out under a cloudy sky with only boxes, paper or plastic to lay on or cover up in their adventure to experience homelessness. These courageous youth were out all night under the threat of heavy rain and storms.

Dawn brought with it very thin potato-corn soup, white bread and orange juice, as well as a deluge of rain and a television news cameraman. The evening before, another television news crew came and did a

live segment for their 11 p.m. broadcast. Both stations aired their segments several times during the course of two days.

After breakfast, the group headed downtown to the Huckleberry House, a teen runaway shelter, then it was on to the Open Shelter and Faith Mission. This shelter serves hundreds of homeless people but only provides lodging for men. The mission provides shelter and services to homeless families, as well as operating facilities for single men and single women. Each of these places gave the youth insight into their ministry, as well as the needs of the community.

The debriefing session that followed their experience gave the young people an opportunity to share their feelings and concerns and also discuss possibilities of an outreach project or two that would provide assistance to some of these organizations or even directly to the homeless on the streets of Columbus.

## POTOMAC

### *Sligo celebrates ministry of women pastors*

One of the cutting-edge ministries the Sligo church in Takoma Park, Maryland, is commemorating during this year's 50th anniversary of the current sanctuary is the ministry of seven women pastors.

On September 23 and 24, Josephine Benton, Jan Daffern, Kendra Haloviak, Esther Knott, Norma Osborn, Kit Watts and Hyveth Williams will take part in the weekend's worship and special events.

A play by Kermit Netteburg of Andrews University in Berrien Springs, Michigan, will feature women who made an impact on the early Adventist church. On Sabbath afternoon, a candlelight procession will honor 150 women who have served the church as preachers, Bible teachers and chaplains during the past 150 years.

Guest speaker for the Sabbath worship service will be Madelynn Haldeman, professor of New Testament studies at La Sierra University in Riverside, California. She graduated from nearby Columbia Union College in 1948, longing to be a pastor.

On Friday evening, a panel discussion moderated by William Johnsson, editor of the *Adventist Review*, will focus on the question, "What really happened at Camp Mo-haven?" The youth camp in Ohio was the site of the first council on the role of women in the Seventh-day Adventist Church, which was held in 1973.



# Island Mission

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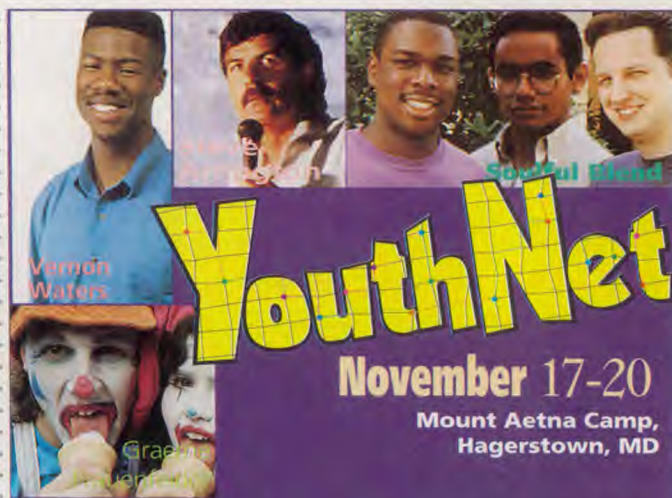
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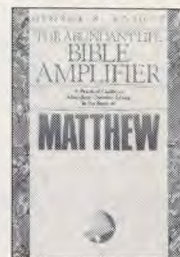
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The Columbia Union Visitor joins the church family in expressing sympathy to those who have lost loved ones.

**BURLEY, Edith F.**, born May 18, 1912, Sandusky, OH; died June 1, 1994, Collins, OH. She was a member of the Norwalk, OH, congregation. Survivor: husband Edwin.

**KIESSLING, Mildred H.**, born 1915, Armstrong Co., PA; died February 7, 1994, near Littlestown, PA. She was a member of the church in Gettysburg, PA. Survivors: daughter Rachel Graeff, sister Lavrene Rodocker, brother Charles Haas, one grandchild and four great-grandchildren.

**SANDEFUR, Cree**, born February 23, 1914, Bowie, TX; died July 26, 1994, Loma Linda, CA. During his lifelong service to the Seventh-day Adventist Church, he was president of the Columbia Union from 1966 to 1973. Survivors: wife Mildred and sons Jere and Charles.

**SCOTT, Caroline R.**, born November 1, 1923, Washington, DC; died June 10, 1994, Gettysburg, PA. She was a member of the Gettysburg church.

**SICKLER, Teresa C.**, born February 26, 1921, Richburg, NY; died July 18, 1994, Burtonsville, MD. She was a member of the Atholton church in Columbia, MD. Survivors: daughter Joan Galarraga, sons Andrew and Ronald, brother La Rue Cook, two stepsons and several nieces, nephews and other relatives.

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Cleveland	7:34	7:22	7:10
Columbus	7:39	7:27	7:16
Jersey City	7:04	6:52	6:40
Norfolk	7:11	7:01	6:50
Parkersburg	7:34	7:22	7:11
Philadelphia	7:09	6:57	6:46
Pittsburgh	7:28	7:16	7:04
Reading	7:12	7:00	6:48
Richmond	7:16	7:05	6:55
Roanoke	7:27	7:16	7:05
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## Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow

SPECIAL CAMP MEETING NEWSLETTER — 1994

Robert Booker, Editor

Stories in this issue were excerpted from *Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow*, the daily official camp meeting publication of Allegheny East Conference. Camp meeting photos were taken by Dick Duerksen and Elaine Hamilton of the *Visitor* staff.



### First Sabbath Praise-a-thon

The first Sabbath of Camp Meeting '94 has passed into eternity as a genuine Sabbath Celebration Praise-a-thon. Many opportunities to give PRAISE were provided from sunrise to sunset.

In the adult pavilion, Ralph Martin, Columbia Union Conference president, started the day with "True Heroes."

"Those who were fortunate enough to attend Sabbath were treated to inspirational singing by Christine Jones from Germantown. They were nearly mesmerized by 8-year-old Reevey St. Luc, the son of Pastor Yveniel St. Luc of the Jerusalem French church. Instruction in Christian living came from the skillful teaching of Byron K. Hill, pastor of the Walnut Street church of Pottstown. Extra praise was provided by "Joy" from the *Breath of Life* telecast.

Divine worship was the pinnacle of the praise experience as C.D. Brooks and the entire cast of *Breath of Life* blessed the congregation. Elder Brooks preached about the "Parable of the Two Debtors."

Again in the afternoon special service, Elder Brooks delivered "The Parable of the Barren Fig Tree." The *Breath of Life* telecast was being taped on our camp grounds for future telecasts.

Customarily services, begin to wind down toward evening, but not on yesterday: the presidential concert featuring Janice Chandler, soprano; Margaret E. Humphrey-Richardson, soprano; and, Courtney L.F. Fadlin, instrumentalist, had the saints praising past sunset.

The first Sabbath concluded with a short vesper by Allegheny East President Alvin M. Kibble.

### But Mom, I went for a hayride

If your youngster arrived back at the tent, cabin, trailer or room you are housed in late last evening, it could be that they were with the group of young people who opted for the night hayride sponsored by the Allegheny East youth department. Those who went seemed very happy in the straw.

The AY department has a number of fun things planned. Check the schedule or contact Pastors Bruce Banner, Errol Stoddart or Ron Edmonds.



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## The need to give

Jesus said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."—Acts 20:35 KJV. Giving promises a blessing to the giver as he sees how his gifts



bring help and comfort to people.

The built-in need to give is seen in every strata of society. Foundations and corporations give only about 10 percent of the total money donated each year in America, while individuals give nearly 90 percent. A person denied

the privilege of giving to someone, to some extent, somewhere, becomes an unhappy person. Giving is a joyful way of life. What motivates you to give? Consider these reasons:

**Love**—The Bible says, "For God so loved the world that He gave..." Wouldn't it be wonderful if the sole motivation for giving was love for other people?

I remember my father telling the story of a Jewish nurse who was working in a German hospital during the war. She was approached by a visitor to the hospital who observed her cleaning and bandaging the wounds of soldiers who had been responsible for the deaths of many of her people. And the visitor remarked, "I wouldn't do that for a million dollars." And she replied, "I wouldn't, either," and continued to clean and bandage the wounds of the soldiers in the ward. Love, however, is by no means everyone's motivation.

**Hate**—Shocking as it sounds, there are cases where hatred has motivated giving. Some people leave their estates to charity instead of to children who have disappointed them, done something wrong, been an embarrassment, rejected the family, refused to work, spent money foolishly, married the wrong person or didn't marry at all. No question about it: hatred sometimes governs giving.

**Fear**—Tragically, fear is another reason people give. "If I don't give, I may lose my job; my car may break down; my child may get sick." Many individuals feel pressured to give even to causes that they don't care to support.

**Me, too**—Some people give to emulate others. They see "everybody" giving to this or that project or cause and they don't want to be left out. It's "the thing to do." They give to keep up with the Joneses or some other family. This doesn't seem to be a broadly significant motivation, but it is real to some people.

**Guilt**—Guilt is a major reason some people give. One woman said, "I am now 78, nearly at

the end of my life. I know I should have been a missionary, but I feel I disobeyed God. Now I can at least give what I have to God's work." She made her will, leaving everything to her church and two missionary organizations.

Perhaps you have heard the story of the anonymous note that came to a church. It said, "Ten years ago I stole \$20.00 from the church collection plate. Here is \$10.00. If I still can't sleep, I'll send the other \$10.00."

**Recognition**—Have you ever heard the statement, "Ninety-eight percent of the people in America go to bed hungry every night—hungry for recognition?" How important is recognition to you? Many people work in jobs where the paycheck is the only form of recognition they ever receive. Effective leaders know how important it is to give recognition. The same holds true for giving: people want their gifts recognized, and they want to be thanked.

The next time you make a gift, see how you feel about the recognition you receive... or don't receive. Some people give more because of recognition.

**Gratitude**—"I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and will call upon the name of the Lord..."—Psalm 116:17, *the Open Bible*.

"Giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of Jesus Christ..."—Ephesians 5:20, *the Open Bible*.

"Liberalism is not so natural that we gain this virtue by accident. It must be cultivated. We must deliberately resolve that we will honor God with our substance; and then we must let nothing tempt us to rob Him of the tithes and offerings that are His due. We must be intelligent, systematic, and continuous

in our acts of charity to men and our expressions of gratitude to God for His bounties to us. This is too sacred a duty to be left to chance or to be controlled by impulse or feeling. We should regularly reserve something for God's cause, that He may not be robbed of the portion which He claims. When we rob God we rob our-

selves also. We give up the heavenly treasure for the sake of having more of this earth. This is a loss we cannot afford to sustain. If we live so that we can have the blessing of God we shall have His prospering hand with us in our temporal affairs, but if His hand is against us He can defeat all our plans and scatter faster than we can gather.—*Testimonies*, Volume 5, page 271-272.

Many people give because they are asked by people they respect—a friend or a person of Christian, social or business prominence. Large gifts often come to an institution because the right person asks the right prospect for the right amount at the right time for the right purpose and shows the donor the right way to give.

All of us can improve our personal giving practice. I have attempted to share some guidelines to help you think carefully about why you



give, what you give, what you give to, how you give, how much you give and how you might give more effectively.

"It is more blessed to give than to receive."

A portion of material for this article drawn from the book *Before You Give Another Dime*, Robert F. Sharpe, pages 25-30.







## Columbia Union Visitor 1994 Readership Survey

The *Visitor* staff is working to improve the magazine and make it more readable for all members in the Columbia Union. Because your opinion is an important part of making that happen, we are asking you to assist us by completing this readership survey.

Please remember the following:

1. There are no right or wrong answers. We need to know what you honestly think about the *Visitor*, so answer every question as accurately as possible. If no response applies, choose the answer which comes closest to your situation.
2. If you would like for your answers to remain confidential, please do not sign your name to the survey. If you would like for us to respond to specific concerns, please include your name and address. We'll get back to you as quickly as possible.

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**Q1.** The *Visitor* is published twice a month for all Adventist members in the Columbia Union, do you receive it in your home? (Please **circle one** number)

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2. 1 to 2 years
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**Q4.** Including yourself, **how many** in your household read the *Visitor*?

- \_\_\_\_\_ Number of male readers  
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**Q5.** How many *Visitor* readers in your household other than yourself are under 27 years of age? (**Circle one** number)

1. One person
2. Two or three persons
3. Four or more persons
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**Q6.** When do you usually receive your copy of the *Visitor*? (Please **circle one** number)

1. Within 1 or 2 days of cover date  
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**Q7.** How long do you normally spend reading each issue of the *Visitor*? (**Circle one** number)

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4. I don't read it at all

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**Q8.** Rate the following *Visitor* cover items: **(Please use the following scale and circle the appropriate number before each item listed)**

- 1 Like
  - 2 Dislike
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- 1 2 3 4 5 Your conference news
- 1 2 3 4 5 News from other conferences

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We are willing to make another long-range prediction, coupled with a subtle warning for the Conference administration: if other preachers who follow after C.D. Brooks and Reginald Robinson to the same podium preaching as powerful and stumping their feet in the same area of the rostrum and in like manner as their predecessors, then there may arise a need to get more earthquake insurance because the level of praise will become too great and the force of the hallelujahs too powerful for the earthly temple built to house them, and there could be a catastrophe.

YTT will attempt to keep you posted on other possible tremors



## Jonathan Thompson ignores warning; produces quake tremor

Ignoring the subtle warning given by YTT yesterday about the necessity of obtaining earthquake insurance because of the stumping and praising going on over a little-known fault that runs beneath the rostrum in the Adult Pavilion, Jonathan Thompson, pastor of the Berea Temple church, stumped anyhow and preached anyhow, causing the praise to rise to seismological proportions. He concluded by challenging worshippers to be true to their commitment and go to wherever the Holy Ghost directs them to meet the needs of mankind.

The praise was heightened even more by the Baltimore Berea Celebration Choir's singing. The choir was under the direction of another Thompson (Gloria) who is notorious for causing worship tremors with the organ.

"My, My, My—C.D. Brooks, Reginald R. Robinson, Jonathan Thompson. Dial 1-800-QUAKING. Mr. Mann, this hill can't take much more of this." (Editorial opinion.)



## Uninvited intruders

A stir of excitement occurred at about the same hour as the evening worship services were beginning, excitement that was on the camp meeting program schedule. Approximately 13 beautiful hot-air balloons filled with balloonists flew low over the encampment. One balloon was forced to the ground behind Handy Hall, where only a few hours earlier firemen had to answer a fire call for a smoke situation. The balloon was unable to regain altitude and had to be picked up. For the children who live in the inner city and for those others who dream of one day soaring quietly above the earth in a balloon, this was a great treat.



