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# Deskside Chats



## "I Have Chosen You"

MEMORY conjures up a vivid picture of schoolboy days. It's that precious noon hour time, lengthened by the hasty eating of peanut butter sandwiches and an apple. There's a rush for the playground with a shout of, "Let's play ball."

Quickly, and by popular acclaim, George and Jerry are picked to be the captains. They hit the hardest, run the fastest, throw the farthest, and catch the best. Good sports but intense rivals, they're naturals for the leader slots.

Now, while the rest of us stand close, they toss the bat. George catches it, gripping the handle about six inches from the top. Jerry fits his hand against George's around the bat. George quickly brings up his other hand. Calculating shrewdly, he loosens his fingers as much as he can, but it's not enough. Jerry can still get the tips of his fingers far enough down over the top to lift the bat, and he wins the right to pick the first player.

For us smaller boys, this is the moment of truth. George and Jerry cast careful eyes over the group and the choosing begins. The bigger, faster boys are quickly picked, standing beside their leader as they are chosen. Then the pace slackens as the smaller fellows are selected. The unwritten rule is that no one must be left out, but each captain wants to keep his team strong, so he chooses with careful deliberation.

I doubt that I will live long enough to forget the sweet agony of those waiting moments. When would I be chosen? Smug satisfaction if near the first, bitter dejection if left till last.

Now, a generation later, most of us find that the same agony still persists. It has been sophisticated, sublimated, and controlled, but it's still there. We feel it when promotion time comes around and when the nominating committee reports. And it is always with us as we hunger for acceptance, appreciation, and recognition.

Jesus knew all about this powerful human emotion. Despite its dangers, He saw it as a strong stimulus to high performance. He chided His disciples for disputing about who should be greatest, but He found measureless satisfaction in knowing that they wanted to be on His team.

That's why, during His last conversation with them before His death, Jesus said: "I have chosen you." John 15:16.

This marvelous assurance He repeats to every one of His children. "I have chosen you."

It matters not whether you are the janitor or the president, the listener or the preacher, the secretary who transcribes the letter or the executive who dictates it. One assurance only is important. The most significant, the most satisfying experience you can have is to hear Jesus say, "I have chosen you."

Cordially,

*P. H. Eldridge*

Paul H. Eldridge, President



## To Ponder . . .

About 1949, an Okinawan Seventh-day Adventist living in Hawaii heard that the food situation on his homeland isle was so desperate that mothers did not have an adequate diet. They could not produce enough milk to nurse their babies.

He rounded up 666 goats and asked the U.S. government to ship them from Hawaii to Okinawa. He himself went on the transport ship to help care for the animals. Upon his arrival, he gave the goats to the most needy families. Thus, Brother Yahiku had done a great service for the physical welfare of his own people.

But his mission did not stop there! He had within his heart and mind the truths which we believe must be heralded everywhere. His niece, Mrs. Isukayamia, was a Bible instructor in a Protestant church. Our good brother proceeded to give her Bible studies. The Holy Spirit enlightened her mind, and she became the first Seventh-day Adventist convert on the island.

Widowed, with four young children to care for, she knew they too must grow up in the faith which she now loved. Day by day, in the home, she gave them instruction from the Word of God. In the early days there was no Adventist school or church to help her in these teachings. The home had to provide for her children's spiritual needs. All four children grew up loving God. Later they were baptized. Today they are faithful workers and members of the remnant church, which now flourishes in Okinawa.

Two years ago, it was my privilege to meet Brother Yahiku, who had brought the goats to Okinawa in 1949. He has remained there, is a businessman, and is still an encouragement to the members of the church he attends. His niece, Mrs. Tsukayama, has been a Bible worker for this denomination, but is now retired. It was a pleasure to greet her; a widowed mother who without her husband's help trained her children in the way in which they should go.

Her son, Shigeru, was my translator at the morning worship hour in this same church. He is one of the four children who are all still faithful to the early teachings of their mother, from God's Holy Word. He holds the important position of mission secretary and is a departmental secretary, too. He is also personnel manager of the Adventist Medical Clinic in Naha, the capital city of the island.

Shigeru chose a lovely Christian to be his life companion. She has upheld in every way the high standards God has set for our homes. She is endeavoring to help her two children form characters which will make them acceptable in the sight

of God for service here on earth and in the kingdom to come. Truly, she is an exemplary Seventh-day Adventist mother, known in the gates (see Proverbs 31:31) for her good works in her home. She is Parent-Home secretary for the Okinawa Mission, and we believe no better person could have been chosen to foster this work than this Godly woman, who practices in her own home what she is endeavoring to teach others.

*Marion L. Simmons*

## TO STRENGTHEN THE HOME

### Day of Prayer Called For New European Broadcasts

Church members have been invited to make October 2 a special day of prayer for new broadcasts in Europe which commence the previous day. In a recent action the General Conference Committee requested churches around the world to set aside time for prayers for the new broadcast project. In the week beginning October 1 broadcasts in 15 languages will originate from powerful 250,000 watt transmitters located on the Portuguese Atlantic coast.

The first broadcasts in the new series are expected to be in Italian, followed by Romanian, Slovene, Macedonian, and Greek. English and German will be added on Sabbath, October 2, and the following day broadcasts will start in Polish, Arabic, French, and Czechoslovakian. Other languages, including Hungarian, Serbian, Russian, Ukrainian and Croatian, will be released during the following week.

For many of these language groups this will be the first time ever that the Adventist church has prepared broadcasts. Without the blessing of the Holy Spirit, Robert H. Pierson, General Conference president, and his associates feel that nothing good can be accomplished. Churches in North America, which have already committed large sums of money to the project, will join with believers in Europe, who are eagerly anticipating the first programs, and other members around the world, praying for successful evangelism through this outreach of Adventist World Radio.

—Walter R. L. Scragg, Associate Secretary,  
Radio-TV Department, General Conference

### COVER PHOTO

One of 21 Seventh-day Adventist hospitals in the Far Eastern Division is located at Penang, Malaysia. The medical director of this busy little hospital on Burma Road is Dr. Sam Ketting, shown in the cover picture assisting one of his Indian patients. Even though the general medical practice is a very busy one, the business department in the hospital is OS-GYN. The latest overseas worker arrival is Vernon Small, new business manager, formerly of Menard, Texas. —D. A. Roth

## Sacrifice or Privilege?

**T**HE time has come again for the Annual Week of Sacrifice Offering.

What a privilege!

What an opportunity!

What a blessing!

There is something special about this offering. It is different from any of the others we give. Coming at the Thanksgiving season and just before Christmas, it lets us bear our gifts to God before we give to others. And it is so simple to figure what the amount of the offering should be—one week of our income. More than a gift, it is like an investment, a purchase of stock in the divine enterprise.

Fortunate to have been born in the home of an Adventist minister, I was brought up on the idea of sacrificial giving. One time when I was a student in academy, my parents made a visit to the school. The girls were having a campaign to purchase drapes for their parlor, and it wasn't long until one of them approached my father for his gift. Reaching into his pocket he pulled out a 50 cent piece, quite a substantial contribution in those days. I heard my mother whisper: "Do you think we can afford it?" My father smiled, and answered: "Every time I give, I get it back."

I have never forgotten those words of quiet confidence. During the years that have passed since, I have often proved to myself how true they are.

The year I entered the ministry was a really tough one for us financially. It was during the depression years. Our first baby was born just a few

days before the letter came from the conference president reminding all the workers that we should be planning to participate in the Week of Sacrifice Offering. We were having trouble making the money last until the next check. How could we get by without a whole week's pay?

We had a sober family council. Careful figuring with a pencil and paper made the situation look even more difficult. Giving that offering would have to be an act of faith, but we decided to do it. A letter went back to the conference president—we would participate.

The very next day's mail brought a long envelope. Opening it we found a letter, and a check. It was money we had no idea we would ever receive, and it was three times the amount of our Week of Sacrifice Offering.

It doesn't happen that way every Week of Sacrifice, but the blessing never fails.

And what does this offering accomplish? Each year it makes up a very important segment of our world mission budget. Think of what would happen if every Seventh-day Adventist church member in the whole world actually contributed a full week's income. That would be the biggest day in the financial history of our work.

The opportunity comes again on November 6. As you recognize the privilege and make the sacrifice, the blessing will surely follow.

—Paul H. Eldridge, President,  
Far Eastern Division



### Eldridges Meet With Far East Group

While on the Andrews University campus late in July, Pastor P. H. Eldridge, president of the Far Eastern Division, met for supper with the Far Eastern Division students; former, furloughing, or newly appointed missionaries; and children of missionaries. During the past school year, approximately 27 students from the Far Eastern Division were enrolled in the College, School of Graduate Studies, and S.D.A. Theological Seminary at Andrews University.

## Missionaries to Division Attend Institute

**S**IX newly appointed missionaries to the Far Eastern Division attended the Summer Institute of World Mission from June 14 to July 22 at Andrews University.

Dr. and Mrs. Sidney R. Kettner are coming to Hong Kong, where Dr. Kettner will be staff physician at the Hong Kong Adventist Hospital. He has held the same position at the Tarangle Associate Clinic in Yellowknife, Northwest Territory, Canada, for the past year.

After practicing dentistry in St. Joseph, Michigan, for the past 25 years, Dr. Robert Ringer will take over the dental office in the 110-bed Seoul Adventist Hospital. Mrs. Ringer and their 19-year-old daughter Jan, a student missionary, will accompany Dr. Ringer, who will also pilot a seaplane to villages and offshore islands in western Korea, where he and a physician will treat patients.

Assuming the post of chairman of the business administration department at Indonesia Union College will be Arthur L. White, formerly associate professor of economics at Walla Walla College in Washington. Mr. and Mrs. White will visit several colleges in the Far Eastern Division en route to Indonesia, in order to study their business administration programs.

The six-week institute, conducted by Dr. Myrl Manley, vice-president for student affairs at Andrews, covered such topics as linguistics and learning a foreign language, nutrition and how to obtain and maintain an adequate diet overseas, the development of perspectives relevant to child-rearing problems in a non-Western environment, and the role of interaction within the family as a particular means of development and maintaining a viable Christian home.

The last week was devoted to a seminar in personal health and tropical hygiene. Aspects of both the mental and physical health of persons working overseas and in cultures other than their own were considered.



**NEW.** Pictured above, with the director and an instructor in the Summer Institute of World Mission held at Andrews University, are the newly appointed missionaries to the Far Eastern Division. They are, left to right, front row, Dr. Gottfried Oosterwal, professor of missions and comparative religions at the S.D.A. Theological Seminary, who taught classes for the institute, Jan Ringer, Dr. and Mrs. Robert Ringer, and Dr. Myrl Manley, institute director; back row, Dr. and Mrs. Sidney Kettner, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur White.



