

New Field Opens in North Sumatra

REVIEW AND HERALD



Pastor F. W. Aruan, right, hold children's meetings, church services, and Sabbath schools in Labuhan Batu.

Some half million primitive people live in Labuhan Batu, a county on the northeast coast of Sumatra, where Adventists have recently opened new work.

Most of the local people raise small farms or depend upon the jungles for food. Their religion is either Moslem or animist. In recent years the Indonesian government has encouraged people from other parts of Sumatra or from Java to move into the area of Labuhan Batu and develop rice farms.

About this same time the North Sumatra Mission also began advances in Labuhan Batu. Church members were encouraged to move into the country to do pioneer lay evangelism among the natives and newcomers. Some 100 Adventist families responded to the challenge, and although they planned to live in clusters and form small groups of believers, their efforts were not successful. There was lack of communication between groups, and some of the people even stopped going to church.

The mission realized the desperate need for a pastor to hold the groups together in Labuhan Batu, but due to lack of funds, it was more than four years before a worker could be assigned to this area. Toward the end of 1974, however, money was in hand to send F. W. Aruan to Labuhan Batu. When he arrived he found only one organized church, four small groups of believers, and six villages where Adventists lived but held no regular worship services.

The first thing Aruan did was to seek the scattered members and organize regular Sabbath



Dr. of Education

Dr. Samuel A. Ladion, Sr., recently defended his thesis entitled, "Values of Principals of Seventhday Adventist S e c o n d a r y Schools in the



Philippines as Correlates or Supervisory Dimensions and Leadership Behavior or Styles." Dr. Ladion is the first Adventist Filipino Fund for Assistance to Private Education scholar to be conferred the doctor of education degree at Philippine School of Graduate Studies affiliate at Philippine Women's University, Manila. At present he is an associate professor at Philippine Union College.

Honored Diplomate

Dr Oseas Pilar, head of the anesthesiology department of Manila Sanitarium and Hospital was among several new diplomates in anesthesiology honored by the First Lady of the Philippines, Imelda Romualdez Marcos. Dr. Pilar was also recently elected president of the Philippine College of Anesthesiology, a member organization of the American Society of Anesthesiology.

Okinawa Dentist

Dr. and Mrs. Charles Prowant come to the Far East from Karachi, Pakistan, where they served four and one half years. Now in Okinawa, Dr. Prowant is serving as a dentist in the Adventist Medical Center. The Prowants are originally from the Southwestern Union, he from Missouri and she from Texas. Both attended Southwestern Junior College for a while and also Southern Missionary College. Dr. Prowant attended Union College and then the University of Nebraska College of Dentistry. Mrs. Prowant, a secretary, also attended comptometer school in Omaha. The Prowants have four daughters, Deborah, 15, Barbara, 12, Susan, 10, and Lisa, 6.

Chaplain

Retired but still working, that's Elder and Mrs. Frank Moran, who arrived in Singapore last October. Pastor Moran is a sustentation worker helping in the chaplain's department at Youngberg Memorial Adventist Hospital. Before his retirement in 1966, he was associate professor of evangelism at Loma Linda University, a post he held for 17 years. Earlier he served as education superintendent and youth director in Oklahoma and as pastor and evangelistic worker in Arizona and Southeastern California.

Graduate

Teresita E. de la Cruz, chairman, department of medical technology of the Manila Sanitarium and Hospital, successfully finished her master's degree in public health at the University of the Philippines. She received a certificate of merit as a result of her high standard of scholarship. She is the only employee of the North Philippines holding this degree.

Obituary

Former missionary in the China and Far Eastern Divisions, Arthur Mountain passed away on August 8, 1975, in the Feather River Hospital, Paradise, California, at the age of 85. He arrived in the Far East in 1939, and in addition to serving in China, also worked in the Philippines, Malaysia, Hong Kong, and Borneo.

New York

The number of people in the world living in a democratic society reportedly dropped by 40 percent in 1975, the sharpest dip recorded by Freedom House since it began assessing the trend 24 years ago. Freedom House is an independent organization devoted to strengthening free societies. Today 19.8 percent of the world's population is living in freedom. 35.3 percent is partly free, and 44.9 percent is not free.

Washington

A Seventh-day Adventist church official in Washington has decried the mixing of Christian missions with government affairs. Referring to the report that missionaries in many countries have been involved with the CIA, Vice President G. Ralph Thompson of the Adventist world headquarters, declared that religion has no business dabbling in political affairs.