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After repeated warnings from YTT about the level of praise in the adult pavilion, Pastor Gerald Wells ignored the warnings and pushed the level of praise a notch higher. This was after Joya Foster and Frank Mitchell III presented a beautiful and moving concert during the Charles L. Brooks Mini Concert Series.

Also, Nevilon Meadows continued to push the decibels of praise above safety levels in the senior youth tent.

With the repeated, bold defiance of the laws of safe praise being ignored for all of the auditoriums on the campgrounds, the editor of YTT has decided against any further warnings. From now on, you praise at your own risk.





## Sacred doorkeepers

Have you noticed that each time you come to the pavilion there is a group of kind and courteous persons dedicated to making you comfortable?

They are members of the Allegheny East Conference Ushers Federation and are under the direction of Salena Kirby. Each year they provide an invaluable service for you. We would like to salute you for your total dedication year after year.

## General Conference President confesses to being a star

During a light moment in his introductory remarks yesterday, Pastor Robert S. Folkenberg made a statement that "when the sun comes out, the stars don't shine," making reference to the fact that Elder C.D. Brooks was sitting in the audience. However, he did a masterful job speaking on the topic: "A Movement of Destiny."

The temperature rose to more than 100 degrees. Quoting Ezekiel 44:18: "...they shall not gird themselves with any thing that causeth sweat," Folkenberg removed his suit jacket. When that happened, all the platform participants removed their suit jackets as well.

Before delivering his sermon, the GC Ppresident gave a report on the worldwide status of the church, citing the conditions in the civil war-torn Rwanda, the status of the work in China and several other countries as examples.



## Some may think it's a tradition

During the divine worship service, Elder Alvin Kibble took time to lift the special camp meeting offering in a manner that only he seems to be able to do—"the old-fashioned way," one donor at a time.

There is a mixed bag on this. Some think it is a nuisance, that it runs the services too long and it leaves a bad taste.

There are others who seem to look forward to this "new tradition" and seem to get the best seats in the house to watch the president work his magic.

Being the traditionalists that they are, they hold on to their offerings until the last possible second, and when Elder Kibble says we need 50 persons to give... then they write a check or fill out an envelope with an amount they probably decided to give before leaving home but refused to do so until Elder Kibble performed the "begging thing."

Although we don't agree with your tactics, we would like for you to know that the goal was reached.





# Chesapeake CHALLENGE

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Greater Baltimore Junior Academy

### 'PEAKING AHEAD

**September 23-25**

*Pathfinder Leadership  
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Mt. Aetna

**September 27**

*Executive Committee*

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Eastern Shore Junior Academy

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Sandy Cove

### Chesapeake Challenge

is published in the *Visitor* each month by the Chesapeake Conference, 6600 Martin Road, Columbia, MD 21044. President, J. Wayne Coulter; Editor, J. Neville Harcombe.

*"And all thy children shall be taught of the Lord, great shall be the peace of thy children,"*  
—Isaiah 54:13. In 1924, this text was engraved on the cornerstone of the new Edgecombe Junior Academy, which later developed into Greater Baltimore Academy. Through the years, this spirit has guided our youth in this area.

Christian education began in Baltimore, on October 23, 1916, in the basement of the former Baltimore No. 1 church on Rosedale and North Avenues. Mrs. W. H. Wilcox was their first teacher, and she had a total of 20 students in grades 1 through 8. When they moved to their new school at Edgecombe in the fall of 1924, the enrollment had increased to 65; and they had a faculty of three. Miss Louise Stuart was principal and teacher of grades 8-9, Miss Ruth Wilcox taught grades 5-7, and Miss Mae Painter had grades 1-4. The following year it became a 10-grade academy and graduated five students. In 1927, it expanded to the 11th grade, and through

the years has graduated a great number of dedicated young people who have found a place in the Lord's work.

Increased enrollment required a larger academy for their students. The first unit was completed in the fall of 1957, under the direction of Wesley A. Moore. The school was now a 12-grade academy.

In the late 1960's, Greater Baltimore Academy became Greater Baltimore Junior Academy. When the school year for 1993-1994 ended, GBJA closed its doors due to changes in demographic and membership relocation.

The school board and the constituent member churches voted to sell the property and allow sufficient time to elapse before definite plans are formulated for a new education program. Provision has been made for students to transfer to other local church schools for the 1994-1995 school year.



## COULTER'S COMMENTS

## NET '95 means souls



J. Wayne Coulter

Christ's commission to the Seventh-day Adventist Church, to you and me, is simple and clear; "Goye

therefore, and teach all nations." The art of soul winning is a science that needs to be studied earnestly and prayerfully. Ellen G. White counsels us: "There must be no fixed rules; our work is a progressive work, and there must be room left for methods to be improved upon... Some of the methods in this work will be different from methods used in the work in the past; but let no one, because of this, block the way by criticism." Review and Herald, July 23, 1895, and September 30, 1902.

Due to the rapid rate of knowledge increasing in communications, we have various means to test methods for public evangelism. One of the most recent is that of satellite broadcasting. Dr. Billy Graham has taken advantage of this particular avenue to beam his gospel services to millions around the world.

In February 1995, Mark Finley will hold a live crusade in Chattanooga, Tennessee, which will be beamed by satellite to hundreds of large screens in churches and auditoriums in North America. National advertising, by the way of billboards, television spots, magazines, newspapers and handbills will announce the time and date of the evangelistic crusade. Local churches can tie into this mass media advertising by using their own local address and phone number.

In our conference 23 churches have voted to participate in this unique outreach program. Twenty pastors assisted by lay people will lead out in the local meetings.

We have set funds aside to assist these churches by way of a subsidy to purchase the satellite dish, projector and equipment. I am happy to report that the funds have been distributed and the equipment ordered.

Several planning seminars for pastors and church members have already been planned. Bill McVay, coordinator, and Neville Harcombe, director, are working together to ensure the success of this soul-winning program.

Johnson S. Christian has been the principal of Greater Baltimore Junior Academy for 19 years. Prior to this, he served for several years in India as principal of high schools and educational secretary for a local conference. He has worked in three unions and four conferences here in the United States of America.

Christian has worked untiringly as principal of GBJA. His heavy load included the running of a full cafeteria program, head of the janitorial department, teaching classes for grades 5-10 and organizing a strong citrus fruit program. Total profits each year have been around \$30,000.

He is also very active in his local church, serving as an elder and religious liberty secretary.

As a strong promoter of Christian education, he has annually, during summer months, gone to his homeland of India to help in their education program. Here around Baltimore he has aggressively fostered and encouraged students and parents to make Christian education their top priority.

He has two children: his daughter, Dr. Margaret Peterson, new vice president of Shady Grove Adventist Hospital; and his son, Richard Christian, who works as a computer analyst for the International Monetary Fund in Washington, D.C. His wife, Hannah Jessie, has worked at St. Agnes Hospital in Baltimore for over 18 years.

This school year he will be helping out in the sale of the school property as well as the running of the fruit program. He is willing to help any school get started in a citrus program. The "Citrus Fruit Company" in Florida has the best quality fruit with the lowest prices. You may contact him at (301) 317-0085 or (410) 646-5522.

We appreciate the leadership skills that Johnson Christian has brought to GBJA as well as the Chesapeake Conference.



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## Christian—a strong educator



The new pastor of the Towson church, Roosevelt Marsden, his wife, Sharon, and their daughter.





## Columbia Union Visitor 1994 Readership Survey

The *Visitor* staff is working to improve the magazine and make it more readable for all members in the Columbia Union. Because your opinion is an important part of making that happen, we are asking you to assist us by completing this readership survey.

Please remember the following:

1. There are no right or wrong answers. We need to know what you honestly think about the *Visitor*, so answer every question as accurately as possible. If no response applies, choose the answer which comes closest to your situation.
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### (Optional—Please Print)

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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2. I called the Conference or the *Visitor* office
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4. Other \_\_\_\_\_
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**Q4.** Including yourself, **how many** in your household read the *Visitor*?

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- 1 2 3 Colors
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(Pages 2 and 3)

- 1 2 3 4 5 Editorial
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Willis Dagenais and Jim Chamness are happy for the acquisition of this property. There is ample room for a sanctuary, fellowship hall, Community Services office and the health van ministry.

It will take several months before the 11,000-square-foot building will be ready for use. Volunteers are needed to help in the remodeling of the facility. You may contact Willis Dagenais at (410) 256-6857.



Willis Dagenais and Jim Chamness at work.



Church volunteers fixing the front of the building.



Church volunteers painting the security fence.



# What's a student literature evangelist?

He or she is a very unique person who has chosen to sacrifice a summer of relaxation to help others know the truth in

BOOKS and two cookbooks. We gave out more than 12,000 copies of *Happiness Digest* and Bible enrollment cards, prayed with hundreds of people and placed more than 3,500 books in homes and businesses in just nine weeks. We look forward to these contacts being followed up by our pastors and Bible workers for the meetings in the areas we worked. We know many baptisms will result.

Student LE's also benefit by getting a good scholarship for school. Each student averaged about \$2,000 for school and some even did more. What a blessing to work for our Lord and earn good money to take back to school, too!

We each want to thank our conference

## Wilna church holds Revelation Seminar

Janice Boone has faith and courage that the Lord rewards with outstanding results. She was impressed to hold a Revelation Seminar several months ago. Due to a limited budget, she was not able to order any materials. Nevertheless, she found notebooks, rulers, pencils, certificates and



Graduates from the Wilna church Revelation Seminar.



Janet Anders, Melba Stancill and Susan Wagner were baptized after the Revelation Seminar.

Student literature evangelists.

Christ. One who goes door-to-door with a message of hope in the soon coming of our Lord. One who doesn't quit because it rains, or it's too hot and humid, or they're thirsty, or too many doors have been slammed in their faces. They are a group of young people who really believe this message of the Seventh-day Adventist Church and are willing to give up all to share that message through the printed page. They are a group who work hard, pray hard and play hard.

The past few months I had the privilege of working with 12 of these special young people from our academies and colleges in western Maryland. They went door-to-door with our softcover MAGA

administration for their solid support, which enabled us to do this program and place more than 15,500 books in homes that may never have been reached in any other manner.

We look forward to the coming year and initiating an ongoing program for all of our schools. This will enable students from first grade through college to go to our schools. God really does bless us when we work together for Him.

JIM BROUHARD

*District Leader  
Family Enrichment Resources*

beautiful handbills in the basement of the church. Volunteers quickly filled in the location and dates for the seminar on the brochures, which were distributed by the Pathfinder club.

More than 30 people came out on opening night. In spite of severe weather and personal tragedies for some of the attendees, the Lord blessed. Janet Anders and Susan Wagner were baptized in May. Melba Stancill reunited with the church later.

A follow-up Daniel Seminar is held on Sabbath mornings, as some family members of the newly baptized and graduates have expressed interest in learning more from the Bible.



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# MOUNTAIN VIEW CHALLENGE

## What's happening around Mountain View

**September 17 - 3:30 p.m.**  
Church Officers' Meeting  
Valley View Church

**September 23-25**  
NADEI Classes  
Parkersburg Church

**September 27 - 2:00 p.m.**  
Finance Committee  
Conference Office

**October 1 - 3:30 p.m.**  
Church Officers' Meeting  
Parkersburg Church

**October 2 - 10:00 a.m.**  
Lay Advisory  
Parkersburg Church

**October 7-9**  
Women's Retreat  
Valley Vista

**October 15**  
Homecoming  
Parkersburg Church

**October 24 - 2:00 p.m.**  
Finance Committee  
Charleston

**October 17 - 10:00 a.m.**  
Executive Committee  
Conference Office

**October 28-30**  
NADEI Classes  
Parkersburg

## Try this one for size



Randy Murphy  
President

Occasionally, I read an article that I feel would help some of my fellow members here in Mountain View. I wish I had written it for the *Challenge*. Copied articles aren't necessarily exciting to read but this one has a message we all need to consider so I am going to chance this one. There are so many people today who suffer from a lack of self-worth or personal value. Please take a couple minutes and read "*Beautiful Dust and You*" by Muriel Larson:

If you have ever had to dust furniture, you may be wondering, "What on earth is beautiful about dust?"

The sky is. Without dust in the air, we would not have our beautiful blue sky. Our earth would instead be surrounded by blackness, with the starkly bright sun glaring down. Can you imagine looking at a red sky all the time—how hard that would be on our nerves? Well, the sky would be red if the dust particles were denser or of a different size.

Without dust in the air, we would have no gorgeous sunset. As the sun sets below the horizon, its rays travel through more atmospheric dust to reach our eyes. We then see the kaleidoscope of heart-stirring colors sent out by the sun. What enjoyment we would miss without sunsets—without dust!

The Bible says, "And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground" (Genesis 2:7). So our bodies are only dust, too. Scientists have discovered that the chemical elements in our bodies are the same as those in dust. When we die, this vehicle in which we live returns to dust. Yet, though made of dust, our bodies are beautiful works of art, even as the sunsets are.

Have you ever stopped to think that if life had no "particles of dust" in it, neither would we be fully able to appreciate the beauty in it?

It is only after a storm that we see a rainbow. It is only after we go through a time of trouble and turmoil that we really appreciate the peace and rest on the other side. It is only in the midst of trouble that we come to know the peace that passes all understanding that only God can give.

The Bible says, "For he knoweth our frame; he remembereth that we are dust" (Psalms 103:14). "But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us" (II Corinthians 4:7).

So because our bodies are made of dust and are simply "earthen vessels," we have nothing in which to pride ourselves. Anything worthwhile that we may accomplish in the Lord's work results from His power working through us. That's why He can use the lowliest person whose life is committed to Him.

God uses dust to make glorious sunsets. And He uses dust to create humble servants through which the glory of Christ may shine!

"But God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise," the Bible says, "and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty; and base things of the world, and things which are despised hath God chosen...that no flesh should glory in his presence" (I Corinthians 1:27-29).

And God can use you.

Have you ever felt as worthless as dust? How do you feel now? See, I told you it was worth reading!

## MOUNTAIN VIEW CHALLENGE

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## Memories of Mountain View Camp Meeting - 1994

Theme: "It's Time to Go Home"



"Jesus Is Coming Again" rang out loud and clear as the camp meeting "Quartet and a Half" blended their voices in praise. L to R: Kingsley Whitsett, David Ripley, Randy Murphy, David Wolkwitz, Del Johnson and Harold Wightman.

Responding to many requests, Gary Strunk, Pacific Health Education Center, "whistled" a hymn using bird-like trills for the group at the final health education meeting on Friday morning.



As the sun was coming up over the mountains, campers met together and prayed for personal needs as well as for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon God's people throughout the world.



Sixty-two campers met the requirements and were awarded certificates for having completed the Instructor's Course for "The Health Component of In Pursuit of Excellence." The class, taught by Gary Strunk, director of religious studies at the Pacific Health Education Center in Bakersfield, California, was held each morning throughout the week. Those receiving certificates are now qualified to present this program in their home churches and communities.