**SPARED.** Maleo Balsaki's three cows were his investment project, and because of this, he is convinced the Lord spared them from disease.

## Investment Is a Partnership

**G**OD and I are partners. What a beautiful thought! And this is what actually takes place when you invest with God.

Pastor A. G. Corpus, secretary of the Sabbath School department of the Mountain Province Mission (North Philippine Union), relates the following experience of Brother Maleo Balsaki, who took God as his partner.

Last year a disease called "black leg" killed many carabaos and cows in the lower and upper Abra Valley. Government officials, who tried their best to check the disease, were unsuccessful.

Brother Balsaki, an elder of the Supo church, was caring for three cows, of which he was part owner. The alarming death rate of animals in his barrio concerned him, as did the fact that the government could do nothing to stop the spread of the disease. So he called his family together for prayer. They promised God that they would give 20 pesos as an investment offering if He would protect their cows from disease. A week later, on Investment Day at the Supo church, they turned in their offering, a much larger one than ever before.

Three months later, the "black leg" disease subsided in Brother Balsaki's barrio. When a survey of animal owners was conducted, it was found that Brother Balsaki was the only person in the barrio who had not lost at least one animal because of the disease. Some of his neighbors had lost two or three—or even 10.

That Brother Balsaki's animals were spared was a real surprise to the whole village. They asked him his secret. "It was God who protected my animals," he replied humbly.

God will bless you, too, if you will take Him into partnership and faithfully invest your means for the advancement of His work.

—W. V. Clements, Sabbath School Secretary,  
Far Eastern Division



# NEWS *from the* UNIONS



## EAST INDONESIA

### V.B.S. Group Prays for Protection

**T**HREE o'clock is story telling time on Sabbath afternoons for students at North Sulawesi Academy who conduct a Branch Sabbath School in Kaju Uwi, about two miles from their campus. Leaders of this group are Mientje Bojoh, Saartje Massie, and Jenny Soriton. Mrs. A. Sepang is their sponsor.

One Sabbath while Mientje was telling a story to 30 attentive children, a young man came and threw an armload of firewood very close to her feet. The Branch Sabbath School was being conducted in his father's yard, and he was angry with the group because now that they were meeting there, his friends had turned against him. Several angry-looking men had come along with him to intimidate the story teller, but she said a silent prayer and continued telling her story. The Branch Sabbath School closed with a song and prayer.

Then the leaders announced that the children should meet again the next Sabbath. This made the children happy, but they asked if they would be meeting at the same place. "No," the leaders answered, "probably not. But just be ready at three o'clock and we will come and show you where the meeting will be."

The young man and his angry-looking companions followed the Branch Sabbath School group back to the academy, talking loudly among themselves about how next week they would stop the group along the way and throw stones at them.

Soon another Sabbath came, and the group decided to rely on the Lord's promises of protection and go back to their little children who were waiting for more stories about Jesus.

They went directly to the home of the village chief, who assured them that they were welcome to hold a Branch Sabbath School in the village as long as they found their own place to hold it. As they left his home, about a dozen children gathered around them, asking when the stories would begin. The storytellers didn't know themselves. But just then they spotted a woman standing in her yard, smiling at them. "Yes," she answered when they

asked, "You can use my yard and benches for your meeting." An answer to prayer!

The original dozen children were soon joined by more and more, and by the close of the V.B.S. about 60 children and 20 adults had gathered to hear stories of Jesus.

The two-mile hike back to the academy seemed ever so much shorter than the trip to the village had seemed a few hours earlier, because the group was so thankful and happy. Before they entered the campus, they offered a prayer of thanksgiving for the Lord's care.

—Mrs. J. Saerang



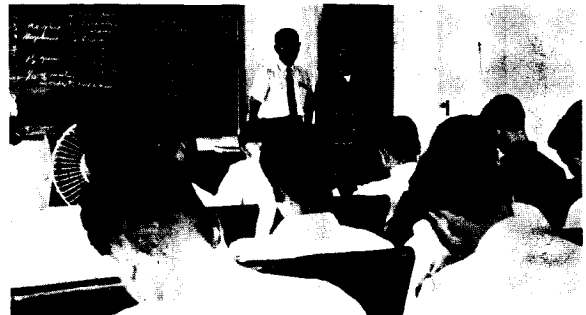
## KOREA

### Temperance Workers Attend Institute

**T**HE first temperance institute ever held in Korea was conducted in July by Pastor B. G. Mary, division temperance secretary. There were about 20 temperance workers and pastors who attended these meetings.

Pastor W. L. Wilcox, president of the Korean Union, gave a devotional talk on the first day. Dr. R. S. Newbold, acting director of the Seoul Adventist Hospital; Pastor Deane Nelson of the servicemen's center; Miss Marietta Deming; and Dr. S. Y. Chung gave informative temperance lectures during the institute.

Koh Moon Kyung is temperance secretary of the Korean Union. He and Pastor Mary request prayer for this particular phase of the Lord's work.



**CIGARETTES.** Pastor Mary lists the harmful ingredients of cigarettes as Korean Union temperance workers take notes.





**ATTENTIVE.** Korean pastors and temperance workers attentively listen to a temperance lecture.

### S.S. Workshop Held in Korea

**F**ROM March 29 to April 1, 140 delegates representing three missions of the Korean Union attended a Sabbath School workshop at the Seoul Academy. Although there are 532 Sabbath Schools now in Korea, because of financial problems it was impossible for all to be represented at these meetings.

Those who taught during the workshop were: Pastor Oh Keun Suk, Sabbath School secretary of the Korean Union; Mrs. Doyle Barnett, from Taiwan; Mrs. Kim Sun Ja, former child evangelism secretary of the Korean Union; Miss Kim Boo Ryun, union child evangelism secretary; and Mrs. John Sproed.

Plans were laid to have at least 20,000 children in Vacation Bible Schools this summer. Strong emphasis was placed on developing good children's Sabbath School departments in the churches throughout Korea.

The delegates returned to their various homes with a new vision of the child evangelism program. We pray that as the result of this well-planned workshop there will be a renewed interest in the Sabbath School work for the children of Korea.

—W. L. Wilcox, President,  
Korean Union



**INSTRUCTION.** Mrs. Doyle Barnett of Taiwan shows Korean Sabbath School representatives the motions that go along with a Sabbath School song for boys and girls.



### Ten Baptized in New Area

Ten persons were baptized June 26 in the village of Sindaraja, in the Simalungun interior of Sumatra.

Adventist work in this area was only begun early in 1970, when a piece of land was purchased for a church and a worker's home. It is located about five minutes' walk from the market place. We hope the buildings will be finished as soon as possible, as the present house in which the new members worship is very inadequate.

Sait Saragih, our worker in this area, is doing a very fine work among his people.

—D. Batoebara, President,  
North Sumatra Mission



### New Editor

Pastor R. I. Sarumpaet has been named the new editor of the Indonesia Publishing House. Pastor Sarumpaet, 41, is a graduate of Indonesia Union College. He was previously the radio-TV secretary of the West Indonesia Union Mission.

### Students Accept Challenge in W.I.U.M.

**D**URING student institutes held at Indonesia Union College and North Sumatra Academy, 223 youth requested to canvass during the forthcoming vacation period. To assist the students in making complete preparation for witnessing through the printed page, colporteur clubs and officers were chosen. Meetings will be conducted weekly for canvass memorization and additional instruction.

A special set of books has been prepared for sale by the students. The titles are **Secrets for a Happy Home** by Theo D. Manullang and **The Morning Dawn** by D. Batoebara. This attractive two-volume set promises to be a great asset to the student program.

Surely such an army as these 223 youth, rightly trained, will be able to scatter the printed page "like the leaves of autumn" throughout the West Indonesia Union during this coming vacation.

—L. R. Colburn, Publishing Secretary,  
West Indonesia Union

## I.U.C. News Notes

\* A student Week of Prayer was held from June 27 to July 3. This yearly event was conducted wholly by students. A dozen speakers based their talks on the theme, "The Way, the Truth, the Life."

\* A monthly practical knowledge course is being offered by the college elementary school for villagers living nearby. College staff members are the instructors. This school is a pilot project for elementary school modernization that is being promoted throughout Indonesia.

\* Two journalists from a well-known newspaper in Djakarta have visited I.U.C., which they regard as a unique educational center. This paper, the only daily paper that often discusses educational matters, ranks among the top papers in Indonesia.

\* A third floor has been added to the college administration building. The building contains classrooms for 350 students, the registrar's office, and the business office. The new third floor contains a library for both college and academy students.

—Daniel Injo



## NORTH PHILIPPINES

### Colporteur Joins Top Ten

**M**ISS Diomedea Garro has become one of the 10 outstanding literature evangelists in the Far Eastern Division. Pastor M. R. Lyon, division publishing secretary, gave her this coveted award on July 18 in Davao City.



Miss Gorro

Besides this, she has also been appointed an assistant publishing secretary of the Western Mindanao Mission.

Miss Garro had vowed not to become an Adventist. Among the many strange twists of fate in her life, two stand out conspicuously in her mind—her short vacation with an Adventist relative and her accidental Bible study in the home of a retired Adventist teacher.

Having finished the engineering course, Diomedea applied to be a teacher in a school in General Santos, Cotabato. In the house where she stayed temporarily, a literature evangelist conducted a Bible study. Out of courtesy, she stayed to listen. The Sabbath doctrine attracted her and led her to ask more questions. Eventually she became a member of the church.

Diomedea forgot about her vow—and her teaching. After only four years of colporteuring, she has become one of the 10 outstanding literature evangelists in the entire Far East.

—Salvador G. Miraflores



The Norman Gulleys

### Gulley Joins P.U.C. Faculty

**L**ATEST to join the Philippine Union College faculty is Dr. Norman Gulley, who arrived with his family on June 28. Dr. Gulley holds a doctorate in divinity from the Edinburgh University, Scotland.

Dr. Gulley is connected with the School of Graduate Studies and is presently teaching Revelation and inspiration and apocalyptic literature.

Prior to his coming, he was connected with Japan Missionary College. He has been in the work for 13 years. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Southern Missionary College and his Master's and Bachelor of Divinity degrees from Andrews University.

The Gulley family is a mini-United Nations in itself. Dr. Gulley is British. His wife, the former Leona Minchin (a cousin of Mrs. Dorothy Minchin-Comm), is an Australian. Of their four children, John, 12, and Sharon, 10, were born in the United States, and James and Sonya were born in Japan.

