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Not only did the "Critters" Pathfinder Club from Eau Claire, Michigan, recreate the first Adventist junior camp which was held near Cedar Lake, Michigan, in 1926, but they lived in the tents during the Lake Union Pathfinder Camporee held at the Berrien County Youth Fair, Berrien Springs, Michigan, September 12-15, 1996. (Photo by Richard Dower.)

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EDITORIAL



He Found Me

BY DON SCHNEIDER, PRESIDENT
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I did not find Jesus. In fact, I did not even go looking for Him. Really I didn't know about Him or realize there was a need. It would be right to say, I suppose, that I was like the lost coin of Jesus' parable. It neither knew it was lost nor sought to be found.

It was when I was a boy that Jesus came to our family. With no effort on our part to seek Him, He came looking for us. My father was in the furnace business in Merrill, Wisconsin, when he won the contract to install the new furnace in the Adventist church. Later, he went to the church elder's home to bid on his furnace. Through those encounters, the elder came to our home to give Bible studies. We had not known what we were missing nor how good it was to serve Jesus. Nevertheless, though we were ignorant of His love, Jesus came looking for us.

Later, during my academy years, I wandered away from Jesus. Even then, I can't say I found my way back to Jesus. Instead I was running away from Him. But again He came looking for me. I can take no credit for the fact that we got together again. My story was like the picture in the book "Pilgrims Progress" showing the man running away from God and God running after him with a pardon in His hand. "If you will only slow down long enough," God is calling, "I want to give you this pardon." Finally I allowed Jesus back into my life. He was right there all the time. Never was He hiding from me.

I'm so thankful that we have a God who "loved us while we were yet sinners." He isn't sitting on a throne saying, "When you come to your senses, you can look for me in the Palace." He is there every day where we are—at our jobs, in our homes, in our schools, even in the taverns, and theaters, wherever we go—looking for us, just hoping that we will give Him a chance to enter our lives.

Even when we turn our back on Him, even when we shake our fist in His face and yell, "Leave me alone" (another definition of sin), He waits patiently to have another chance at our lives. He doesn't give up easily. After all, He gave His life for us. He went to the cross in order to gain the chance to give us eternal life. He won't give up on us while there is any hope that we might accept His invitation to accept eternal life.

I'm so thankful for a Jesus like that. I didn't go out searching the world over for Him, putting in time and money to find an elusive God. He came looking for me, when I didn't know about Him, when I didn't even care about Him.

No, I didn't find Him; but I thank God that He found Me.

Romania Revisited

BY DAN RACHOR

VIOLETA'S STORY

The last week of March I traveled to Romania for the second time. During my visit in November 1995, I conducted a prophecy crusade every night. Six people were baptized. Many more made decisions for baptism, but I had to leave without "finishing the job." So when the Moldavian Conference



Violeta's special baptism.

invited me to return to Romania in March 1996, I gratefully accepted. This time the Moldavian Conference planned meetings in a village called Nomoloasa (aptly named "muddy place"). There were no Adventists in this town.

One family from the village, however, had attended the meetings I held in November. They wanted to be baptized but weren't quite ready at the time of the November baptism. What a joy to find that they were not only ready, but waiting to be baptized! They also had been fasting and praying for the success of my upcoming meetings.

The meetings were held in a former Communist meeting hall that had no heat and barely enough light. Regardless, 300 people were waiting for opening night when I arrived, includ-

ing the mayor, who was drunk, and a police officer. The mayor insisted on introducing me.

A few nights later, 19-year-old Violeta arrived. She had attended every one of the meetings I held in November. I had visited her family who was putting great pressure on her to stop going to our meetings. I got the idea that Violeta was not allowed to make any decisions for herself. Now her face glowed as she told me she had decided to be baptized. But the next night she wasn't there. Her father had beaten her and made her stay home.

The baptism would be held in Violeta's town at the church where the November meetings had been held. The day before the baptismal services, I visited Violeta and her family. Yes, they were making life very difficult for her. But she was determined to be baptized the next day. Her mother came and was very angry. To prevent an ugly scene, the pastor decided that we would baptize Violeta later. Thirteen people took their stand for Jesus that day, three of them from Nomoloasa. Today a church building has been secured and Sabbath services are being held in Nomoloasa as God's work moves forward.

ALINA'S STORY

During my second visit to Romania I tried to follow in the true footsteps of Jesus by going to prisons and visiting and taking food to orphanages. While on one of the visits to the orphanage, I met a pretty little 10-year-old girl who played her guitar and sang what I called the orphan's song about the sadness of a child who has been

abandoned by her family. This pretty little girl was named Alina.

Alina was left at an orphanage as an infant, but after a few months her maternal grandmother found her and arranged for Alina to come to live with her. For the next eight years, Alina lived with her grandmother. Then Alina had to go to the hospital and learned that she had AIDS. At about the same time, her grandmother also learned of her illness. Thus Alina was sent back to the orphanage. Later it was found that of the 64 children at the orphanage, 34 had AIDS.

As I learned Alina's story, I also learned that she had only 10 years to live. The Holy Spirit spoke to my



Pastor Dan Rachor holds Alina, the orphan, who found Jesus during his return visit to Romania.

heart. I talked with her about Jesus, heaven, and her eternal home.

We met several times, and Alina's interest about heaven and her love for Jesus grew. She wanted to know more about the eternal home that is being prepared for her. Happily she accepted the children's Bible we gave to her.

Today Alina has found acceptance and love from the Nomoloasa Seventh-day Adventist Church planted as the result of these visits to Romania.

Dan Rachor is pastor of the Edenville, Estey, and Gladwin, Michigan churches.

NEW MEMBERS

MICHIGAN



Rear, from left: Carol Jo Catron and Don Williams, Troy pastor.
Front, from left: Katherine, Kristine, and Joseph Lewis, with Derek Riethmeir.

The Troy Church family recently welcomed five new members when Don Williams, Troy pastor, baptized them into church membership, reports Rose King, communication leader.