Our hearts were warmed as Marilyn Cotton expressed her love for her Saviour through song during the Sabbath afternoon concert. Her husband, Dan, and Bill Tucker, director of the Quiet Hour, also joined her in selected songs.

A special thanks to "Win" Schneider, who traveled all the way from Florida to play the organ for us all week!



David Wolkwitz, president of the Indiana Conference, discussed the power of the Holy Spirit in our lives during the 6:30 a.m. meetings each day.

Dennis and Lori Utt (Braxton church) walk hand in hand on their way to the early morning meeting.



Campers met in "small groups" all over the campus every afternoon as they trained to lead out or be a part of a small group

ministry in their home churches and communities.

Jim Nix, of the White Estate, tells another interesting story from early Adventist history and shares photographs and other memorabilia following an evening meeting.



The youth made "pigs" of themselves as they ate their ice cream from a "trough" the final night of camp meeting.



Peggy Criddle, cradle roll division leader, made this "coat of many colors" for the children to wear as they sang and talked about the story of Joseph.





## Columbia Union Visitor 1994 Readership Survey

The *Visitor* staff is working to improve the magazine and make it more readable for all members in the Columbia Union. Because your opinion is an important part of making that happen, we are asking you to assist us by completing this readership survey.

Please remember the following:

1. There are no right or wrong answers. We need to know what you honestly think about the *Visitor*, so answer every question as accurately as possible. If no response applies, choose the answer which comes closest to your situation.
2. If you would like for your answers to remain confidential, please do not sign your name to the survey. If you would like for us to respond to specific concerns, please include your name and address. We'll get back to you as quickly as possible.

### (Optional—Please Print)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**Q1.** The *Visitor* is published twice a month for all Adventist members in the Columbia Union, do you receive it in your home? (Please **circle one** number)

1. Yes
2. No

**Q2.** How long have you been receiving the *Visitor*? (**Circle one** number)

1. Less than 1 year
2. 1 to 2 years
3. 3 to 10 years
4. More than 10 years

**Q3.** How was your name entered on the *Visitor* mailing list? (**Circle one**)

1. By the church clerk or pastor
2. I called the Conference or the *Visitor* office
3. A friend or relative submitted my name
4. Other \_\_\_\_\_
5. I don't know

**Q4.** Including yourself, **how many** in your household read the *Visitor*?

- \_\_\_\_\_ Number of male readers  
\_\_\_\_\_ Number of female readers

**Q5.** How many *Visitor* readers in your household other than yourself are under 27 years of age? (**Circle one** number)

1. One person
2. Two or three persons
3. Four or more persons
4. None

**Q6.** When do you usually receive your copy of the *Visitor*? (Please **circle one** number)

1. Within 1 or 2 days of cover date  
(Date shown on cover)
2. Within 3-7 days of cover date
3. Within 8-10 days of cover date
4. 11 days or more
5. I don't know

**Q7.** How long do you normally spend reading each issue of the *Visitor*? (**Circle one** number)

1. Less than 1/2 hour
2. Between 1/2 hour and one hour
3. More than one hour
4. I don't read it at all

Continue on next page



**Q8.** Rate the following *Visitor* cover items: **(Please use the following scale and circle the appropriate number before each item listed)**

- 1 Like
- 2 Dislike
- 3 No opinion

- 1 2 3 Colors
- 1 2 3 Readability
- 1 2 3 Appeal
- 1 2 3 Design
- 1 2 3 Photographs

**Q9.** Which type of *Visitor* cover do you prefer? **(Please rate in order of preference with your favorite being 1)**

- \_\_\_\_\_ People
- \_\_\_\_\_ Places
- \_\_\_\_\_ Nature
- \_\_\_\_\_ Events
- \_\_\_\_\_ Graphics
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Q10.** Indicate how often you read each of these information sections of the *Visitor*: **(Please use the following scale and circle the appropriate number before each section listed)**

- 1 Never
- 2 Seldom
- 3 Usually
- 4 Always

- 1 2 3 4 About the Cover
- 1 2 3 4 Legal Notices
- 1 2 3 4 News pages
- 1 2 3 4 Obituaries
- 1 2 3 4 Sunset Table

**Q11.** What length feature articles do you prefer in the *Visitor*? **(Circle one)**

- 1. One page
- 2. Two pages
- 3. Three pages or more

**Q12.** Which advertisements do you pay particular attention to in the *Visitor*? **(Circle as many as you wish)**

- 1. Classifieds
- 2. Small display ads
- 3. Half-page and full-page ads
- 4. Inserts in center of magazine
- 5. Back cover ads
- 6. Color ads
- 7. None

**Q13.** Help us rate the individual sections of the *Visitor*. **(Please use these five criteria and circle the appropriate number before each section listed)**

- 1 Not familiar with this
- 2 Not helpful, could be dropped
- 3 Has some value occasionally
- 4 Quite valuable, keep about same level
- 5 Very valuable, would like to see more

(Pages 2 and 3)

- 1 2 3 4 5 Editorial
- 1 2 3 4 5 Face 2 Face
- 1 2 3 4 5 Pastoral Memory
- 1 2 3 4 5 Family Life
- 1 2 3 4 5 Cartoon

(Other pages)

- 1 2 3 4 5 Living the Vision (pg 4)
- 1 2 3 4 5 Vision 2000 (pg 6)
- 1 2 3 4 5 Kay Kuzma family box
- 1 2 3 4 5 *A Healing Ministry*
- 1 2 3 4 5 *The Gateway* (CUC)
- 1 2 3 4 5 Your conference news
- 1 2 3 4 5 News from other conferences

**Q14.** Do you find special issues like the camp meeting issue helpful? **(Circle one)**

- 1. Yes
- 2. No

**Q15.** What other special issues would you like to receive? **(Circle as many as you wish)**

- 1 Health
- 2 Family
- 3 Adventist history
- 4 Adventist doctrines
- 5 Education
- 6 Other \_\_\_\_\_

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**Q16.** Have you ever: **(Circle as many as you wish)**

- 1 Once
- 2 Two to three times
- 3 Several times
- 4 Never

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | Used an ABC \$1-off Coupon                            |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | Used the 800-number Resource and Response Line        |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | Submitted a story or photograph to the <i>Visitor</i> |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | Responded to a classified ad in the <i>Visitor</i>    |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | Written a letter to the <i>Visitor</i>                |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | Requested an address or name change                   |

**Q17.** When the *Visitor* carries pages from another source, which ones do you read? **(Circle as many as you wish)**

- 1. Advertising inserts such as *Signs* or ARMS (Adventist Resource Management Service)
- 2. Local conference newsletters
- 3. NAD issue of the *Adventist Review*
- 4. None

**Q18.** The actual cost of each *Visitor* subscription is about \$10 a year. Do you feel you are getting a full value? **(Circle one)**

- |        |       |
|--------|-------|
| 1. Yes | 2. No |
|--------|-------|

If "No," what changes could increase the value of this publication (attach another page if necessary)? \_\_\_\_\_

**Q19.** Which of the following magazines do you receive in the mail? **(Circle Yes or No)**

- |     |    |                                |
|-----|----|--------------------------------|
| Yes | No | <i>Liberty</i>                 |
| Yes | No | <i>Message</i>                 |
| Yes | No | <i>El Centinela</i>            |
| Yes | No | <i>Listen</i>                  |
| Yes | No | <i>Adventist Review</i>        |
| Yes | No | <i>Signs</i>                   |
| Yes | No | <i>Insight</i>                 |
| Yes | No | <i>Guideposts</i>              |
| Yes | No | <i>Today's Christian Woman</i> |
| Yes | No | Other _____                    |
| Yes | No | Other _____                    |

**Q20.** Of the magazines to which you answered yes in the previous question, how long do you normally spend reading them? **(Select a number from the following scale)**

- 1 Less than 1/2 hour
- 2 Between 1/2 hour and one hour
- 3 More than one hour

- |   |   |   |                                |
|---|---|---|--------------------------------|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | <i>Liberty</i>                 |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | <i>Message</i>                 |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | <i>El Centinela</i>            |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | <i>Listen</i>                  |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | <i>Adventist Review</i>        |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | <i>Signs</i>                   |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | <i>Insight</i>                 |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | <i>Guideposts</i>              |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | <i>Today's Christian Woman</i> |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | Other _____                    |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | Other _____                    |

**Q21.** What importance do you place on reading the *Visitor*? **(Use the following scale and circle the appropriate number before each section listed)**

- 1 Very important
- 2 Somewhat important
- 3 No importance

- |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | To get news of the Columbia Union Conference            |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | To be informed about the church's direction and mission |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | To receive spiritual inspiration                        |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | To learn what upcoming events are scheduled             |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | To see what is being advertised                         |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | To read about local conference                          |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | To read about local academy                             |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | To learn about health ministries and hospitals          |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | To read about CUC or KCMA                               |

**Q22.** Do you share your *Visitor* with non-Seventh-day Adventist friends? **(Circle as many as you wish)**

- 1. One in your household
- 2. More than one in your household
- 3. One or more outside your household
- 4. None

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**Q23.** What is your current marital status? **(Circle one)**

1. Single, never married
2. Married
3. Divorced
4. Widowed
5. Separated

**Q24.** How many children are in your household? **(Circle one)**

1. One
2. Two
3. Three
4. Four or more
5. None

**Q25.** What are the ages of the children in your household? **(Circle all that apply)**

1. Birth to three years of age
2. Four to eight years of age
3. Nine to 12 years of age
4. Thirteen to 17 years of age
5. Eighteen or older

**Q26.** Which of the following best describes your racial or ethnic identification? **(Circle only one)**

1. Asian/South Pacific
2. African-American
3. Hispanic
4. White/Caucasian
5. Other

**Q27.** Which is the highest level of education that you have completed? **(Circle only one)**

1. Grade school or less
2. Some high school
3. High school degree
4. Some college
5. College degree
6. Some graduate work
7. A graduate degree

**Q28.** What is your gender? **(Circle one)**

1. Male
2. Female

**Q29.** What is your age? **(Circle one)**

1. 27 years or under
2. 28 to 44
3. 45 to 55
4. 56 to 65
5. Over 66

**Q30.** How long have you been a baptized member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church? **(Circle one)**

1. Less than 1 year
2. 1 to 3 years
3. 4 to 6 years
4. 7 to 10 years
5. 11 to 20 years
6. 21 years or more
7. Not a baptized member

**Q31.** Please indicate how often you attend Sabbath school. **(Circle one)**

1. Every week
2. Three times a month
3. Twice a month
4. Once a month
5. Occasionally
6. Never

**Q32.** Please indicate how often you attend church. **(Circle one)**

1. Every week
2. Three times a month
3. Twice a month
4. Once a month
5. Occasionally
6. Never

Thank you for your participation.

1. Please double check to be sure you answered each question on every page of the survey.

2. If you participated in a . . .

**Church survey,** please return this survey to the coordinator.

**Mail or Visitor survey,** please mail the survey to the address below. Your postage contribution and your time are appreciated. Your promptness in returning this survey will guarantee your being included in the survey results.

Columbia Union *Visitor Survey*; 5427 Twin Knolls Road;  
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Survey deadline is November 1, 1994.





Camp meeting is over, and Judy and Shorty Johnson (Valley View church) practice the art of good camping by making sure the last bit of trash is thrown away before leaving the campgrounds.

Kindergartners listen intently to the story being told them by Barbara Manspeaker, director of children's ministries for the Columbia Union. Her husband, Ed, does a chalk drawing in the background as the story is being told.



Jimmy and Marie Gardner (Indian Creek company) relax on one of several park benches that Jimmy built during camp meeting. Thanks, Jimmy, for also building several picnic tables for the camp.



Ronnie Knight (Huntington church) hands over the title to a 1979 Chevrolet 4 x 4 pickup truck to Del Johnson, conference treasurer. He became aware of the need for an additional pickup for the camp and just happened to have the title in his pocket! Thanks, Ronnie!

President Randy Murphy shows everyone how it is done as they assemble for the annual "Fun Run/Walk." Rodney Davis, personal ministries director for the conference and Fun Run participant, challenged other participants to find sponsors who would pay them so much a mile with the money being used to provide *Signs* subscriptions for prisons located within the conference. Over \$600 was raised, with the Pacific Press matching those funds for a total of approximately \$1,200 to go toward this project. Praise the Lord!



The story of King Belshazzar became real as the children in the primary department acted out scenes from the king's court, the feast with the "golden vessels" and the handwriting on the wall.



We are not sure who had more fun on the outing to Cheat River—the juniors or Dale Tunnell, who tried to pass himself off as a member of that age group!

Musicians David Pitt and Jennifer Lauletta share information about the music tapes they have for sale following their concert.



Community Services volunteers, under the direction of Harold Wightman, Community Services director, worked together to register and serve meals to 237 people in 35 minutes. The event was a mock disaster drill in which volunteers "practiced" to see how they would function in the event of a disaster.



May the words and music to our theme song stay in our minds and hearts as we look forward to that day when "Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King, Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King, Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, we're going to see the King!"



## Mountain Views

Clarksburg, Pastor Harold Wightman performed a unique service on Sabbath, July 16, at the Clarksburg church. Five babies were dedicated to the Lord and as a result two visitors, who are non-members, were so impressed they requested that their babies be dedicated at a future time. Pictured standing left to right are: Mr. and Mrs. Roger Wright and Roger Emile; Mr. and Mrs. Gary Pulice and Carrissa Mae; Mr. John Stanley and Derick Thomas Lynn; Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Hickman and Lydia Nicole and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hickman and Heather Renee.



Volunteers unload a window for placement in the new addition to Friends-R-Fun. - The "Friends-R-Fun" Family Learning Center addition in Summersville received the generosity of free labor from Maranatha Volunteers International in June. The center, scheduled to open in September, will enable adults to continue their education from the level where they are, whether it is to obtain their GED or improve their reading skills. Adults who have small children can enroll them in the early education program while they continue their own education.

The center will also house the "After School and Summer Programs" for school-age children (kindergarten through 12 years).

The Summersville church was dedicated in a special weekend service held Friday evening, April 29, and Sabbath, April 30. Special guests included Herb Ingersoll, former pastor, who led out in a communion service on Friday evening. Wayne Coulter, president of the Chesapeake Conference, who was the conference president when the church was organized, led out in the lesson study, and former Pastor. George Rogers spoke at the morning worship service. Following a potluck lunch, a history of the church was given, interspersed with several musical selections.



Some of the instrumental selections presented during the afternoon program.



Congratulations to Mountain View's own Gayle Clark, who has been recognized as an "Adventist Woman of the Year" in the category of family life by the Association of Adventist Women. Clark, who is a co-director of Miracle Meadows School in Salem, West Virginia, will receive the award at the group's annual meeting September 29-October 1 in Arlington, Virginia.



Larry Boggess, pastor, led out during the singing.