Vatican City

Pope Paul, in an address to the new ambassador of Niger to the Holy See, called for greater and closer cooperation between Muslims and Christians in promoting the common good and witnessing to "human solidarity and brotherhood."

London

Britain's House of Commons has upheld the nation's 1965 law which abolished the death penalty except for acts of treason. Following an exhaustive three-hour debate, Commons defeated a motion to restore capital punishment for acts of terrorism causing loss of life.

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meetings. This often meant long walks through the jungles, sometimes taking several days in order to reach some of the more remote villages. Bus transportation was available on the main roads, but of course, the main roads do not wind through the small jungle farm villages. Despite the difficulties in transportation, Pastor Aruan soon held two evangelistic meetings and within a few months had baptized 53 individuals, organized three churches, and established five new Adventist companies with temporary church buildings of thatched or grass roofs and bamboo walls and floors.

Several Adventist families lived in the area called Pangkatan, so the pastor wished to build a house of worship for them. However, due to prejudice toward the new Christian church, the local villagers were hesitant to sell any land for the new building. The problem became a matter of prayer and concern for the members, until one day a man volunteered to sell his land to the Adventists. Pastor Aruan and his flock wondered why this man had decided to sell land to them, and soon discovered why.

The piece of property was believed to be the place of devils. For hundreds of years the villagers were greatly afraid of it for fear of truth in the stories of plagues, disaster, sickness, and death that came to anyone who disturbed the land.

"If you have the courage to cut these woods and can assure us no harm will come to us, you can have this land," was the condition made by the owner.

And the Adventists bought the land. For the next three weeks they worked faithfully in cutting down trees and clearing it for a new church. The superstitious villagers were astonished at the bravery of these Christians, and cautiously watched their labors, expecting at any time to see some dreadful plague descend upon the whole village.

Of course, no plague or disaster came to Pangkatan. Instead a lovely little church emerged in the jungle, and the people saw faith in God at work. Upon completing the church, the members opened a school, which now has 71 pupils.

"The seal and sacrifice of our members here, although still in the process of pioneering the jungles for rice fields, are truly great," says Aruan. "We will work hard to find and locate the many scattered members."



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Bacolod Sanitarium Opens New Annex

The mayor and his wife got into the act of inaugurating the new annex of Bacolod Sanitarium and Hospital, November 30, 1975.

The honorable Carlos P. Benares, mayor of Bacolod City, gave the opening remarks and Mrs. Benares





TOP: Bacolod Sanitarium and Hospital with new annex on the left. BOTTOM: Mrs. C. P. Benares, wife of the mayor of Bacolod City, cuts the ceremonial ribbon to the new annex. She is assisted by Mrs. E. S. Geslani, wife of the hospital's medical director, Mrs. L. L. Montana, wife of the chairman of the board, and Dr. T. L. Aguilar, chief of the medical staff. Pictured in the background are Dr. Geslani, and G. O. Bruce.

cut the ceremonial ribbon.

The new annex has 16 air-conditioned patient rooms, doctor offices, administrative offices, a library, conference rooms, and other service centers. The extension doubled the hospital's bed capacity from 50 to 100.

With some 1,000 guests present, Division Treasurer G. O. Bruce gave the dedication speech. Music was furnished by the West Negros College band and glee club, and three choirs of the Bacolod Adventist Center.

Soliciting Campaign Exceeds Set Goal

The East Visayan Mission surpassed its goal of 25,000 pesos in the annual Operation Good Neighbor campaign (Ingathering) in 1975 by reaching nearly 30,000 pesos.

Participants in the solicitation included 11 districts, a medical institution, and three mission departments. In less than a week's time Calbayog Clinic, the medical institution, posted more than 5,000 pesos, and became the first to reach its goal. – Ezekiel B. Sarsoza

Youth Evangelists Give Away Presents

The young people of Central Illoilo are presenting small gifts to Voice of Prophecy students who complete their lessons. Some of these presentations include Bibles, Adventist books and magazines, and key chains with an MV design. Called "Gift Cheque Evangelism," this plan is also used to encourage MV members to participate in personal witnessing through the Voice of Prophecy.

Describing the plan, one person put it this way: "The VOP students who never quit the course, win valuable prizes. The youth participants who never quit working for the Lord, win precious souls. The quitters never win anything at all!" – *Jimmy P. Acebedo.*

Executive Supports Adventist's Request

New Seventh-day Adventists often face the problem of working on Saturdays, and many have become discouraged because suitable arrangements cannot be made. But Virgilio Polluna, an employee in an Iloilo City engineering shop for nine years, found his vice president was almost afraid not to grant the new convert's request.