Katherine, Kristin, and Joseph Lewis asked Pastor Williams to explain salvation to them and how Bible-taught Christians should believe and live. When they completed their personal studies, they asked to be baptized because they believed Jesus was their personal saviour, and they wanted to live as the Bible teaches.

Carol Jo Catron had been an Adventist many years ago, but now, for several months, has been bringing her four children to Sabbath school. While attending the Sabbath school services, she decided to make a new commitment to Christ by re-baptism.

Derek Riethmeir is a good friend of youth member, Tammy Pilarski. Tammy and Derek studied some Bible guides together, which lead Derek to want to commit his life to Jesus. It was a very happy day at the Troy Church when these five people became members of their church family!

On September 7, 1996, **Blaine Walker** was baptized in the lake at Camp Au Sable by Gary Bullard and by that act publicly gave himself fully to Christ, reports Richard Green, First Flint communication leader. Blaine's home is in Fenton, and his family are

Presbyterians.

This past year, Blaine spent his second year of college at the Milwaukee School of Engineering. During summer vacation he met Anne Eichelberg, a nursing student at Southern Adventist College who was also on home leave. Their acquaintance and his questions about why she worshipped on Saturday resulted in his beginning to take Bible studies.



Bruce Babienko

Blaine and Anne plan to spend a lifetime worshipping their Lord together.

During their Thanksgiving vacation, Anne and Blaine worshiped together in the First Flint Church. It was his first visit to an Adventist Church, and he said, "This was the first time I ever felt fulfilled and felt like I truly worshiped God." Again at their Christmas break, Anne and Blaine worshiped with her family at First Flint, and he asked more questions. He wanted to discover truth, since he felt that much of what he had been taught was not correct.

In January, through Anne's efforts, Blaine was able to locate the Milwaukee Central Church and worship there. That church family also took him in as one of their sons, and he continued growing in knowledge and Christian experience. On Sabbath, just two weeks before his sophomore engineering course was to end, the Central Church had a baptism, and the pastor asked if anyone there wanted to be baptized. Blaine raised his hand, and the happy pastor said, "God bless you, Son." After the baptism they visited and prayed together, and the pastor gave him some literature to read. Back in Michigan, Blaine worshiped each week at First Flint and continued taking studies with Gary Bullard, pastor of First Flint. Blaine then made his decision to be baptized, and because he wanted to be baptized in a lake, he chose to have this service at Camp Au Sable. His wonderful Christian parents and grandmothers were present for the joyous occasion.

Today Blaine is a new student at Walla Walla College, having given up his scholarship to receive a Christian education as he pursues his engineering course. Anne is at the Portland Adventist Nursing School working on her BS in nursing. But the rest of the story is exciting, too. Blaine and Anne are now engaged and have set a wedding date for the fall of 1997. It is amazing how the Holy Spirit led Blaine to understand his Bible as he took each step in his journey as a growing Christian.

Yvonna Bruce had come to the South Haven Church from Chicago



Yvonna Bruce stands in the baptismal fount with Paul Cameron, pastor of the South Haven Church, the Sabbath she gave her life totally to Christ.

where an Adventist had taught her that the seventh day Sabbath was a day of rest and worship, reports June Mitchell, South Haven communication leader. Her first introduction to the South Haven Church was by telephone on a day when the office should have been empty, but someone was there to answer her phone call. She was referred to the community services leader, Janet Reed, who lovingly cared for her physical needs and invited her to worship in church the following Sabbath. She attended and immediately felt accepted by the church family.

Yvonna remained in town because her essential needs of a car, employment, and a house trailer were met through God's providence. These gave her the opportunity to be accepted as an active part of the church group. The members surrounded her with faith-building Bible studies, a Festival of Faith weekend, and visits with Paul Cameron, the pastor, who continued studying with her until there were "no more questions."

Yvonna's conversion experience climaxed with her Sabbath afternoon baptism, when she made her public commitment to Jesus Christ, as everyone rejoiced because of the blessings they had witnessed since she

first arrived. On that same Sabbath, her baby was dedicated to God as Yvonna and daughter experienced the joys of what takes place when one telephone call allows Christ to be the answer.

Whenever **Dick Scutt** would drive past the Coldwater Rayborn Memorial Adventist Church on Saturday mornings and see all the cars in the parking lot, he knew he should turn in and join the worshipers for Sabbath services. Dick knew that the seventh day was the Sabbath because his

stepmother had been an Adventist. Though she had been a loyal church attender, her relationship with Dick and his brother had not been Christlike. "Throughout his adult years," reports David Gotshall, pastor of Rayborn Memorial Church in Coldwater, "Dick had believed the church doctrines despite his stepmother's harshness at home. Some time ago an Adventist friend made an appeal to Dick about wanting to continue their friendship throughout eternity." Because of this statement, Dick began to be more concerned about his relationship with God.

One Sabbath morning in March, Dick didn't drive past the Adventist church, he turned into the parking lot. But it wasn't easy. He sat in the parking lot hesitating a long time before taking the plunge and walking through the door.

Dick was warmly welcomed at the door and throughout the services by church members. In the weeks that followed he began attending Sabbath school, church, and prayer meeting regularly. Before long Dick requested baptism.

On Sabbath, July 27, Dick, and Linda Gotshall, the pastor's daughter, were baptized in Randall Lake and welcomed into the fellowship of the Coldwater Rayborn Memorial Church.



Prepared to be baptized in Jesus by David Gotshall, (center) pastor of Coldwater Rayborn Memorial Church are Dick Scutt and Gotshall's daughter, Linda.

Filling a Need in Your Church

BY NADINE DOWER

Ron is lonely. He attends a very small church where there are no other singles even close to his age to do anything with. While he is always included in the potluck fellowship dinners and socials of various sorts, his Saturday nights are often spent alone with only the TV for company. Ron understands that the families in his church are very busy with raising children, working, and just trying to keep up. As a matter of fact his building career is filling his days to the bursting point as well. He really doesn't expect his church to entertain him.