# Dateline New Jersey

September 1994

## New Jersey Pathfinders have Rocky Mountain high in Denver



Above: We entered a banner entitled "Missionary Volunteer Honor Tokens" at the honors tent. Elder Norm Middag, from the North American Division, was pleased to see this piece of history. If you recognize this piece of art by the picture, please contact the New Jersey Conference. We are interested in knowing who put this together and when. Left: Dave Bandimere, co-owner of the Bandimere Raceway, and Robert Boggess, New Jersey Conference president, enjoy Sabbath morning worship at the New Jersey campsite.

What do you think of when your thoughts focus around the topic of Pathfinding? Would it be honors? Marching? Flag raising? Camping? Service to God and your fellow man? Perhaps it would be development and training of leaders for God's remnant church.

All of these elements came together at the "Dare to Care" Camporee in Denver, Colorado. We wish to thank the Rocky Mountain Conference for its sponsorship of this tremendous event.

Don Baker and Frank Kean received their PHD by setting and digging postholes for fences to mark out the Team Challenge Course. The zip-slide was perhaps the most thrilling of all rides for the campers. Prior to the camporee, we spent a spirit-filled Sabbath with Lecler Litchfield at the Denver First church. We dedicated the time to God and prayed that this event would make a spiritual impact on our young people.

On Monday, campers began arriving by the thousands. Tents were pitched and campers became acquainted with the big red and white tent, which served as our cafeteria. Two thousand feet away, large tents housed our showers, and next to them were the 500-gallon tanks that served our watering needs for drinking and showers. All water had to be carried to each campsite!

David Waddington, EMT, served as the first aid director for New Jersey campers. On Sabbath his services were especially needed in the medical building as some campers grew faint due to the heat. Many thanks, Dave, for going beyond the call of duty to assist in hauling water, people and camp gear. We appreciate you. We also want to thank Paula St. Villier and her cafeteria crew for an excellent menu and help in many other areas of camp life. Many thanks to Doris and Marvin Kloppe and daughter Doris Burton for their assistance with making the camp routine run so smoothly.

## What's happening around New Jersey

### Sept 16-18

Marriage Seminar (Van Pelt)  
Jersey City Heights English Church

### Sept 17

Church Leadership Seminar

### Sept 18

Pathfinder & Youth Olympic Day

### Sept 23-25

Adventurers' Camporee

### Sept 29

New Jersey Executive Committee

### Oct 1

Spanish Youth Rally

### Oct 2

Pastoral Family Picnic

### Oct 3-10

General Conference Annual Council

### Oct 11-12

NAD Year End Meetings

### Oct 9

ABC Open (10-3)

### Oct 9

Church Treasurers' Workshop

### Oct 17

Pastors' Breathe Free Training Program

### Oct 21

Spanish Churches Convocation

### Oct 21, 22

Youth Rally - GSA

### Nov 5

Church Leadership - Don Reynolds

### Nov 10

New Jersey Executive Committee

### Nov 12

Pathfinder Executive Council

### Nov 13

ABC Open

### Nov 13

GSA Board, NJBOE

### Nov 17-19

YouthNet - Mt. Aetna, Maryland

### Nov 24-25

Thanksgiving - ABC & NJC Office Closed

## Dateline New Jersey

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Campers were shuttled by nearly 100 buses to Red Rock Amphitheater every evening and Sabbath morning for outstanding programs. Genesis Vega, a club member from New Brunswick's El Shaddai's Army, blessed more than 10,000 listeners as he sang to his Creator at the one of the evening programs.

We were daring to care about the environment, our body and its health, as well as each other and those not yet acquainted with Jesus. Many of our campers participated in feeding the homeless and providing clothing through the joint efforts of hundreds of campers from around the world. It was a memorable and eye-opening event for many as we saw people in need.

Sabbath morning worship at New Jersey's camp featured Dave Bandimere, co-owner of the Bandimere Race facility, where approximately 12,000 people gathered for this camporee. He shared how the dream for the race facility began with the desire to bring glory to God through racing. In the 1950s, their father noticed that many young people were getting in trouble with the law by racing down the highways. The result was a dream to have a place for legal racing at optimum speeds. Dave Bandimere and his brother had never before had a camping event like ours. We were thrilled to be welcomed back.

Pathfindering has as its goal equipping our young people to better serve their fellow man through service and devotion to the King of kings and Lord of lords. I know that this event served to strengthen that ultimate goal.

In New Jersey, we have a goal of establishing or reactivating at least 10 clubs in 1995. We want all our young people to have the opportunity to be trained for service to Jesus and at the same time enjoy spirit-filled, fun activities with other young people.

If you live in New Jersey and are not

part of a club, we encourage you to become a member of a nearby club or take the steps necessary to establish a new club. For more information, contact the New Jersey Conference youth department at (609) 392-7131.

FRANK KEAN, YOUTH DIRECTOR



**1 & 2:** The obstacle course was a special event of agility and stamina and required attention and a desire to have the thrill of your life. **3:** Campers were treated to the usual KP routine. **4:** The Valle Du Bonheur Club and its director, Sadrail St Ulyssee, attended the camporee with the largest New Jersey delegation. This was excellent for a club that was established in 1987. **5:** Campers from El Shaddai's Army. **6:** Pathfindering events are for young and old as the Velez family found out. **7:** At left, Doris Kloppin Wagner, Madeline Wagner Jr. and his baby sister enjoyed camping. **8:** Youth Director Frank Kean, left, and David Waddington, EMT. **9 & 10:** Art exhibits, basket weaving and Hawaiian music as well as instruction were among the memorable events. **11:** Among the highlights for New Jersey were the awards received for first and second place in the Pinewood Derby races by Bridgeton's Bill Ewing, club staff member. **12:** Gregg and Jason Patterson brought home a trophy for their soap box car, which received third place in beauty and design and third place in the competition for individual racer.



# Visitor

## COLUMBIA UNION

### Columbia Union Visitor 1994 Readership Survey

The *Visitor* staff is working to improve the magazine and make it more readable for all members in the Columbia Union. Because your opinion is an important part of making that happen, we are asking you to assist us by completing this readership survey.

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#### (Optional—Please Print)

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City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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**Q13.** Help us rate the individual sections of the *Visitor*. **(Please use these five criteria and circle the appropriate number before each section listed)**

- 1 Not familiar with this
- 2 Not helpful, could be dropped
- 3 Has some value occasionally
- 4 Quite valuable, keep about same level
- 5 Very valuable, would like to see more

(Pages 2 and 3)

- 1 2 3 4 5 Editorial
- 1 2 3 4 5 Face 2 Face
- 1 2 3 4 5 Pastoral Memory
- 1 2 3 4 5 Family Life
- 1 2 3 4 5 Cartoon

(Other pages)

- 1 2 3 4 5 Living the Vision (pg 4)
- 1 2 3 4 5 Vision 2000 (pg 6)
- 1 2 3 4 5 Kay Kuzma family box
- 1 2 3 4 5 *A Healing Ministry*
- 1 2 3 4 5 *The Gateway* (CUC)
- 1 2 3 4 5 Your conference news
- 1 2 3 4 5 News from other conferences

**Q14.** Do you find special issues like the camp meeting issue helpful? **(Circle one)**

- 1. Yes
- 2. No

**Q15.** What other special issues would you like to receive? **(Circle as many as you wish)**

- 1 Health
- 2 Family
- 3 Adventist history
- 4 Adventist doctrines
- 5 Education
- 6 Other \_\_\_\_\_

*Continue on next page*



**Q16.** Have you ever: **(Circle as many as you wish)**

- 1 Once
- 2 Two to three times
- 3 Several times
- 4 Never

- |   |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | Used an ABC \$1-off Coupon                            |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | Used the 800-number Resource and Response Line        |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | Submitted a story or photograph to the <i>Visitor</i> |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | Responded to a classified ad in the <i>Visitor</i>    |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | Written a letter to the <i>Visitor</i>                |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | Requested an address or name change                   |

**Q17.** When the *Visitor* carries pages from another source, which ones do you read? **(Circle as many as you wish)**

- 1. Advertising inserts such as *Signs* or ARMS (Adventist Resource Management Service)
- 2. Local conference newsletters
- 3. NAD issue of the *Adventist Review*
- 4. None

**Q18.** The actual cost of each *Visitor* subscription is about \$10 a year. Do you feel you are getting a full value? **(Circle one)**

- |        |       |
|--------|-------|
| 1. Yes | 2. No |
|--------|-------|

If "No," what changes could increase the value of this publication (attach another page if necessary)? \_\_\_\_\_

**Q19.** Which of the following magazines do you receive in the mail? **(Circle Yes or No)**

- |     |    |                                |
|-----|----|--------------------------------|
| Yes | No | <i>Liberty</i>                 |
| Yes | No | <i>Message</i>                 |
| Yes | No | <i>El Centinela</i>            |
| Yes | No | <i>Listen</i>                  |
| Yes | No | <i>Adventist Review</i>        |
| Yes | No | <i>Signs</i>                   |
| Yes | No | <i>Insight</i>                 |
| Yes | No | <i>Guideposts</i>              |
| Yes | No | <i>Today's Christian Woman</i> |
| Yes | No | Other _____                    |
| Yes | No | Other _____                    |

**Q20.** Of the magazines to which you answered yes in the previous question, how long do you normally spend reading them? **(Select a number from the following scale)**

- 1 Less than 1/2 hour
- 2 Between 1/2 hour and one hour
- 3 More than one hour

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| 1 | 2 | 3 | <i>Message</i>                 |
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| 1 | 2 | 3 | <i>Guideposts</i>              |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | <i>Today's Christian Woman</i> |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | Other _____                    |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | Other _____                    |

**Q21.** What importance do you place on reading the *Visitor*? **(Use the following scale and circle the appropriate number before each section listed)**

- 1 Very important
- 2 Somewhat important
- 3 No importance

- |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | To get news of the Columbia Union Conference            |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | To be informed about the church's direction and mission |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | To receive spiritual inspiration                        |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | To learn what upcoming events are scheduled             |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | To see what is being advertised                         |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | To read about local conference                          |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | To read about local academy                             |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | To learn about health ministries and hospitals          |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | To read about CUC or KCMA                               |

**Q22.** Do you share your *Visitor* with non-Seventh-day Adventist friends? **(Circle as many as you wish)**

- 1. One in your household
- 2. More than one in your household
- 3. One or more outside your household
- 4. None

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**Q23.** What is your current marital status? **(Circle one)**

1. Single, never married
2. Married
3. Divorced
4. Widowed
5. Separated

**Q24.** How many children are in your household? **(Circle one)**

1. One
2. Two
3. Three
4. Four or more
5. None

**Q25.** What are the ages of the children in your household? **(Circle all that apply)**

1. Birth to three years of age
2. Four to eight years of age
3. Nine to 12 years of age
4. Thirteen to 17 years of age
5. Eighteen or older

**Q26.** Which of the following best describes your racial or ethnic identification? **(Circle only one)**

1. Asian/South Pacific
2. African-American
3. Hispanic
4. White/Caucasian
5. Other

**Q27.** Which is the highest level of education that you have completed? **(Circle only one)**

1. Grade school or less
2. Some high school
3. High school degree
4. Some college
5. College degree
6. Some graduate work
7. A graduate degree

**Q28.** What is your gender? **(Circle one)**

1. Male
2. Female

**Q29.** What is your age? **(Circle one)**

1. 27 years or under
2. 28 to 44
3. 45 to 55
4. 56 to 65
5. Over 66

**Q30.** How long have you been a baptized member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church? **(Circle one)**

1. Less than 1 year
2. 1 to 3 years
3. 4 to 6 years
4. 7 to 10 years
5. 11 to 20 years
6. 21 years or more
7. Not a baptized member

**Q31.** Please indicate how often you attend Sabbath school. **(Circle one)**

1. Every week
2. Three times a month
3. Twice a month
4. Once a month
5. Occasionally
6. Never

**Q32.** Please indicate how often you attend church. **(Circle one)**

1. Every week
2. Three times a month
3. Twice a month
4. Once a month
5. Occasionally
6. Never

Thank you for your participation.

1. Please double check to be sure you answered each question on every page of the survey.

2. If you participated in a . . .

**Church survey**, please return this survey to the coordinator.

**Mail or Visitor survey**, please mail the survey to the address below. Your postage contribution and your time are appreciated. Your promptness in returning this survey will guarantee your being included in the survey results.

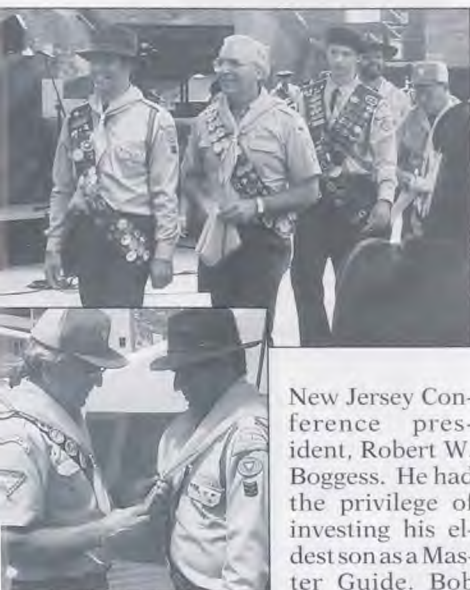
Columbia Union *Visitor Survey*; 5427 Twin Knolls Road;  
Columbia, MD 21045.

Survey deadline is November 1, 1994.



## Father invests son

One of the highlights of each camporee is the Investiture of the Master Guides on Sabbath morning. To become a Master Guide means commitment; much reading, passing tests in denominational history and Bible doctrines, being proficient in many of the Pathfinder skills and completing courses in youth and Pathfinder leadership. This year was especially significant to the



New Jersey Conference president, Robert W. Boggess. He had the privilege of investing his eldest son as a Master Guide. Bob Jr. is the director

of the Sonora Stars Pathfinder Club in the Central California Conference. He began his Pathfinder career as a "Trail Seeker" (pre-Adventurer) in one of his father's pastoral districts in Michigan. This year he and more than 30 counselors and Pathfinders traveled by train more than 48 hours to the camporee to have the experience of riding a train.

*A sad note for New Jersey occurred on Friday as Eva Bermudez, Pathfinder director for the Vineland Spanish club, suffered a neck injury in a freak horse-riding incident for which she was hospitalized. She did damage to her fifth and sixth cervical vertebrae. She is back home, but surgery may be necessary. Please continue to remember her in your prayers. Get-well cards and letters of support can be sent to her at 518 S. 3rd Street, Vineland, NJ 08360.*



Robert Boggess

During September I am conducting an evangelistic crusade in the town of Flemington in Hunterdon County as a part of New Jersey's dark county Global Mission evangelism. In Russia, Hispanic America, Africa and Asia, in every church division across the globe, God's people, sensing the lateness of the hour and the urgency of the task, are uniting their efforts in prayer and in personal effort to reach out to those around them with the story of Jesus' soon return. New Jersey lay leaders and pastors are joining this great work of soul winning for Christ.