"As vice president of this company, I have to give you your Sabbaths off because this request is not yours, but God's. If I will not grant it, the Lord will curse me and this company."

The business official told the shop manager, "Adventists are good people. Mr. Pollona will do better than any of your other workers because he will have no disruption and you can depend on him."

Since payday in the shop came on Saturday, the vice president also requested that special arrangements be made for Pollona to receive his pay on another day. -C. O. Gravino

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Mysterious Singing Attracts Believers

It must have been a strange yet thrilling experience to hear singing voices coming from the empty Ratahan church in the middle of the night, but Benny Sakul, church pastor, and villagers who live near the church say they heard singing about midnight on September 24, 1975.

This phenomenon occured following the last night of an evangelistic series by Pastor Sakul in which four persons stood and indicated their decision to be baptized the next day. Instead of four baptismal candidates that Sabbath, 14 joined the Adventist church.

According to the minister, "We believe beyond the shadow of a doubt that a choir of heavenly angels was singing in that church building that night." – Nathan Ruhupatty

Indonesia Colporteurs Attend Institute

Literature evangelists from all over East Indonesia except West Irian met for a five-day institute of instruction and fellowship, October 7 to 11, at Malino, approximately 50 miles from Ujung Pandang.

Some 120 colporteurs packed into the Pasinggrahan Hotel to hear specialists in the fields of publishing and salesmanship. Instructors for the institute were J. K. Manoppo, union publishing director, Richard McKee, Southeast Asia publishing director (substituting for the division publishing leaders who were unable to attend), leaders from the Indonesia Publishing House, and Dr. E. Sutresman, layman from Ujung Pandang.



The literature evangelists choir from South Minahasa was one of several groups that sang during the five-day institute. This photo was taken during the outdoor church service.

Union President A. Waworoendeng delivered the opening address in which he emphasized the meekness of the workers of the Lord. "The longer one is in the work of the Lord, the meeker he should be," he said.

The get-together provided opportunity for spiritual refreshment as well as professional instruction. Some of the meetings were held outdoors. One of the most unforgettable sights was one of the sundown worships. It was almost time for the sun to disappear over the horizon when the mountain fog crept in covering the ground as the literature evangelists formed a wide circle to hear the vesper speaker, R. I. Sarumpaet, formerly editor of the Indonesia Publishing House, and now president of the West Indonesia Union Mission.-Nathan Ruhupatty

Children's Story

Ronny Wins Out

Five-year-old Ronny loved the children's meetings held every evening just before the meetings for adults. He liked to sing, he liked the stories he heard, and he didn't want to miss one meeting. So every evening he would walk to the meeting place and wait for it to begin.

The only problem was that his parents didn't want him to attend. They had not been faithful Christians for many years, and they didn't want their little boy to become a Christian. Finally they^N decided to move to a farm. Although it was a few miles

away from the village, still it was too far for a little five-year-old to walk.

At the end of his first day on the farm, Ronny began to think about the children's meeting. He remembered some of the stories, and he hummed one of his favorite songs.

When he pleaded with his parents to take him into the village for the meetings, they ignored him.

Oh, how Ronny complained! He just had to let his parents know how much he liked those meetings, and if necessary, he could get their attention by complaining.

Finally, when they realized just how much their son missed his little friends and the songs and stories, they took him back into the village.

Ronny was very faithful in attending the meetings, and this impressed his parents very much. As a result of this boy's enthusiam his parents and two older brothers were eventually baptized. – Nathan Ruhupatty

First Baptism

The English language school staff of Manado, East Indonesia, reports the first baptism as a direct result of the school's outreach. Those new members of the Adventist church are Mr. and Mrs. Jan Pongoh, who enrolled in the first English classes when the school began in March, 1973.



College News Notes

Former president of Japan Missionary College, D. G. Hirokawa, was recently honored by the Emperor of Japan. He was raised to the rank of The Order of the Sacred Treasure, the third highest rank in Japan. This honor was for Hirokawa's contribution in engineering the Shinkansen or bullet train. Hirokawa served as vicepresident of the Japan national Railways Research Institute during the completion of that project. In addition to serving as president of Japan Missionary College, he has served as a church pastor.

Professors

Two faculty members were recently granted the rank of professor, Dr. S. Nagakubo, academic dean, and Miss C. Ando, chairman of the English department. Dr. Nagakubo completed his doctor of philosophy degree in Jewish history from Duke University in 1974. Miss Ando, who holds a masters degree from Loma Linda University, is currently translating *The Acts of the Apostles* into Japanese.

