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Roberta M. Foster of Dayton, OH, captured these hot air balloons in Battle Creek, MI, with her Nikon FA camera using Kodachrome 64 film and a 35-105mm Nikkor macro zoom lens.

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EDITORIAL

A World Report of SDAs

*by Don Schneider, president
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who are known as Adventists — Seventh-day Adventists — because we worship on the seventh day of each week while we wait for Jesus' return.

In Utrecht, Holland, 2,260 delegates, representing the eight million Adventists, met to conduct the business of the Church. You will be able to read articles, official statements and reports from various sources (see pages 6, 7 and 21). I was one of those delegates. I, too, would like to share a few of the things that impressed me at the 56th Session of the General Conference.

The Unity of Believers. We came from our homes all around the world. We spoke dozens of languages. And yet we came, worshiping one God, from churches that operate in much the same manner. In some places a church is served by four or five pastors, while in other places a pastor comes to the church only once a year because he has 50 churches. But the believers study the Sabbath school lesson, collect offerings, pray together, and sing praises to God.

The Commitment of Believers. A lady from Albania worshipped God in secret for 50 years because religion was officially against the law in her country. For 50 years, she saved her tithe in a biscuit box. During those years, she and her family were sometimes without sufficient food. Her son said she was foolish for saving the tithe, because no one would ever be able to come for it. She replied, "No, you will be the foolish one if you spend the tithe." When the Adventist ministers came into the country in 1991 and found her, at age 87, she gave them the tithe of 50 years. She urged, "Please baptize me quickly. I am old, and I must be baptized before I die." She attended this General Conference session. I saw her in her wheelchair and went to shake hands with her. She pulled me down and kissed me on both cheeks, smiling excitedly. However, she couldn't understand why people were so interested in her. "Everyone turns in their tithe," she said, "so what is all the fuss about?"

The Dedication of Missionaries. I met Carl Wilkins, a delegate from Rwanda. Carl sent his wife out of the country during the war, yet stayed behind to help the people. Now he has even greater influence with these people because he did not leave.

The Commitment to Witness. Terri West, a young woman from California who has led more than 100 people to Jesus, spoke to the North American Division delegation after the ordination vote was taken. She made an appeal that we witness, no matter who gets the credit. She called our attention to Caleb and Joshua who "stayed with the church even when they were outvoted."

The Quickly Spreading Gospel. Story after story, statistic after statistic, told of the gospel going into unentered areas — there is an explosion of church growth.

As I see the message going forward, I look for Jesus to come. We have not followed "cunningly devised fables." I have renewed my commitment to meet Jesus with joy at His second coming, and to support this Church in its efforts to tell the world of His soon coming. Please join me in that commitment.

A Commemorative Camp Meeting, Oct. 12-15

BY RICHARD DOWER

One hundred forty years ago, in Battle Creek, Michigan, several momentous events occurred that helped to shape Adventism.

During 1855, the headquarters of the work moved to Battle Creek; the sunset-to-sunset time for the celebration of the Sabbath was decided, clarifying our understanding of this cardinal doctrine, which, in time, would find its way into our name; and our church re-welcomed the ministry of Ellen G. White as God's special gift, and a fulfillment of His promise to restore the gift of prophecy to the Remnant.

This year, during October 12-15, to commemorate the anniversary, there will be a weekend celebration in Battle Creek, sponsored by the North American Division.

You are invited to come to Battle Creek for this special weekend to rejoice in the leading of God, and to find renewal in these two central issues of our faith, the Sabbath and the gift of prophecy. This celebration weekend will include Spirit-filled preaching, music, seminars and classes, tours of historic sites in Battle Creek, and reacquainting ourselves with the providential hand of God in the establishment and growth of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

The seminars and classes will be held on Friday. A list of topics and presenters will be printed in a future issue of the *Lake Union Herald*.

A tent that seats 6,000 people will be pitched on the campus of Battle Creek Academy at 480 Parkway Dr., Battle Creek. The main meetings on Friday and Sabbath will be held in this tent. The Adventist Communication Network will broadcast a portion of the Sabbath services by satellite to homes and churches across North America.

Plans are being made for the comfort of those attending on Sabbath. Make your plans now to attend this weekend camp meeting which will review God's hand in our early history and deepen your appreciation of the central truths of Adventism.

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One of the many sites to visit in Battle Creek, MI, during the commemorative camp meeting is this upstairs, front bedroom where Ellen G. White wrote the first edition of what is now known as The Great Controversy. This house is the oldest known SDA landmark in Battle Creek. It is now owned by the Adventist Heritage Ministry.



An exterior view of the James and Ellen G. White home in Battle Creek, MI. In 1856, the Whites built the six-room, central portion of this house. It was the first home they owned.

NEW MEMBERS

ILLINOIS

Twenty-four individuals were baptized and two professions of faith were made at the culmination of the "Net '95" evangelistic series held at the Aurora (IL) Church, April 1; reports Jacquelyn McCague, Aurora member. Also 10 people are preparing for baptism. Opening night brought 172 attendees, 50 were non-members. Helping make the program a success was Pastor Steve Shaw and the many members who invested time and energy in visitations, meeting preparations and child care. New members are, from left: (top photo)



Suzanne Lindas, Kevin Weaver, Jeff Lindas, Bernard Ready, Leticia Colin, Aaron Frietag, Michelle Garcia, Elia Garcia, Al-

vino Garcia; (bottom photo, from left) Don Bryant, Helen



Steers, Margaret Bryant, Lucy Banks, Gerald Horne, Vincent Banks,

Amanda Horne, Isral Soto, Donna Jakesy, Heather Zielienski, Javier Quiles, Karen Moore, Edwin Soto, Jorhena Thomas and D'Jahna Thomas. Not pictured are Francisco Luciano and Sue Bonser.

LAKE REGION



The Indianapolis Haughville Church held a baptism; reports Doris Speaks, Haughville communication secretary. Baptismal candidates and their Bible workers are, from left: Lucille Barnes, Racquel Belcher, Anedra Eatman, Terrel Washington, Andre Orrego, Dontaye Caruth, Kenny Mitz and Isabelle Magsby.

The Grand Rapids (MI) Bethel Church held a spring revival, Pastor Nevilon Meadows from St. Louis was the guest speaker; reports Rudy Tross, Bethel communication director. In addition to the regular revival meetings, Pastor Meadows held special sessions for the youth, young adults, women and men. He covered many controversial subjects facing the church such as sex, jewelry, music in the church, dating and marriage. By the last day of the revival, five candidates had been prepared for baptism. When Pastor Meadows made his last appeal, 18 additional souls decided to turn their lives over to Jesus through baptism or rebaptism. An additional seven people decided to take Bible studies. Praise God!

MICHIGAN



Seven men in the Thumb Correctional Facility were baptized May 18; reports Pat Milligan, pastor of the Lapeer and Orion-Oxford (MI) churches. These baptisms resulted from church members joining with Pastor Milligan to conduct a Bible Study program every Sabbath afternoon for one and a half hours over an 18-month period. This prison ministry has been a blessing to both prisoners as well as members who assist. Pictured from left: (front row) Bob Jarrett, Lapeer deacon; Neal Reddick, Melvin Slagg, Allen Smith, Ben Kneller, Orion/Oxford deacon; (back row) Wayne Offerman, Pastor Pat Milligan, Mike Garries and Ray Vereeke. Not shown is Bill McAlister.

Roy and Keitha Hatcher (pictured from right), former members, were invited to a Cosmic Conflict Crusade at the Ionia (MI) Church; reports Kay Collins. There was much earnest intercessory prayer by family and friends for the



Hatcher family. And all the members rejoiced with heaven when Roy, Keitha and their daughter Rochelle (pictured left) were baptized following the crusade. If you have family and friends who need to come into the safety of God's fold, *never give up!* Keep loving them, and interceding in prayer for them, and watch God work for their salvation.



A lakeside baptism of 22 individuals on June 24 highlighted the close of Wisconsin Conference's camp meeting at Camp Go Seek in Oxford, WI; reports Laurie Herr, conference communication director. Pictured are the 22 candidates who asked specifically to be baptized during camp meeting.

John Kroll (pictured at right) was baptized into the New London (WI) Church in April; reports Bonnie Krueger, New London Church clerk.



John Holzberger was joyfully welcomed into the Lena (WI) Church family on May 6; reports Diane L. Netzer, Lena communication secretary. "The more I



Pastor Arthur Miller welcomes John Holzberger into Church membership. John stands with his wife, Mary, and his son, Jerome.

into the Seventh-day Adventist Church, and I am continuing Bible studies with Bob Zaidel to this day."

read of God's Word," says John, "the more questions I had about the Catholic faith. The Holy Spirit was definitely working in me. I felt a strong need to leave the Catholic Church, but did not know where I should go. The Spirit of God led me



Jacki Gresly

SDA Influence Leads Student to Christ

Michigan — When Jacklyn Gresly's parents' divorce finally came, she welcomed it. Living with her mother, times were hard. Jacki's Adventist grandparents offered to help out. Their lifestyle intrigued Jacki and she wanted to learn more. She enrolled at Camp Au Sable in Grayling, MI, and began the journey of a lifetime. Jacki met wonderful friends and when camp ended, she didn't want to leave them, so she asked where they would be going to school. All of them were going to Great Lakes Adventist Academy (GLAA) in Cedar Lake, MI, and Jacki wanted to go, too. Her Mom, however, didn't support this idea. "I don't think you can make it with all the rules," her Mom said, "and besides I won't give you one red cent."