### P.U.C.'s Enrollment Report

**T**HE enrollment report for Philippine Union College this first semester is encouraging. For a while the problem staring at the administrators was that the enrollment in the elementary school and academy was on the upward trend, thus putting a limit somewhat to the expansion of the college, both in facilities and accommodations.

So it was thought best to limit the enrollment of the elementary school and academy in order for them to serve, as originally planned, as laboratory schools for the department of education. It was not easy to do this, as some of our people could not understand why the young people should be deprived of the privilege of accommodation at P.U.C.

The Central Luzon Mission came to the rescue by authorizing the Baesa school to share the burden of the educational needs of the young people. Be-



cause of this, facilities were expanded so that more college students could be accommodated.

To date our enrollment stands as follows:

Elementary ... ..	269
Academy ... ..	268
College ... ..	1,641
Graduate School ... ..	74
Grand total ... ..	2,252

In comparison, last year we had:

Elementary ... ..	407
Academy ... ..	402
College & Graduate School ...	1,619
Grand total ... ..	2,428

From the figures above it will be noted that the elementary school and academy have been reduced by almost 34 percent, while the college and graduate levels increased by a little less than 6 percent.

It has been felt that an enrollment of 2,000 in college is too much for our limited facilities, and ways and means were tapped to relieve the congestion at P.U.C. With this in mind, the Naga View extension was developed, and in its first year of operation 53 college students were enrolled. There are plans in the offing for some more junior colleges to take care of the educational needs in the field.

—J. J. Blanco,  
Assistant to the President,  
Philippine Union College

## 180 Graduate From P.U.C. Vacation Bible School

ONE hundred eighty primary and junior boys and girls received their Vacation Bible School certificates at the graduation program held at the Philippine Union College Auditorium on May 21.

Feliciana Brillantes, who helped out in last year's V.B.S., was chosen by the P.U.C. church board to be the director. Wilma Reyes, a medical student, was the leader of the junior group, while Yolanda Ignacio led the primary and also was chorister with Simplicia Pamintuan. Storytellers about the Bible, nature, and health were Mrs. Leona Minchin, Mrs. Dorothy Wilson, Tita Rose Villanueva, Nelia Leonardo, Amelia Suasi, and Flor Evangelista. A corps of 22 volunteer teachers took care of supervising and helping the boys and girls do their activity books.

Mrs. Mary Umali, together with other church members of the parents' Sabbath School class, took care of preparing the milk, pineapple juice, and cookies, which the children relished after the games at recess.

The success of the school was due to the careful preparation made by the leaders, the wholehearted cooperation of the young people who responded to help in various capacities, and the financial support of P.U.C. Sabbath School members.

## Second District of GREMASSA Holds Fellowship

THE second district of GREMASSA held a Sabbath School Fellowship at Novaliches church, Quezon City, on May 29. Dr. J. J. Blanco, assistant to the president of Philippine Union College, demonstrated how the teacher of the Sabbath School can make the members of his class think and participate in the lesson study through the art of questioning. Drawing the answers from the congregation, he stressed that the heart of the Sabbath School is the participation of all members in the study of the Word of God.

With the use of illustrations, Mrs. N. D. Faller, president of GREMASSA, gave some pointers on how the Sabbath School can be successful in soul winning.

GREMASSA (Greater Manila Sabbath School Association) has been divided into four districts, for greater fellowship and efficiency in doing the Lord's work through the Sabbath School. The second district is composed of these churches: Baesa, Philippine Union College, Imelda, Tala, Novaliches, Frisco, and Manila Central. The officers of this district are: Oseas Imperio, president; Mrs. Carmencita Aguila, secretary; and Mrs. Luz C. Tangalin, public relations officer.



## First Filipino Missionaries Leave for Afghanistan

Zenaida Querol and Rachel Gayoba left on August 5 for Afghanistan to connect with the project of Loma Linda University and Indiana University of developing a medical education institution in Jalalabad.

Some 150 Filipino Seventh-day Adventist missionaries have gone to different countries of the Far Eastern Division and far-flung areas outside of the division, but Misses Querol and Gayoba are the first to go to Afghanistan. Their contract is for two years.

## Recipe Book Is All-time Best Seller

**O**F the three books produced by the Philippine Publishing House which are tops in sales—**Best Recipes for the Home**, **Tell-It-Again Stories**, and **Modern Guide to Health**—the first tops them all. The first printing was 15,000 copies, and the target period for selling them was two years. All copies were sold in six months. The second printing of 23,000 was also gone in a few months. The P.P.H. printed another 18,000. Now the fourth run, 40,000 has rolled off the press.

**Best Recipes for the Home** is bought by teachers, nutritionists, and housewives. Some schools have ordered copies by the hundreds.

Meatless protein products have enhanced the sale of the book. The book, in turn, has enhanced the sale of the canned foods.

"You are selling this product, but we do not know how to prepare it," remarks a customer to the "vegemeat" agent.

"Oh yes, we have a recipe book that will teach you how," replies the agent. So the book and the product actually help each other.

P.P.H. is one of the eight publishing houses in the Far Eastern Division printing the message in 23 languages. The sales goal for 1971 is four million pesos, and the sales figure has already reached 64 percent of this after the first half of the year. Less than five percent of the total sales comes from imported books.

—**Salvador G. Miraflores, Acting Editor,**  
**Philippine Publishing House**

## Military Officer Joins Church

**O**N Sabbath, July 31, a Philippine Military Academy officer-instructor and his wife joined the Lord's army in baptism.

Lt. and Mrs. Lucio Ybanez on that day at the Baguio church, Baguio City, formally pledged their loyalty to the Saviour. Pastor Alejandro G. Corpus, Sabbath School and lay activities secretary of the Mountain Province Mission, baptized the couple.

Lt. and Mrs. Ybanez's search for the truth demonstrates the power of the printed page. It was through reading several publications, both Adventist and non-Adventist, that the couple decided to follow all the precepts found in the Bible.

They were living in another part of the Philippines when they first came across the Sabbath truth. Not knowing of the existence of the Seventh-day Adventist church, they kept the Sabbath by staying at home and reading the Bible. The nature of Lt. Ybanez's work made it possible for him to arrange to be off duty every Sabbath. One day one of his sisters paid them a visit, and she was introduced to the Sabbath truth. She joined them in keeping the Sabbath.

When the couple read about tithe paying, they



CONVERTED. Lt. and Mrs. Lucio Ybanez pose for a picture in their Philippine Military Academy camp residence on the day after their baptism. Lt. Ybanez was about to go on duty in exchange for being off the previous Sabbath day.

immediately set aside one tenth of their next salary and personal allowance to be given to the Sabbath-keeping church. By that time the Ybanezes had begun looking for the church that keeps the Bible Sabbath. Soon they learned of the Seventh-day Adventist church.

One day Lt. Ybanez started out to look for the nearest Adventist church. The church he found was located in Binan, Laguna. It was a Sunday, and he found a sister teaching a Vacation Bible School class. This sister guided him to the treasurer, to whom Lt. Ybanez gave his first tithe. Telling the treasurer that it was "his share in the Lord's work," he went away without identifying himself.

A short time afterwards, the Ybanezes received word that they were being transferred to the Philippine Military Academy in Baguio City. Entrusting the case to the Lord, they prayed that whatever happened, it would be possible for them to continue keeping the Sabbath. The appointment came through, and they moved to Baguio City last May.

He immediately made a request with the commandant for Sabbath privileges, offering to repay absent hours with Sunday duty, and was granted his request. On their first Sabbath in Baguio City, they looked for our church, which they found.

Again they paid their tithe, without placing their name on the tithe envelope. The following Sabbath, one of the church elders made an announcement about somebody who failed to place his name on the tithe envelope. When the Ybanezes indicated that it was their tithe, one of the sisters made note of the new couple, and after the services she invited them to her home for dinner. Through this contact,

the couple's search for the truth and their desire to join the Seventh-day Adventist church were made known to the church.

That was the beginning of an association which was climaxed by their baptism on July 31.

—Oseas I. Zamora, Treasurer,  
Mountain Province Mission



## CENTRAL PHILIPPINES

### Mission Staff Backs Investment

**D**URING the workers and teachers meeting of the West Visayan Mission held at the West Visayan Academy in June, Pastor D. G. Jucaban, president, challenged every worker and teacher to have his own Investment project. Pastor Jucaban's project is selling kamunggay, kangkong, and upo (white squash).

Here are some of the other investment projects of mission workers: selling grapes, bananas, and papayas, gain from dollar exchange, a third tithe of salary, bank interest, eggs from an Investment hen, and the amount saved by buying things on sale.

### Laymen's Year Challenges Workers

**T**HE designation of 1971 as Worldwide Laymen's Year calls for the great army of Adventist laymen the world over to unite with the ministry in seeking a spiritual revival. It also calls for praying, studying, planning, and working together under God to assure a harvest of souls for His kingdom.

This calls for the adoption of tried and tested soul-winning plans as well as the institution of new and yet untried plans.

Inspired by the impact of GOD'S WIDENING CIRCLE, workers and laymen in the Central Philippine Union have been active and have produced noticeable gains. The prayer projection goal of 1,200 baptisms for the first six months of the year has been surpassed by more than 100. The East Visayan Mission exceeds its baptismal goal because of laymen's active participation.

—F. M. Arrogante, President,  
East Visayan Mission

### News Notes From East Visaya

\* To have a wider coverage in literature evangelism, especially among the barrios, sitios, and communities never entered by colporteurs, a pump boat (a small boat with outriggers powered by a 10 horsepower motor) is in service for island-to-island and shoreline canvassing. The active and enterprising colporteurs engaged in this type of evangelism are led by Romeo Abelgas, assistant publishing secretary.

\* Two more motorcycles have been added to the fleet of the East Visayan Mission. Five district leaders can now move much faster on Operation Quick Visitation in the provinces of Samar and Leyte. Two launches are operated on the same type of visitation missions from island to island.

\* A series of 17 inspirational rallies is being held at the same time as Sabbath School Associations all over the mission during August and September. The series will prepare the constituency for greater participation in this year's Ingathering campaign October 1 through November 15.

—F. M. Arrogante

### Publishing Leaders Visit Historic Island

**T**HE historic and alleged voodoo island of Siquijor was visited in July by four publishing leaders. Pastor M. R. Lyon, Far Eastern Division publishing secretary; Pastor E. N. Dicen, Central Philippine Union publishing secretary; S. G. Paulino, his assistant; and Jack Rosendo, Negros Mission publishing secretary, held a beginners' institute at Lazi, Siquijor, Negros Oriental.