Ron is active in his church. He holds a church office and helps in a Sabbath school division. He's even active in Pathfinders which fills some of his leisure time. He loves doing things with them, but this does not provide interaction with people his own age.

He knows he can't go on like this forever. What should he do? He has a few acquaintances in town, but he has nothing in common with most of them since he doesn't "party" like they do. He's been trying to "build bridges" with some people at work who have shown some interest in spiritual things. But he doesn't feel comfortable inviting people to his house—particularly unattached females—because he doesn't want to be misunderstood.

Perhaps what Ron needs to do is to get acquainted with the Adventist Singles Ministry (ASM) chapter in his area.

ADVENTIST SINGLES MINISTRY

ASM is the church's organization for single adults, operating under the church ministries department, reports Blake Hall, former vice president of ASM, who resides in Greenwood, Indiana. It is a network of concerned Christians that is accepting the challenge to make a difference in the church and in the world.

Unfortunately most Adventists perceive an organization for singles as a dating service or a matchmaking association. Admittedly several other Adventist singles organizations do exist for that purpose—Adventist Contact, for example. But Adventist Singles Ministry exists to promote an awareness of single adults in the church and to enable single adults to become socially and spiritually whole, caring, and effective.

There are more than 250,000 unmarried adult church members in the North American Division (NAD). More than 40 percent of the NAD membership are unmarried. Eighteen percent of Adventist parents are currently single, ten percent are divorced singles, six percent are widowed singles, and two percent are never-married singles.*

ASM promotes missionary endeavors as well as fellowship and Christian growth for Adventist singles through two mission trips each year. Past projects include building one of Maranatha's 25 churches in Santo Domingo, going to Alaska with Habitat for Humanity, building a church and a school in Mexico, providing needed work on a conference campground and additions to a

college in Jamaica, and adding walls and floors to an Adventist clinic in Nepal. Each year ASM also works with Mountaintop Experience to build and restore homes in Appalachia.

Indiana Singles

The Hoosier chapter of ASM meets on the first Sunday of each month. Two retreats are held at Timber Ridge Camp, one on Memorial Day weekend and the other sometime in September. Mini-retreats are held in February and April. In addition, a variety of Singles' Sabbaths are planned in various Indiana Conference churches. For information about any of the activities in Indiana call Gina VanderVeen at (317) 786-2134, or Shirley Balwinski at (317) 788-1817.

Illinois Singles

In the Hinsdale area late collegiate and beginning career adults in their twenties have an organization called "Christian Underground" that affords needed fellowship and outreach opportunities. Julie and Ron Cook, at (847) 548-8928, are serving as the contact persons for that organization. Young adults (singles and marrieds) in their late twenties and thirties have been affiliating with *Quest* (formerly known as *Twenty-Something*). Besides fellowship and outreach activities, they have organized what they call "traveling ministries" which include music and drama presentations in area churches. Contact persons for information about that organization are Gemma Anderson at (630) 759-5773, and Eunice Wavomba at (630) 856-7300.

The Illinois chapter ASM has a potluck dinner at the Hinsdale church house the fourth Sabbath of every

month. For information about the activities of ASM in Illinois, contact Jo Jo Ferguson at (708) 354-8184.

Lake Region Singles

If you would like to be a part of the newly forming Lake Region ASM chapter, contact Hattie Washington, at (219) 273-0359, or Darice Austin, at (219) 239-9017.

Michigan Singles

The Berrien Springs chapter of ASM has planned several activities for the holidays. For details contact Margie Mitchell at work, at (616) 473-4250, or at home, at (616) 471-7129.

Contact persons for the Michigan chapter of ASM are Elodia Jones, at (616) 761-3579 and Barbara Wilson, at (313) 485-5549.

The Michigan Conference family life ministries department is making a concerted effort to be more responsive to the needs of singles. A singles retreat is planned April 11-13, 1997, at Camp Au Sable. The department has also started a lending library of resource materials to strengthen and educate individuals and families. For information about the retreat or a catalog of resources call Michelle Ancel, family life secretary, at (517) 485-2226, extension 270.

Wisconsin Singles

It has been some time since any ASM retreats or activities have been organized in Wisconsin. If you would like to see something get started again, call Shirley Balwinski, at (317) 788-1817, or Dale Ziegele, Wisconsin family life director, at (608) 241-5235.

To Join ASM

Singles of all ages are welcome to join ASM. For information on how to become a member, contact Shirley Balwinski, Lake Union ASM director, 3701 Shelbey, Apt. C, Indianapolis, IN 46227, or call (317) 788-1817; or contact the national headquarters c/o the Membership Secretary, at 4467 King Springs Road, Smyrna, GA 30082, or call (770) 434-5111.

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Help for Hurting Hearts

Richard Dower

Larry Yeagley developed a "Grief Recovery" program 20 years ago when he worked as chaplain of Battle Creek Sanitarium Hospital. This bereavement support program has always been open to people with many types of losses. Death and divorce are the most prominent losses represented in the lives of participants. Loss through moving, imprisonment, unemployment, and life threatening disease have also brought people to the program.

Grief Recovery provides a safe environment in which hurting people can share feelings and ask questions about their experience. They receive practical suggestions that will facilitate the grief process and help them to feel more in control. The teaching of concepts is not done in lecture format, but as an outgrowth of what is happening in the group. The program is an experience of learning and growing together.

Yeagley indicates that Grief Recovery puts him in contact with people for a lengthy period of time. Monthly follow-up sessions and personal sessions have kept him in touch with some participants for years. News of this support program quickly travels throughout

the community, which makes it easy to acquire participants for further groups. It also brings invitations to speak to community organizations of all sorts. Opportunities are constantly opening to help people who are unable to attend the program. Yeagley indicates that Grief Recovery has made him a pastor to the community, not just to his local church.