Determined, Jacki turned to her father for help. "I'm not sure about the finances," her father responded, "but if you really want to go, we'll try." Soon Jacki and her father met with GLAA faculty members, Bruce Reichert and Tom Heslop, an anonymous sponsor was found, and Jacki enrolled at GLAA for her freshman year. "It was definitely a miracle!" says Jacki. "And, I loved every minute!"

In her junior year, Jacki responded to God's leading. She and her roommate Katie, responded to an altar call. Shortly thereafter, the girls began studying for baptism with Pastor Peter Neri.

To guarantee Jacki's return to GLAA for her senior year, her father worked two jobs, denying himself of extras. Once again, Jacki's anonymous sponsor came through, paid the remaining balance, and Jacki entered GLAA and resumed Bible studies with Pastor Neri. Jacki waited anxiously to make her full commitment to Christ. "I kept waiting and waiting for Pastor Neri to ask me if I wanted to be baptized," she said. "Finally in December 1994, he did!"

In February 1995, Jacki was baptized. "I am confident a higher power is working in my life," Jacki says recounting the changes in her life. "My choice of music and language is changing, I have much less of a temper. Since being baptized, everything is beginning to click!"

Jacki plans to continue her education at an SDA college. At first, she considered a public college for financial reasons. But now money isn't a concern since God's direct answer to her prayer, which was, "Lord, if an SDA education is so important, please have one of the colleges where I have inquired, call me during my home leave from GLAA." And, one did call!

"Without my anonymous GLAA sponsor, I'd still be wandering. I can never say thank you enough," Jacki says. "I wouldn't trade Seventh-day Adventist education at GLAA for the world. And, after I graduate from college, I want to help others have an SDA education too."

United in Christ

The 56th Session of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

COMPILED BY RICHARD DOWER
FROM VARIOUS AUTHORS AND SOURCES

Jaarbeurs, (pronounced YAR-burs and meaning Royal Dutch Fairs), was the meeting hall in Utrecht, the Netherlands, where the 56th session of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists took place for 10 days, June 29 through July 8.

A total of 2,639 official delegates, many accompanied by their spouses and children, traveled to Utrecht from 205 countries, to conduct Church business. They came to reaffirm spiritual values, hear reports of Church growth, elect Church leadership, plan outreach, review practices and policies, approve a global mission program, and have fellowship with the world Church family.

Daily attendance at the meeting averaged about 10,000 people, and more than 30,000 on the weekends.

When asked to define a delegate, Dr. Norman Miles, president of the Lake Region Conference, said: "A delegate is someone chosen to represent a section of the Church at the GC Session and to transact business on behalf of the world Church. One has an opportunity to understand the inner workings of the Church. It's a real privilege to help to develop policy, and to shape the Church and direct its mission."

Olive Cayenne from Trinidad planned for a year to come to Utrecht with her daughter. She said, "I think heaven will be like this; there are all types of people, different classes, different countries, different colors."

Delegates learned that the Seventh-day Adventist Church is one of the fastest-growing Christian churches in the world. Someone is baptized every

50 seconds, and five new congregations are established every day. Membership in the world Church exceeded eight million in mid-1994, with an average of 1,792 people being added daily. Current statistics state

optic cable to handle the video needs of the session; 63 people were needed for the video productions alone.

- Live English and Dutch presentations were simultaneously translated into 18 languages.



More than 47,000 people from throughout Europe joined General Conference delegates for the final weekend of the 1995 session in Utrecht, Holland, stretching the Jaarbeurs convention center to its capacity.

that although the Church had its beginnings in the United States, today nine out of 10 members live elsewhere. Today, there are 209 countries where the Seventh-day Adventist Church has a presence.

LOGISTICS

The logistics involved in holding a meeting of this magnitude are astounding:

- The hall floor contained 148,600 square feet; the platform was 190' long.
- The video screen was 15' x 20'; there were 58 microphones available for the stage. There were three miles of video cable and three miles of fiber-

- There were three-and-a-half hours of nightly satellite coverage to more than 1,000 downlink sites, and coverage dramatically increased during the two Sabbaths. (These programs are available on video tape at the North American Division Distribution Center in Lincoln, Nebraska; phone 402-486-2519.)
- More than 250,000 vegetarian meals were served during the session. The cafeteria staff numbered 335 volunteers in addition to the paid staff. The speed lines could serve 50 people per minute.
- And 150 display booths at the session, if stretched out straight,

would equate to just over seven miles.

ELECTIONS

Elder Robert S. Folkenberg was re-elected as General Conference president. In his acceptance speech, he said: "I pledge, under God's grace, to do the best I know how, and I thank you for the privilege."

Also re-elected was Elder G. Ralph Thompson, as the General Conference secretary. Elected as treasurer was Elder Robert Rawson, formerly treasurer of the North Pacific Union. Rawson replaces Elder Donald F. Gilbert who retired at this session. All

Church and cause immense problems, the North American Division request was to let each division of the Church decide for itself what to do. After much discussion and debate, the delegates, by a two-to-one majority, voted to deny that request.

- *General Conference Departments Realigned:* Various areas within church ministries were returned to freestanding departments, and another was added. Family ministries, personal ministries and Sabbath school, stewardship, and youth will once again be recognized. Children's ministries will be added, bringing the departments of the Church to 14.

- *General Conference Committee:* This committee will be reduced from nearly 400 members to 260; and meet twice a year.

- *General Conference Delegates:* In a move to cut back on expenses, delegates voted to place a limit of 2,000 on the number of official delegates to future General Conference sessions. Delegates also mandated major changes in the

composition of future delegations. Lay-member representation will increase from 18.2 percent to 25.6 percent. The percentage of local church pastors, teachers and "front-line" church workers will increase from three to 24.4 percent.

The business sessions were marked with disagreement, energy and points of order. Items were referred to committees, back to the floor, and back to committees again. At times, confusion reigned. As delegates spoke to the issues, all felt very much a part of, if not in charge of, this Church's "democratic process."

- *Breakout Sessions:* Delegates suspended regular business to meet in groups and discuss six major concerns of their faith — "the use of Scripture in the life of the Church," "the

authority of Scripture," "relationships among Christians," "abuse and family violence," "tobacco issues," and "religious liberty."

Elder Don Schneider, Lake Union Conference president said: "This is a very special Church. There are a lot of things that make us different, but it is something special to think that people from all over the world, that grew up in the most diverse cultures, can enjoy worshiping together and can all belong to the same Church. We do some things differently, but we do a lot of things the same."

CONCLUSIONS

During this session, more than Church business took place. The evenings were filled with thrilling reports from the 11 world divisions. While reported facts of the progress of the Church's work were related to the audience, people dressed in their national costumes and carrying flags of their nation, walked down the aisles and onto the stage. Music accompaniment was performed by orchestras or choirs. A video which told stories from that division followed the parade.

On the last Sabbath of the conference, delegates and visitors heard Elder Folkenberg issue a ringing call to the Church to say "no" to the differences that might divide us. And "yes" to all that unites us.

In closing, Elder Folkenberg said, "In just the 10 days that we have been here in Utrecht, our brothers and sisters around the world have baptized almost 19,000 new believers. A church growing like this gives me hope. We have this hope; the world needs this hope! We have this faith; the world needs this faith!"

The 56th General Conference Session of the Seventh-day Adventist Church is scheduled to convene in Toronto, Canada, in the year 2000.

For detailed statistics on the world Church, see page 21.

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In accepting reelection to a second five-year term as General Conference president, Robert S. Folkenberg said: "No one is smart enough to lead this Church. It can only be led by our Lord Jesus Christ."

told there were more than 98 positions filled during this session.

ISSUES

Although the delegates addressed a number of concerns, three issues predominated: women's ordination, church structure and delegate size. There were also amendments to the constitution and bylaws, and changes to the Church manual. Thursday featured six breakout sessions in which the delegates discussed the issues and made recommendations to the entire body. This is a summary of these issues.

- *Women's Ordination:* Because there are several divisions of the world Church where it was believed that the ordination of women to the gospel ministry would split the

Lake Union

There are many young people in the Lake Union serving in outreach and mission to the world around them. Some are students in Seventh-day Adventist schools, and others are Seventh-day Adventists attending public schools. In spite of the often negative statements made about our young people, the following stories will show there are many with Christ in their hearts and mission as their goal.

BROADVIEW ACADEMY GIVE CHILDREN A CHANCE

Thirteen students and three sponsors from Broadview Academy in LaFox, Illinois, boarded Taron Airlines and flew to Bucharest, Romania, to work at two orphanages during their spring break in March; reports Denise Ropka, academy chaplain.

These volunteers devoted their time and energy to two areas: interacting with the children and finishing the interior of the Peretu orphanage. Construction included building stairs to reach the second floor, finishing the dining room and bathroom floors, and pouring a concrete cellar for the kerosene tanks used for heating.

Broadview students taught the children crafts, gymnastics, music, English, and most importantly, the wonderful love of Jesus.

Students also visited with Adventist believers in Romania. During the two weekends spent in Romania, the students visited seven churches. They led out in the worship services by singing and sharing.

The friends and families of the participants, the Romanians, Broadview Academy, and members of the North Aurora (Illinois) Church made this mission adventure possible by giving generously. Local businesses



Principal Dave Rasmussen (right) of Broadview Academy in LaFox, IL, helps mix cement for an orphanage in Romania.

contributed goods needed in construction and instruction. The Lord supplied for all needs abundantly.

"Mission to Romania '95" was coordinated by the Broadview Academy chaplain in cooperation with R.E.A.C.H. International. Jasmine Jacob, vice president of R.E.A.C.H., started this organization with the vision to "give children a chance." This trip gave students the opportunity to experience selflessness, share Christ, and grow in their walk with the Savior.