The visit of the publishing leaders boosted the morale of our brethren in that remote island. Lectures were well attended and big crowds filled the church during the devotional hours. Even non-Adventist neighbors and children flocked around the church for curiosity's sake.

As a direct result of the strong promotion by the publishing men, 15 young men and women stood to accept the challenge of the colporteur ministry.

—Lowell D. Teves, PR Secretary,  
Negros Mission



VISITORS. Seeing some of the island of Siquijor in their free time from publishing meetings are S. G. Paulino, Pastor M. R. Lyon, and Jack Rosendo. Pastor T. V. Gulfan, front, is the district leader.



## Chain Smoker Becomes Active Layman

**R**ICHARD Leong, manager of a large printing press in Kuching, Sarawak, used to smoke about 200 cigarettes a day. He had tried many methods to stop the habit, but met with no success.

In July of 1970 he was introduced to Pastor Jonathan Ng, who had just arrived from Singapore to take up the pastoral duties of the Kuching church. In December, Mr. Leong was invited to attend the Way of Life Crusade conducted by Pastor Bruce Johnston, where the film "One in 20,000" was shown. Mr. Leong was much impressed by the film and decided to follow the Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking. Since then, with the prayers and encouragement of the brethren, he has kicked the habit. This to him has been a mighty miracle performed by the Lord.

After this experience, Mr. Leong's attitude towards the church changed to a great degree. At the invitation of Pastor Ng, he and his wife began to attend the pastor's Bible class every Sabbath. After a few months of Bible studies, the Leongs responded to the call of God and were baptized on May 29, 1971, together with three other candidates.

Now Mr. Leong is an active layman of the church, doing his best to share the wonderful experience of his conversion. "No Smoking" signs appear on the walls of his office and the printing press downtown. Every Sabbath afternoon he is out doing missionary work for the Lord. The Leongs are very thankful for their new-found faith and for the temperance program of our church, which has made him a free man, no longer chained to cigarettes.

—**Chester Damron,**  
Ministerial Secretary,  
Southeast Asia Union



**BAPTIZED.** Mr. and Mrs. Richard Leong, third and fourth from left, were recently baptized in Kuching by Pastor J. B. Umbah, left. Pastor Jonathan Ng of the Kuching church is at the right.

## Churchmen Go Behind Prison Walls

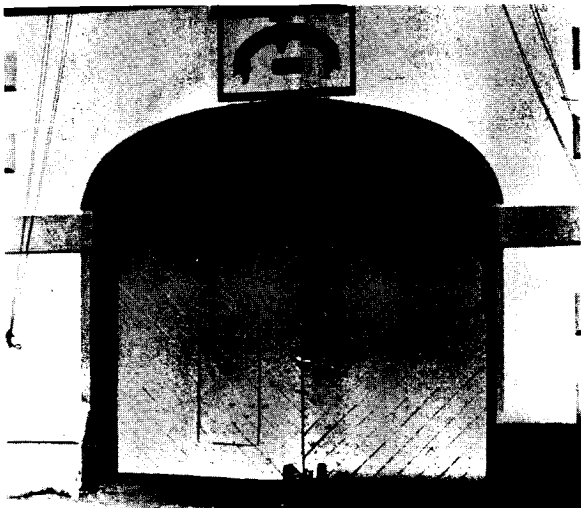
**E**VER since this past April, a group of Adventist men from Penang has been making weekly visits to the Penang prison. Some 20 to 30 men attend the short meetings they hold, and about 15 of these men are working on the Voice of Prophecy "Way of Life" lessons.

Since the men's visits to the prison are admittedly of a religious nature, no Muslim prisoners attend their meetings. However, the non-Muslim prisoners enjoy their weekly opportunity to talk and sing songs of praise with the Adventist men.

Dr. R. R. Standish of the Penang Adventist Hospital has given some talks to the prisoners on the risks involved in smoking, and as a result, five men have given up their cigarettes.

Our Adventist brethren in Penang have been very encouraged by their work, and thank God for opening the prison doors to the gospel and the health message of our church. They ask for continued prayers for the success of their work.

—**A. E. Poey, Sabbath School Secretary,**  
Penang English Church



**LAYMEN.** Once each week these Adventist men go behind these prison walls to visit inmates of the Penang prison. They are A. E. Poey, Koay Hoo Huat, See Swee Pun, Roymand Seow, John Lai, Dr. R. R. Standish, Roy Lee, and Timothy Nathan.



## NORTH PHILIPPINES



### Dr. Harry Miller Celebrates 92nd Birthday in the Philippines

What is the secret of long life?

Dr. Harry W. Miller says this one question is often asked him, and he always gives the answer given him by Alexander Graham Bell, who he said used to be his patient at the Washington Sanitarium and Hospital: "Choose your ancestors."

But seriously, Dr. Miller revealed, he credits his long life to the fact that he has been a vegetarian since he was 14.

He related this during a reception in his honor on the eve of his 92nd birthday by the North Philippine Union staff. The famed surgeon and his wife were in Manila for a short visit.

### Husband-Wife Team Holds Free Clinics

**T**RUE to the sense of the word "missionary", Dr. and Mrs. Conrado L. Miranda of Guinobatan, Albay, are a real missionary-minded couple. Dr. Miranda, a physician and medical director of the Miranda General Hospital, is the honorary medical secretary of the Southern Luzon Mission. He has been serving in this capacity as a volunteer since 1963.

Dr. Miranda conducts free medical clinics and consultations in different places around the Bicol region every Sunday afternoon with the help of his nurse-wife and the mission nurse, Mrs. Jacobina Martinez. The team works hand in hand with the ministers as they conduct evangelistic meetings in different places within the field. Dr. Miranda also conducts health lectures during the meetings.

During the last two months, the medical team has attended to around 1,000 patients during their free clinics. Besides these clinics in different places, the team conducts regular free clinics and consultations at the health and welfare center at Legaspi City every Tuesday and Thursday afternoon. Free medicine is always given to patients during clinics. The medicine comes from the Manila Sanitarium

and Hospital, the Seventh-day Adventist Welfare Service department of the North Philippine Union, and Dr. Miranda personally.

Dr. and Mrs. Miranda have four children, all in the United States: Conrado II, an architect; Conrado III, a physician; Conrado IV, another physician; and Ruth, a dentist and medical technologist. All the Miranda children are married and are faithful members of the S.D.A. church.

The Mirandas are also church leaders. Dr. Miranda is the elder of the Ligao church, while Mrs. Miranda is treasurer and clerk of the same church.

—N. S. Pallasa,  
District Pastor,  
Southern Luzon Mission



**BRAINSTORMING.** Pastors Felix Lao and M. R. Lyon explain the "brainstorming" concept to assembled publishing leaders of the North Philippine Union.

### Brainstorming in Manila

**Y**ES, "brainstorming" is the word, as Pastor Felix Lao, North Philippine Union publishing secretary, explains the rules of discussion to the leaders assembled at Philippine Publishing House. Publishing secretaries and assistants, along with Book and Periodical Agency managers from all parts of North Philippine Union, engaged enthusiastically in verbal contribution at the publishing house chapel July 1.

The basic idea of brainstorming is to address the attention of the group to one problem at a time and encourage as many spontaneous ideas as possible to spring from the minds of the participants. The ideas are listed immediately without evaluation of merit. Evaluation and comparison come later. Negative ideas, criticism, and gripes are outlawed in the brainstorming session.

After a session of brainstorming, during which about 100 ideas were listed, the leaders settled into discussion, evaluation, and elimination of various points. The outcome was some 50 fresh ideas considered worthy of implementing to further the publishing program.

Pastor Lao's assistant, Mrs. R. N. Emralino, coordinated the activities during the session, while Pastor Lao directed it.

—M. R. Lyon, Publishing Secretary,  
Far Eastern Division

## Former P.U.C. President Visits Manila

**D**R. Andrew N. Nelson, first postwar president of Philippine Union College (1947-52), arrived in Manila on July 9 for a five-day visit. His visit was in the course of a research trip sponsored by Loma Linda University, La Sierra Campus, where he is now professor of education and adviser to 175 foreign students from 35 countries. The former P.U.C. president spoke before the P.U.C. faculty, the Manila Sanitarium and Hospital family meeting, and the union staff at morning worship. He also spent two days at Mountain View College.

The highlight of Dr. Nelson's visit was his call on the Honorable Julian Yballe, director of the Bureau of Private Schools. He presented to him a copy of **Food for Everyone**, which he coauthored with J. R. Mittleider. The private schools official was grateful for Dr. Nelson's visit and expressed great admiration for the "Green Revolution" the "Mittleider Method" is creating in Okinawa. Mr. Yballe, who knows Dr. Nelson's role in the founding of Mountain View College, said: "Let's have more schools like Mountain View. They are what our country needs today."



**CHATTING.** Dr. A. N. Nelson (left) meets Elwood Sherrard (with necktie), Manila Sanitarium and Hospital business manager, after addressing the hospital's family meeting. Joining the conversation are P. C. Banaag and Dr. Sally Magdama.



**GIFT.** Dr. Nelson presents a copy of "Food for Everyone" to the Honorable Julian Yballe, director of the Bureau of Private Schools.



**STUDENTS.** His former students at Philippine Union College listen as Dr. Nelson shows them special features of the book "Food for Everyone." The former students are F. S. Mina, N. R. Arit, C. A. Galang, T. V. Barizo, and E. C. Carpus.

## Seventy-Nine Attend Beginners Seminar

**S**EVENTY-NINE new recruits for literature evangelism attended the special unionwide training seminar held for them at Philippine Publishing House June 28 to 30. Pastor Felix Lao, North Philippine Union publishing secretary, stated, "This is the second largest number ever to attend a beginners school in our history." It was succeeded only by an earlier one this year when eighty-five attended. Pastor Lao reports that "in the first five months of the year, we have a Ps.146,000 gain in sales throughout the union. Our Ps.2,000,000 goal for 1971 is well within reach."

It was the writer's privilege to serve as guest instructor in conjunction with the local leaders.

—M. R. Lyon,

## News Notes

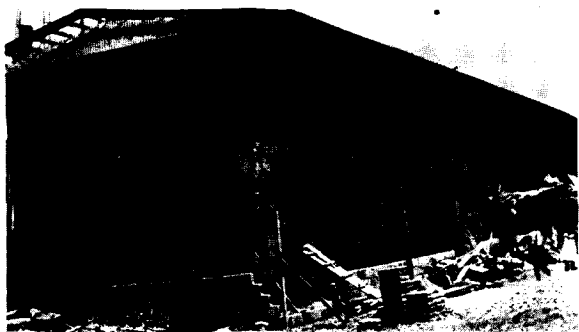
\* Dr. J. J. Blanco, professor in the graduate school, is Philippine Union College acting president in the absence of Dr. E. A. de Leon, who is in the United States with his wife, who underwent surgery in July.