What about your church? Do you see some needs that are not being met in your community? Do you feel your church should be doing something about them? Could you use some help to get something started? If you would like to schedule a training seminar for starting a Grief Recovery program in your church, contact Ken Veal, Illinois family life ministries director, at (800) 227-6426, extension 216; John Morrison, Indiana church ministries director, at (317) 844-6201; James Humphreys, Lake Region family life ministries director at (312) 846-2661; Diane Thurber, Michigan family life ministries director, at (517) 321-6415 or (517) 485-2226, Ext. 281; or Dale Ziegele, Wisconsin family life ministries director, at (608) 241-5235.

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Arnold and Dixie Plata from Loma Linda, California, brought many items of Pathfinder history and memorabilia for a "Pathfinder museum."



Photos by Richard Dowter

The "Colts" from Coldwater, Michigan, prepare for inspection on Sabbath morning.



A funny field event was the vegelink bicycle race. Contestants had to take a bite out of a vegelink dipped in catsup while riding by on a bicycle.



Teenage Pathfinders raise their hands pledging themselves to participate in the new Teen Leadership in Training program.



Norm Middag, North American Division Pathfinder director, and Grover Fattic, a retired physician from Niles, Michigan, stand in front of a re-creation of the first Adventist Junior Camp. Fattic attended that first camp in 1926.



Members of the "Shalem Stars" of Waukegon, Illinois, prepare to attend the Sabbath morning services.

Pathfinder Camporee



The "Golden Eagles" of the Berrien Springs, Michigan Spanish Church display their skills in lashing on a tower designed to identify their camp area.



Dale Ziegele, Pathfinder director of the Wisconsin Conference signals "GO" to a group of campers in the obstacle course field event.



More than 2,000 Pathfinders and staff crowd into the Berrien County Youth Fair grandstand for the Sabbath services, grateful for protection from the rain.



Willy Taylor, executive secretary of the Southeastern Conference in Altamonte Springs, Florida, was the featured speaker at the 1996 Lake Union Pathfinder Camporee.



Dexter Buhl, Pathfinder area coordinator for the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, salutes the "Silver Foxes" of Coloma, Michigan, before inspection on Sabbath morning.



James Tucker, from Andrews University School of Education, told nature stories illustrated by objects and pictures taken out of his "Book of Nature."

Maranatha Escuela

BY DOTTIE DAVIDSON

We walked into the cafeteria at Bonanza Mission, located 25 miles south of Ciudad Bolivar, Venezuela, one hot July day in 1994 and were greeted by the construction committee of the San Felix/Puerto Ordaz district, twin cities about an hour and a half to the east of Ciudad Bolivar. They wanted my architect husband, Jim Davidson, to look over the plans for their school. Jim informed me later that the committee was planning to take us to see the building site of a very large school for students from grades 1-12 the following Sunday.

Sunday came and Juan Deossa, the pastor of the district, arrived promptly at 8:00 a.m. with a driver to pick us up. Instead of going to the property, we found ourselves at the Robbles Church with cameras clicking the minute we stepped out of the car. A group of 100 Pathfinders were lined up for review in the courtyard behind their church. We were escorted up and down the rows of young people standing at attention. What was this all about? I wondered. We weren't celebrities from the General Conference. We had simply come to look at their building site.

We were driven around the city to look at churches under construction. We were told of the rapid growth of Adventists since our work began seventeen years ago in that district. Only 10 percent of the 900 Adventist students in that area have had the privilege of a Christian education.

Finally we were taken to the building site. Footings and the foundation had been laid, but it had taken them three years and a lot of prayer and faith to get that far with



Photos by Dottie Davidson

This is how Maranatha Escuela looked when the Andrews group arrived in March 1995.

very little money. I was beginning to get the picture. They needed some help.

On the way back to the mission, Jim turned to me and said, "My plate is full. If anything is to be done in San Felix/Puerto Ordaz, you're going to have to do it."

"Me? Never. I couldn't get people to go on a large project like that!" I exclaimed.

But the Holy Spirit had other ideas. He would not allow me to forget those children who were not getting a Christian education. The burden stayed with me night and day.

In March of 1995, members of the Maranatha club at Andrews University, along with members of the Stevensville, Niles, Pioneer Memorial, and St. Joseph churches went to San Felix/Puerto Ordaz to work on the school.

The Pathfinders were out in full uniform again at the airport to greet the Maranatha group. A reporter from the national newspaper interviewed

several participants, and a full-page story with pictures appeared in the Sunday paper which is sold all over Venezuela. A second full page was printed the following week after a reporter visited the building site.

The locals were astonished that American girls could work right along with the men and accomplish so much. The Andrews group left with the satisfaction of knowing that most of the block walls were laid for the first floor, and the roof (the floor for a future second story) was in place.

As the Maranatha group was boarding their plane to go home, the construction committee chairman, with tears in his eyes, said to me, "You'll never know what this Maranatha group has done for our country. It is the first time the people of Venezuela really know what Adventists are all about. Thank you so much."

My heart response was, "Thank You, Father! You orchestrated this whole project."



A local workman puts the finish coat on the floor in one of the Maranatha Escuela classrooms.

In December 1995, a youth group from Greeley, Colorado, went to work on the inside of the building. A young man from that group gave his heart to the Lord the last night of the project. With moist eyes, he informed the leader of his decision on the way to the airport.

The Niles Westside Church sent a group in March 1996. Both groups were a blessing to the people in San Felix/Puerto Ordaz because they not only worked on the building, but took funds to help purchase materials.

year, a lady that had helped on the Maranatha Escuela building project in March saw me in Apple Valley Market. I told her we were leaving and planned to visit the school to see what needed to be completed. She said, "I think

knowing why. The finished product is the very special reason why.

Before we left for our Bonanza Institute board meeting this

amount to complete the job. Praise the Lord for touching hearts with His love and gifts!