Mariezel Lorenzo, a Broadview senior, summarizes the trip's impact on students this way: "We touched the lives of others and they touched us. A song that the orphans sang, 'Tell the World That Jesus Loves You,' comes to mind.

"Romania holds two orphanages with very special orphans in them. These children changed many of our lives. They will always hold a special place in our hearts, for they taught us that the love of Christ is always abundantly available to all."

MEXICO MISSION ACCOMPLISHED BY WISCONSIN

"It was one of the greatest experiences of my life," says young Vicki Rodriguez of the mission trip she and nearly 40 others took from Wisconsin to LaCorna, Mexico, earlier this spring. These short-term missionaries built a concrete block church to replace the mud and thatch building previously in use; reports Ruth Zalabak, communication leader of the Bethel Church in Arpin, Wisconsin.

These missionaries didn't stop at mixing mortar and lifting blocks. Some taught conversational English at the elementary school. Doctors Jerry and Amar Miller of the Baraboo (Wisconsin) Church set up a temporary health clinic. Some women conducted a sewing class, and after school hours a Vacation Bible School was held for about 40 youngsters. In the evenings, the young people on the trip helped a local pastor hold

evangelistic meetings.

When their work was done, the group enjoyed worshiping with local members in the new church and witnessing the baptism of seven members in a nearby river.

Pastor Bob Stauffer of Arpin, who led the trip, summed up the group's feelings afterward: "Those who go on these mission trips discover they have a soul. When you work hard for God, wearing

your body out, your soul starts to feel good. Unfortunately most people in this world never find out how to make their soul happy."



Vicki Rodriguez of Wisconsin, works at a construction site in Mexico. She also helped with a Vacation Bible School for local children.

Youth in Mission



Youth of Indiana Academy in action witnessing.

CREATIVE WITNESSING BY INDIANA ACADEMY YOUTH

On Monday, April 24, two Monticello, Indiana, residents, along with the town of Cicero, Indiana, and the local highway area received help from students at Indiana Academy in Cicero; reports Judy Jordan, academy registrar.

Fifteen students traveled to Monticello with Pastor Rick Johnson, Indiana Conference youth director, and John Berglund, an academy teacher, to paint the exterior of Joyce Kusley's home. While in the area, this group also painted a room in the home of Beulah Crull who is 86 years old and an alumnus of Indiana Academy. Both women are members of the Monticello Church.

On this same day, a second project completed was cleaning up the highway which runs in front of the academy's property.

The youth also accomplished planting 2,000 evergreen and deciduous trees for the parks department of the town of Cicero. One section of the newly planted trees will be a

future park, and the other will provide a nursery from which trees can be planted around the town of Cicero.

The projects at Monticello and Cicero appeared as articles on the front page of the local newspapers.

Earlier, Indiana Academy held a blood drive as part of their community service projects. The blood mobile from Indianapolis was brought to the school. Students had to be 17 years old to participate. Twenty-three pints of blood were donated. Each student who participated received a T-shirt as a way of saying thank you.

JULIE RAMSEY CHANGES A SATURDAY MORNING SPELLING BEE

It looked like an impossible task but with God's leading, she did it. For three of the past four years, public school student Julie Ramsey had won in local spelling bees. This qualified



Public school student Julie Ramsey is a faithful witness of her religious beliefs to those around her.

her for the regional *Quincy Herald-Whig* Spelling Bee held on a Saturday for the past 10 years. But for Julie, Saturday has always been a time of worship at the

Carthage (Illinois) Church with her parents Les and Barbara Ramsey.

Julie's mother contacted spelling bee organizers requesting the date be changed. Elder James Brauer, past Illinois Conference president, even wrote a letter requesting the competition be held on a day when students of all faiths and beliefs could participate.

The response: It was too late to change the date for 1994.

But this year it was announced that

due to a religious observance conflict by some students, the 1995 spelling bee would be held Monday, March 27.

Excited, Julie began practicing.

On the night of the regional competition, Julie's family prayed: "Lord, if her story can be a witness to her faith, may you help her win."

The competition started with 73 students, representing 73 schools throughout Illinois and Missouri. By the fifth round 15 students were left, five boys and 10 girls — including Julie. By this time Julie had correctly spelled: "punctuation," "prosthesis," "intermittent," "diminuendo," and "rubric." In the sixth round Julie correctly spelled "effluvium." Only six contestants remained.

Could it be? Julie confidently spelled "malleable" and then "doctrinaire." By the end of the seventh round only three students remained.

In the 10th round her two male competitors stumbled on their words. Julie successfully spelled "auger" and then wrapped up a win with "basilica." The arm of the Lord had not grown short. He has a special blessing for those who honor Him and keep His commandments.

Julie's story was featured with two large photos in the *Quincy Herald-Whig*. Her father commented, "God has given her a lot of talent."

Along with the all-expense-paid trip to Washington, D.C., for the Scripps Howard National Spelling Bee, came a new set of the *Encyclopaedia Britannica*, a \$50 savings bond, and a Webster's Third New International Dictionary.

How wonderful to hear of our Lake Union young people who are standing up for their faith and being a witness to the world around them. May we give praise to our young people, and encourage more to remain true to the Lord and follow in His footsteps.

New Bible Curriculum Introduced

The Crossroads Series

BY GARY E. RANDOLPH

The Seventh-day Adventist Church in North America is committed to nurturing and retaining its youth. In light of the *Valuegenesis* data about the needs and interests of Adventist youth, the North American Division Office of Education has launched an extensive effort to upgrade and update the Bible

curriculum resources for our SDA schools.

After years of careful writing, editing, field testing and researching, the new secondary Bible textbook materials are now available for the ninth grade.

After reviewing some regularly given curriculum evaluation reports, and hearing from administration and teachers in the field, the North American Division curriculum committee felt that a change was needed. Two steering committees were established to lead out in a complete revision of the programs for kindergarten through fourth grades and ninth through 12th grades. Eventually, these new programs will replace curriculum used for the last 15 to 20 years.

Both steering committees have led out in developing the major outlines and parameters of the text content,

teaching strategies, lesson planning, teaching helps, and in hiring editors and writers to compile and write the script for the text. The secondary (ninth-12th) used a multi-author approach while the primary grades have one writer. Many sub-committees have been established to facilitate and develop the workbook activities and other curriculum helps. Some of this work has been going on since 1991, and now the first of these new textbooks is coming off the press.

In the Beginning God, and *God's Gift-Our Choice* are the first books in The Crossroads Series. An exciting new logo has been designed (pictured at left) around the cross and arrows. The arrows lead to and from the cross, showing the youth that Christ is the crossroads of all our destinations.

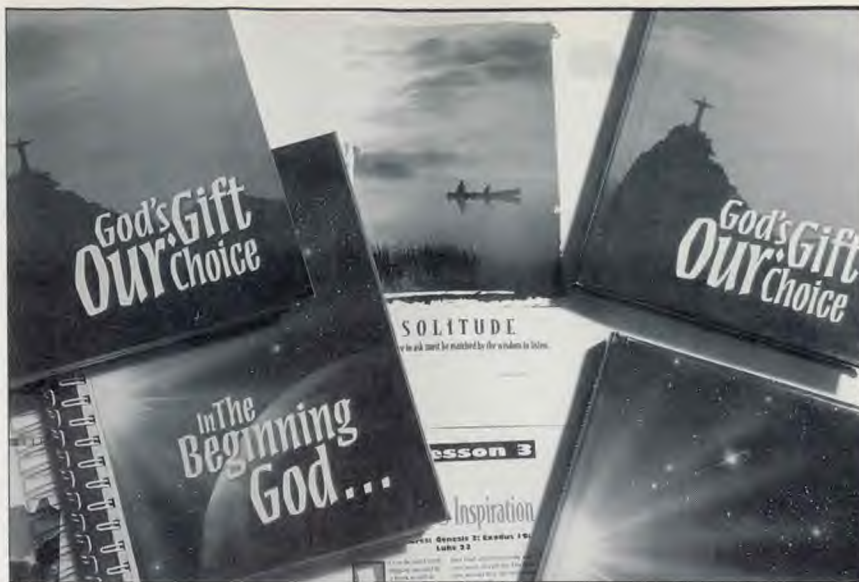
Glenn Russell, Bible teacher at Andrews Academy in Berrien Springs, Michigan, and a member of the steering committee comments: "The dedicated Bible teacher is a key player in the process of introducing students to Jesus and nurturing their faith. These new textbooks allow a teacher to be a creative chef and not merely a cook. They encourage creativity, diversity and Christ-centered application."

These new tools introduce Christ as Savior to the ninth grade students, which is the first and most important goal of the Bible class. This paramount purpose has led to five basic conclusions in preparation for The Crossroads Series.

1) That Scripture will be the primary source of the textbook materials.



Winning students
to Christ — this is
what our schools
are all about
and the curriculum
should reflect it.



Teachers are looking forward to this new Bible curriculum program. It is hoped that many students will be impressed by the content and led by the Holy Spirit to accept Christ as their Savior — which is the most important issue.

2) That each lesson will challenge students to continually turn from self to Christ.

3) That distinctive Seventh-day Adventist doctrines will be applied to real life issues.

4) That discipleship to Christ will involve obedience to Christ in every area of life.

5) That *The Great Controversy* defines the mission and identity of Adventism.

The grade nine religion textbooks include the student's text (one for each semester), the teacher's edition and a teacher's resource manual. The student text will contain the lesson Scripture, the narrative, memory focus, a section "Into the Bible," and projects and focus questions.

Gordon Kainer, veteran Bible teacher with extensive curriculum experience, has evaluated these new materials and concludes: "These are the best materials our church has ever developed for secondary Bible classes. I'm excited about them."