Ordained

Yoshibumi Takahashi, acting chairman of the theology department at Japan Missionary College, was ordained to the gospel ministry on May 12. After completing studies in Japan, Takahashi studied at Loma Linda University and later at Andrews University where he received a master of arts degree in religion.



Christian Lady Accepts Sabbath

She had come to the point where she had to make a decision, and decided she never wanted to discuss the Bible with Seventh-day Adventists again. Mrs. Lee, Jak Du-Choon had studied some Adventist Bible lessons, but at the same time she was a faithful member of another fundamental Christian church. Some of the Bible lessons conflicted with her own church's doctrine, and she was frustrated.

That's why she instructed her housegirl to lock the gate when the Adventist pastor and a deaconess, Han, Gye Lye, came to visit. However, the visitors were persistent. They prayed that God would some-



Mr. and Mrs. Lee, Jak Du-Choon

way open the gate so they could visit Mrs. Lee, and as they pushed on the locked gate, it opened.

Han, Gye Lye entered the small house, but found no one in the central room, so went through a tiny door leading to an upper storeroom. As she pulled open the little door, she found Mrs. Lee huddled underneath a big blanket trying to hide herself.

"Come down," pleaded the Adventist lady. "We'd like to study the Bible with you."

It took some persuasion on the part of the visitors before Mrs. Lee would leave her hiding place, but finally she joined them in the main room of her house. As they talked, she boldly made her decision to join the Adventist church, and arrangements were soon made for her baptism on November 8. Today her husband and children are also attending church and studying the Bible.

"I am very happy now. Thank you," were her words of gratitude to the pastor and deaconess. – W. K. Shin

Academy Expands

Yung Nam Academy in the Southeastern Mission has begun construction on a new dormitory for boys. When completed, the building will house 100 students.

Churches Planted in Two Sites

Two more TARGET 80 churches have gone up in Korea. The Southeast Mission recently completed a new church building in Mok Po City where lay evangelists first preached the Adventist message. Before the new building, some 34 persons met each Sabbath in a private home of a non-Adventist. The first baptism of seven was held in May, 1975, and presently eight more persons are preparing for church membership.

Dedication services were also held recently for a new church building at Sogi Po on Cheju Island. A crusade team from Korean Union College held an evangelistic series there in 1974 and helped organize a company. Today 65 Sabbath school members worship in their new church.



Former Military Man Establishes Mission

After many years away from his church and a career as a military man, Donald Wagner has been rebaptized, settled down in the mountains of Zambales with his Filipina wife, and today is a self-styled independent missionary, working among the Negritoes mountain tribe.

Without a formal education and only a little experience as a literature evangelist, Wagner answered the call of the United States military, which took him to the Philippines with General Douglas MacArthur's troops. He fought in the mountain ranges of Bataan and Zambales and was with MacArthur's soldiers when Manila was liberated. Later he shifted to the United States merchant marine and stayed five years in Vietnam.

"The Holy Spirit kept impressing me to return to church," he says. "And the time came when I could no longer resist its promptings. In 1972, I returned to the Philippines – not as a military soldier, but as a soldier of God to work among the neglected areas of Zambales."

Teaming up with Domingo Oliva, an ex-governor of the Negritoes, Wagner and his wife have established the Zambale Mountain Mission. They sell books to earn a living and pay small salaries to those working with them. But they also distribute simple medicines, and teach the local people health and sanitation methods. Since the Northern Luzon Mission leaders learned of Wagner and his work they have arranged for the North Philippine Union Mission and the Manila Sanitarium and Hospital to supply medicines and food through SAWS.

The Zambale Mountain Mission has a church and a school house. Every Sabbath a group of some 120 people flock into the church to hear the messages brought to them by the Wagners. – *Nelson S. Pallasa*

Lantrys Assist School Libraries

"This week you will be thrilled as God does the impossible through you. No matter how many hours you work, five days are not enough to understand the principles of adminisorganizing, trating, selecting materials, and giving reference help in your school library. Knowing we can do nothing without God, we will often stop and remind Him of our needs for great wisdom and strength. If you will allow the Holy Spirit to teach you, God will do through you what is humanly impossible."

And God did just that for the teachers, librarians, and principals of the North and South Philippine

Unions who studied, prayed, and worked together under the direction of Dr. J. H. Lantry, division associate education director, and Eileen Lantry, former librarian at Southeast Asia Union College.