\* A new principal is at the helm of four (of the union's 10) academies: A. P. Miguel—Northeast Luzon Academy, P. J. Barayuga—Tirad View Academy, E. B. Guadiz—Palawan Adventist Academy, and Antonio Arit—South Central Luzon Academy.

\* Dr. Elton S. Morel, medical director of the Manila Sanitarium and Hospital since 1966, has permanently returned to the United States with his wife and three children after having served the hospital for eight years. He came to head the OB-GYN department late in 1963.

"Certainly," a visiting missionary said recently, "the medical work in the Philippines, particularly the Manila Sanitarium and Hospital, has been greatly helped by the stay of the Morels."

Dr. Morel will be practicing in Fresno, California.



\* Now being built in Baesa is the main building of the Baesa Junior Academy, newest academy in the union. R. G. Evangelista is principal.

\* T. V. Barizo, union Sabbath School secretary, is assisting in the educational department while Mrs. Barizo, elementary supervisor, is studying at Philippine Union College.



## SOUTH CHINA ISLAND

### Wong Ah Chin Shares His Faith

**L**ET none feel that because they are uneducated they cannot take part in the Lord's work. God has a work for you to do. He has given to every man his work. You can search the Scriptures for yourselves. . . . You can pray for the work. . . . And you are to work according to your ability." (Testimonies, Vol. VI, p. 433.)



Wong Ah Chin

The following story is a case in point.

Wong Ah Chin is an illiterate Ami tribesman living near the mountains of eastern Taiwan. In 1967 one of his sons went to Hwalien, where he heard the truth proclaimed by our church. Upon returning home, he told his father of the wonderful message.

"Son," the old father replied, "write a letter this very day to the Seventh-day Adventist church and request that they send a worker to our village."

Upon receiving this request, our church sent Brother Tseng, a tribal preacher, to visit Wong Ah Chin's village and explain the Word of God. Now Mr. Wong became convinced that the Seventh-day Adventist church is God's remnant church. For 18 years he had been a member of another Protestant denomination but had received very little Bible instruction. Now the truth from Brother Tseng seemed indeed as cool water to parched lips. Wong Ah Chin became the first one in his village to accept the light.

Brother Wong began to wonder what he could do to share his faith. One day he set out to visit his neighbors and tell them what he had learned. But before entering a single house, he lost his courage and returned home. Finally, one day Brother Wong came home from the fields and got his wife to go with him to visit their neighbors. With her presence to encourage him, he managed to visit several families. Later, when Pastor Tseng returned for another visit to his village, Brother Wong took him to several interested neighbors, where Bible studies were given. One by one his neighbors began to join our church. In two years, six persons from four families were baptized. And about a year later, he himself was baptized.

I met Brother Wong last October at our lay preachers' training class. As eagerly as any of them, he recounted his experiences in soul winning. In conclusion he said, "I hope that all of you will go out in the power of God to visit the many people who do not know the Lord or His last-day message. Preach to others fervently; fight the good fight of the Lord; and God will give you peace and happiness."

What words to come from one who is 68 years old, one who cannot read a word!

—Su Tung O,

Lay Activities Secretary,  
South China Island Union

### News Notes

\* Pastor Wayne Young has accepted the call to connect with South China Adventist College on the Taiwan campus. He is being asked to head the ministerial department.

\* Miss Mary Jane Bruce has accepted the call to teach the church school at 40 Stubbs Road, Hong Kong. Miss Bruce previously taught in Singapore, Bangkok, and Korea. From travels in the past, she is quite well acquainted with the Far East and is not a complete stranger to Hong Kong, even though she has not lived there before.

\* Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Young and their three children were officially welcomed on their return to the union at a supper on July 5. Dr. Young is union secretary as well as union educational secretary. The celebration was at South China Adventist College on the Hong Kong campus.

\* The degree of Doctor of Medicine was conferred on David Fang May 30, 1971, at Loma Linda, California. David was formerly a worker at Taiwan Adventist Hospital. His wife, Bonnie, is the sister of Tom Lee, Tai Ping Mission treasurer.

\* Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Mittleider have visited Taiwan and Hong Kong recently. Mr. Mittleider, an agricultural consultant, visited Taiwan Mountain Bible School and studied the agricultural program there with his former student, Fred Tsai. In Hong Kong he visited S.C.A.C. and gave advice regarding future possibilities there.





## SOUTH PHILIPPINES

### Daring, Diligence, and Dedication Characterize Laymen

Noe Medroso is true to his name. A modern Noah, he works fearlessly and untiringly for his Lord. At recent meetings of his, the Lord gave him 22 souls. He and his wife go from house to house selling merchandise for a living, but they always say that their business is to win souls to Christ.

I met one of the young men Noe led to Christ in a recent evangelistic meeting, and he told me, "Pastor, before my conversion I was one of those problem gang members in our town with a gun in



**INVOLVED.** Laymen Batalon and Corba in Northeastern Mindanao stand before a meeting place where their voices were heard preaching the love of Christ. Both men are responsible for raising up churches as a result of their labors.



**DARING.** Without legs, but with a burden for souls, Isidro Velarde teamed with Mrs. Romano Docdocil, Dorcas leader, in holding Branch Sabbath Schools. Shown with them are some of their regular Bible students.

my pocket at all times. God used Brother Noe to lead me to the truth, and I am hoping to be a literature evangelist some day."

In Gunua, Digos, Davao del Sur, the brethren put up a meeting place on top of a hill. The church association acquired a sound system to be used for an evangelistic meeting, and they erected a high bamboo pole for its loudspeaker. They wanted the whole village to hear the message. Layman Pablo Cabrera preached. Distance and bad weather sometimes kept others from helping in the meetings, but Brother Cabrera labored continually, although sometimes he was alone. Soft as a summer breeze, his voice would plead with the people in their homes to accept Christ; at night his voice would thunder like a mighty wave as he powerfully preached the gospel.

Because of his diligence, a Seventh-day Adventist chapel now stands on that same hill.

A tape recorder and tracts are tools found effective by layman Juanito Teves in his personal work. He inserts a tract in every package of goods sold by his store. He tapes music and sermons and keeps his recorder playing in his store. In addition, he finds time to bring the recorder to the homes of his neighbors and friends so they can listen. He also keeps several gift Bibles in his home. Recently six of those working with him in his store took their stand for the Lord. He and his wife intend to keep on with their missionary work, for by it, they confess, even their store has prospered.

All around the South Philippine Union, hundreds of daring, diligent, and dedicated laymen are on fire for God. I think of Mariano Valera, Teotimo Tolentino, Ricardo Tagiobon, Sabino Cartagenas, Diosdado Noay, Ruperto Cabote, Godofredo Galinato, Tranquilino Paypa, and others. With our workers, they are resolved to do much more for God during Laymen's Year, 1971.

—P. M. Diaz,  
Lay Activities Secretary,  
South Philippine Union



**DILIGENT.** Layman Juanito Teves, right, receives an award from district leader Hus Bugayong for his active missionary work and for soliciting the highest amount at Gathering time.

## Treasurers and Auditors Meet

**S**OUTH Philippine Union held its first unionwide Treasurers and Auditors Council and Workshop at Adams Center, Davao City, June 30 to July 1. All mission secretary-treasurers and managers attended the council. Pastor C. P. Legaspi, union secretary-treasurer, and D. J. Celiz, assistant treasurer and auditor, who attended the recent treasurers and Auditors Council and Workshop in Hong Kong in May, led out in this meeting. Pastor C. P. Ranario, secretary-treasurer of the Northern Mindanao Mission, was chosen as secretary and Velma N. Cuizon his associate secretary.

Pastor M. M. Claveria, the union president, spoke on responsibilities and duties of mission treasurers on the first day of the meeting. Pastor Claveria has long been in the work as an academy treasurer and a mission and union secretary-treasurer. Before he became the union president, he was the assistant auditor of the Far Eastern Division.

Brother W. W. Melashenko, business manager of Mountain View College, and Pastor A. D. Lazaro, secretary-treasurer of the Southern Mindanao Mission, were the devotional speakers.

—C. P. Legaspi

## Students Break Records

**A**LL last year's summer delivery records were broken this year by student literature evangelists in the Davao Mission. Ruben Caberte, student leader, reports a total delivery of Ps.42,876.48 for the months of June and July.

Never before has any student leader reported such high deliveries! Under God's blessing, this figure represents a gain of Ps.33,484.73. Much credit for this unusual achievement is due to the dynamic leadership of P. L. Hinoguin, publishing secretary, and his associates in the publishing department.

Some 39 student literature evangelists came forward to receive their trophies during a special program held at the Davao Central church before they went back to their alma mater.

The highest record in deliveries was set by Ike Sarsoza—Ps.6,645.55.

—A. A. Villarin, PR Officer,  
Davao Mission

## Davao Mission Supports Evangelism

**L**AYMEN in many parts of the Davao Mission have demonstrated an increased interest in the church evangelistic program by attending the lay activities workshop and training classes conducted in Davao City April 7 to 10.

Pastor P. M. Diaz, lay activities secretary of the South Philippine Union, conducted the workshop and training classes, while Pastor M. R. Cudandin, lay activities secretary of the local mission, served as the program coordinator.

At the end of the seminar, eight persons were baptized by Pastor Cudandin. One hundred fourteen laymen received their certificates.

Now these laymen are determined to use the knowledge gained at the seminar. Although over half of those baptized in the Davao Mission last year were won by laymen, they are not content to sit back and boast about their accomplishments. They plan to work even harder during Laymen's Year.

—A. A. Villarin



## Energetic Member Organizes Branch Sabbath Schools

Five afternoons each week, from Tuesday to Sabbath, Mrs. Jovita Cabanez of the Liberty church, Laguindingan, Misamis Oriental, holds Branch Sabbath Schools in her neighborhood. During the last quarter of 1971 she held 88 Branch Sabbath Schools.

She is pictured above with a few of her Branch Sabbath School members by the side of a chapel she and her husband built for the Lord.