Why is evangelism so important? What are the benefits of evangelism to the local church and to local believers? As I have prepared for the Flemington effort, I have reflected on the following benefits.

1. First of all, nothing reinspires and renews church members with the importance and beauty of the biblical message and God's love and care as quickly as hearing the preaching of this message, which they have grown to love.
2. Then, nothing is as effective for establishing or grounding new believers in the faith as effectively as restudying the message they have accepted.
3. Evangelism in the local church gives a time frame and purpose to most other church programs, providing an awareness of progress in the church year. We plan for the meetings and coordinate other programs and activities with them.
4. Evangelistic meetings afford opportunities for every member to pursue contacts with friends and family within the community by providing something special to which their friends and loved ones can be invited.
5. Public evangelism presents to the community a clear and contextually beautiful understanding of our message, clarifying misunderstandings and dispelling myths about the Adventist church beliefs.
6. Preparation for public meetings gives incentive to redecorate, repair and thoroughly clean and refurbish our facilities so that we will look our best to the community.
7. Working with evangelistic meetings as greeters, ushers, visitation assistants, etc., gives church members the opportunity to develop and sharpen their soul-winning skills.
8. Visitors to evangelistic meetings provide an ever-increasing number of witness contacts for church workers to continue contacts with as a part of the ongoing missionary plan of the church.
9. Nothing builds the collective zeal and enthusiasm of a congregation as powerfully as planning, preparation and being involved with evangelistic ministries. The atmosphere in the church is strengthened by regular evangelistic meetings.

10. Please note that we have not yet discussed the one thing many members feel is the sole purpose and benefit of public evangelism. Really now, isn't any one of the above benefits sufficient reason to conduct regular evangelistic outreach efforts in all our churches? But thank God, evangelistic meetings usually result in baptisms. Jesus said that all heaven rejoices when one comes to repentance and salvation.

### Why is evangelism important?

"A great work is to be accomplished in setting before men the saving truths of the gospel. This is the means ordained by God to stem the tide of moral corruption. This is His means of restoring His moral image in man. It is His remedy for universal disorganization. It is the power that draws men together in unity. To present these truths is the work of the third angel's message. The Lord designs that the presentation of this message shall be the highest, greatest work carried on in the world at this time,"—*Testimonies*, Volume 6, page 11.



## Health fair a success

The Three Angels Seventh-day Adventist Church, located on Mt. Hermon Road in Hope, New Jersey, recently hosted a health fair. More than 25 residents from neighboring communities participated in the event. Even bicyclists from New York City, passing through the area, stopped in to browse. The fair was coordinated by Health and Temperance Department Leader Mary Ellen Bruno, assistant Ruth Mohr and Personal

Photos by Bobby Huffin



Right: It's also a fun day for the children at the health fair. Left to right, back row: Amanda Mohr, Adrienne D. Huffin, Lauren Delaney, Christina Bruno and Alexandra Mohr. Front row: Michael Pecca, Caitlin Delaney and Jacob Pecca.

Photo at right by Barbara Delaney.



Below: Dr. Edwin Gang talks with participant Karl Mohr, a member of the Jackson Heights church in Queens, New York, after a dental screening.



Ministries Leader Lori Nienstedt. The event was a great success.

"I would like to thank God, all of the Three Angels church members and all the people who came from the community to participate," said Bruno. Thanks also go to Morristown Memorial Hospital's cardiology department for the use of its equipment during the fair.

Free health screenings included dental screenings by Drs. Walter and Edwin Gang, dentists and members of the Tranquility church; blood pressure screenings by registered nurse Nancy Pecca Augusta Ospina; height and weight by John Delany; dental health demonstrations by dental hygienist Mary Ellen Bruno; and picture display for heart disease, including some medical tests to diagnose possible heart disease, by Tim Canuteson. Approximately \$1,000 worth of health services were rendered to participants.

Food samples included tofu sandwich spread, homemade granola cereal, multi-grain pilaf, oatmeal patties, hearty burgers, homemade whole wheat bread and

## Woodbury Vacation Bible School

"The Earthmaker Mysteries" were presented to the Woodbury Vacation Bible School this year from July 10 to 15. The children explored the world of nature and discovered its Creator, the Earthmaker. Songs, crafts and nature stories helped instill old-fashioned values based on Bible principles. There were 62 children registered, 32 being non-Adventists. The closing program featured a video presentation of the week's activities and skits based on the Bible stories learned during the week. Many of the young people responded to the call by Pastor Bozarth to follow Jesus.

MARLA MAYBROOK



Left: Pastor Don Bozarth and the Woodbury Vacation Bible School.

much more. Veronica Furie, on sampling a hearty burger, tofu sandwich spread and sipping a cool, refreshing fruit smoothie, commented, "The food is delicious!"

The fruit smoothies were made by Eric Galvez and Norman Talley. Mark Bruno and Julie Canuteson presented a video on breadmaking. Bruno quoted author E.G. White stating, "There's a lot of religion in a loaf of bread."

Other information available to participants included literature on health, *Vibrant Life* magazine; *Death in the Kitchen* by Joe Crews; recipe sheets; a booklet entitled *Man's Original Diet*, Bible study sample packets, stop-smoking leaflets and much more. Three youth from community inquired about the stop-smoking program.

BEULAH M. HUFFIN  
Communication Leader



# MISSION OHIO

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## ✓ Mark Your Calendar

**September 16 - 18**  
Seniors Retreat  
Camp Mohaven

**September 30 - October 2**  
Women's Retreat  
Camp Mohaven

**October 7 - 9**  
Pathfinder Camporee  
Camp Mohaven

**October 21 - 23**  
Giraffe University  
Mount Vernon Academy

**October 28 - 30**  
Lay Bible Minister's Retreat  
Camp Mohaven

**October 29**  
Greater Cincinnati  
Convocation

*Encouraging  
Ohio churches in a  
Shared Vision . . .*



**Ed Motschiedler**

## *A Shared Vision... for eternity*

### Trouble with your pastor?

Conference presidents get interesting mail. Often the most interesting and least helpful are the unsigned letters. These unsigned critiques make dialogue concerning the issues impossible.

These letters usually focus on criticism of the local pastor. Fortunately, most members are supportive of their pastors. They appreciate what they are doing for the church, value the gifts God has given them for ministry and often uplift them before God in prayer. They recognize that problems existed in the church long before the current pastor came. They also recognize that many issues can only be resolved with open communication and ownership of each party's share of the problem.

What should members do when they find themselves in conflict with the pastor? First, what not to do. Don't send an unsigned letter to the conference president. This will not help solve the problem. Several years ago, the pastors and first elders developed a process to handle pastor/member conflicts based on the counsel in Matthew 18. I would suggest this process to you.

First, talk to your pastor about your concerns before you talk to others. The pastor should not be the last one to know of your concern. I believe open and honest dialogue would be welcomed. During my years of ministry, I had many such discussions with members. I often had to acknowledge my need for growth in some area of service to the congregation. At other times, we discovered that the problem was simply a misunderstanding. There were times when members confessed that they were wrong and asked for my forgiveness. Almost always, such an open discussion solved the problem.

If the problem is not resolved after talking to the pastor, the next step involves the local elders. Ask the first elder or elders of your church to meet with you and the pastor. Often their advice to both you and the pastor can bring resolution. I have observed that almost all member/pastor conflicts are resolved in these first two steps. Rarely does the conference have to get involved when this process is followed.

If these two steps do not bring resolution, then call my office. At that time, you will be asked if the first two steps have been followed. If so, then I will assign someone to meet with you, the pastor and possibly the elders. I believe this simple process of following the advice in Matthew 18 can bring us back into fellowship with one another.

**Mission: Ohio** is published in the *Visitor* each month by the Ohio Conference.  
President, Ed Motschiedler;  
Editor, Jeanie Haldeman.



## OHIO PATHFINDERS

COLUMBIA UNION

### ...travel to the Rocky Mountains

More than 260 Ohio Pathfinders traveled to Denver, Colorado, in the Rocky Mountain Conference for Dare to Care, the North American Division Camporee, August 2 - 6.

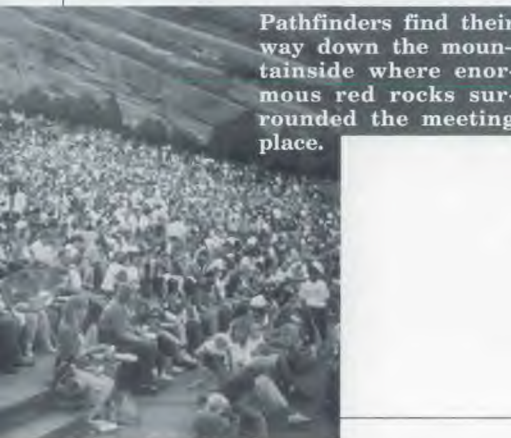
Some rode the distance in buses, some in campers, others in cars and/or minivans, but they arrived and camped with 10,000 campers from all over the United States and many other countries of the world.

Challenging activities and fun-filled days were capped off with quality programming presented each evening in the outdoor amphitheater. Each evening and twice on Sabbath, campers were transported by bus to the beautiful natural amphitheater, Red Rocks.

This event will long be remembered in the minds of Pathfinders, their leaders and countless others involved in conference, union or division leadership. Already many are hopeful that another camporee can be planned for 1999.



Allison Siddall drives the soapbox derby car sponsored by Worthington Foods. The car won third place for the Akron First club.



Pathfinders find their way down the mountainside where enormous red rocks surrounded the meeting place.

### Ohio Conference teachers

*Teachers challenged by small school workshop*



Ohio Conference teachers who serve in one and two-teacher schools attended a small schools workshop August 16 - 18.

The workshop emphasized hands-on teaching with the participants developing lesson plans and materials to be used in their classrooms. Twenty teachers and teaching assistants from Ohio's small schools attended.

Dr. Warren Minder, dean of the school of education at Andrews Uni-



Pam Nelson works on a classroom project during the small school workshop.

versity and keynote speaker of the event, presented information on recruitment, parent teacher conferences

and the use of teacher assistants. The workshop was conducted by Carol Myers, Ohio's associate educational superintendent. Myers was assisted by Bob Skeggs, superintendent of education, and Vicki Swetnam, education office secretary.

The attendees at the workshop earned graduate credit from Andrews toward recertification.



Dave Herdman helps a Pathfinder from the Dayton club with breakfast dishes.



Ten thousand Pathfinders observe the evening program at Red Rocks.



*Eighth Annual Women's Retreat*  
September 30 - October 2



*Jesus and Women*  
*of the Gospels*

**Guest speaker:**  
**Haley Wilson**  
La Sierra University  
church associate pastor

For additional information, contact Marjorie Seasley,  
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Columbia Union *Visitor Survey*; 5427 Twin Knolls Road; Columbia, MD 21045.

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*Heavenward  
Ho! presented  
by Mt. Vernon  
churches*



The Mount Vernon City and Hill churches combined resources to conduct an innovative Vacation Bible School, Heavenward Ho! This event, paralleling the westward movement with our journey to heaven, was held August 14-19 at Knox Woods, an Ohio nature preserve, located near Mount Vernon.

A promotional pioneer roundup, held on August 11, launched the week's activities. A covered wagon and Indian teepee helped establish the early 1800s setting. Samplings of trail foods, Indian crafts, music, pioneer games, candle making, sewing displays, apple bobbing and even a pie-eating contest created a fun-filled evening for every member of the family. Luis Parra, MVA's new recruiter, his wife Nancy and Chris LeBrun, MVA's boy's task force dean, presented a puppet show in a large tent promoting the week's activities.

Nearly 30 non-Adventist children attended the weekday program. A closing program was held on Friday, August 19. Following the evening program and refreshments, all attendees were offered a special ride in a covered wagon pulled by draft horses.

**KAY SCHROER**  
VBS Co-leader  
Mount Vernon City church

## Youth experience homelessness

Ohio youth had an opportunity to live the way the homeless do in three metropolitan areas this summer participating in "Box City," a program developed by Ohio's church ministries department. Youth living in the Dayton, Columbus and Toledo areas were given an opportunity to see what it is like to live on the street as the homeless population does.

"Almost 10 youth headed out to a park with only boxes for shelter," said John Abbott, Centerville church associate pastor and director of the Dayton area program. He was describing the innovation adopted by Dayton area youth. Information regarding the re-

## Bellefountain church sanctuary gutted by fire

Members of the Bellefountain church were devastated in early June when the entire first floor of the church burned as a result of a fire that started with the heater in the baptismal pool.

The entire upper level, including the sanctuary, was gutted by the fire. In addition, the lower level was damaged by smoke and water.

Even though the news was devastating at first, the members are now very optimistic, according to Pastor Rick

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sources available to the homeless in the Dayton area was shared with participants. Local policeman came and attempted to chase the group off the premises—a mockup, of course. One youth was ridiculed by policemen so that those present could experience the emotions of the homeless. Food was donated and delivered by the young people to a homeless shelter in the area.

In Toledo, participants were taken to several shelters in the area. "I never want to be homeless. In the future, I'll probably have a lot more respect and be a lot more caring toward the homeless, knowing what they go through," said Beth Duwve, Toledo First church member.

The event in Columbus, coordinated by Melanie Gilson, received live coverage on the Channel 10 WBNS 11:00 news the first day and on Channel 4 WCMH throughout the last day of the event. "The youth very clearly want to do something for the homeless," said Melanie's father, Gary.

The program will take place in the Cleveland area in the near future.





## MVA students to build a church

Mount Vernon Academy students will travel to Central America to build a church January 23 to February 1, 1995.

Approximately 30 students will travel to the English-speaking village of Crooked Tree, just 45 minutes north of the city of Belize. This endeavor is part of an attempt to evangelize an area where no Seventh-day Adventists are found.

The project is coordinated by Scott Christen, MVA Bible teacher and chaplain, and the Belize Mission, similar to our local conference. In addition to building a church, the students will conduct a Vacation Bible School and a community health project.

If you are interested in helping in any way with this project, please call Scott at MVA. His number is (614) 397-5411.

## Youth council appointed

Four Ohio pastors, experienced and skilled in youth ministry, have been appointed and will work together to "broaden the scope" of youth ministries in Ohio, according to Marwood Hallett, church ministries director. "I am excited about the potential for youth ministries under the direction of these men," said Hallett.

Appointed to the council were John Abbott, Centerville church youth associate pastor; Steve Rude, Mt. Vernon



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Hill associate pastor; Joseph Wamack, Kettering church youth associate pastor; and C.J. Yoon, Clarksville/Norwalk/Sandusky pastor.

According to President Ed Motschieder, these leaders have assumed responsibility for the program started by Fred Cornforth. All the youth and young adult programs planned will continue despite the recent staff reduction in the conference office.

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Remmers. Because of accurate records of contents and very good insurance coverage, the restored facility will be improved.