Following the plan that people learn best and fastest when they are actively involved in a learning experience that meets their needs, the husband-wife team combined personal guidance with the challenge to venture into the unknown with God. As each person worked cooperatively with each other, the results were a sense of personal accomplishment in the new skills of librarianship.

In the north, T. V. Barizo, education secretary, organized the seminar. Cynthia Fajardo, librarian from the Manila Sanitarium and Hospital, and Mrs. N. Fadri and Mrs. E. Tortal, librarians from Philippine Union College, with student Kittiporn Tantrarongroj assisted Mrs. Lantry in helping each student correctly catalog and type unit cards for 15 books each, as well as learn many other skills in operating school media centers.

Mrs. A. S. Barizo, elementary supervisor who attended the seminar commented, "This type of seminar produces librarians sent by God to our schools. Now they can lead and inspire our youth to wisely use to the utmost the facilities of our newly organized libraries."

A. B. Gayao, educational secretary of the South Philippines, organized two library seminars in Mindanao. Mindanao Mission Academy in Monticao hosted 32 persons from the academies in Northern Mindanao. Mrs. J. H. Zachary, librarian from Mountain View College, gave valuable assistance to the 32 teachers who asked many questions on all facets of how to improve libraries. Church school teachers joined with Mrs. Gayao, the elementary school supervisor. Few teachers could be persuaded to leave the library for recreation. So absorbed in their work, most teachers remained in the library until bedtime.

The response was just as enthusiastic at Southern Mindanao Academy near Digos in the Davao Mission. Each day the crowd grew as church school teachers in the surrounding area heard of the thrilling involvement the academy teachers were enjoying, and joined the group. Soon almost 40 teachers crowded into the library, putting into practice immediately the new skills they were learning.

Two hours of college credit in library science was only a fraction of the benefits each teacher received. The real results are being accomplished each day as they have gone



Eileen Lantry, left, leads out in one of several library workshops in the Philippines last October. This particular workshop was held at Philippine Union College. Mrs. Lantry, who holds a masters degree in library science and formerly served as librarian at Southeast Asia Union College, has had opportunity to share her expertise with several of the schools in the Far East.

back to their own schools to completely change the concept of what was and what will be a real media center that is the heart of the school.

They have accepted the challenge to enrich the lives of each student and fellow teacher. What God began in three weeks, He will continue through the future years because many consecrated, trained, and enthusiastic librarians have pledged themselves to organize and provide media that will provide enrichment for the curriculum and stimulate Christian growth in the youth of the Philippines.

South-Central Luzon Opens New Academy

When land was acquired four years ago for a new academy in Bugtong, Lipa City, the South-Central Luzon Mission didn't have enough cash to begin construction.

But early in 1975 mission leaders agreed that construction must begin despite the shortage of funds, so on March 1, the building began. Needless to say, the money was soon exhausted, and if it had not been for the dedication and determination of the church members, the academy would probably still be standing only partially completed. However, several volunteers agreed to work without pay. Some church members donated money. Another gave 100 bags of cement. Still others loaned funds to the mission to help in the construction of temporary buildings.

When he learned of the new school under construction, the inspector from the bureau of private schools doubted that it could be completed before school opened, but after his inspection, he recommended to the head office in Manila that the school be granted a permit to open.

The first principal is Ruben Budayao, an experienced pioneer of two other academies. -J. C. Medina

PUC Hosts Seminar in Student Guidance

To give in-service training to academy and elementary teachers in the North Philippine Union Mission, a guidance and counseling seminar was held at Philippine Union College October 13 to 17.

Some 83 principals, guidance counselors and graduate students attended the seminar, which was directed by Dr. E. A. deLeon, college vice president for academic affairs. Main topics for the seminar included general principles of guidance, vocational choice theory, and the use of tests in guidance.

At the banquet to close the seminar, Dr. Narciso Albarracin, acting secretary of education and culture for the Philippines, and Dr. Lino Q. Arquiza, president of Philippine Christian College, noted the work program in Adventist schools, and emphasized its importance in the curriculum of the *New Society*. Albarracin mentioned Mountain View College and Philippine Union College as the schools that are on the right track as far as work education is concerned.

Health Department

The Dorcas Health and Welfare Federation of Manila received a fourth gift of assorted medicines from the government department of health last October.

In recognition of the humanitarian work of the local Dorcas Federation, the secretary of health extended an invitation to the Dorcas leaders to visit his office, and at that time he gave them 4,273 pesos worth of medicines for use in the free medical clinics sponsored by the Dorcas group. This was the fourth such gift in a period of 18 months.