While we were there to do a site study, Pastor Deossa told us they had wanted to begin school in October, but that it would take another \$9,000 for materials, desks, chairs, and so forth, which they did not have. If the money could be raised and a large enough



The author and her husband with some of the leaders in the district in front of the nearly completed school.



Sharon Sancharra stands beside the mural painted by Sandra Seibold and Ashley Gibbs of Niles Westside Church and Phillip Shoop, a senior architecture student at Andrews University.

Sandra Seibold and Ashley Gibbs from the Niles Church and Phillip Shoop, a senior architectural student at Andrews, worked on a beautiful mural—a picture of Jesus and children. Sandy, an artist, had thrown in her paints at the last minute, not

I can give you \$500 for materials before you leave." True to her word, the money arrived just in time. She didn't know, when the Holy Spirit spoke to her heart, that the polished concrete floors were going to be laid by local help, and they needed just that

group of volunteers were willing to go in December, these young people could possibly start school in the first floor in January instead of having to wait for another 9 or 10 months. The first floor would accommodate 210 students since they hold double sessions.

Completion is now an Operation Amigo project. If you are interested in being a part of an adventure that you will never forget, write to Operation Amigo, Lake Union Conference, PO Box C, Berrien Springs, MI 49103 and ask for the project information packet for Maranatha Escuela. The next project will be December 12, 1996, through January 1, 1997, if enough volunteers respond. Another group will go during spring vacation in March. Please pray that God will open the way for you to be a part of the miracle of Maranatha Escuela.

Dottie Davidson is a short-term missionary living in Berrien Springs.

Why an Annual Sacrifice Offering?

BY BERNADINE DELAFIELD

Seventy-three years ago this fall, Adventists around the world responded to an urgent plea. New countries were opening up, and yet missionaries were being asked to return home because the General Conference budget was a quarter of a million dollars short.

The problem was discussed at the 1922 Autumn Council, and an inspired plan was adopted whereby workers and members alike were asked to give a week's wage in sacrificial offering.

And sacrifice it was! This was a time when the world was in an economic slump, having just suffered the ravages of war. Feeding one's own family was difficult. But the members responded.

Why? Because they believed wholeheartedly in missions and in the commission given to God's people.

The united sacrifice of 208,771 members in 1922 gave one-third of a million dollars, and they felt truly blessed for having done so! Through the years, this spirit of sacrifice and united effort has served as a reminder that church members can support the work of the church despite prevailing economic, social, or political conditions.

During the Great Depression of the early 1930s, people who were already financially desperate found ways to sacrifice. The strength of their faith

put God to the test, and He did not fail.

It is now 1996! Is this type of sacrifice still necessary? We live in a much more affluent society today than in the early 1900s. True as that is, however, individuals, organizations, and corporations still struggle to balance budgets. The fact that we are still here indicates that there are yet people groups who have not had the

the Lord as they step out in faith to give beyond the comfort level and allow God an opportunity to prove His promises. Many will experience the joy that comes from trusting in the care and keeping of the Lord. As the offering plate is passed and envelopes marked Annual Sacrifice Offering are gathered, they will claim the following promise.

"Give what you can now, and as you cooperate with Christ, your hand will open to impart still more. And God will refill your hand, that the treasure of truth may be taken to many souls" *Christian Service*, page 50. We all want to see Jesus come. If every member in North America donated the equivalent of one ice cream cone, \$1,080,000 would benefit missions. With a spirit of sacrifice and denial

much like our forefathers, we will be thrilled by the sight of thousands of new believers, and together we will soon be seated before the throne of the Great Almighty, praising Him for his wonderful works!

Each member is encouraged to place a day's wage in a tithe envelope marked "Annual Sacrifice." God can take what you earn in one day and use it to make an eternal difference! It's not sacrifice!

Bernadine Delafield works in the General Conference Global Missions development office.

Questions about my gift...

If I sacrifice for missions, will it make a difference?

Definitely! 100% of the Annual Sacrifice Offering will fund frontline mission work in unentered areas, by providing support for volunteer pioneers who are working to establish a new congregation.

Why sacrifice a day's wages, and how will it help?

If every Adventist household gave a \$100 (average daily pay) on November 9, \$28,000,000 would be available to fund 8,000 new congregations in unentered areas. Your Annual Sacrifice gift will bring the Gospel to people living in areas where there are at least one million people with no Adventist presence. For this reason your church is asking every member to sacrifice a day's wages.

How can I ensure my gift gets to the right place?

Clearly mark your tithe envelope "Annual Sacrifice Offering," and place it in the offering plate.

opportunity of hearing the gospel. Our Lord is wanting to return, but we still have nine countries to evangelize where there are no members or churches! To finish this commission, funds are needed.

One hundred percent of the Annual Sacrifice Offering will provide funds for establishing an Adventist presence in unentered countries. Regular giving is vital, but sacrificial giving is a spiritual experience that puts us in a close working environment with the Saviour of the world.

On November 9 in churches all over North America, men and women will again enter into partnership with



Michelle Cleveland from Phoenix and James Nelson, Weimar, CA, look over globe for mission field.

Young people everywhere are looking for something to do. That monstrous athletic company tells us all to "Just do it!" and everyone IS "doing it"—or at least attempting to. Share value in the company has skyrocketed ever since the advertising campaign began. Health clubs are opening doors everywhere, and memberships are at an all time high. Their logos, shoes, and equipment have become a part of everyday life and can be found everywhere from remote third world villages to the most posh western cities.

In a similar way, the Institute of World Missions and other cosponsors have been challenging Adventists worldwide to GO! To go into all the world and give of themselves where they are needed—from the local homeless shelter to long-term medical work in the jungles of Asia.

"Holy Spirit Vision: See it. Choose it. Do it." is the theme of this year's International Young Adult Missions Conference, GO '97.

Intended to provide networking opportunities for those who have thought, or are thinking, of service, GO '97 will introduce possibilities and hands-on advice for mission work.