The teacher's edition has the following components: student text, lesson objectives, suggested time

allocation, list of material needs, background/enrichment materials, and instructional strategies.

The teacher resource manuals are developed by a group of energetic and experienced Bible teachers who produced a wide variety of resource materials specially prepared for the classroom and totally integrated with the textbooks. The manuals include work sheets, projects, instruction and strategy materials, narrative question and answers, video list and information, transparencies, maps, bibliography and other research materials.

The first through fourth grade series will maintain the four-year cycle with one narrative and at least four levels of application activities for multi-grade teaching. Each book contains eight units of about 60 lessons, but are not content sequential. The first book *Belonging to His Family* will be released in 1997. The other three will be released in this order; *Exploring His Power* (1998), *Accepting His Plan* (1999) and *Following His Plan* (2000).

Basic components of this primary series will include teacher's edition, teacher's resource book, student consumable workbooks for grades one and two, and student consumable work-text for grades three and four.

Other materials are in the planning stage but have not been finalized at this time. The revision for grades one to four started one year later than the secondary series.

The introduction of the secondary Bible textbook will be accomplished by a personal orientation by one of the steering committee members at the fall secondary teachers convention, including a video presentation for personal viewing and orientation for new teachers.

A lot is being said today about curriculum change and the next generation of teaching and learning. These new revisions will address many of these issues. Teachers are looking forward to this new program. It is hoped that many students will be impressed by the content and led by the Holy Spirit to accept Christ as their Savior. After all, that is the most important issue.

Gary E. Randolph is the education director for Lake Union Conference.



Wisconsin church member Molly McLean (right) chooses to home school her children, Bonnie (left, a fourth grader) and Erin (center, a first grader).

When School Joins the Family Another Option

BY CATIA CARVALHO MILLS

Early in the morning the family gathers to have breakfast and worship. As dad goes off to work, mom and the kids take their daily journey to school. But they don't have to go far, just to the next room. Every school day the family dining room evolves into an elementary classroom with a blackboard, pictures, books, markers and everything a fourth and a first grader need.

Bonnie and Erin are not only sisters, they are also schoolmates, encouraging and helping each other. As they go through the challenges of learning, their teacher, classmate and friend is mom. Molly McLean, a member of the Milwaukee (Wisconsin) Central Church, has been teaching her two daughters at home through Home Study International since they began school. Her reasons?

The closest church school was far from their home and the local public school wasn't even an option. "I have

become very disillusioned with the public school system," says McLean. "When I see what and how they are teaching, I feel concerned for America's future generations. History is being rewritten, historical facts are modified, and they present no godly principles to live by."

McLean is not the only concerned parent. Increasingly, studies have shown that bringing education home is the craze of the 1990s. Current estimations show that close to one million children are being taught at home.

Why are parents now turning into educators? Many feel they can give a better education at home, tutoring their children personally, working with each child's strengths and limitations; others are concerned with the violence and sexual promiscuity in schools; for some it's because of medical impediments; and yet most prefer to mold their children within their own religious values.

As Christian Coalition Executive

Director Ralph Reed remarks, "The future of America is not [shaped] by who sits in the Oval Office but by who sits in the principal's office."

Concerned parents are now choosing to be that "principal" and mold their own children at home. "A lot of people think I am sheltering my kids," McLean comments, "but I know I am not. We watch the news every night, they play with neighbors and kids in church, and they take Spanish and gym classes with other home-schooled children."

McLean is involved in a home schooling network of some 200 families that meet to do things together, discuss current education issues, and learn more about the rights of home schoolers.

"I feel that my kids are truly getting a quality education," McLean states. "The curriculum is complete and accredited so I have nothing to worry about."

McLean spends all her time with her three children (including two-year-old son Timothy) and admits that there is very little time for herself. "There are some sacrifices because this is a full-time job, but the fulfillment of watching them learn and change is the greatest gift from God," she says.

While many around the country are asking whether it is the family or the state that guides society, more and more parents are taking a front-seat role in educating and molding their children in accordance with the values they feel should be preeminent in society. Whatever the reasons may be, staying home is important and rewarding for many families.

Catia Carvalho Mills is assistant director for Institutional Advancement at Home Study International in Silver Spring, Maryland.

Listen to the Opportunities Sharing Jesus

BY JUDY A. TANNER

When God spoke to me, the first thought I had was "no Lord, not Minnesota." I had a nice job, I was well-rooted in the church, and I had plenty of Christian friends. "Yes, I had prayed for the conversion of my family but," I pondered, "couldn't someone there help?"

Soon I was a missionary on a mission to Minnesota. My family was so excited about the move no questions were asked.

I knew I could not bring up religion to my family or talk about Jesus, my Adventist influence would have to be completely by lifestyle.

During the first two years in Minnesota, my family was terribly hard on me because of my beliefs and lifestyle — no matter what I said or did I was not accepted. There was even a time when I thought about leaving the Church because it would have been easier to join my family than to hang on to the Lord, but I love Jesus and this kept me going. And God works in ways we cannot always imagine.

During my fourth year in Minnesota, mom had a major stroke that left her partially incapacitated. This tore the family apart. There was much anger between stepchildren and stepdad. I found myself being the peacemaker and mediator.

For about five months I cared for mom each weekday evening because my stepdad worked out of town. During this time mom grew to love me for who I was. Each night after I put her to bed, I would return to the couch where I slept, to kneel, pray, read, and sing scripture songs quietly. Several times mom would come out to hear me sing and comment on my

happiness or my smile. I always asked her if she would let me read to her from the Bible, but she would say no.

You see, for a long time she had been blaming God for my older brother's death. I feared for mom's salvation, being aware that strokes could quickly take her life. But all I could do was place things in God's hands each night.

One day I received a phone call for a job in Washington State. I then spent five days in Seattle with ministry personnel, attending a retreat and meeting so many new friends. It was a wonderful week and time flew. During my return home I knew that I wanted to work in Washington, but was it God's will?

When I arrived home, I immediately began praying for some sign of God's desire for me. Was my mission in Minnesota finished? Within one week He gave me the answer.

One evening after putting mom to bed, I again knelt, prayed and sang scripture songs. Then suddenly, I was compelled to go to mom's room and share Jesus with her. Again, I kind of argued with the Lord, saying "no, Lord, she does not want to hear about you." But the force was so strong, I got up and went to her room. This is what happened.

I walked in, turned off her radio (she liked to sleep with the radio on), and said, "Mamma, I have to talk to you right now."

She sat up.

I continued, "Mamma, I want to tell you about Jesus and what he has done in my life." I don't remember all the words I shared with her but I do recall her response which showed me my mission here was finished.

"We (the family) can see the change in you, Judy Ann," mamma

Suddenly, I was compelled to go to mom's room and share Jesus with her.

I walked in and said, "Mamma, I have to talk to you right now."

said. "We know that you have something we don't have."

I then asked mamma if she would accept the Lord as her Savior because He had blessed her with so much in this life. She cried and said, "Yes."

For the first time in my life I prayed with mamma, and then we both cried.

That was my last opportunity to share Jesus with mom as the next day she had another major stroke which left her incompetent in her thinking and actions. Had I ignored God's wishes to go to mamma's room I would have regretted it for the rest of my life.

Praise God for his knowledge and guidance. I knew now my mission was finished. The Holy Spirit had opened my family members' eyes to realize there was more to life than what they had.

How often we get so comfortable in our lives at the expense of another's salvation. I pray now that as I take this job in Washington someone will be willing to give of themselves and not turn away from the opportunity God offers. Praise Him!

At this writing Judy A. Tanner was personal ministries leader for the La Crosse (Wisconsin) Church, living in La Crescent, Minnesota.



A new witnessing book has been published by the General Conference called, *Images of Mission*. This 160-page "coffee-table" book celebrates Seventh-day Adventists as a people of faith, love, courage and hope through its 450 color photographs taken around the world by both professional and amateur Seventh-day Adventist photographers.

cated only six pages to hospitals, churches and office buildings. This is not a book about institutions and organizations. It is a book about Adventist people. A book that celebrates Seventh-day Adventists as people of faith, love, courage and hope.

Yes, I'm proud of *Images of Mission*. Ray Dabrowski, director of communication for the General Conference, dreamed of creating a publication on Seventh-day Adventists that he could proudly hand to the premier of Poland, the president of the United States and the local mayor. His leadership (and a great publication team) has brought Dabrowski's dream to life. But what makes me the happiest is how people are responding to the book. It's almost embarrassing to hear so many encouraging words. And imagine the smiles when we gave a special "GC edition" to each delegate in Utrecht.

Even better, imagine the smiles in your community when you share the book with your neighbors. And when your church donates a copy to each of the local public libraries. And when you curl up in your favorite chair and chuckle at giraffes by the basketball court, wart hogs at the picnic and joy at graduation.

You're going to like this book!

Copies of *Images of Mission* are available at your local ABC. You can have a copy mailed directly to you by calling 800-765-6955.

Dick Duerksen is vice president for creative ministries at the Columbia Union Conference in Columbia, Maryland.

A New Witnessing Book

Images of Mission

BY DICK DUERKSEN

Working on this book has been more fun than a fellow ought to have. In fact, *Images of Mission* is the most exciting project I've been part of during my 25 years of ministry.

When I received the first set of page proofs, I went down to my basement workroom, cut the proofs into signatures and created a (slightly squeejawed) copy of the book. Then my family sat down and "ooed and aahed" from photo to photo for a couple hours. You're going to enjoy this book as much as my family does.

The cover is great! Thirty-six Adventist faces representing every continent, age, ethnic group and smile style! You only find 35? That's OK. The 36th is the background. Reger Smith, the awesome young designer who gave this book its warm style, took one of my old Camp Hale

Camporee pictures, played with it in Adobe Photoshop software and created a dark green texture of peace. Camp Hale lives still.