Members voted to add a new entrance and rest room facility that will enable the handicapped to worship more easily. The organ and sound equipment will all be new. In addition, new and greatly improved furniture for the mother's room, a new pulpit and communion table and re-finished pews will greatly add to the decor. The church, built in the '60s, will also be greatly improved by more up-to-date material and building techniques.

In the spring, Pastor Remmers conducted a Revelation Seminar that resulted in two baptisms. Since the fire, the congregation has been meeting at Indian Lake Villa, a retirement community center. Eight residents have enjoyed attending the worship service.

Members anticipate moving back into the restored and improved facility sometime this fall.

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# Blue Mountain Academy COMMUNIQUE

## Update on BMA's work program...

The work program is a vital part of Christian education at Blue Mountain Academy. Each student works from two and one-half to four hours a day. The work program has three main objectives: To encourage students to develop an appreciation for work as a vital part of life; to teach good work habits; and to provide a way for students to earn part of their expenses.



The students pictured worked at BMA this summer. Above are industry's top earners—Tara Lehman and Edilson Garcia. At right, top: Amber Shobe; bottom: Andre Lindo and Mike Cannon.

Seventy-five students participated in the work program this past summer. Working eight hours a day, students earned at least minimum wage in various campus or industry jobs.

Beginning its fifth year, Campus Industry meets the continuing need for student employment. This school year they will employ 110 students.

"Fantastic," says Manager Mike Mesaric about industry growth. "It's exciting to realize that our greatest frustration is growth. It's an exciting problem. Last year we generated \$203,472 in student labor."

The farm employs 10 students during the school year and five during the summer and generates more than \$30,000 in student labor. Involved in all facets of dairy farming, students plant crops, mow and chop silage, assist with calving, feed and treat cattle and milk.

Manager Will Comley says, "Students who work [on the farm] become self-motivated and learn to work independently and responsibly without supervision. My workers know they are depended on and that the job has to be done."



Students who worked on campus last year earned \$210,000. Involved in every part of the academy's functions, students prepare the food, clean and maintain the buildings and grounds and work in the administrative offices or for the teaching staff.

Judi Berry, who began working at the academy the summer before her freshman year, just completed her fourth summer. "The biggest reason was I needed the money, but I really like it [summer work]. I enjoy the Christian friends." Judi believes Christian education is worth the effort. "I've learned a lot about God, what He means to me and what I mean to Him. And I've grown closer to my family by being here - I truly love and appreciate them."

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## Our teachers



Rosemarie Bechtel, a graduate of BMA, received a B.S. degree in biology and secondary education from Kutztown University in 1991. Mrs. Bechtel teaches chemistry, biology and anatomy and physiology.



David Benton teaches social studies and industrial education. He has taught for 23 years, 14 of these at BMA. Mr. Benton attended Loma Linda University and Bemidji University and holds a master's degree in industrial education.



Cary Corbin teaches math and physics. He has taught for 20 years, eight of these at BMA. Mr. Corbin graduated from Bloomsburg University with an education major and a math minor. He received the Zapara Award for Excellence in Teaching in 1991.



Mark Dalton has taught religion at BMA for four years, besides pastoring the BMA church. Elder Dalton attended Southern College and Andrews University, where he earned a master's of divinity degree.



Ed Eberhardt graduated from Andrews University with a B.S. degree in physical education. He has taught for seven years, four of these at BMA. Mr. Eberhardt teaches health and P.E. and coaches the Aerial Aires tumbling team.

Wendy Eberhardt has taught art for four years at BMA. She attended Andrews University.



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## A Message from the Principal



We all suffer from a terminal disease called sin! Death is guaranteed to us unless we discover for ourselves and use the Cure. The Cure is sure, but an enemy seeks to keep us from Him. The battle to obtain the Cure is fierce!

"Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the au-

thorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realm,"—*Ephesians* 6:11, 12 (NIV).

Satan is effective with his assaults. Our resistance must be constant.

"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up,"—*Education*, E.G. White, pages 13, 14. And Seventh-day Adventists must keep their youth in these schools. We must not risk letting those who do not understand "true education" distract our youth from that which is most essential.

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## Columbia Union Visitor 1994 Readership Survey

The *Visitor* staff is working to improve the magazine and make it more readable for all members in the Columbia Union. Because your opinion is an important part of making that happen, we are asking you to assist us by completing this readership survey.

Please remember the following:

1. There are no right or wrong answers. We need to know what you honestly think about the *Visitor*, so answer every question as accurately as possible. If no response applies, choose the answer which comes closest to your situation.
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### (Optional—Please Print)

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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4. Other \_\_\_\_\_
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3. Twice a month
4. Once a month
5. Occasionally
6. Never

**Q32.** Please indicate how often you attend church. **(Circle one)**

1. Every week
2. Three times a month
3. Twice a month
4. Once a month
5. Occasionally
6. Never

Thank you for your participation.

1. Please double check to be sure you answered each question on every page of the survey.

2. If you participated in a . . .

**Church survey,** please return this survey to the coordinator.

**Mail or Visitor survey,** please mail the survey to the address below. Your postage contribution and your time are appreciated. Your promptness in returning this survey will guarantee your being included in the survey results.

Columbia Union *Visitor Survey*; 5427 Twin Knolls Road;  
Columbia, MD 21045.

Survey deadline is November 1, 1994.





Nancy Edison attended Westminster Choir College, Combs College of Music and Atlantic Union College. She has a master's of music in organ performance. She has taught 35 years at BMA. Mrs. Edison teaches music dimension and theory,

keyboard and handbells. She received the Alma McKibbin Sabbatical Award in 1991 and the Zapara Award for Excellence in Teaching in 1993.



Duane Ferguson is the guidance counselor at BMA and teaches history and religion. He attended Andrews University and Kutztown University and has a master's degree in secondary counseling. Elder Ferguson, a BMA graduate, has taught for 21 years, 15 of these at BMA.



Elaine Ferguson attended Columbia Union College and Andrews University. She has worked in academy treasury work for 21 years, 15 of these at BMA. Mrs. Ferguson is the business manager of BMA and teaches accounting. She is also a BMA alumna.



Chuck Huenergardt became the director of graphic arts in July of 1993. He graduated from Andrews University with a bachelor of technology degree in aviation, graphic arts and woodworking. Mr. Huenergardt teaches graphic arts and photography.



Karyl Kramer teaches English and French. An alumna of BMA, Mrs. Kramer has taught here for six years. She attended Andrews University, Seminaire Adventist du Saleve and Columbia Union College. She has a B.A. in elementary

education and is certified in secondary English and French.



Barbara Mathias joined the English department at BMA this past year. She has a B.A. degree in English from Columbia Union College and received her secondary teaching certificate from Kutztown University. Mrs. Mathias is also the librarian and coordinates audio-visuals.



Donna Rouse has taught home economics for the past seven years at BMA. Mrs. Rouse has extensive experience in the areas of sewing, cooking and nutrition.



Marion Streidl graduated from Andrews University and has a master's degree in business education. She has taught business education classes at BMA for 32 years. Mrs. Streidl was inducted into the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society at Andrews University in 1989 and received the Zapara Award for Excellence in Teaching in 1990.

## Did You Know?

### 1993-94 Annual Fund Campaign succeeds!

This year's goal of \$30,000 from 700 alumni was successfully met by June 30 when 704 alumni gifted Blue Mountain Academy \$33,883.91 in unrestricted donations, reports Marion Streidl, annual fund coordinator. The \$7,500 challenge grant BMA receives from PSI for the successful completion of the campaign will make it possible to complete Phase I of computerizing the library.

THANK YOU, ALUMNI!



## Volunteers In Profile



Russ and Olive Lawton from Clearwater, Florida, responded to an ad in *Southern Tidings* asking for volunteers to spend the summer at BMA. They always go north for the summer, and Pennsylvania looked inviting. Lawton, a retired residential contractor with 43 years of building experience and a plumbing license, thought he could help out.

Arriving May 22 to be part of the "Re-building the Dream" volunteer project, Russ and Olive stayed until August 16, donating 12 weeks to the academy.

Russ had a major role in repairing the pool. He helped install new pipes, shovel gravel and build the concrete deck. Other jobs included repairs in the pool's pump house, the sewage plant's new piping and electrical repairs, plumbing and electrical repairs in various staff homes, installation of bathroom partitions in the boys' dorm and lots of odds and ends. He also oversaw the maintenance department for three weeks while the maintenance staff was on vacation.

Olive worked in the kitchen during the volunteer project, then moved to the administrative offices for July and August. Donating four hours each day, she worked in the development office and updated alumni records. She filled in as receptionist for two weeks while Diane Matthews was on vacation.

Russ highly recommends volunteer work. "It gives you something to do instead of just goofing off." But why BMA? "Christian education is a top priority. As far as I'm concerned, it's the church's top missionary project."



## Bullers join staff

Tom and Pam Buller join BMA's staff from Sunnydale Academy in Centralia, Missouri. Tom will teach music, including choir, band, Bel Canto, voice and instrument. Pam will be the registrar.

A graduate of Pacific Union College with a B.A. in arts and music, Tom has taught music on the secondary level for 18 years. His experience includes five academies.

Tom loves teaching music and says he looks forward to be-



ing a part of our program. With an emphasis in trombone, he hopes to have a brass ensemble.

Both Tom and Pam feel the Lord directly led in their move to Pennsylvania. When a friend called to tell them of the opening, Tom dismissed it since he planned to stay at Sunnydale. But both he and Pam were unsettled. In a direct answer to Pam's prayer, they received another telephone call from BMA, and this time they were willing to listen.

"The Lord made it quite clear - as clear as He's ever made it," says Tom. BMA is where the Lord wanted the Bullers. (And He already had Sunnydale's new music teacher waiting in the wings.)

The Buller family includes college student Tom; Cami, 11th grade; and Tim, eighth grade.

## New assistant boys' dean



Mark Leland Smith has joined the BMA faculty as chaplain and assistant dean of boys. A native Californian, Mark has a B.S. degree in computer science and a master of divinity from Andrews University.

Smith's responsibilities include religious activities coordinator, which he sees as having three components: spiritual nurturing of the student family, getting students to

help others (service) and bringing people to Christ. He also teaches freshman Bible.

"I see a very spiritual side to my job - a very practical level of youth ministry. This age (teen-age) is a decision-making point in teenagers' lives. And I will maintain a high level of involvement."

Both Mark and his wife, Andrea, felt directly led by God to come to BMA and state emphatically: "There is no question that this is where the Lord wanted us."

Andrea also has a B.S. in computer science and has taught grades kindergarten through 12. She plans to pursue a master's in secondary counseling at a local university but will spend most of her time raising their 1-year-old son, Solomon.



**What's  
happening  
around  
Potomac**

**September  
1994**

# Potomac People

POTOMAC CONFERENCE OF SDA

**Pathfinder  
Leadership  
Convention**

*Camp Blue Ridge*  
September 16 and 17  
(Corrected)

**Pathfinder Bike-A-  
Thon**

September 18

**Association of  
Adventist Women  
Annual Conference**  
*Arlington, VA*

September 29-  
October 2

**Grand Opening**  
*Waynesboro, VA,  
Church*

September 30-  
October 2

**Lay Training-  
Russell Burrill**  
*Norfolk Church*

October 8

**Romantic Couples  
Retreat**

*Camp Blue Ridge*  
October 14-16

**Disaster Training**  
*General Conference  
Hdqtrs Auditorium*

October 22

**50th Anniversary  
Celebration**

*Pennsylvania Avenue  
Church*

**Two Homecoming  
Weekends**

November 11-13  
November 18-20

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## Church ties with Slovakia strengthened during camp meeting



**Kamil Cak, baptized by  
Tony Mavrakos (right) in  
Kisice, Slovakia, is a  
1994 graduate of SVA.**

For a group of five  
Slovakian Adventists and  
one non-Adventist hus-  
band, the summer of  
1994 will be memorable  
in that they will have vis-  
ited the U.S. for the first  
time, experienced their first camp meeting and  
gotten to know members of the New Market

church who helped make the evangelistic efforts in Kosice and Zilina  
and their trip possible.

During camp meeting, we heard Jan Muran, secretary of the Slovak  
Conference and interpreter for Pastor Schlisner during the Zilina ef-  
fort, speak movingly of the difficulties of being a Christian during the  
Communist era in Czechoslovakia. Jan was accompanied by his wife,  
Maria. During camp meeting, their daughter Lea, a student at South-  
western College in Keene, Texas, joined her parents for a family re-  
union. They had not seen Lea for a year.

Jan thanked the New Market congregation for sponsoring their  
trip to the U.S. This was the first time any of them had ever trav-  
eled to this country.

"Slovakia" continued on page PP-4



**Peter Januska, right, with  
Pastor Buz Menhardt, is in  
charge of youth programs  
in western Slovakia.**



## Almost Home 1844-1944



Sabbath, October 22, 1994, is a memorial anniversary. The subject of our Sabbath school lesson that day will recognize the 150th anniversary of what C. Mervyn Maxwell in his new book calls the "magnificent disappointment."

Many Adventists find it hard to believe that the Lord has delayed His coming. After all, our prophet said, "He could have come long ere this."

I grew up believing He would come before I would finish school or get married, but I graduated from SVA and CUC and got married. Jeanie and I were sure He would come before we had children or I would be ordained. Instead, we're back in Potomac for a third term of service. Yet we still believe it's near.

What keeps Adventists believing His coming is near? I hope you still do. Jesus taught us all to live always in expectation of His return, while at the same time He says, "Occupy until I come." The problem we have is a subtle one. Adventists reason, "If I can just know when He is coming, I will have time to get ready." Instead, Jesus tells us to *be ready*.

The Bible says we don't know the day nor the hour, so we focus instead on the year Jubilee Theology, the year 2000 and numerous other prophetic interpretations and eschatological theories are the focus of current fundamentalist and Adventist writers. A careful review of contemporary literature reveals that people really like to focus on facts and information rather than on faith and relationships.

Information about the end time should be an Adventist specialty. Our understanding of biblical interpretation and our rich heritage of Spirit of Prophecy counsel should steer us clear of fanciful and speculative theories about the end time. Yet we focus more on a future time of appearing rather than the reality of a practical relationship with Jesus NOW.

We need to live in the atmosphere of His coming today rather than the hope that we might be ready for His appearance tomorrow. According to the three parables Christ told about His return, being ready is more important than having the right information. The 10 virgins, the talents and the sheep-and-goat stories describe people who are Scripture-fed, Spirit-filled, disciplined and so selfless in their Christian service toward others that they are surprised when He comes and calls them chosen.

The contrasting group depends on the memory verses they once learned and the experience with the Spirit they plan to begin when they see the Sunday laws enforced. They are content to merely be members and are so self-centered that when He comes, they are surprised to find themselves among the lost.

For 150 years we've been talking about getting ready for the Lord to come. When He chooses to come, will you be ready?