—E. A. Sinco  
Sabbath School Secretary,  
Northern Mindanao Mission

## Mayor Extols Vacation Bible School

**M**AYOR Magno Cuyno of Tagbina, Surigao del Sur, guest speaker at a Vacation Bible School graduation this past May, commended the Seventh-day Adventist church for the V.B.S. method of training young minds and building character. Vacation Bible Schools are in line, he said, with the government's drive against the juvenile delinquency creeping into homes today.

Mayor Cuyno expressed thanks to the teacher, Miss Conching Mullaneda, a literature evangelist, who, without monetary compensation, has concern for the tiny tots. "May God pay you for your devotion and dedication," the mayor said. He was thrilled to see the children perform action songs and finger plays and recite memory verses. His own 6-year-old daughter did her part well.

Vacation Bible School graduates numbered 34, ranging in age from 6 to 12. Another result of the program was that a public school teacher, impressed with the presentation, asked Miss Mullaneda to give her copies of some of the Bible passages recited by the children as memory verses. A Bible study is now in progress.

—E. P. Mullaneda

## Pathfinders Attend Camp

**O**NE hundred eighty-four campers, including 42 counselors, representing 12 Pathfinder clubs from the provinces of Bukidnon, Lanao del Norte, and Misamis Oriental, attended the missionwide Pathfinder Club Camp held at scenic Pines Peak, Cagayan de Oro City, in March. Camp director was M. L. Ligan, mission MV secretary.

The campers were mainly pupils of the Northern Mindanao Mission's 12 church schools. They enjoyed activities at camp, despite heavy rains during the first three days.

Campers Raymund, 11, and Rozamund, 10, of non-Adventist homes, described their first camping experience as "thrilling, one we shall never forget," adding, "Our parents very much favored this type of outdoor activities."

—C. P. Ranario,  
Public Relations Officer,  
Northern Mindanao Mission



GYMNASTICS. Young Pathfinders attending a camp in Cagayan de Oro City form a pyramid. It looks like the photographer snapped this picture just in time—the left side of the pyramid is on the verge of collapsing!

## Iligan Adventist Hospital Newsbits

\* Celso Caagbay of Iligan Adventist Hospital passed the first government board examinations for medical technologists recently. Out of the more than 4,000 who took the test, only 847 passed.

\* Dr. W. M. Torres, Jr., medical director, has accepted a call to join the staff of Kendu Hospital in Kenya, East Africa. The Torreses have worked in the South Philippine Union Mission for 10 years. During their stay in Mindanao, he served as staff physician, business manager, and later director of the hospital and medical secretary of the S.P.U.M. His wife, Edna, was hospital anesthesiologist. Dr. W. G. Dick is the new medical director of Iligan Adventist Hospital.

—G. U. Ellacer,  
Public Relations Officer,  
Iligan Adventist Hospital



## SOUTHEAST ASIA

### Vietnam Circle Widens

**W**AR goes on in Vietnam. But God's "circle" continues to widen in this country, and the morale of our believers is high.

I think of Pham Truong Thanh, Saigon Adventist Hospital chaplain, who some time ago went with his family to live among the Montagnards in the uplands of Vietnam. One night, while they were singing at worship, a passing Montagnard young man stopped to listen. Being a "Sunday Christian," he invited himself into the home of the Phams when worship ended.

Pham Truong Thanh talked earnestly with this young Montagnard who, before leaving, invited him to bring help to his people. In answer to this invitation, Brother Thanh, with some young people of his church, stayed in the village for two weeks ministering to the sick and needy during the day and telling the villagers about Jesus and salvation during the night.

From that village Pham Truong Thanh brought back to his home church 20 promising young people whom he trained within three years for service. Their textbook was the Bible and the subjects were the great doctrines of the church. These young people were all baptized and went back home bringing the wonderful message of salvation. Their labors resulted in the building up of nine Montagnard churches. And of those 20 "disciples" of Pham Truong Thanh, two are now ordained ministers, several are church school teachers, and the others are engaged in other lines of gospel work.

Last June 21 to July 4, the lay activities department held a missionwide seminar in Saigon attended by C. L. Shankel, division lay activities secretary, and R. B. Grady, Southeast Asia Union lay activities secretary. It was my privilege to speak at the first devotional meeting of the seminar, and I was thrilled to see that no less than 30 percent of those present were Montagnard believers. Surely the Third Angel's Message is going on strongly among these hill people of Vietnam.



Nguyen Huynh

Then there is Nguyen Huynh, laboratory department head at Saigon Adventist Hospital. In spite of his heavy hospital program, he finds time with some of the hospital staff and Phunhuan church members on Sabbaths and Thursdays to conduct Bible marking classes at the Open Arms Center in Saigon, residence of former Vietcong

and North Vietnamese regular army officers and enlisted men.

Since this work started two years ago, Brother Huynh has happily witnessed the baptism of 84 former "enemies." I wish the reader could see Brother Huynh's face as he told of evangelistic exploits in other areas around Saigon.

The Cholon Chinese church in Saigon was organized some 30 years ago. Since then this has been the only Chinese Adventist church in Vietnam. But dramatic changes took place just a year ago. The church started to operate a mission school which offered grades 1 to 5. Of about 300 students enrolled, only 20 percent were children of church members. All 20 schoolteachers and staff members are members of Cholon church. Before the first school year ended, the church witnessed the baptisms of two teen-age students who were former Buddhists.

It was indeed inspiring to listen to church board chairman Chong Jean Ru, church pastor Jonathan Foo, and his assistant Frankie Ly as they recounted God's blessings and told of the construction of a three-story school building which will add nine more classrooms and some administrative offices to their present school plant.

The government has approved their request to operate grades 6 to 9 in addition to the previously recognized grades 1 to 5. But during this second year of its operation, the Cholon school will just hold classes from grades 1 to 6 due to incomplete facilities. The present construction will cost about U.S.\$50,000, and half of this amount has been raised already by the Cholon church leaders and members.

Meantime, the church has sent a number of their youth to some of our Adventist colleges in the division. The church members are praying that these young people will someday help greatly in giving the light of truth to thousands of Chinese people in Vietnam.

Indeed, the circle in Vietnam continues to widen. Space will not permit just now the mention of progress in the educational, medical, publishing, and

other lines of God's work; but more stories will come out of Vietnam as the message moves onward.

Let us pray for our people and the leaders of the work in this war-torn country, especially at this transition period when Pastor Pham Thien, Sabbath School and lay activities secretary, fills in the leadership work which Elder V. L. Bretsch has just vacated to return to the United States.

—B. U. Donato, PR Secretary,  
Southeast Asia Union



FAREWELL. This is the last picture taken of Pastor V. L. Bretsch, right, former president of the Vietnam Mission, just before he boarded the plane for the United States. Enjoying the last moments with him are Pham Thien, center, now acting president, and student missionary Randy Harning. Photo by B. U. Donato.

## Adventist English School Notes

\* Installations for the English laboratory at the Adventist English School were scheduled to begin in July. Funds to buy the machines were raised through solicitation. The lab school will be in use by September. John Falconbridge, principal, is positive this instrument will attract more English learners.

\* New teachers for the A.E.S. force are Ernesto Andres, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Sornin from Sarawak, and Miss Donaldson, a student missionary.

\* Enrollees for the school year 1971-72 total 400 for both the elementary and secondary schools.

—Beth Santos Ruiz



BUILDING. Construction of a three-story school building goes on at the Cholon Chinese church in Saigon, Vietnam.

## Decisions Made at Sabah Meetings

AS a result of meetings held in the Malangan district of Sabah by Pastor Liberty Pandjaitan, Sabah Mission publishing secretary, seven persons were baptized on May 8.

Pastor Pandjaitan held the meetings there at the request of district Pastor Martin Ya'ang. Before the series started, revival meetings were held in the Malangan church to unite the members for service.

Every night during the three-week series, 400 to 500 people attended. An appeal on the closing night brought 30 people to the altar to give their hearts to Jesus. They all joined Bible classes, and the seven who were baptized May 8 had completed their class. Another baptism was planned for the end of June.

## S.A.U.C. Pathfinders Hold Leader Camp

**T**HIRTY-EIGHT college and four secondary students of Southeast Asia Union College completed satisfactorily the basic Pathfinder staff training course held at the weekend senior camp in Ponggol, Singapore, July 23 to 25. Pastor James Wong, principal of the S.A.U.C. secondary school, was camp director. He was ably assisted by Balan Cholly, Myrtle Fitzgerald, and M. P. Sormin, who also acted as camp chief. Present during the three-day affair to give counsel and instructions was Pastor B. U. Donato, new MV secretary of the Southeast Asia Union.

On the first evening of the camp, Pastor B. E. Jacobs, division MV secretary, gave a lecture on how to tell stories to juniors. His two stories that followed the lecture kept the campers wide-eyed and open-mouthed. Slide pictures of the beginnings of the Pathfinder work in America climaxed his hour.

Varied features kept the campers always on their toes; classes, drills, knot-tying sessions, track-and-trail, bird-watching led Mrs. Beth Coffin, group singing, the Saturday night social, and the heart-to-heart talks. For the camp leaders it was inspiring to witness the campers' enthusiasm, eagerness to learn, and anticipation of the time when they would be able to use their newly acquired knowledge.

—B. U. Donato



**SONGS.** Campers blend their voices during a short break at drill time.



**ALL TIED UP.** Preparing knot boards kept the campers busy just before camp break.



**BRAND NEW.** Pastor C. H. Damron, director of the Singapore Voice of Prophecy, Miss Janet Arulpragasam, instructor in the Tamil section, and Mrs. Beth Coffin, assistant director, look over the new Bible course in the Tamil language that's just off the press.

## "Light of the World" Bible Course Now in the Tamil Language

**T**HE staff of the Singapore Voice of Prophecy has long prayed that the way might be opened for evangelism among the hundreds of thousands of Tamil-speaking Indians of Southeast Asia.

That prayer has been answered. We now have the Light of the World Bible course translated and printed in the Tamil language. This 25-lesson course will reach thousands who heretofore have not heard the good news of salvation through Jesus Christ.

This new course, complete with layout and art work designed to appeal to the Indian people, was translated by M. Lucas, a retired Tamil-speaking gospel worker who has always had a burden for his people.

We are thankful for the financial gifts of friends around the world which has made this project possible. We pray that the Holy Spirit will use this course to bring Christ to the masses of Tamil-speaking Indians who need a Saviour.

—Chester H. Damron, Director,  
Singapore Voice of Prophecy

## Sabah Youth Join Church

**A**FTER a series of Bible studies, prayer, and counseling, 19 students who were studying at Sabah Adventist Secondary School were baptized recently.