But open the first page! Ray Dabrowski's photo of 100 elementary school students in Kumasi, Ghana, will make you want to wave back at the kids. And Hein von Horsten's photo of a hiker at sunset will send you into deep contemplation. Then there are the baptism photos (with balloons, on a mountain, in a barrel, and in ice!), the kids (see pages 68 and 69), Hulda Crooks, the Pine Forge stained glass Christ, a Vietnamese boatman, and women's ministries. And don't miss the world's greatest Adventist school bus on page 132.

Each of the 450 photos was selected because of the story it tells. To get the best, Rick Kajiura, our photo editor, looked through thousands of photos taken around the world by 56 amateur and professional Adventist photographers. We allo-



Money: Where did it all go? Paying the Bills

BY RICHARD G. HABENICHT

EXAMINE YOUR EXPENDITURES

What can one do when you can't pay the bills? The answer is quite simple. Increase your income or decrease your expenses. This article will focus on the latter.

I find many people don't know where the money goes, it just seems to disappear, spent on things that are forgotten. So, I recommend you put a sheet of paper in your purse or billfold and for one or two months write down *every* expenditure — every can of pop purchased from the lunch room machine, every bill paid, etc.

I knew a man who couldn't pay his bills. He spent \$1.50 a day at the pop machine at work (23 days x \$1.50 = \$34.50 per month). If he was addicted to pop and would die without it, at least he could buy it at the Quick Trip for 20 cents a can and increase his spendable income by \$25.30 per month on just this one item.

The next step is to examine all your expenditures. For instance, if you can't pay the bills, you can't afford call waiting and a host of phone services that are unnecessary. Call the phone company and cancel all but the basic services you really need. Shop for services, get quotes from other companies for car insurance and house insurance. You will find there are highly differing costs for the same service.

Pay off all credit card balances! Credit card debt is a monster as far as ruining budgets. Interest of 15 to 21 percent is common. Destroy your cards if you use them to buy anything that is not a necessity or if you cannot pay the balance in full at the end of the month.

Make a monthly budget with income (take home pay) on one side and expenses on the other. Be sure to list here the appropriate fraction for expenses that are not monthly. For example, you would list one-twelfth of

your property taxes in each month's budget, and one-sixth of the amount of car insurance paid semiannually.

Then be sure that each month you set aside in a separate savings account one-twelfth of all yearly expenses like house insurance, car insurance, property taxes, etc., and one-sixth of all semiannual expenses. Then when those big bills come due you will be prepared for them and can pay them out of the money that has been set aside for the specific account instead of having your budget destroyed for the month.

ADDRESSING THE TRUTH

You may discover you cannot eat out as much as you'd like. It is much cheaper and usually a lot healthier to eat at home. Again, your monthly record will show you where most of your money is going and your budget will catch the big items.

If you are having trouble with the bills, you cannot afford fast depreciating items like new automobiles for which you will pay out a lot of money only to find out that by the time it's paid off it is worth only a fraction of what you paid for it.

Don't forget to be faithful with your tithes and offerings. And ask God to help you manage carefully all of the funds He has entrusted to you. He will bless you with wisdom and frugality if you ask.

Richard G. Habenicht is stewardship director for the Wisconsin Conference.

Gifts Total More Than \$500,000

Philanthropic Services — Andrews University has received the following gifts:

- \$200,000 from an anonymous donor for the Doctor of Theology program
- \$7,500 from an alumnus for a named endowment
- \$200,000 from an anonymous donor for renovations to the seminary building
- \$10,453 from the trust of Mr. and Mrs. Everett E. Kidder
- \$18,245 from the McElmurry Charitable Trust for video production
- \$35,000 from the Chan Shun Foundation for international student assistance
- \$16,000 from Dow Chemical for scholarships
- \$6,744 from Berrien Community Foundation for the University Center for Assessment and Learning
- \$10,000 from an anonymous corporation for the Youth Resource Center

Jeff Scoggins, communicator for philanthropic services

Spring Graduation: An Honors Class

Andrews University — Hard work and long hours of study paid off for more than 680 graduates who received their diplomas during spring graduation ceremonies on June 4.



Tami Gomez, an architecture major, was one of more than 680 spring graduates at Andrews University.

Photo by Jack Stenger.

Graduates were noteworthy for their scholastic accomplishments: more than 100 undergraduate students graduated with honors — a 3.5 grade point average or better. Out of the whole graduating class, more than 50 were members of the Andrews Honors

Program and 165 were members of different National Honor Society chapters.

There were 257 graduate students who received degrees during commencement ceremonies, and of these 17 received doctoral degrees.

"We had some outstanding students who are now leaving Andrews for very bright futures," comments Coral Brenneise, associate director of the Andrews Honors Program.

Jack Stenger, newswriter

Fund Raising Italian Style



Teacher Lorene Yount, of third through fifth grades, likes Italian food.

Metropolitan Elementary, Plymouth, MI — In partnership with a local Olive Garden Italian Restaurant, the eighth grade class held a well-attended dinner to help defray expenses of graduation and a class trip. Dinner music included piano solos by

students Jonathan Tamm and Albert Kim, as well as a violin/cello duet by Tamm and Kim. Some took advantage of having a family picture taken in the "Italian Garden" to capture the moment. The evening closed with a Disney film, "Lady and the Tramp."

School Ends on High Note

Indiana Academy, Cicero — The music department conducted their spring musical titled "Rally Around the Flag," Saturday night, May 13. Presented was a collection of Civil War songs. The American history class drew a 45-foot time line depicting historical events from 1400 to the future. The auditorium was decorated with flags from the era.

That next morning, May 14, was the 10th annual Morse Lake Metric Century bike ride. The 25-, 50- or 100-kilometer ride began at the academy and extended to the Durbin school just southeast of Noblesville, IN.

For the 402 cyclists registered, this was a chance to enjoy the outdoors and scenic countryside of Hamilton County. Many businesses joined hands in this venture. White River Mills Bakery located at Indiana Academy provided the cookies at rest stops.

Because of previous outreach programs for the town of Cicero, for the first time, Indiana Academy was permitted the use of parks as rest stops.

Judy Jordan, Indiana Academy registrar

Second Annual Youth Rally

Wisconsin Academy, Columbus — "Take a stand!" encouraged Thunderbird Academy Chaplain Kyle Robinson to young people attending the youth rally, May 5-6. Robinson is from Scottsdale, AZ. About 75 academy-age visitors joined Wisconsin Academy students in the rally, with most staying over for academy days, May 7-8.

Laurie Herr, Wisconsin Conference communication director

Class of 1995 Graduates

Andrews Academy, Berrien Springs, MI — This year's graduating class will stand out in several areas, says Vice Principal James Nash, but most of all in its commitment to service. "Thy Way, Not Mine," was the class motto, underscoring a desire to help others and to follow God's leading.

"We're proud of our students and we wish them well in their future pursuits and places of service," remarks Nash.

The June 4 commencement ceremony was held in Pioneer Memorial Church on the Andrews University campus. Of the 62 graduates, 16 were members of the National Honor Society. *Jack Stenger, Andrews University public information officer*



Gary Randolph

Randolph Named Education Director

Lake Union — Gary E. Randolph, former associate director of education for the Lake Union Conference, has accepted the position of director following the March retirement of Fred Stephan.

Randolph was born in Knoxville, TN, in 1941. He graduated from Southern Missionary College in 1964, earned a master's degree in educational administration and counseling from Andrews University in 1972, and an educational specialist degree from Michigan State University in 1978. Randolph was ordained in 1980. He has been a boys' dean, an elementary teacher and principal, and superintendent of education for the Michigan Conference. He and his wife, Karen (Foote), have five children.

"We have a good system of education in the SDA Church," says Randolph, "but we must look for ways to deliver it to meet the needs of the students in the 21st century."

Randolph's priorities: (1) To integrate the Bible labs program more completely into the K-12 curriculum, (2) to develop the home, church and school triad, and (3) to develop an in-service program for teachers which prepares them to teach effectively in the 21st century.

"The Lord expects us to give quality education, and we must do the best that we can to serve the educational needs of our children here in the Lake Union," Randolph says.

Richard Dower, Lake Union communication director

Gone, But Not Forgotten

Gobles (MI) Junior Academy — Last year's graduates may be gone, but they are not forgotten. Toward the end of the 1994-1995 school year, Marcia Austin, home and school leader, thought of a way that the school and church families could let graduates know they had friends back home who still cared.

Austin asked students and church members to bring in items for some student "Thinking of You" packages. Her enthusiasm quickly caught on, and soon various items began showing up in the principal's classroom: homemade cookies, caramel corn, pencils, pens, candy, bookmarks, rice crispy treats, erasers, stamps, stationery, gum, and cheese crackers.

On packing day, students filled 20 shoe boxes with donated items. That evening a delivery was made to graduates attending Great Lakes Adventist Academy in Cedar Lake, MI, and Andrews Academy in Berrien Springs, MI. The remaining packages were shipped to various other locations.

Renee Coffee, Pinedale Church communication secretary

Komula Honored

Muskegon (MI) Elementary — On May 20 at the Muskegon Church, school board chairman Ben Koepke presented Jacqueline Komula, principal and teacher of grades one through eight, with a thank you check.

Koepke said, "Thank you for the successful completion of your first year of teaching at Muskegon. As a token of our appreciation for your leadership and fine teaching, the school board wants to express their satisfaction with this check. We look forward to another successful year of Christian education."

Bruce Babienko, Michigan communication director



Ben Koepke (left) thanks principal and teacher Jacqueline Komula.