**HERBERT BROECKEL**  
President



## Labors of love at Culpeper

Culpeper, Virginia, church members have been doing an outstanding work in the field of Community Services over the past six years as they collect, sort and pack good used clothing for distribution by the Adventist Development and Relief Agency. Irene Torac, who is 83 years young, has been a member at Culpeper since 1950 and graciously offers her home as the work site for this important but sometimes tedious labor. She is quick to add that this work is possible because of the assistance, efforts and support of many church members.

A community thrift shop has been an important source of supply as they donate their overstock, much of which is new clothing. Irene estimates that over the years about 4,000 boxes have been prepared and shipped to ADRA from the Culpeper church.

Until his death three years ago at the age of 102, Irene's husband was also active in this work. A strong missionary spirit motivates Irene to continue this behind-the-scenes labor of love.

**ROGER WEISS**  
Director of Community Services



Mildred Sterne, a member of the Silver Spring, Maryland, church who has resided at the Arcola Nursing and Rehab Center in Wheaton since 1989, was honored in the nursing home on her 89th birthday by Pastor Dan George and other friends of her church family.

Mildred was baptized into the Arlington, Virginia, church in 1967 as a result of a crusade by Pastor Carney

and subsequent studies by Bible worker Ruth Baierle. Her original interest came by way of a stay in the Leland Memorial Hospital and the Christian witness of Helen French (now of the Luray, Virginia, church). She retired from the U.S. Government General Accounting Office in 1970.

**VIVIAN ROSS**  
Silver Spring Communication Leader



## Soccer evangelism

Soccer fans of many nations experienced spectacular excitement from the World Cup finals that were played in various stadiums across the United States. Taking advantage of the festive, competitive spirit and good will of thousands of national and international soccer fans, several Wash-

**Soccer fans at the meetings: Ethel Amaya with her son, Juan Pablo Jr. in her arms and Jim Parada.**

being a soccer ball.

As a grand finale, the Alexandria, Central D.C. and Silver Spring Hispanic churches celebrated a baptism in Brighton Dam on



## A work not to be neglected

Glacier View Ranch near Denver, Colorado, was the site of the Adventist prison ministries convention held June 23-26. Potomac Conference is fortunate that the volunteer coordinators for prison ministries, Donald and Elinor McGlaufflin,

though we may have different names for our various ministries and work in different ways, we are glad to be working under the same umbrella—APMA—with guidelines for our ministry that protect the workers and the church from unfavorable outcomes and publicity that might arise without such directives.

The workshops on regeneration given by Janet Cambern and Hal Gates, while based on the 12 steps of AA, focus on the Higher Power, Jesus, not just some vague being. Addiction presents itself in many forms besides alcoholism, such as with food, money, overwork, hypochondria, even religion. Understanding that that which controls us is our addiction is an aid in ministering to inmates who often are addicts of drugs, alcohol and other agents.

New officers for the next three years are: Danny McManus, president; Paul Massey, vice president; Eliece Colburn, recording secretary; and Fernando Gutierrez,



**Prison ministers included Potomac's Donald McGlaufflin (end of table) of Virginia.**

were able to attend, bringing back the following report:

Away from all the distractions of the world and 9,000 feet above sea level, we fellowshiped with others engaged in like mission activities, working for the incarcerated in various jails and prisons across the land. We will long remember the inspiration, learning, joy of fellowship and the beauty of the surroundings.

The devotions presented the theme of unity. Al-

treasurer.

Anyone in Potomac interested in joining APM, please contact Donald and Elinor McGlaufflin, 1125-B Main Street, Madison Heights, VA 24572; and the necessary papers will be sent to you. Or call Roger Weiss at the conference office. We look forward to many more workers joining us in bringing the hope that is in Jesus to those who are incarcerated.

**ROGER WEISS**  
Church Ministries



ington Metro Hispanic SDA churches organized a week-long series of evangelistic meetings. The games provided interesting parallels between winners and losers, rules of the game and the application to spiritual truths. A nightly drawing took place in some of the churches with the "prize"

Sabbath afternoon. Twenty people were baptized.

While the World Cup games brought their temporary rewards, these fade with time; however, the "prize" offered by our Lord has no match in joy, peace and eternal significance.

**ROGER WEISS**  
Hispanic Ministries

## PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE SDA CHURCH 50th Anniversary Celebration

**Two Homecoming Weekends**  
**November 11-13**  
**November 18-20**

**All former members and friends are invited.**

For further information, please contact:  
Mildred A. Tuma  
9210 Columbine Lane  
Upper Marlboro, MD 20772  
(301) 559-6774



## "Slovakia" continued from PP-1

Viola Staudingerova, a Zilina effort convert, and her husband, Valdo (Vladimir), speak and understand some English, so the content of camp meeting was not totally lost to them. Also, Jan provided a running account of what was transpiring for many of the meetings.

Viola spoke movingly during the Sabbath afternoon program on "what it was like for me to answer when Jesus knocked at the door of my heart." Her husband, Vladimir, is a member of the Slovakian government commission charged with returning lands expropriated by the Communists in the 1940s to the former owners and descendants. Viola is an architectural engineer and construction bid preparer in



**Slovakian members Vladamir and Viola Staudinger.**

the private sector.

Michal Jurecko, 23, is a third-generation Adventist who helped in the Slovakian efforts. He also did some interpretation in Lynn's series. Michal is a university student majoring in education and English.

Peter Januska, 19, a student of electronic engineering, helped Pastor Buz Menhardt with the FLAG



**Slovakian Conference Secretary Jan Moran and his wife, Maria.**

camp in Bratislava, the capital of Slovakia, and remained here during the summer to participate in several camps. Peter is in charge of church youth programs for the western part of Slovakia. He wanted to learn as much as possible about organizing and developing activities for children and young people that he can apply to his native Slovakia upon his return home.

Another Slovakian friend, Kamil Cak, a convert from Tony Mavrakos' evangelistic series in Kosice, graduated from SVA this spring and was present for the camp meeting. He will attend Southern College in Collegedale, Tennessee, in the fall, studying for the ministry.

Jan and his wife, Maria, traveled in the area and visited Slovakian friends and believers in New Jersey before departing July 11 from New York. Vlado and Viola left on July 4 from Dulles International Airport.

Taken from *In Touch*, a publication of the New Market Church, July 1994



## Albert and Margaret Gatz: Vows renewed after 50 years

On Sunday, June 5, at 11 a.m. Albert and Margaret Gatz of Millers Tavern renewed their wedding vows in the presence of Pastor Clinton Adams, family and friends in the Tappahannock Church.

Margaret, dressed in a pale mauve two-piece dress, carried a bouquet of white silk roses (a close copy of her June 4, 1944, wedding day bouquet). She was given away by their oldest son, Pastor Lynn Gatz of Randolph, New York. Her younger sister, Mary Baker of Barnet, Vermont, was her matron of honor.

Albert, dressed in a dark suit with a white silk rose boutonniere, was attended by their second son, Stephen, as his best man.

Grandchildren Lisa Gatz and Marcus Crawley attended the guest book, and Douglas Crawley and Brian Gatz were ushers. Donna Gatz, wife of Lynn, arranged the music and played the organ. Bjarne Ossum, of Dunnsville, sang,



**Albert and Margaret Gatz**

accompanied on the piano by Karen Wolcott from Laneview.

Daughters Patricia Larson of Free Soil, Michigan, and Darlene Crawley of Roanoke Hills, North Carolina; sons Lynn of Randolph, New York, Stephen and Douglas, both of Hagerstown, Maryland, and their spouses planned the decorations and program. They put together a slide program of family history beginning at Albert and Margaret's first meeting. Stephen presented a few songs their father sang at a talent show when he was younger.

The program was followed by a buffet dinner for 90 people, catered by Ginger Wilkin of Loretto.

**VIRGINIA PEARSON**  
Tappahannock Communication Leader

## Wheaton Bible school no longer on vacation

This past July, 60 children and 28 adults enjoyed the first Vacation Bible School at the Wheaton church in two years.

"I think VBS is cool," said Fiona, one of 39 neighborhood children experiencing VBS for the first time. "I enjoyed doing crafts the most," said her friend Tachise. Director Susan DiBiase chose "God's World" as the theme for the week and activities were structured to meet the needs of ages 4 to 12 years old.

Mario, another child from the community, asked, "Is this going to go for another week?" After such an enthusiastic response, one wonders how many lives would have been touched if the Wheaton church had held VBS during the past two years. There will be no VBS next week, Mario, but we will have one next year.

**DENVER SWABY**  
Wheaton Communication Leader





## Columbia Union Visitor 1994 Readership Survey

The *Visitor* staff is working to improve the magazine and make it more readable for all members in the Columbia Union. Because your opinion is an important part of making that happen, we are asking you to assist us by completing this readership survey.

Please remember the following:

1. There are no right or wrong answers. We need to know what you honestly think about the *Visitor*, so answer every question as accurately as possible. If no response applies, choose the answer which comes closest to your situation.

2. If you would like for your answers to remain confidential, please do not sign your name to the survey. If you would like for us to respond to specific concerns, please include your name and address. We'll get back to you as quickly as possible.

### (Optional—Please Print)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**Q1.** The *Visitor* is published twice a month for all Adventist members in the Columbia Union, do you receive it in your home? (Please **circle one** number)

1. Yes                      2. No

**Q2.** How long have you been receiving the *Visitor*? (**Circle one** number)

1. Less than 1 year  
2. 1 to 2 years  
3. 3 to 10 years  
4. More than 10 years

**Q3.** How was your name entered on the *Visitor* mailing list? (**Circle one**)

1. By the church clerk or pastor  
2. I called the Conference or the *Visitor* office  
3. A friend or relative submitted my name  
4. Other \_\_\_\_\_  
5. I don't know

**Q4.** Including yourself, **how many** in your household read the *Visitor*?

- \_\_\_\_\_ Number of male readers  
\_\_\_\_\_ Number of female readers

**Q5.** How many *Visitor* readers in your household other than yourself are under 27 years of age? (**Circle one** number)

1. One person  
2. Two or three persons  
3. Four or more persons  
4. None

**Q6.** When do you usually receive your copy of the *Visitor*? (Please **circle one** number)

1. Within 1 or 2 days of cover date  
(Date shown on cover)  
2. Within 3-7 days of cover date  
3. Within 8-10 days of cover date  
4. 11 days or more  
5. I don't know

**Q7.** How long do you normally spend reading each issue of the *Visitor*? (**Circle one** number)

1. Less than 1/2 hour  
2. Between 1/2 hour and one hour  
3. More than one hour  
4. I don't read it at all

Continue on next page



**Q8.** Rate the following *Visitor* cover items: **(Please use the following scale and circle the appropriate number before each item listed)**

- 1 Like
- 2 Dislike
- 3 No opinion

- 1 2 3 Colors
- 1 2 3 Readability
- 1 2 3 Appeal
- 1 2 3 Design
- 1 2 3 Photographs

**Q9.** Which type of *Visitor* cover do you prefer? **(Please rate in order of preference with your favorite being 1)**

- \_\_\_\_\_ People
- \_\_\_\_\_ Places
- \_\_\_\_\_ Nature
- \_\_\_\_\_ Events
- \_\_\_\_\_ Graphics
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Q10.** Indicate how often you read each of these information sections of the *Visitor*: **(Please use the following scale and circle the appropriate number before each section listed)**

- 1 Never
- 2 Seldom
- 3 Usually
- 4 Always

- 1 2 3 4 About the Cover
- 1 2 3 4 Legal Notices
- 1 2 3 4 News pages
- 1 2 3 4 Obituaries
- 1 2 3 4 Sunset Table

**Q11.** What length feature articles do you prefer in the *Visitor*? **(Circle one)**

- 1. One page
- 2. Two pages
- 3. Three pages or more

**Q12.** Which advertisements do you pay particular attention to in the *Visitor*? **(Circle as many as you wish)**

- 1. Classifieds
- 2. Small display ads
- 3. Half-page and full-page ads
- 4. Inserts in center of magazine
- 5. Back cover ads
- 6. Color ads
- 7. None

**Q13.** Help us rate the individual sections of the *Visitor*. **(Please use these five criteria and circle the appropriate number before each section listed)**

- 1 Not familiar with this
- 2 Not helpful, could be dropped
- 3 Has some value occasionally
- 4 Quite valuable, keep about same level
- 5 Very valuable, would like to see more

(Pages 2 and 3)

- 1 2 3 4 5 Editorial
- 1 2 3 4 5 Face 2 Face
- 1 2 3 4 5 Pastoral Memory
- 1 2 3 4 5 Family Life
- 1 2 3 4 5 Cartoon

(Other pages)

- 1 2 3 4 5 Living the Vision (pg 4)
- 1 2 3 4 5 Vision 2000 (pg 6)
- 1 2 3 4 5 Kay Kuzma family box
- 1 2 3 4 5 *A Healing Ministry*
- 1 2 3 4 5 *The Gateway* (CUC)
- 1 2 3 4 5 Your conference news
- 1 2 3 4 5 News from other conferences

**Q14.** Do you find special issues like the camp meeting issue helpful? **(Circle one)**

- 1. Yes
- 2. No

**Q15.** What other special issues would you like to receive? **(Circle as many as you wish)**

- 1 Health
- 2 Family
- 3 Adventist history
- 4 Adventist doctrines
- 5 Education
- 6 Other \_\_\_\_\_

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**Q16.** Have you ever: **(Circle as many as you wish)**

- 1 Once
- 2 Two to three times
- 3 Several times
- 4 Never

- 1 2 3 4 Used an ABC \$1-off Coupon
- 1 2 3 4 Used the 800-number Resource and Response Line
- 1 2 3 4 Submitted a story or photograph to the *Visitor*
- 1 2 3 4 Responded to a classified ad in the *Visitor*
- 1 2 3 4 Written a letter to the *Visitor*
- 1 2 3 4 Requested an address or name change

**Q17.** When the *Visitor* carries pages from another source, which ones do you read? **(Circle as many as you wish)**

- 1. Advertising inserts such as *Signs* or ARMS (Adventist Resource Management Service)
- 2. Local conference newsletters
- 3. NAD issue of the *Adventist Review*
- 4. None

**Q18.** The actual cost of each *Visitor* subscription is about \$10 a year. Do you feel you are getting a full value? **(Circle one)**

- 1. Yes
- 2. No

If "No," what changes could increase the value of this publication (attach another page if necessary)? \_\_\_\_\_

**Q19.** Which of the following magazines do you receive in the mail? **(Circle Yes or No)**

- |     |    |                                |
|-----|----|--------------------------------|
| Yes | No | <i>Liberty</i>                 |
| Yes | No | <i>Message</i>                 |
| Yes | No | <i>El Centinela</i>            |
| Yes | No | <i>Listen</i>                  |
| Yes | No | <i>Adventist Review</i>        |
| Yes | No | <i>Signs</i>                   |
| Yes | No | <i>Insight</i>                 |
| Yes | No | <i>Guideposts</i>              |
| Yes | No | <i>Today's Christian Woman</i> |
| Yes | No | Other _____                    |
| Yes | No | Other _____                    |