More than twenty service agencies are expected to be exhibitors at this year's conference where prospective young adult missionaries will be able to find out about the various opportu-

nities available to them. Cosponsors for the conference are: Andrews University's Department of World Mission, Adventist Frontier Missions, and YOUthNET, the newly established movement of youth and young adults networking for volunteers both internationally and within North America.

Each year, since the mission conference began in 1991, more than 300 young adults have come from all over the world to meet for five days to learn more of the opportunities they have to serve. Young adults who have served and returned from their term will speak of their experiences and serve as a resource for answering questions ranging from culture shock to dealing with other faiths.

Past GO conferences have been so successful that it has been extended outside of North America. Just last September, Theologische Hochschule Friedensau hosted the third annual German GO conference, and in October the United Kingdom conducted their first GO U.K. International interest in the GO conferences is picking up momentum, and future possibilities include Romania and Asia.

One of the much anticipated features of this year's conference is the GO '97 "Village Market Place." Based on four of the major world religions and their geographical regions (Middle East/Africa=Muslim; Europe/US=secular world/Christian-

GO! Ye Into all the World . . .

BY CRISTER DELACRUZ

ity; Latin America=Catholicism; and Asia=Buddhist/Hindu), the market place will recreate the teeming markets of the world. There will be places where one can smell the aroma of a South American town, dine with Buddhist monks, experience prayer inside an Iranian mosque, and feel the hopelessness behind walls of the Western world's most secular cities. Planner and Andrews University graduate student Barbara Leen intends for this highlight to "create an environment where young adults who have a desire to spread the love of Jesus to the world can gain a taste of the diversity of world cultures and religions."

Nicole Pezet, a student planner for GO '97 and a returned student missionary to Thailand, urges prospective student missionaries to attend, "This conference opened up doors that I didn't know about in missions."

GO '97 will be held on the campus of Andrews University in Berrien Springs, Michigan, from December 31, 1996, to January 4, 1997. The fee for attending is \$80 if registered before November 15, 1996, and \$90 after November 15. This fee includes meals, accommodations, conference materials, and seminars. To obtain more information or to register, contact the Institute of World Mission at 1-800-937-4236 or (616) 471-2522 or E-mail: go97@andrews.edu.

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ANDREWS UNIVERSITY



Jack Stenger, AU PR

Students, Heidi Towar from Lansing, MI, and Tobin Dodge of Grand Ledge, MI, join Doug Batchelor after a Week of Prayer session.

Doug Batchelor Leads Week of Prayer

Doug Batchelor, host of the popular religious program *Amazing Facts*, was the host for the fall Week of Prayer at

Andrews University.

A popular speaker among Andrews students, Batchelor was last on campus just two years ago for a Week of Prayer in fall 1994. This year's theme was "The Rock That Will Not Roll."

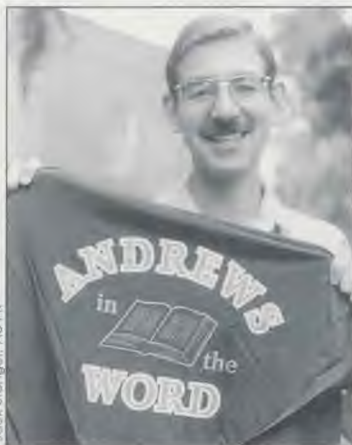
"There are so many variables these days, so many things that can change. I wanted to tell the students that Jesus is the only firm foundation that they can base their lives on," said Batchelor, who is also pastor of the Sacramento (CA) Central Adventist Church.

While in Berrien Springs, from Oct. 4 to Nov. 10, he also hosted a month-long evangelistic campaign in Pioneer Memorial Church, the campus church.

Year's Spiritual Theme: "Andrews in the Word"

In the beginning of the school year was the Word. And all throughout the school year will be the Word. So says Andrews student Christopher Small.

The junior religion major from Moline, IL, is director of BRANCH (BRinging ANdrews to CHrist), a student-led group that promotes campus-wide spiritual activities. As director, Small will spearhead efforts to promote this year's spiritual theme,



Jack Stenger, AU PR

Christopher Small, a junior religion major, leads the spiritual activities at Andrews this year as BRANCH president.

"Andrews in the Word."

During the Sept. 27 consecration service, every student was given a copy of *Steps to Christ* and a schedule for readings in both the Ellen White classic and the Bible.

"Everyone on this campus studies. But we thought about how dynamic it will be when everyone is studying God's Word together," said David Rand, campus chaplain. When his Campus Ministries Office first proposed the "Andrews in the Word" theme to BRANCH, the students ran with the idea with enthusiasm, Rand said.

Other BRANCH activities planned for the 1996-97 school year include student-led vespers services, midweek chapel services, dynamic new Sabbath school classes (including one called "Rock Solid"), and a BRANCH-led Sabbath service on Nov. 23.

"We're going to have a spiritual revival on this campus," Small confidently said. "Students are looking for a lot of things here, and we want to make sure that Christ is one person they find."

Fall Enrollment Up

Brilliant fall colors are not all that return to southwestern Michigan every September. The autumn season also brings students to Berrien Springs from around the Lake Union and the world.

The 1996-97 school year has started in impressive fashion, says Dean Hunt, vice president for enrollment services. Hunt, who came to Andrews after serving eight years as principal of Shenandoah Valley Academy in New Market, VA, has reason to be impressed with this year's enrollment of 3,133: the figure represents an all-time high for Andrews.

"We thank God for all of our students and are confident this year will be successful for each of them," Hunt said. "It's our goal to provide them with a Christian education of the highest caliber."

This year's enrollment mark surpasses the previous high (3,083) by 50 students, which was posted in 1981. The 3,133 figure represents a near 4 percent increase over last year's enrollment of 3,015. Undergraduate enrollment increased just slightly; graduate enrollment grew from 1,180 to 1,280, or a 9 percent increase.