Students Enter Honor Society

Great Lakes Adventist Academy, Cedar Lake, MI — Students inducted into the National Honor Society are pic-



tured from left (front row): Dana Berger, senior; Melinda Warden, senior; David Dickerson, sophomore; Melanie Miller, senior; Heidi Towar, senior; Kaska Smith, junior; (back row) Adam Hess, junior; Isagani Capina, senior; Chad Berger, senior; Andrea Lewis, sophomore; Jeff Yaste, junior; and Jennifer Annis, junior. Not shown is Janice Lee, junior.

Mission Oriented Youth Congress

Michigan — The Berrien Springs (MI) Hispanic youth, under the leadership of Luis Fernando Ortiz, organized a Mission Oriented Youth Congress which was held March 10-11 at Andrews University in Berrien Springs.

Although this activity was for Michigan youth, young people from other conferences also attended. Seminar speakers emphasized the need for Hispanic young people in the world missionary service, both short- and long-term. Elder Mario H. Ochoa, Adventist Development and Relief Agency vice president, challenged the young people to serve. Elder Alfredo García Marengo, Inter-American Division youth director, was the main guest speaker.

The young people became aware that in many of the unevangelized areas throughout the world it is easier for Hispanics or Latinos to be accepted than other ethnic groups. Because of this, there is a real challenge and a need for Hispanic youth to become involved in this kind of mission work for the Church.

This congress was a positive experience which the young people are hoping to repeat next year.

Luis E. Leonor, Lake Union Conference vice president



The Beacon Lights children's choir sings praises to the Lord for Chicago Beacon of Joy Church members.

Kids Are Christians Too

Lake Region — The Chicago Beacon of Joy Church enjoyed listening to their young people proclaim God's love. The junior youth and children's choir recently presented the "Kids Are Christians Too" musical and story hour.

The mistress of ceremonies was Charlotte Stuart from the Chicago Shiloh Church. Special music was presented by the Chicago Stafford Memorial Church children's choir and the Beacon children's choir. There was a puppet show presented by JoAnne and Ron Anderson from the Shiloh Church. Kim Lane is the Adventist youth leader.

Tanya Williams, Beacon communication secretary



Winners of the Michigan Pathfinder Pinewood Derby are, from left: Nelson Rothermel of Berrien Springs, Derek Sorensen of Ann Arbor, and Belunda Sorensen of Ann Arbor.

Pathfinder Fair is Highlight for Youth

Michigan — Over 800 people attended the annual Michigan Conference Pathfinder Fair, May 21, at the Kellogg Arena in Battle Creek, MI. Under the leadership of Elder Terry Dodge, the day's activities included a parade through downtown



Ruth Harrell of Kalamazoo, MI.

Battle Creek, basic and fancy drills, gymnastic exhibitions, pinewood derby car races, rope jumping event, physical fitness event, spider identification event, and booths with working demonstrations.

Two Pathfinder leaders, Ruth Harrell (pictured left) of Kalamazoo, MI, and Phil Edgar of Troy, MI, were inducted into the Pathfinder Hall of Fame. Thirty-eight of the 60 Pathfinder clubs earned enough points during the year to be part of the "200 Club."

For the past year the Pathfinder clubs have been collecting money to build more rest-room facilities at Camp Au Sable in Grayling, MI. On Sunday, the clubs turned in their funds and the total came to \$1,800 of the \$20,000 goal. By the end of June, Pathfinders have raised \$9,500 for this project.

Youth News Notes

- **Jackson (MI) Pathfinders in service:** Thirty families have been fed through the community service action of 14 Pathfinders who collected 730 canned goods from citizens in Jackson. Appreciation was shown to these young people through hugs, words of thanks, and smiling faces.

- **The Detroit Metropolitan Church Adventure Club** culminated a very successful year with a trip to historic Greenfield Village in Dearborn, MI; reports Nancy Allen, church communication secretary. A steam-driven train ride, a 1905 carousel ride, and a walk through Thomas Edison's Menlo Park were only a few of the many things club members experienced May 7 during this outing.

Twenty-eight adventurers, counselors and parent chaperons were delighted with facts about the first automobile, the first air flight by the Wright Brothers, period clothing, and life on a 19th century farm. Everyone left with a better understanding and admiration for the many advances man has made during the last 100 years.

LOCAL CHURCH NEWS



Soul Patrol team members of the Grand Rapids (MI) Bethel Church.

Soul Patrol on Duty

Lake Region — Anyone within the city of Grand Rapids, MI, found on or around their property lounging or working on a Saturday afternoon, must answer to the Soul Patrol.

This group of volunteers from the Grand Rapids Bethel Church, armed with surveys, tracts and Bible studies in one hand and a Bible in the other, strategically comb the city's neighborhoods looking for anyone interested in taking Bible studies. The Soul Patrol employs the use of a survey to get people to open their doors. This survey serves as an ice breaker and does a wonderful job at establishing a rapport between the lay person and the perspective Bible student. At the survey's end, participants are asked if they would like to improve their Bible knowledge and if they would like to take Bible studies.

The enrollment rate is astounding! Many people still don't know anything about the Seventh-day Adventist religion or their beliefs. The Soul Patrol is often mistaken for Jehovah's Witnesses. But as the remnant church we all need to participate in taking the message into our neighborhoods. So we ask, "What are you doing to help spread the message?"

Rudy Tross, Bethel communication director

Gospel Preached in Central Indiana

Lake Region — For eight months the airwaves have been filled with the good news of salvation for thousands of people in central Indiana, Kentucky and Tennessee.

The Home Bible Study Radio and Television Crusade Ministry came into being Nov. 14, 1994, on WPZZ FM radio located in Indianapolis. Prior to this date the Home Bible Study Ministry had been active in the Indianapolis area for more than 10 years, offering free Bible study materials and in-home Bible studies to the public. Over these 10 years more

than 2,000 lesson outlines and Bible-related books have been received by the general public in Indianapolis.

Thanks be to God for making the way clear for His Word to be heard and seen by even more people. This work was started by faith and no visible means of support. And recently God has made a way for the ministry to be moved to a powerful radio station in Indianapolis to have even more far-reaching results.

As a result, two people at a Franklin, KY, radio station and a city magistrate now have *Helps to Bible Study Guides*. Many people have heard about God's Sabbath and are now learning what it means to be a Sabbath keeper.

The Home Bible Study Ministry wishes to thank the members of the Indianapolis Capitol City Church and many friends for their prayers and financial support. And a special thanks to Pastor C. D. Brooks for allowing the broadcasting of his prerecorded video/audio programs. The cable program would not be possible without Sister Carolyn Palmer, Lake Region communication director. Thanks be to God for dedicated workers.

Jerry L. Paige Sr., ministry coordinator



From left, Randy Umlauf, Jeffery Guajardo and Janelle Guajardo brave heat in excess of 90 degrees Fahrenheit this summer to sort clothing for Michigan families in need. Last school year these youth attended Great Lakes Adventist Academy in Cedar Lake, MI.

Clothing Available for Those in Need

Michigan — Almost 4,000 articles of new clothing were received at the Adventist Community Services warehouse in Lansing, MI, from the Adventist Community Services department of the North American Division. The clothing has been divided into smaller lots for shipment to qualifying Community Service Centers throughout Michigan for distribution to non-Adventist families in need. All Michigan community services directors are invited to telephone Virginia Pfeifle at 517-485-2226, extension 278 to make arrangements to pick up the clothing for their local center.

Virginia Pfeifle, Michigan Conference community services director

A Lifetime of Camp Meetings

Wisconsin — Jeannie Weyenberg, a member of the Frederic (WI) Church, may have set a record this year. At 40 years old, she has attended 40 Wisconsin camp meetings. In June she came as usual with her mother, Eunice Gardner.

While Wisconsin camp meeting was moved from Portage, WI, to Camp Go Seek in Westfield years ago, Jeannie and Eunice still rent their old cabin from the "Choo-Choo Hollow" cabin section at Portage, so named because of the train tracks just outside the fence. The family hunted it down after all the cabins were moved from Portage.

Jeannie is assistant Sabbath school organist at her church. She also plays the accordion, electric keyboard and autoharp.

Bob Simenson, Rice Lake member, along with Laurie Herr; Wisconsin communication director



Elder Jim Brauer

Brauer Leaves Illinois Conference

Illinois — Elder Jim Brauer, president of the Illinois Conference, has accepted a call to become the president of the Rocky Mountain Conference in the Mid-America Union. Brauer, his wife, Janell ("Jan"), and their two sons, Jonathan and Joel, will be moving to the Denver area in August.

Brauer worked as a pastor in Colorado until his ordination in 1980. He was the youth pastor at the College View Church in Lincoln, NE, from 1980-1983, and from 1983-1989, he was the youth director of the Kansas-Nebraska Conference.

He came to Illinois as executive secretary and church ministries director in 1989, and has served as president since August 1993.

Brauer says: "It is not easy for us to leave the challenges, people and staff here in Illinois, and if God had not opened and closed doors in such spectacular fashion, I am quite certain we would not be going. Yet even then I know that He has all things in His hands and will lead the Illinois Conference, since He is and must remain the real leader."

The process of selection for a new president of the Illinois Conference has begun.

Richard Dower, Lake Union communication director

Woods Family Honored by Oakwood

Lake Region — Hailed the "Oakwood College Family of the Year" (1994-1995), were members from the Benton Harbor (MI) Highland Avenue Church. Edward Woods Jr. and his wife, Edith (Sloan), along with their three children, Edward III, Brian and Trishonda were recognized during alumni weekend at Oakwood College in Huntsville, AL, April 14-16.