"I know you people, and I know your medical and humanitarian pro-

gram," said Gatmaitan. "The nation is really proud of what you are contributing in behalf of the *New Society* in service to our less fortunate brethren." – *N. S. Pallasa*

Publishing House Plans Work for Four Years

The Philippine Publishing House constituency meeting set a sales goal of 121 million pesos for the next four years, and approved an operating budget of 11.5 million pesos for 1976.

The delegates meeting at the Kowloon House, Makati, Rizal, also scheduled a four-day publishing council to be held in Cebu next month, and discussed various building and marketing expansion plans.

As the largest Adventist publishing house in the Far East, the Philippine Publishing House is putting out 10 Spirit of prophecy books in the four major dialects of the Philippines. This project is to be completed by 1980.

The following officers of the publishing house were reelected to serve for the next four years: E. L. Villanueva, manager; E. M. Macalintal, treasurer; S. G. Miraflores, editor; E. N. Dicen, circulation manager; O. P. Imperio, superintendent; F. B. Conopio, associate editor; L. G. Feir, associate circulation manager; and S. G. Cahilig, plant general foreman. – *Flor B. Conopio*

Chorale Spreads Gospel Through Song

"To make this world a better world to live in through music" is the primary objective of the Christ-Centered Crusaders Chorale of Manila. The group's particular aim is the elite of the Philippines.

As a beginner, the CCC Chorale gave its first public performance at the Manila Hilton Coral Ballroom at the Second Annual Meeting of the Philippine Advisory Board for Medical Specialties. The encouraging remarks of Honorable E. Marcos, Medicare chairman, inspired the chorale to aspire to greater excellence.

Other performances have included the Cultural Center of the Philippines, Manila Central University Medical Alumni Association Homecoming, San Sebastian College, and Quezon City Hall among others. – N. S. Pallasa

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What Kind of Protein?

Plants are the primary source of all proteins. Animals eat and digest plant foods, and from their proteins derive a mixture of essential and nonessential amino acids from which are built such protein-rich foods as meat, milk, and eggs. Man can eat and digest these animal proteins or, like the animals, he can derive an adequate mixture of amino acids directly from plant sources. This fact was emphasized at the Sixth International Congress of Nutrition at Edinburgh in 1963:

"From a nutritional point of view animal or vegetable protein should not be differentiated. . . By combining different proteins in appropriate ways, vegetable proteins cannot be distinguished from those of animal origin."

Plant foods are free of animal diseases and metabolic waste products. Their fats are generally more highly unsaturated than animal fats and sufficient carbohydrate is present to balance the protein and fat intake. The cost is usually lower. The content facilitates fiber bowel hygiene. Human studies at the University of lowa showed a drop in serum cholesterol when a plant protein (soya) replaced animal protein in the diet.

Students Learn Personal Evangelism



Some new ideas have been implemented in the student nurse two-week spiritual-care training program at Manila Sanitarium and Hospital. The primary aim of the program is to make student nurses real missionaries. Under the umbrella title of the art of parsonal evangelism, the students give Bible studies, present singing programs, show slidas, distribute religious literature, help patients find books through the hospital's circulating library, and pray with patients. They elso do follow-up, counseling, visitation, and enroll patients in Voice of Prophecy lessons. – Dr. Samuel a. Ladion

Lions Help Fight Drug Dependency



When presented with the magazine "Enlist in the War Against Drugs," published by the Philippine Publishing House, Manila Mayor Ramon Bagatsing [right] responded, "With your permission, let me personally take charge of distributing thase magazines to the people concarned in waging war against the evils of drugs." The mayor's support of the magazine and for Adventists' concarn for tha city's well being was preceded by a stemp of approval from the Manila Lions International, which bought 1,000 copies of the magazina and gave them to the city government for distribution. Pictured left to right are Lion Tamer Man Chi Kion, Charter Presidant Miguel Tiulentino, Charter Sacretary David R. Tan (also stewardship director and youth activities sponsor of the Manila Central Church], and Mayor Bagatsing.—Nelson S. Pallasa

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Hong Kong Mission Schools Report Growth



Baptismal class at Tai Po Mission School

Enrollment at the Tai Po Mission School located in the New Territories of Hong Kong reached the 1,000 mark this year. In order to accomodate this large group of young people it was necessary to add another building. The new section houses the chapel, a multipurpose auditorium, a prayer room, and several other muchneeded facilities.