**Q20.** Of the magazines to which you answered yes in the previous question, how long do you normally spend reading them? **(Select a number from the following scale)**

- 1 Less than 1/2 hour
- 2 Between 1/2 hour and one hour
- 3 More than one hour

- |   |   |   |                                |
|---|---|---|--------------------------------|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | <i>Liberty</i>                 |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | <i>Message</i>                 |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | <i>El Centinela</i>            |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | <i>Listen</i>                  |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | <i>Adventist Review</i>        |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | <i>Signs</i>                   |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | <i>Insight</i>                 |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | <i>Guideposts</i>              |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | <i>Today's Christian Woman</i> |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | Other _____                    |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | Other _____                    |

**Q21.** What importance do you place on reading the *Visitor*? **(Use the following scale and circle the appropriate number before each section listed)**

- 1 Very important
- 2 Somewhat important
- 3 No importance

- |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | To get news of the Columbia Union Conference            |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | To be informed about the church's direction and mission |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | To receive spiritual inspiration                        |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | To learn what upcoming events are scheduled             |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | To see what is being advertised                         |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | To read about local conference                          |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | To read about local academy                             |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | To learn about health ministries and hospitals          |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | To read about CUC or KCMA                               |

**Q22.** Do you share your *Visitor* with non-Seventh-day Adventist friends? **(Circle as many as you wish)**

- 1. One in your household
- 2. More than one in your household
- 3. One or more outside your household
- 4. None

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**Q23.** What is your current marital status? **(Circle one)**

1. Single, never married
2. Married
3. Divorced
4. Widowed
5. Separated

**Q24.** How many children are in your household? **(Circle one)**

1. One
2. Two
3. Three
4. Four or more
5. None

**Q25.** What are the ages of the children in your household? **(Circle all that apply)**

1. Birth to three years of age
2. Four to eight years of age
3. Nine to 12 years of age
4. Thirteen to 17 years of age
5. Eighteen or older

**Q26.** Which of the following best describes your racial or ethnic identification? **(Circle only one)**

1. Asian/South Pacific
2. African-American
3. Hispanic
4. White/Caucasian
5. Other

**Q27.** Which is the highest level of education that you have completed? **(Circle only one)**

1. Grade school or less
2. Some high school
3. High school degree
4. Some college
5. College degree
6. Some graduate work
7. A graduate degree

**Q28.** What is your gender? **(Circle one)**

1. Male
2. Female

**Q29.** What is your age? **(Circle one)**

1. 27 years or under
2. 28 to 44
3. 45 to 55
4. 56 to 65
5. Over 66

**Q30.** How long have you been a baptized member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church? **(Circle one)**

1. Less than 1 year
2. 1 to 3 years
3. 4 to 6 years
4. 7 to 10 years
5. 11 to 20 years
6. 21 years or more
7. Not a baptized member

**Q31.** Please indicate how often you attend Sabbath school. **(Circle one)**

1. Every week
2. Three times a month
3. Twice a month
4. Once a month
5. Occasionally
6. Never

**Q32.** Please indicate how often you attend church. **(Circle one)**

1. Every week
2. Three times a month
3. Twice a month
4. Once a month
5. Occasionally
6. Never

Thank you for your participation.

1. Please double check to be sure you answered each question on every page of the survey.

2. If you participated in a . . .

**Church survey,** please return this survey to the coordinator.

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Columbia Union *Visitor Survey*; 5427 Twin Knolls Road;  
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Survey deadline is November 1, 1994.



## Is this true, teacher? Discernment and the Christ-centered curriculum

"Is this story true, teacher?" The questioner was one of many students who have asked that question through the years. He had just finished reading a story from the Seventh-day Adventist Life Series Reading Program. The story that prompted his question was based on a Bible story, and he wanted to make sure he could trust what it said.

Children in grades one through three constantly seek me out to make sure what they read is true and not like the world of make-believe they often watch on television. They become particularly excited when I have them read their story from the Bible for the first time. They are amazed to learn that they can find the stories they've heard from the Sabbath school helps in their Bible.

I checked out my theory about children becoming excited about learning to read from the Bible this past Christmas when my 6-year-old granddaughter came to visit from England. At first, I showed her the two divisions of the Bible—the Old Testament and the New Testament. After that, I asked, "Would you like to read your memory verse from the Bible?"

"Is my memory verse in the Bible?" she asked expectantly.

"Yes, Claudia, here it is," I responded.

Her response to this experience was as I had already expected it would be. At first, she read it to herself, and then she wanted to read it to anyone who would listen to her. It was as though she had found a hidden treasure. I believe she had found a precious

treasure, and all afternoon she read from her Bible looking up other memory verses and Bible stories.

Claudia loves her own Bible and reads it all the time. Her next discovery was that the words in red are Jesus' words. She really does love reading those words.

Christ in the reading curriculum is more than just reading from the Bible. Christian teachers have the responsibility for teaching their students to read critically. That means we teach them to think about what they have read and make judgments about the ideas. We want our students to be thinkers for themselves.

One day while I was helping my second-graders work on their science projects, one little boy declared, "This book can't be right. It says that's billions and billions of years old." He and I worked together and decided what parts he could accept and what parts he had to throw away. In this experience, he was learning that he has to decide what he can believe and what he must ignore.

Learning to read is an exciting adventure and one of the most important learning events. Learning to think about what you read is a new learning experience, as well. It becomes just as exciting for me and my students as they explore together the oft-repeated question, "Is this true, teacher?"

**ANNA DUNBEBIN**

Teacher, John Nevins Andrews School



## Tappahannock's school year-end program

June 2 was a high day for Tappahannock Junior Academy. It was the closing program for the 1993-94 school year.

Loreen Townsend played "Pomp and Circumstance" as the kindergarten graduates were escorted down the aisle by Sarah Outten and Scott Wolcott, second- and first-grade students. After a welcome by Pastor Clinton Adams, grade three through seven students played the chimes that were purchased at the beginning of the school year.

Principal Peggy Warren and school board Chairman Dennis Hill spoke, and then student improvement awards were presented. Melody Courtney received the perfect attendance award. Jessika Hill, a seventh-grader, read the tribute to the graduates in the form of a poem.

The Parents of the Year Award went to Roderick and Sharon Outten of Gwenfield, and the Volunteer of the Year Award was shared by Wayne Whary and Hollis Wolcott. The kindergarten students then re-

ceived their diplomas.

The playgrounds were enhanced this year, as were the facilities for the kindergarten and pre-kindergarten programs. A Noah's Ark jungle gym was added to the playground and a playhouse for the girls with a tree house above for the boys is a great attraction. Two art easels have been donated and many other program enhancers.

The children at TJA were above average and above



**Kindergarten graduates (left to right): Wietske Delano, Nicholas Schram, Christopher Outten and Tristan Filkoski; not pictured is Edward Ross.**

the 80th percentile in the ITBS tests that were taken toward the end of the school year, making great strides in learning under the leadership of Principal Warren.

**VIRGINIA PEARSON**

Tappahannock Communication Leader



## Christ-centered literature: There's a Bible study in every book

The Great Controversy is being played out before our eyes. I have never interacted before with so many children from divorced and single-parent families. Children have questions for which they need answers, and literature can give those answers.

I use literature to answer questions such as: "Why do bad things happen to good people?" "Where is God when we have tragedies like floods and hurricanes?" "Am I to blame when problems hit my family and I don't know what to do?"

Sometimes I use historical fiction to fulfill two goals. We learn about the conflicts various characters have, but we also have an opportunity to get a glimpse at history through the eyes of the major characters.

We began the year with Esther Forbes' *Johnny Tremain* and Scott O'Dell's *Sarah Bishop*. Both of these selections deal with teenagers in crisis during the Revolutionary War.

Johnny Tremain, a silversmith apprentice, was arrogant, and his disposition was not pleasant at all. Johnny experienced many changes in his life after he burned his hand pouring liquid silver on the Sabbath. Many times before, Johnny had been forced to recite

passages from the Bible as punishment for his misdeeds. His parents hoped he'd learn and turn from the error of his ways.

While we studied this book, I asked the students to consider questions like: "Was Johnny being punished for working on the Sabbath?" "Was God trying to teach him a lesson?" "Where was God when Johnny really needed a friend?"

Sarah Bishop has to deal with the hateful behavior of "religious" people. They kill her father and burn her home. To add insult to injury, her brother dies on a prison ship. For this book, we examine questions such as: "Should we model our behavior after the members of our church family?" "Why did the members of Sarah's church feel they were justified in their behavior?"

After studying Johnny Tremain, the students decided that the Lord wasn't punishing Johnny. They concluded he was suffering the consequences of his own behaviors and experiencing the results of choices others had made. The students learned that God doesn't "cut us off" from His care and that He was there for Johnny.

Because they studied Sa-

rah Bishop, the students were able to look at the sin problem and decide that sin hurts and destroys. They learned that the only solution for the sin problem is a Saviour.

Literature is valuable and important in Christian classrooms. A good book can become the springboard to grace orientation and help to give students a greater awareness and appreciation of God's love. In every story I choose to have my students read, there is a message about Jesus, and isn't that the goal of Christian education? In every piece of literature used in a Christian school should be a Bible study that turns hearts toward Jesus, the Saviour.

**ANDREA HERRINGTON**

Principal, Shenandoah Valley Adventist Elementary School

## How truth is taught in math class

The summer before I began my first year of teaching, a wise teacher taught me a valuable lesson. "Help your students to identify truth," she counseled me. In my math class, I do that when I teach the fact  $4+4=8$  and tell students this represents truth because "truth can be counted on again and again."

One of our important tasks is teaching students to

think critically, to explore and to ask questions. Beyond this, we must teach Christian students to know that there are absolutes they can depend upon. The measure of a right angle will always be 90 degrees, while a straight line measures 180 degrees. As we teach students these simple truths, we reinforce their understanding that "the truth of the Lord endures forever." (Psalm 117:2)

Lord Bertrand Russell wrote: "Mathematics possesses not only truth but supreme beauty." (*The Study of Mathematics*) As we teach truth and help our students discover beauty in the order of mathematics, we also can encourage a relationship with the Maker and Creator of all truth and beauty.

"I do not know what I may appear to the world, but to myself, I seem to have been only like a boy playing on the sea shore finding a smoother pebble or a prettier shell than ordinary whilst the great ocean of truth lay all undiscovered before me," wrote Sir Isaac Newton. (*Brewster's Memoirs of Newton*)

As a Christian teacher, I have an opportunity to point children to the One who has counted the sands of the sea, who numbers the stars and calls them by name, who knows the number of hairs on each child's head, the Great Mathematician, the Maker of all truth.

**PEGGY FLYNT**

Teacher, Beltsville Elementary School

## Education accomplishments

A report of accomplishments of the last school year and some projections for the coming year are listed below:

- Ended last year with 46 students
- Projection of 60 students for this year
- 5 graduates this year
- 5 computers have been donated - and 10 more are to be donated soon
- 25 received the National Fitness Award
- 5 achieved Presidential Fitness Award
- 3 baptisms from the school last year
- Received a 386 IBM compatible computer as an incentive from the sale of fruit.

Roanoke, *The Newsletter*, August 1994

## Grand Opening The New Waynesboro Church September 30—October 2

Vesper Program  
Church Service  
Fellowship Dinner  
Concert—Bruce and Cynthia Coston  
Grand Tour

Friday, 7 p.m.  
Sabbath a.m.  
After church  
Sabbath, 4 p.m.  
Sunday, 2-5 p.m.



# Student stories

## Bob and the big, bulky boat

Bob and his boys built a big, bulky boat. Bob and his boys built the big, bulky boat because "The Begotten" beckoned them to build. "The Begotten" breathed that billions of buckets of water would bolt from the heavens and bubble from the bottom.

Bob and the boys were to bring bellowing beasts and bouncy birds, that would make you go bonkers, into the big, bulky boat. But why? So the bubbling water would not baffle them.

The big, bulky boat had billions of bogus odors. And it bounced backwards and forwards on the big black bay for 40 boring days and 40 blank nights.

"Boy, oh boy, it's a bush!" blurted Bob. Bob, the boys and their big, bulky boat bounced, bumped and bang!—they were bound to a big boulder. Their bogus bowl-along had been brought to an end.

**JOY DUERKSEN**  
Eighth-grade Sligo Student

## Daniel in the lions' den

Daniel was devoted to the Divine Deity. There was a dictator—Darius—who was devoted to Daniel. Different diminutive dukes devised documents to destroy Daniel. Daily the dukes discovered that Daniel was decent. The detrimental dukes determined to make a law that decreed that everyone had to defy the dictator Darius for 30 days. If any denizens disobeyed the decree, they were to be deposited in the den of lions. The dictator Darius decided the decree was dependable.

The dukes knew that Daniel was devoted to the Divine Deity, and they could denounce him. One day they discovered Daniel declaring his dedication to the Divine Deity. They denounced him to Darius. Darius was greatly distressed! He was determined to deliver Daniel.

Darius could not deviate from his decree. Daniel was deposited down into the lions' den. At dusk, dictator Darius was in emotional distress.

At dawn, Darius descended to the den. He discovered that Daniel had not been devoured! Angels deterred the lions from devouring the Divine Deity's devoted disciple. And the dictator Darius was delighted that Daniel was not dead.

Darius discharged Daniel from the den. The different, desperate dukes and their families were deposited in the den, and the dandy lions devoured them before they descended.

**KEEGAN FLANNIGAN**  
Eighth-grade Sligo Student

## The cheater

The Cheater had a copious consignment of cask. The Cheater was the chief customs collector that the community condemned.

Christ commuted to a city, the community where the Cheater cheated. The Cheater craved the company of Christ. The Cheater was too chunky to see over the crowd. So the Cheater charged ahead of the crowd and climbed a tree to contemplate Christ.

Christ saw the Cheater and cried out, "Zacchaeus, come down. I must go to your house today."

The crowd was cross, but Zacchaeus was so cheery that he consented not to cheat citizens and would confer four times the amount he cheated them.

**JEANNIE YOON**

# Camp meeting memories

Potomac  
People



**Top: Under the big tent.**



**Left: Ron and Karen Flowers presented a seminar.**

**Below: The Filipino band played on Sabbath afternoon.**

**Bottom: Elain Meyers' bell choir performs.**

photos by Laura McComas





In Step 2, the students underlined the nouns, pronouns, adjectives and adverbs they had used in their

Many times students discovered their newly selected word was a verb rather than the adjective they needed to complete their sentence. Sometimes they had to

The student articles you see on page 7 of *Potomac People* will show you that students found Jesus' love shining through the language arts class that featured alliteration.

## The rewards of a Christian teacher

When setting up class expectations, the Christian

I pray that it all adds up for math students: Their teachers care, the church cares, and most of all, Jesus cares about them. Each child is of infinite value.

Teacher, Shenandoah Valley Adventist Elementary School

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