Woods, a school administrator, is currently the director of



The Woods family from left, Brian, Trishonda, parents Edith and Edward Jr., and Edward III.

adult and continuing education in the Benton Harbor school system. He is also vice president of the

National Oakwood Alumni Association. Edith is employed in the same school system and is the math department chair. Edward III, a graduate of Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo, is an enterprise zone administrator for the city of Benton Harbor; Brian just graduated magna cum laude from Oakwood in June, with a degree in accounting; and Trishonda is a junior at Andrews Academy in Berrien Springs, MI. Each is actively involved in the church through various offices and the youth choir. The Woods family is deeply committed to Christian education.

Elizabeth Watson, Highland communication secretary

Recently Ordained

Michigan and Wisconsin — Michiganders John and Lisa Johnston surrendered their lives to Jesus in February 1988. They followed the Holy Spirit's call to pastoral ministry. After John graduated from Southern College with a theology degree in 1991, he and Lisa moved to the Michigan Conference. Since then, they have served at the Marquette/Riverside; Holly/Linden; and Lake City, Manton and Marion church districts. She has been editor of the *Shepherdess Sharing Newsletter* since 1993, and is currently working part-time as a nurse. Johnston was ordained in June during camp meeting at Cedar Lake, MI.



John and Lisa Johnston



Norman and Evie Yoder

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WORLD CHURCH NEWS

World Statistics of the SDA Church

• **Church facts for 1994:** There are 236 countries recognized by the United Nations — the Seventh-day Adventist Church has established work in 208 of these countries. There are 38,816 Seventh-day Adventist churches in the world, and 8,382,558 members — 12,376 ordained ministers actively serve this large and growing Church. The world Church is made up of 11 divisions; 94 unions; and 454 conferences, missions and fields. There are 33 food industries, 152 hospitals and sanitariums, 330 clinics and dispensaries. World Church tithe totaled \$804,625,027 in 1994; and tithe per capita in the world breaks down to \$110.97 per member.

• **Church educational program:** Total enrollment reached 822,235 students. There are 4,572 primary schools, 1,040 secondary schools, and 86 tertiary institutions; taught by 46,877 teachers.

• **Publishing work:** There are 56 publishing houses and branches in the world Church, with only 8,024 literature evangelists who sold \$92,216,421 of our message-filled books. All totaled, 732 languages are used in publications and oral work for the spreading the gospel to the world.

Cambodia Miracle

Cambodia — The first Seventh-day Adventist church building officially opened in Cambodia's second largest town, Battambang, where more than 100 baptized church members have been meeting in the shade of a large mango tree. The Battambang Church is the first of 65 scheduled for construction in a two-year project. In some areas, where there is still active guerilla warfare, temporary buildings will be put up so that members will at least have a place to worship until more permanent construction can be done.

In December of 1993, there was only one Seventh-day Adventist family in all of Cambodia, and it was the family of the area's Adventist Development and Relief Agency director. Today, we have about 1,500 baptized members meeting in 44 congregations, and many more attending who are not yet baptized. Truly God is blessing His message in Cambodia.



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Stella Watts

Centenarian **Stella Watts** was born Stella Weir June 28, 1895, in Martinsville, IL; reports Floyd Costerisan, Michigan Conference trust services director. She married John Watts on March 15, 1913, when she was 18. Within a few short years they moved to Michigan. The couple celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary in Battle Creek in 1983, but John went to sleep in Jesus on March 5, 1985. Their son, Lee, is now deceased, but four grandchildren survive.

Stella was born into the SDA faith and her spiritual convictions in Jesus are still strong. Her favorite Bible text is Psalm 34:7, "The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear Him, and delivereth them" because she has seen this demonstrated many times.

ANNIVERSARY



Ammi and Edna Pierce

Ammi and Edna Pierce of Mio, MI, celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary on June 20; reports Gary Wood, Mio press secretary. An open house was held June 4 at the Mio Church of which both are members. Elder P. M. Summerville conducted the couple's wedding ceremony in Cedar Lake, MI, in 1925. Alice Ellis, sister of the bride, served as maid of

honor at the wedding and was also present at the anniversary open house.

Edna (Booth) met Ammi while she was a junior at Mio High School and Ammi was a custodian. After their marriage, Ammi started Pierce Construction from which he retired in 1969 at age 69. Since that time he has built seven churches. Edna retired as a bookkeeper for the state of Michigan in 1967. Both are very active in the Mio Church where Ammi is currently an elder and Edna serves as Sabbath school secretary.

The Pierces have five children: Ronald of Lansing, MI; Audley, Jewel Buck, Ramona Snizley and Juanita Retzloss, all of Cedar Lake. The couple have 14 grandchildren, 27 great-grandchildren; and 4 great-great-grandchildren.

The couple have been residing in Mio for the past 25 years.

WEDDINGS

Jolene Malinee Aitken and John Martin Roosenberg II were married June 11, 1995, in Gobles, MI. The ceremony was performed by Dr. Boyd Olson and Pastor James Aitken.

Jolene is the daughter of Judy Aitken of Berrien Springs, MI, and Jerry Aitken of Thailand. John is the son of Dr. John and Anna Roosenberg of Allegan, MI.

The Roosenbergs are making their home in Berrien Springs.

Ernestine Just and Robert Clausen were married June 3, 1995, in Portage, WI. The ceremony was performed by Wendell Springer.

The Clausens are making their home in Lodi, WI.

Ingrid Kacak and Brian Fitzpatrick were married June 11, 1995, in Hinsdale, IL. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Russ Laughlin.

Ingrid is the daughter of Betty Kacak of Skokie, IL. Brian is the son of LaRae Fitzpatrick of Westmont, IL.

The Fitzpatricks are making their home in Schaumburg, IL.

Kim Kelley and Eric Lunde were married May 14, 1995, in Hinsdale, IL. The ceremony was

performed by Glenn Davenport and Dennis Meyers.

Kim is the daughter of Veryl and Dave Kelley of Hinsdale. Eric is the son of Ted and Marvella Lunde of Highlands Ranch, IL.

The Lundes are making their home in Bakersfield, CA.

Linda Lockwood and Glen Moore were married June 4, 1995, in Aurora, IL. The wedding ceremony was performed by Pastor Steve Shaw.

Linda is the daughter of Bob and Sharon Lockwood of Leland, IL. Glen is the son of Leonard and Clara Moore of Sauk Village, IL.

The Moores are making their home in Sauk Village.

Jacalyn McKean and Gerry Rye were married June 3, 1995, in Watervliet, MI. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Len Schoenherr.

Jacalyn is the daughter of Dorothy McKean of Watervliet. Gerry is the son of Harold and Joyce Rye of Watervliet.

The Ryes are making their home in Watervliet.

Francine Reynolds and Jason Bergmann were married June 25, 1995, in Berrien Springs, MI. The ceremony was performed by Dr. Raoul Dederen.

Francine is the daughter of Joelle Reynolds of Berrien Springs, and the granddaughter of Dr. and Mrs. Raoul Dederen. Jason is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul W. Bergmann of Berrien Springs.

The Bergmanns are making their home in Grand Ledge, MI.

Cheryl Rogers and Brian Jackson were married June 4, 1995, in Coloma, MI. The ceremony was performed by Elder Lynn Bryson.

Cheryl is the daughter of Edwin and Susan Rogers of Glendale, AZ. Brian is the son of Meredith and Audrey Jackson of Coloma.

The Jacksons are making their home in Tuscon, AZ.

Jude Valery and Edward Avinger were married May 28, 1995, in Hinsdale, IL. The ceremony was performed by Dr. C. D. Joseph and Dr. Norman Miles.

Jude is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Antoine Valery of Matteson, IL. Edward is the son of Pastor and Mrs. Edward Avinger Jr. of South Holland, IL.

The Avingers are making their home in Matteson.

OBITUARIES

BLAKE, Thelma M., age 59; born Aug. 28, 1935, in Grand Rapids, MI; died June 6, 1995, in Muskegon, MI. She was a member of the Muskegon Church.

Survivors include: her husband, John; a daughter, Janice Grier; and 2 sisters, Beatrice Green and Kay Blake.

Services were conducted by Pastor Larry Yeagley, and interment was in Sunrise Gardens Cemetery, Muskegon.

BROWN, Elizabeth Ann, age 53; born Oct. 11, 1941, in Keego Harbor, MI; died May 29, 1995, in Hillman, MI. She was a member of the Lake City (MI) Church.

Survivors include: her first husband, Ronald Bischer; 4 sons, Ronald Jr., Andrew, Anthony and Jerome Bischer; a daughter, Mary Massey; her father, Hewitt Gall; a brother, Richard Gall; 2 sisters, Jeanette Karsten and Kathryn Riggles; 6 grandchildren; and 2 stepdaughters, Wendy and Bridget Brown.

Services were conducted by Pastor Sheldon D. H. Seltzer, and interment was in Lake City Cemetery.

CRANE, Louis R., age 83; born Dec. 20, 1911, in Addington, OK; died May 8, 1995, in Eagle River, WI. He was a member of the Clearwater Lake Church in Eagle River.

Survivors include: his wife, Audrey; a son, Stephen; and a brother, Eugene.

Services were conducted by Pastor William J. Ochs, and interment was in Clearwater Lake Church Cemetery.

FOOTE, Arvilla A., age 97; born July 9, 1897, in Ottawa, IL; died June 9, 1995, in Aurora, IL. She was a member of the North Aurora Church.

Survivors include: 3 sons, Raymond, William and Edward; a daughter, Arvilla Margaret Medgyesi; 11 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastor Steve Shaw, and interment was in Harding (IL) Cemetery.