Complete with stained-glass windows, beautifully finished pews and pulpit, highly polished hardwood floors, and graceful staircases this building will also serve as the church for the Seventh-day Adventists in the area. Handel Luke, principal, glows with satisfaction as he leads visitors through the new building. He is especially proud of the prayer room, which he feels will be used frequently by the students.

Baptismal classes have been organized in both the English and Chinese sections. They are well attended and it is the prayer of the staff that the results will bring honor to Christ's name.

All three mission schools in the Hong Kong area have large enrollments-Happy Valley has nearly 1,000, Boundary Street Sam Yuk School, 800, and Tai Po with 1,100. The principals Philip Tang, H. S. Lo, and Handel Luke are dedicated to sparing no time nor effort in seeing that God's message is brought to the boys and girls attending these schools. We solicit the prayers of all for the soul-winning work of these mission schools. – *Mildred Ostich*



Pathfinders Meet in Northern Mindanao

More than 360 Pathfinders converged upon the campus of Mountain View College, October 20 to 26, for a mission-wide camporee. In addition to the youth, 69 counselors and 31 teachers camped at the college too.

The aim of the camp was "Pathfinders Today; Leaders Tomorrow," and the theme of the week was "to discover potentials from every Pathfinder for leadership." The objective was to encourage leadership among the youth and train them in leadership skills.

In typical Pathfinder style the camp

schedule included nature study, crafts, hiking, campfires, and health lectures in addition to the leadership instruction.

R. T. Nermal, youth director of the Northern Mindanao Mission, directed the camp with a full staff of assistants.—*Addie Libato*

Student Missionary Enters Dark Area

When the mayor of Gigaquit, Surigao del Norte, learned that a young man from Mountain View College is working among the Mamanwas in his territory, he sent government personnel with leaders from the Northeastern Mindanao Mission to distribute clothing, medicine, and food supplies.

Ruben Jala, a student at MVC, is working among the Mamanwas, a tribe of small dark-skinned people having a nomadic life-style. Ruben taught them to farm and plant different crops, and he has also taught many to read and write. Of course, Ruben also includes Bible studies in his busy program. Some 500 Mamanwas are presently congregated in this one area of the mountains of Surigao, and they would like to have a mission school. – S. J. Balansag

Following Dad's Steps



Five of the theology graduates at Mountain View College this year are sons of ministers. Pictured with the head of the MVC theology department, J. H. Zachary (center), are [left to right] Don Garilva, Lemuel Niere, Vic Arreola, and Dennyson Moralde. The fifth member of this group (not pictured) is Percy John Obregon. All five young men are student leaders and expect to receive their bachelor's degrees this year.

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Adventist Dentists Meet in Bangkok

With concern for top quality dental services in Seventh-day Adventist institutions, the Far Eastern Division Department of Health sponsored a six-day dental seminar in Bangkok, Thailand, October 28 to November 2, 1975.

This meeting scheduled for all Seventh-day Adventist dentists in the Far Eastern Division, and some from the Southern Asia Division, offered 18 to 20 hours of certification for continuing education credits to maintain California licensure. Two clinicians from Loma Linda University and others provided 25 hours of lecture:

Dr. Bernard Byrd, chairman of the oral surgery department of Loma Linda's School of Dentistry, gave lectures on pain control and sedation procedures, new concepts in antibiotic therapy, and new knowledge of therapeutics, among other topics, while Dr. Bob James of the school's restorative department, presented new developments in his field of specialty.

Loma Linda University also supplied films and other audio-visual productions for the seminar.

Each dental clinic in the division was requested to present a 15minute slide show describing its facilities, operation, and outreach programs, and opportunity was given for discussion of individual clinic operations and suggestions for improvement where needed.

J.Ray Wahlen, D.D.S., associate director of the Far Eastern Division health department, said that the aim of the seminar was not only to provide professional instruction, but

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Some 30 individuals attended the recent dental seminar held at the Rose Garden Hotel in Thailand. Several took the seminar for credit, receiving from 18 to 20 hours of certification for continuing education.



Dr. and Mrs. Bernard Byrd enjoy a pause from the lecture room to sample fresh coconut milk at the Rose Garden in Bangkok.

even more important, to obtain greater insights into methods of witnessing to the patients who come to Adventist dental clinics that they may learn of salvation through Jesus Christ.

Sarawak Sees Progress in Village Evangelism

Approximately one year ago the villagers of Nyelitak, sent to the Sarawak Mission a list of 90 names of people who wanted to become Seventh-day Adventists. Today 111 baptized church members crowd into the Paul Eldridge Jungle Chapel for Sabbath services.