This group of young people had been studying the Word of God with various dedicated teachers and the writer, when finally, after a Week of Prayer conducted by Pastor Richard C. Hall, Sarawak Mission president, they decided to join the remnant church. Most of these young people come from non-Adventist homes, and it was hard to make the decision to be baptized. One youth was a backslider who found his Saviour again through the inspiring messages of Pastor Hall.

—Edwin Siagian,  
MV Secretary,  
Sabah Mission



## Ancestors Are Worshipped in Land of Church Steeples

**W**E left the station late in the evening in a very crowded bus, which also served as a goods carrier, heavily overloaded, with Parsoburan in the highlands of Toba, Batakland, as our first destination. The moon was already up, the sky was clear and starry, the weather was fine, and we were hopeful of a very pleasant journey on the 42-kilometer trip to the mountains, where the scenery was very beautiful and inviting.

But it was not to be so. After a short distance, we came to a very poor road, and the bus began to jog and jolt. It was far from pleasant, and one had to hold tightly to the iron railing in front of him in order to avoid being bumped out of his seat. Very soon the road turned into mire, and the bus could move only at a snail's pace. Time and again it got stuck, and the driver and his assistants had to work very hard putting some shrubs or some stones under the wheels, or trying to shovel away some mud and clear the road in front of the wheels. Once in awhile the passengers were asked to get out and push. There were rail-like tracks in the mud, over which the bus had to pass. Very often the bus almost fell to one side due to deep holes in the tracks. We later found out that the bus had no brakes at all, and the driver was using gears instead!

The drive lasted all night. We were tired, but we arrived safely at Parsoburan at 6:00 a.m. After a short rest and breakfast we continued our journey on foot to Rainiate, 26 kilometers away. Most of this road was steep to climb or descend. We crossed deep, narrow ravines on wooden logs, the river running swiftly down below us.

In the many villages along the road were Protestant and Catholic churches with their sky-pointing steeples, but also beautifully built stone graveyards with life-sized monuments of the departed, where their spirits are worshiped. Feasts and dances are still held very often, where offerings are given to the long-departed ancestors, requesting their blessings, in spite of the fact that the various churches have strong prohibitions against this heathen custom. At such feasts, the customary pigs are slaughtered, and plenty of strong drinks are consumed, very often resulting in quarrels and fights.

Our weariness and sore feet were forgotten when the brethren in these isolated places gave us a very warm reception. How happy they were to be visited by their brothers from headquarters! Meetings were held far into the night, and we answered many, many questions. We have four churches in Toba, with 400 believers and Sabbath School members.

They are all active doing missionary work, but how they need all the help we can give them!

On our return journey, we had to sleep in the bus in the jungle, as another bus had gotten stuck right in the middle of the road ahead of us. The driver had evidently abandoned it there until morning, without even caring for the hardships his friends the other bus drivers and their passengers might experience.

—D. Batoebara, President,  
North Sumatra Mission



**TROPHIES.** Announcing temperance prize winners is Mrs. C. G. Oliver, chairman of the ladies' group sponsoring the contest. She holds up the number one poster. Beside her is Mrs. A. Simorangkir, wife of the college president.

## I.U.C. Holds Temperance Contest

**SPONSORED** by a group of ladies among the faculty, a poster and speech contest was held at Indonesia Union College. According to Pastor J. K. Senduk, union temperance secretary, the program was a pioneering move in the temperance history of Indonesia.

After a series of temperance lectures had been presented at several chapel periods, the event was highlighted by a special program when the best temperance poster and the best temperance speech were given awards. Guest speaker for the day was Pastor Senduk, who challenged the students to go out and share what they learned on that occasion.

—Daniel Injo,  
Indonesia Union College



**CHALLENGE.** Pastor J. K. Senduk, union temperance secretary, urges students to uphold the cause of temperance. Two students at his side hold temperance visual aids which read, "Temperance."

# Manila Youth Demonstrate Love in Action

By Alberto C. Regoso, Jr., ACT Adviser

**Y**OUNG people of the Manila Center church have launched a pilot project at Kiangnan, Ifugao, 380 kilometers from Manila by mountainous road. The group is called ACT (Adventist Community Task) and is composed mainly of students from different schools and colleges in Manila.

An ACT survey team went to the area and contacted various provincial officials to apprise them of the proposed project. They surveyed the place, asking questions about the needs and problems of the community.

Next a team of volunteers went out to solicit funds and materials from various agencies within and without the church. While solicitation was going on, a detailed plan was mapped out for a 20-day work camp in Kiangnan. A three-day seminar was held at the Manila Center by the Presidential Arm on Community Development, a government agency, to acquaint and train the volunteers on group dynamics, community development, the barrio charter, poultry raising, agriculture, toilet construction, et cetera.

Then during this past summer vacation the ACT team opened a full range of services. Dr. U. Carvajal, an eye, ear, nose, and throat specialist, and Dr. R. T. Santos, head of the surgery department at the Manila Sanitarium and Hospital, along with the M.S.H. medical team, provided free services at the provincial hospital in Lagawe, capital of the province of Ifugao.

Also, a free medical and dental clinic was opened at the work camp area. Close to 320 persons were treated during the clinic.

Lectures on such things as nutrition, personal



**SAY CHEESE!** Some members of the ACT team pose for a souvenir snapshot. Rice terraces can be seen in the background.

hygiene, baby care, dental care, and family planning were given. A 10-day Vacation Bible School was conducted for more than 40 children. Barrio officials and the residents were oriented to their duties and privileges under the new barrio charter.

Recreation, such as basketball and volleyball, was planned. In the evenings, social and cultural programs were presented. Various self-help projects, such as the construction of a water reservoir for safe drinking water, and a water-sealed toilet, were initiated by the teams.

Aside from these various services, goods like seeds, clothing, soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, food, pencils, and paper, were given out.

The results have been overwhelming. Municipal and provincial officials, as well as the barrio people, are requesting that the group return next summer vacation. To show their love and appreciation, they showered the group with gifts—bananas, sweet camotes, vegetables, orchids, and wood carvings.

The provincial secretary, Pedro Daet, Jr., remarked, "It's seldom that we see a group of young people like you. Instead of demonstrating and rallying in the streets of Manila, you are here sacrificing on behalf of the people of our province. Instead of fighting and shouting slogans against the establishment, you are here serving the needs of our poor people."

To the 23 members of the team, this has been a most rewarding summer. Rephel Razon, a student nurse, sums it up in these words: "It is the most challenging, wonderful, unforgettable, and thrilling experience I ever had in my whole life."

In terms of soul conversion, we do not yet know the results, but these youth discovered that action for others helped themselves. Each came to know Christ better, and each grew spiritually. They felt that every action of community service was a demonstration of the love of Christ.



**DISTRIBUTION.** Used clothing is given out by ACT volunteers to a poor Ifugao family.





### Peking Hospital Manager Arrives

His wife, Margaret, and two sons, were given a V.I.P. welcome recently at the Peking Adventist Hospital employees' meeting (standing behind the exclamation point) is the new manager of the hospital. He was formerly administrator of the Menard Hospital in Menard, Texas.

## S.A.U.C. News Notes

\* **Recent additions** to the college faculty are Ralph and Beatrice Neall. Pastor Neall is the new chairman of the Bible department of the college and pastor of the college church, and Mrs. Neall is also teaching in the Bible department. The Nealls have been on study leave at Andrews University, where in June he received the Master of Divinity degree and his wife the Master of Arts in Religious Education.

\* **The college library** received 250 religious and historical books from Mrs. Ruth G. Short of Fresno, California, this summer. A complete set of Foxe's **Book of Martyrs**, a set of Merle d'Aubigne's **History of the Reformation**, and many of his works of Martin Luther, John Calvin, and John Wesley, are included in this welcome donation.

\* **Pastor and Mrs. D. E. Venden** served a fruitful year leading out in the college church. Besides pastoring the church, Pastor Venden also taught a Daniel and the Revelation class to the college students, who greatly appreciated his well-illustrated and easy-to-understand presentations.

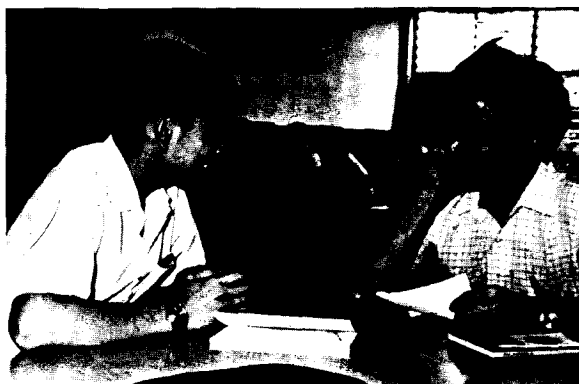
\* **Eugene Rau** and family left on permanent return at the end of the first trimester. Rau filled the post of S.A.U.C.'s first academic dean for four and a half years and had the satisfaction of seeing the junior college graduate into a senior college.

\* **Language Lab**—Ninety-two college students and 99 secondary students have been enrolled in the new language lab set up in the college. Miss Myrtle Fitzgerald and Mrs. Beatrice Neall supervise the

running of the lab with the help of some college students. Foreign students with language difficulty will greatly benefit from these lab sessions.

\* **Lily Wong** and son Sydney returned from Philippine Union College on June 24 after successfully completing her requirements for her master's degree in education. Her husband, **Wong Yew Chong**, returned on July 14 after completing his requirements for his second M.A., this time in the field of guidance. Wong has been appointed dean of men.

—Maggie Tan



**SHARING.** Danson Gaban, right, a S.A.U.C. theology student, shares his faith with secondary student Heng Teng Soon at a table in the college library. Sixty college students counseled more than 200 of the secondary students for seven weeks, using the book "Real Happiness Is" as their guide.

## Counseling Sessions Scheduled for Students

**SIXTY** young Christians at Southeast Asia Union College shared their faith with friends in the secondary school this summer. The college students, many of whom are recent converts themselves, guided the secondary students through the book, **Real Happiness Is, (Steps to Christ)**, in twice-weekly counseling sessions in the library, cafeteria, and classrooms.

It all started with a Week of Prayer in June, conducted by Pastor Chester Damron, ministerial secretary of the Southeast Asia Union. At the end of the week, 112 students accepted Christ, and another 111 asked that they might learn more about Christ. Pastor Damron asked for college students to act as counselors to these eager young people, and 60 of them volunteered to help. Ralph Neall, chairman of the college Bible department and pastor of the college church, meets with the counselors before each counseling period to pray and consider questions which have arisen.

After seven weeks of counseling were finished, the secondary students were enrolled in one of the Voice of Prophecy Bible courses and a baptismal class was formed.