Jack Stenger, AU PR

Students are back in force at Andrews. Shown here from left: Carlton Byrd, Krystian Zygowiec, Amberlea Hayes and Delisha Medina. (Back row) Paul Davis, Ronald Forbes, Jacqueline Marietta and Cristi Coryell.

Starting the Year on a Positive Note

Indiana Academy—The music department has moved into temporary quarters while plans are under way for a new chapel/music complex on the campus, reports Andrew Lay, music director. Housed in the former west dorm, they use the second level for their choir room, the music office, music libraries and practice rooms.

The new band rehearses on the stage of the auditorium. Small ensembles, including a brass quartet, flute trios, and



Ramona Hubbey

The choir, conducted by Andrew Lay, brings a special vitality to the church services on the first Sabbath of the new school year.

saxophone trios, help to enhance the band experience. Concert band is an important element of the music curriculum. It teaches co-operation in group settings, self-discipline on one's instrument, and music performance skills. IA is excited to be offering band this year after several years without one.

Funds are also being raised to begin a handbell choir. This popular form of music has been used in churches, schools, and communities to foster unity, focus, and a new way of worshipping God through music.

The choir (Choralanans) and special choir (Keynotes) are a part of this growing music program. These choral groups participate in church services, religious and school concerts, and perform in community settings for the benefit of Indiana Academy.

Music highlights for this school year include the Christmas concert on December 14, the spring concert on May 10, 1997, and various recitals and master classes on campus. Another exciting music festival is coming March 13-15, 1997. The Indiana Academy Music Festival for grades 6-10 will feature choirs, small ensembles, and guest conductors. It is open to all students in those grades throughout the Indiana Conference. This festival, which began last year, may continue to expand to include instrumental as well as vocal sections in the future. They will be performing on Sabbath, March 15, 1997, as part of the Spring Convocation being held that day.

We hope that many of you will visit us here at Indiana Academy. We offer complete general, college prep, and honors programs. For more information feel free to call the school at (317) 984-3575.

Rawls Is Student Ambassador

Lake Region—Jeremy Rawls, a member of the Southside Church, Pontiac, MI, received a letter in August inviting him to become a member of the Oakland and Livingston county area delegation of student ambassadors, reports Ann Benton, a Southside primary Sabbath school teacher. Following an interview in November, Rawls was notified that he was to be one of the student ambassadors representing his country, community, and school in Hawaii. Of the approximately 200 sixth-grade students chosen, 32 were from the Oakland/Livingston area, and Rawls was the only one chosen from Pontiac. His role was to be a personal representative of the president.

This student ambassador program began during the Eisenhower/Krushchev administrations to foster a "greater understanding of people throughout the world" by getting youth acquainted with youth.

Rawls, age 12, spent two weeks in Hawaii in July, where he studied the cultures of the Polynesian and Hawaiian people. Each day was a learning experience in such areas as language, science, the environment, and forming new friendships as he traveled from district to district.

"We learned about different types of fish every day," said Rawls. "I especially enjoyed this, for we got to go into the ocean in a submarine."

Upon his return many honors and engagements have followed. He has received correspondence from as far away as Great Britain's House of Commons and from the former United States Ambassador to Czechoslovakia.

Rawls has not been idle since his return. He is kept very busy as a seventh-grade student at Waterford Adventist School, a member of the Pontiac Warriors Pathfinder Club, and one of the church's pianists. He has been asked to participate in the 1997 student ambassador program. "Working toward the goal of world peace is a great challenge," he says.

New Choir at Milwaukee Junior Academy

Wisconsin - They may be different sizes and ages, but they can all sing. A new 75-member choir, composed of students from day care through grade eight, has been formed at Milwaukee Junior Academy, reports Candy Jakobsons, Milwaukee Junior Academy secretary. So far the youngsters, led by Pam Consuegra, teacher of grades four through six, have performed for two major programs: the annual Senior Saints Luncheon, held at Thanksgiving; and a Christmas program called "Little Christmas Lamb."

Huntingburg Church Goes Bilingual

Indiana—About a year ago a couple from San Salvador walked into their little Seventh-day Adventist church in Indiana, reports Brian Wilson, head elder of the Huntingburg Church. No one was able to greet them in their own language, Spanish. A survey of the congregation revealed one person who could communicate with them. Jim Feudi, a retired member, didn't want them to miss out on Sabbath school class, so he agreed to teach the lesson in Spanish for them.

Soon another couple began attending the Spanish class—then more came. The Huntingburg Hispanic Company was formed and began to meet in another room of the church. Over the course of the past year both groups have joined together for four or five bilingual church services. Both groups enjoy fellowshiping together at the church potlucks, and are learning to speak some of each other's language.

On Sept. 7 Jose Romero, the Hispanic company's lay leader, preached his first sermon in Spanish, which Feudi, now known as the Huntingburg Church's Hispanic liaison, translated into English. On Sept. 21 the two groups celebrated Communion in a unique way. Each group heard the Communion homily in its own language, then came together to wash one another's feet.

Both congregations were anxious to be a part of NET '96, so wanted to mail the brochures to the surrounding communities. But they wanted the Spanish-speaking inhabitants of Southwest Indiana to receive Spanish-language brochures. When they asked the county Hispanic Organization of Latino Americans (HOLA) about a mailing list, the organization agreed to do the mailing for them—free of charge—to every Spanish-speaking household they have in their database. Not only that, HOLA took the remaining brochures around to the break rooms in several industries in Southwestern Indiana, where the predominantly Spanish-speaking workers who might not be on their mailing list would be sure to see them.

Since not one of the Huntingburg Church members lives in Huntingburg and the church has no satellite receiver, the English-speaking group watched NET '96 live at a member's home that did have a receiver dish while they recorded the Spanish-language broadcast. The Hispanic company then watched the taped broadcast at the church.