"James Sagit is the pastor there, and we've assigned Joel Valendez, a student missionary from Mountain View College, Philippines, to work with him," reports Bruce Johnston, mission president.

These men have organized the church into various bands – singing band, Dorcas band, home-health band, literature band, etc. One of the first projects of the home-health band was to get rid of the local pigs and clean up the village. And the literature band distributes various magazines to those who read English.

Because the church publishes no magazines or tracts in Iban, the local dialect, the literature band uses whatever English papers are available, such as *Signs of the Times* and *Insight*, reports Johnston.

Attie Gara, a graduate of Ayer Manis School in Sarawak, held some meetings in Nyelitak during the past year. The Sarawak Mission is emphasizing the approach of converting a whole family before baptizing one member of the family, and Attie helped several families find Jesus.

We have had the same results from this strategy in other areas, adds the mission president, and consequently we need more help, so have turned to the laymen. A new Volunteer Lay Preachers program is now off the drawing board and into action, and this month the laymen are working in pairs in village evangelism in Sarawak.

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Missionary Physicians Save Employee's Life

Quick action by two Penang (Malaysia) Adventist Hospital missionary physicians has saved the life of a hospital employee. The pair, Doctors John Melnick and Carl Schneider, were assisted by a former Penang staff member, Australian Russell Standish.

The hospital worker, Lee Chin Liang, 25, was working in the laboratory of the Penang Adventist Hospital when he analyzed a specimen of his own urine. He was shocked to find that it contained protein, indicating the onset of kidney disease. With the help of hospital physicians his renal malfunction was controlled by rigid diet. Earlier last year, however, his condition worsened to the extent that a kidney transplant was needed.

Dr. Melnick, acting chief of staff of the hospital, quickly noted that it was a matter of life or death with Chin Liang. He tried medical authorities in Singapore, but learned that a local law prevented a live kidney transplant.

Further efforts were made to help Chin, with no success. Time was running out on his life.

Dr. Carl Schneider, at the time one of the staff physicians, then contacted a former internist, Dr. Russell Standish, now in Australia. With contacts in Melbourne he was able to make arrangements for the city's Austin Hospital to do this surgery without any cost to the Chinese hospital worker:

A live kidney was needed for the surgery, preferably a close relative. Chin Liang's sister, Lee Cheng Liang, had recently left Malaysia for Canada where she worked as a nurse. Upon hearing of her brother's urgent need, she sacrificed her life savings to jet to Australia to give up one of her own kidneys.

It was the first time in the history

of the Melbourne hospital that a live kidney transplant was accomplished. The five-and-one-half-hour operation was performed by six surgeons, four anesthetists, and in two operating theatres. Hospital medical authorities reported that the surgery on the sister was about twice as extensive as that on the brother. The operation was possible only because of the closely matched blood of the brothersister combination.

After a period of several weeks in Australia Chin Liang will return to his work at the Penang Adventist Hospital. And his sister, minus a kidney, will return to Canada.

When Chin Liang returns to Penang he will be met by a happy missionary physician, Dr. John Melnick, whose fast action saved his life. -D. A. Roth



Laos Church



This new church in the capital city of Vientiane is a gospel beacon in the country of Laos. Pastor Sunti Sorajjakool, Thailand Mission president, and District Pastor Sopon conducted a dedication service on September 28.

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Macarewa tells GC Associate Secretary Duane Johnson how he uses the Koran in his Bible studies at the Adventist Hospital in Bandung, Indonesia. Johnson visited the 81-year-old retired minister during his recent itinerary in the Far East.

Sustentee Gives Studies From Hospital Bed

His doctor told him to slow down when Macarewa missed too many physical therapy treatments in order to give Bible studies.

Having suffered three strokes, he is confined to a hospital bed, but the 81-year-old patient with only one name still gives three or four Bible studies everyday at the Rumah Sakit Advent (Adventist Hospital) in Bandung, Indonesia.

It's impossible for this retired evangelist to visit his Bible students, so they must come to his bedside student nurses during off-duty hours, other patients, and non-Christian hospital workers. Even during physical therapy treatments he manages to work in a scripture study with anyone who will listen.

Almost all of his students are Moslem, or have Moslem backgrounds. Therefore, he has become thoroughly familiar with the Koran, and uses it as a springboard for Bible studies. By comparing the Bible and the Koran, the holy book of Islam, Macarewa has successfully pointed many people to the truth of Jesus Christ, including, in fact, the head of the hospital's physical therapy department.