GRIMM, Esther K., age 95; born Sept. 3, 1899, in Indiana; died June 10, 1995, in Sauk County, WI. She was a member of the Madison (WI) East Church.

Survivors include: 3 sons, John,

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Juanita Titus; 19 grandchildren; and 7 great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastor Wendell Springer, and interment was in Burke Station Cemetery, Madison.

HAASE, Pastor Walter E., age 88; born Dec. 27, 1906, in Newark, NJ; died June 12, 1995, in Downers Grove, IL. He was a member of the Hinsdale (IL) Church.

Survivors include: his wife, Helen; a daughter, Marilyn Bauer; and a son-in-law, David Bauer.

Services were conducted by Pastor Alger Keough, and interment was in Rose Hill Cemetery, Berrien Springs, MI.

HUFFMAN, CRANDALL, ELSTROM, Ruth N., age 97; born June 10, 1897, in Kenton, OH; died March 19, 1995, in Lansing, MI. She was a member of the Michigan Conference Church.

Survivors include: 2 sons, Eugene and George Elstrom; 2 daughters, Evelyn Hansen and Bette Westfall; 8 grandchildren; and 8 great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastors George Elstrom and J. D. Westfall, and interment was in Battle Creek (MI) Memorial Park Cemetery.

HUTCHINSON, Earl, age 70; born May 25, 1924, in Portland, OR; died Feb. 8, 1995, in Nunica, MI. He was a member of the Grand Haven (MI) Church.

Survivors include: his wife, Iva; a son, Bob; 2 daughters, Sharon Siewert and Nancy Beltz; and 6 grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastor Allen Lincoln, and interment was in Nunica Cemetery.

KENNEDY, Lillian, age 96; born Nov. 29, 1898, in Braxton, WI; died May 8, 1995, in Rhinelander, WI. She was a member of the Rhinelander Church.

Survivors include: a stepson, Eugene; and 2 stepdaughters, Laurie Bloomquist and Lois Wesley.

Services were conducted by Pastor William J. Ochs, and interment was in Forest Home Cemetery, Rhinelander.

KITELINGER, Peggy L., age 42; born April 6, 1953, in Black River Falls, WI; died June 4, 1995, in Black River Falls. She was a member of the Alma Center (WI) Church.

Survivors include: 3 sons, Joshua Berg, and William and Robert; a daughter, Becky; her parents, Aaron and Lorraine Berg; 4 brothers, Arthur, Raymond, Steve and Wayne Berg; 2 sisters, Susan Thonley and Theresa Langowski; and many grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastor John I. Johansen, and interment was in Oakwood Cemetery, Merrillan, WI.

LINKLETTER, Nancy M., age 97; born Nov. 4, 1897, in Atlantic Mine, MI; died June 9, 1995, in Sterling Heights, MI. She was a member of the Troy (MI) Church.

Survivors include: a daughter, Margie Granas; a brother, Raymond Erickson; and 3 sisters, Elsie Norris, Martha Milks and Emy Ashley.

Services were conducted by Pastor Don Williams, and interment was in White Chapel Cemetery, Troy.

NASH, Viola M., age 74; born July 19, 1920, in Coral, MI; died May 31, 1995, in Grand Rapids, MI. She was a member of the Central Church in Grand Rapids.

Survivors include: her husband, Jack Russell; 3 sons, James, Gerald and Jack Jr.; a daughter, Carol Jordan; 11 grandchildren; and 8 great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastor John Fortune, and interment was in Coral Cemetery.

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Survivors include: his wife, Mildred M. (Favreau); 4 daughters, Beth Ann Merriman, Joanna Ringler, Nancy Rankin and Judie Summers; 4 grandchildren; and 3 great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastor John B. Fortune, and interment was in Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens Cemetery, Kentwood, MI.

TRAVELBEE, Francis J., age 77; born Jan. 6, 1918, in Lansing, MI; died Jan. 17, 1995, in Merritt, MI. He was a member of the Houghton Lake (MI) Church.

Survivors include: 2 sons, Lavern and Richard; 3 daughters, Rosetta Garay, Linda Edwards and Louise Horn; a sister, Emma Swartz; 22 grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.

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WYATT, James Virgil, age 75; born Aug. 25, 1919, in Clay County, IL; died March 15, 1995, in Flora, IL. He was a member of the Noble (IL) Church.

Survivors include: his wife, Margaret Elaine (Brown); 4 sons, Dan, Tom, Steve and Alan; a brother, Ernest; 2 sisters, Savilla and Roberta; and 11 grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastors Brian Delaney and Tim Rosenboom, and interment was in Greenhill Cemetery, Noble.

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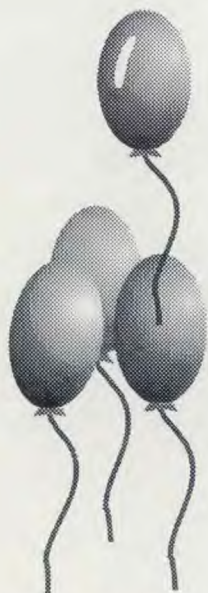
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Traverse City (MI) Church centennial, Aug. 25-26. For details contact: Centennial Committee, 4289 Bridlewood Dr., Traverse City, MI 49684; 616-947-1923.

Notice is hereby given that the 28th session of the Michigan Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held at the Cedar Lake Church in Cedar Lake, MI, Sept. 24, 1995, with the first meeting called at 9:30 a.m. Reports of the previous three years will be rendered, proposed constitutional changes may be considered, the election of conference officers, departmental directors, and members of the executive committee will take place, and any other business will be transacted which may properly come before the session. Delegates are those duly elected by the various churches of the conference and delegates-at-large as provided in the constitution. Each church in the Michigan Conference is entitled to one delegate for its organization, and one additional delegate for each 100 members or extended major fraction thereof, determined by the membership as of Dec. 31, 1994. As provided by the bylaws, the organizing committee (composed of one member from each church, plus one additional member for each 500 members or major fraction thereof, as of Dec. 31, 1994) will meet Sept. 23. The

meeting will begin with vespers at 7:30 p.m., in Cedar Lake Church.

WISCONSIN

Baraboo (WI) Church centennial, Sept. 30. Special guests include Arnold Swanson, Wisconsin Conference president (Sabbath morning speaker), and former pastors of the Baraboo Church. Dinner and afternoon program are planned.

Legal Notice: Notice is hereby given that the triennial session of the Wisconsin Conference of Seventh-day Adventists and the Wisconsin Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists are to be held at Wisconsin Academy in Columbus, WI, Sunday, Nov. 12. The first meeting of the session will convene at 9:30 a.m. Duly accredited delegates and delegates-at-large will be authorized to elect officers, directors of departments/services, and members of the executive committee, constitution and bylaws committee, and nominating committee for the new triennium, along with corporation trustees for the ensuing triennial term. Delegates will also transact such other business as may properly come before them. Each church shall be entitled to one delegate for the church organization and an additional one delegate for each 25 members or major fraction thereof.

*Arnold Swanson, president
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	(21 weeks) 1995	(22 weeks) 1994	Gain or Loss	% of Increase
Illinois	2,776,374.65	2,696,097.87	80,276.78	3.0%
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Lake Region	2,665,506.94	2,484,313.13	181,193.81	7.3%
Michigan	6,978,798.62	6,952,551.83	26,246.79	0.4%
Wisconsin	<u>1,575,528.67</u>	<u>1,537,363.78</u>	<u>38,164.89</u>	<u>2.5%</u>
TOTAL	15,565,094.35	15,211,435.92	353,658.43	2.3%

SUNSET CALENDAR

	Aug. 11	Aug. 18	Aug. 25	Sept. 1	Sept. 8	Sept. 15
Berrien Springs, MI	8:52	8:42	8:31	8:19	8:07	7:55
Chicago	7:56	7:46	7:36	7:24	7:13	7:00
Detroit	8:40	8:30	8:19	8:08	7:56	7:44
Indianapolis	7:47	7:38	7:27	7:17	7:06	6:54
La Crosse, WI	8:15	8:05	7:53	7:41	7:29	7:16
Lansing, MI	8:46	8:36	8:25	8:13	8:01	7:48
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Mike played on the baseball team as a pitcher during his four years of high school. Excelling in this sport and at that position, several universities were actively recruiting him. Mike was ecstatic about pitching for one of these schools because it meant a possible future as a pitcher in the major leagues — his lifelong dream. Ironically, though, just before graduation Mike, who was raised a Seventh-day Adventist, attended some meetings at his local church and recommitted his life to Jesus. And he realized his new commitment would kill his lifelong dream.

Informing the recruiting schools of his recommitment and the Sabbath conflict that would result, all schools immediately lost interest in him — except for one. Surprisingly, this was the largest, the most successful at producing major leaguers, and the one that Mike most preferred. Consequently, Mike granted them an interview.

They flew him to the school, showed him around campus and their fabulous, major-league quality baseball facilities, then offered him a full scholarship. Stunned, Mike reminded them of his Sabbath conflict assuming they were planning to accommodate him. But to his surprise, they flatly refused to accommodate. Instead they bribed him. "Drop this nonsense about the Sabbath," they said, "and we will give you the free use of a brand new, \$95,000 Porsche!"

Though it was tempting for Mike, he told me he did not want to deny Jesus because Jesus had never denied him. So Mike told the school no.

What Mike did was not easy, but it was right, and he will be rewarded by Jesus for his faithfulness. Young friend, I am thrilled to be able to relate true stories to you like this one. Hopefully, Mike's story will inspire you when you are faced with an important decision. Incidentally, this fall Mike will be attending the Southwestern Adventist College in Keene, TX.

Pastor Peter Neri, Cedar Lake, MI

* Mike is a pseudonym.

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