### Students Can Borrow From V.O.P. Scholarship Fund

Pictured above are students attending Southeast Asia Union College in Singapore who are benefitting from funds made available by interested persons around the world. These students were brought to Christ through the Voice of Prophecy Bible course lessons. They in turn are preparing for many areas of service in God's cause.

The scholarship fund is on a loan basis and a student is able to borrow up to a maximum of 75 percent of his school expenses. The balance is paid by the student himself from money he earns through employment at the college or in a nearby office.

Standing with the students in the back row are Eugene Rau, until recently academic dean of Southeast Asia Union College, and C. H. Damron, director, Singapore Voice of Prophecy.

### Student Wins Her Teacher

**C**IRIACO Gillera holds a bachelor of science degree in agriculture from Musuan University in Bukidnon. At present he is connected with Andres Bonifacio College in Dipolog, Zamboanga del Norte, where his conversion took place.

A religious man, he was impressed by the sincerity and faithfulness of one of his students, Miss Almeida Alburo. At the end of the school year he decided to find out the reason for her steadfastness to principle, so he paid a visit to her home in Sindangan. It took only two days for him to observe Almeida's training, and right then he asked for a Bible study. The first three lessons were given by her father. The rest of the studies were given by another teacher who commuted from Sindangan to Dipolog once a week.

In October of 1970, Mr. Gillera was baptized by Pastor Gaje. Now he is determined to go to Mountain View College, for he desires to become a minister.

At present he is an active lay missionary at Andres Bonifacio College. Eight of his students are now receiving Bible studies from him. The burden of his heart is to convert his parents, his brothers, and his sisters to the truth. He earnestly solicits your prayers in behalf of his relatives.

—S. L. Llaguno

### Seminar Conducts First Baptism of Current School Year

**E**IGHT persons were baptized in the Lower Lilingayon church on August 15 as the result of the work of David Saguan, a student pastor. The community is 98 percent Adventist. Over 300 persons, including children, worship each week in the new church that is nearing completion.

Of the nine remaining non-Adventists in the community, five are receiving Bible studies from members of David's seminar team. The next baptism will be held in September.

"Had you not visited us, Brother Saguan, it is doubtful that we would ever have come back to the church," testified one of the baptismal candidates.

As the result of the work of the students of Mountain View College and the blessing of the Lord, the Lower Lilingayon church is experiencing a revival. One brother who had not attended church for six months is now not only attending regularly, but also giving Bible studies.

The baptism was held in the pool at the bottom of a waterfall near the church. At this beautiful spot one of the church members said, "The coming of the students from M.V.C. has awakened us. None of us have been visiting our missing brethren. We will not let this happen in the future."

Brother Saguan stated, "The secret of this suc-



### SOUTH PHILIPPINES

### Recruits Leave Other Jobs to Begin Literature Evangelism

**A**LITERATURE evangelists' rally was held recently at Banaybanay, Lupon, Davao Oriental, where 28 new recruits and 40 regular literature evangelists attended. Also in attendance were union publishing leaders and mission officers.

Flores Acosta, a church elder in Mati, who attended the rally, resigned from his government job and has joined the literature ministry.

Loreto Tulo, a church elder in Goshen, sold his carabao in order to be able to join the work.

A brother from the Tagum church, Rogelio Orgel, sold his pedicab and motorcycle and is now an active literature evangelist.

More power to these brethren who are dedicating their lives to the service of God.

—S. L. Llaguno, PR Secretary,  
South Philippine Union

cess has been the home visitation. For several weeks we have gone from home to home urging the wayward to get ready for the coming of the Lord. In each home we have prayed through tears, and the Lord has blessed."

This is the first baptism conducted by the ministerial seminar during the school year 1971-72. Several others are already scheduled. With the help of the Lord, we would like to double last year's number of baptisms, 94.

—J. H. Zachary



**BAPTISM.** Pastor J. H. Zachary baptizes eight persons into the Lower Lilingayan church. The site of the baptism was a pool at the bottom of a waterfall.

## Vacation Bible School Advances Into New Territory

**F**OR the first time, Vacation Bible School has catapulted over hills and dales and advanced over 96,000 steps deep into the Bilaan stronghold of Tubay, some 45 km. east of General Santos City. The newly established mission school gladly reopened its door to the happy children who responded for registration early Monday morning, May 3. V.B.S. supplies were limited, hence only 19 were able to enroll.

A couple of married men defied age restrictions and refused exemption from joining the junior class! One, whose name is Juan, contended that since his twin daughters had already enrolled and had to be escorted regularly each day, he, too, should be enrolled.

The depth of the hunger and thirst after spiritual food of these people, amid physical famine at the moment, was shown by the fact that long before breakfast time (and usually deprived of breakfast), they were already in school awaiting the beginning of classes. The children had a hard time using scissors, crayolas, and pencils, because they were unused to using them, but what a smile came over their faces when their assignment was done!

On graduation day, 19 pupils graduated with crowns adorning their brows and diplomas proudly clutched in their hands. The program ended with a special **merienda** (snack) for all present.

## Publishing Leaders Meet

**P**UBLISHING secretaries and Book and Periodical Agency managers from the five missions in the South Philippine Union met for a publishing council and leadership training program at Adams Center, Bajada, Davao City, July 12 to 15.

Instructors in the seminar were M. R. Lyon, publishing secretary of the Far Eastern Division; S. G. Miraflores, acting editor of Philippine Publishing House; and E. L. Demiar, publishing secretary of the South Philippine Union.

Pastor Demiar reported that Ps.613,241.54 worth of books and periodicals was sold the first six months of this year. S.P.U.M. has high hopes of reaching its one million peso goal in 1971.

## Nineteen Learn Sales Techniques

**N**INETEEN literature evangelist recruits attended a beginners, institute at the Northeastern Mindanao Mission headquarters, Butuan City, in July.

Pastor E. L. Demiar, South Philippine Union publishing secretary, was the lecturer. With him were his assistants, T. R. Rojas and Miss Ophelia Flores.

Several of the beginners who had been selling food products are now turning about-face and dealing in God's spiritual food.

Felix Guiang, 58, representing the San Francisco church, Agusan del Sur, was the oldest in the group. Asked what moved him to join the literature ministry, he said, "I believe Christ will not come unless the majority of God's people will work for Him."



## Minister Ordained in Western Mindanao

R. B. Domingo, a district leader of Sindangan, Zamboanga del Norte, was ordained to the ministry at the Sindangan Camp Meeting on July 3.

In the photo are Pastor Jose Corpus, Western Mindanao Mission Sabbath School and lay activities secretary; Pastor L. D. Durlquez, mission president; Pastor and Mrs. Domingo; Mrs. C. S. Rosco; Pastor Rosco, ministerial secretary of the South Philippine Union, who gave the charge; and Pastor M. M. Claveria, South Philippine Union president, who gave the ordination sermon.

## Construction Begins for M.V.C. Station

**S**TUDENTS and teachers made the first cement block for the first Adventist radio station in the Philippines on Sunday, August 22. What a thrilling day for Mountain View College! Our dreams and hopes took a large step toward fulfillment.

The radio steering committee, under the leadership of Pastor Rudy Bermudez, determined to begin purchasing equipment and building materials while fund-raising is still in progress, since prices of goods are rising.

A government permit was issued two years ago. Mr. Fortich, the governor of Bukidnon province, is encouraging the rapid completion of this, the largest station in the province. He recently pledged 2,000 pesos toward the building of this educational, non-commercial station.

This station will not only have an evangelistic outreach into a large portion of the nation, but it will also enable Mountain View College to train future pastors in the art of radio evangelism for an even greater outreach.

We praise the Lord for His blessing that has made this beginning possible. We look forward to seeing what God can do with small beginnings.

—J. H. Zachary, Chairman,  
Bible Department,  
Mountain View College



**CEMENT BLOCK.** Cresente Zamora, Godson Mgeni, Pastor Rudy Bermudez, Napoleon Saguan, Sr., James Zarate, and Rufino Aggabao, Sr., admire the very first cement block made for the very first Adventist radio station in the Philippines.

## "Positively No Trespassing"

**I**T was Ingathering time, and the local elder encouraged two young ministers to visit the home of a wealthy sugar planter. "I know him, but I cannot go with you today," he said.

The two young men felt a bit uneasy as they drove their motorcycle past the sign, "Positively No Trespassing." The yard was beautiful; they had never seen anything lovelier. They parked the motorcycle and quietly walked toward the house. A man stood

near the door, scowling. "What are you doing here? Can't you read the sign? My wife will take care of you." He turned and entered the door before they could answer.

They trembled a bit as they waited and breathed a prayer.

The door opened, and a middle-aged woman appeared. Her first words were not consoling: "What do you want with us? If you are politicians, we are not interested; if you want money, we have none for you; and if you are selling something, we will not buy."

Mr. Teves found his voice and said quietly, "We are Seventh-day Adventist ministers."

The door opened wide, and the lady smiled and invited them in. She ushered them into a beautiful room. "Sit here, I will get you a drink," she said, and she stepped through the door.

She returned and sat down, then suddenly she began to weep. Loud sobs convulsed her body. The ministers looked at each other helplessly. They knew Filipino women cried, but they had never before seen an American woman cry. Finally one of the ministers said, "Would you care to tell us what the trouble is? Could we help in any way?" The sobs quieted.

"It's my son. He was murdered. Eight bullets pumped into his chest, and he was hurting no one, just fixing a fence. He was such a good boy. This is awful, and the Adventists are the only ones who care."

The ministers comforted her as best they could and invited the couple to visit my husband and me in Bacolod. We are also Americans and about the same age.

"No, we don't go anywhere without a bodyguard, for they want to kill us, too," she said.

The next day we were told of this experience. I asked the Lord to guide me in writing a letter that would be helpful and quickly wrote and mailed a little note of comfort. We wrote a message on the flyleaf of the book **Your Bilbe and You** and asked the young ministers to deliver it when they were in the couple's vicinity again.

Time went by, and we heard nothing. Then we were told that the book had finally been delivered and that the lady had just returned from America. The two men had been welcomed this time and treated to cakes and drinks.

When we were able to visit this home, we were literally welcomed with open arms. "Sorry I didn't answer your letter," she said. "I started for the States the next day. Your letter gave me just the help I needed. Fact is, I just couldn't have gotten ready without it."

Papers are being sent to these fine people, and it is hoped that they will soon be rejoicing with us in the blessed hope of the soon return of Jesus. Words spoken when the heart is tender will have their effect. Let us always be known as the people who care.

—Mrs. R. W. Spalding