Surprising Query in Holland

Michigan—The Holland congregation rents a room in their Community Service Center (across the parking lot from the church) to another church for their worship use on Sunday, reports Don MacLafferty, Holland pastor. During the week before the beginning of the NET '96 series, their pastor inquired about the availability of any brochures that he might

place in his members' service bulletins. He mentioned seeing the TV ads for the series of meetings that was about to begin, and thought his congregation should attend. In fact, he said he planned to cancel his own Wednesday night prayer meetings during the series, so they could attend all of the meetings.

MacLafferty says, "I suppressed a big grin, and nonchalantly said, 'Oh, I think I could find some for you,' trying not to appear too eager."

The opening night response cards in the Holland Church indicated 51 non-members attending. Fifteen of those respondees indicated they were there because they had seen the television advertising.



Richard Dowler

Opening night of the NET '96 series in the Holland, MI, church.

God Is in Control

Michigan—The membership of the Mesick Church, near Cadillac, is 25. On opening night 30 people attended the meeting and only 15 were church members, reports Franklin Horne, pastor of the Cadillac and Mesic churches. The members were thrilled. They have had 33 different nonmembers attending during the first week of the meetings.

The Mesick members installed their own satellite reception system. Before turning it on they prayed that God would help them. No adjustment whatsoever has been necessary since they turned their system on, and reception has been perfect right from the beginning.

A satellite reception system had been donated to the Cadillac Church. Nobody realized that the satellite dish positioning motor was not functioning, so the dish could not be turned toward the proper satellite. After hours of working on it, the crew prayed, "Lord, we need your help." Horne and one of the members climbed up onto the roof to aim the dish manually, knowing the odds of doing so successfully were nearly nil. Again they prayed, "Lord, it's up to You." They turned the dish a quarter turn, then climbed down and went back inside. When they turned the system back on the signal came in perfectly.

The next week the pastor went and bought a new motor. They installed it and began trying to tune into the satellite. At 6:50 Tuesday night they had still not been successful. The meeting was to start in 25 minutes. So they pulled the new motor off and installed the old one that hadn't worked. Again they prayed, "Lord, this is your program. You're going to have to do this. We can't." When they turned the system on again, the signal came in perfectly.

"We can't take credit for this. It's the Lord's doing entirely," Horne asserts.

LOCAL CHURCH NEWS

Oakwood Church Celebrates Opening New Church Building

Michigan—On two consecutive weekends, Aug. 16-18 and Aug. 23-25, many former members, former pastors, and friends joined the Oakwood congregation to celebrate the opening of the beautiful new Oakwood Church. The first weekend was a homecoming and reunion weekend; the second was an outreach to churches in the area and to the community.

Glorious music, including the Oakwood choir and Bell Arians, individual vocalists and instrumentalists, a choral reading choir and youth musicians lifted hearts heavenward both weekends.

Mike Oxentenko, pastor of the Oakwood Church, challenged the congregation to witness to all people of God's great love and to make the church ever open to seekers of truth.

On "youth night" a thrilling report of the many youth activities and services was presented by the young people under the direction of Micah Davis, youth pastor.



The Parade of Nations celebrates the 31 nations represented in the Oakwood congregation.

The diversity of cultures in the Oakwood congregation was celebrated with a parade of nations into the sanctuary, a Sabbath vespers concert, and an international cultural program in the gymnasium featuring stories, music, and refreshments.

"Unity Plaza" was dedicated Sunday morning with 31 flags, each representing the nationality of an Oakwood member, flown from their designated flagpoles. The two-week celebration concluded with an international food fair.

Bruce Babienco, assistant to the president for communication

Bible Trivia Marathon

Wisconsin—Bibles, concordances, topical indexes, Bible dictionaries and other reference materials were stacked high on the basement tables pushed together in the middle of the room,



New London Church members and friends enjoy a recent pizza party—compliments of radio station WEMI.

reports Christine Weber. A single phone sat amid the stacks, and 10 people leaned in around the tables. This was the scene as a team from the New London Church prepared to compete in the annual Bible Trivia Marathon sponsored by local Christian radio station WEMI.

The event, which lasted six hours, included 57 questions such as: How many left-handed people are mentioned in the Bible? How old was Shem when the flood ended? What do Noah's wife, Lot's wife, and Cain's wife have in common?

The New London team, "The Remnant," earned first place in the contest. Their prize, donated by a local restaurant, was one pizza party every month for a year. Now the monthly pizza party is being used as an outreach tool by the church. Non-attending friends of the church have been invited to enjoy fellowship with members at the pizza parties. Some pizzas have also been donated to area families in need.

One member of "The Remnant" commented that "the contest is a great way to exercise your ability to use the Bible and reference materials." It also challenges your recall of Bible readings. Team members are already looking forward to next year's contest.

By the way, if you are wondering about the answers to the questions, the answers are: Question 1—70, Judges 3:15; Question 2—98, Genesis 11:10; Question 3—Their names are not mentioned in the Bible.

Single Hoosiers Support Camp Improvement

Indiana—Nannette Wolcott, treasurer of the Hoosier chapter of Adventist Singles Ministries (ASM), presented \$400 on behalf of their membership to Kenny Pickett, Timber Ridge Camp ranger, reports Gina VanderVeen, vice president of the chapter. The funds are intended to help with the cost of putting in a sidewalk leading to the showers at the camp.



Nannette Wolcott presents check for camp improvement.

New Aquarium at Au Sable

Michigan—A new six-foot fish aquarium was given to Camp Au Sable's Merrill Fleming Nature Center from the Delbert "Del" White family memorial funds, reports Terry Dodge Sr. The family members (Nancy White, her four adult children, and their families) and the camp staff were present Sept. 7 to see the beautiful new aquarium and attend a short dedication service. Gary Thurber, camp director, was responsible for the

music and introduced the camp staff to the White family. Dodge, chairman of the nature center committee, presented the obituary of Delbert White and a short talk on the purpose of the nature center. He explained the reason there have been so many items given for use in the center and emphasized the importance of God's great book of nature.

White, of Stockbridge, MI, also shared her experience of meeting Brenton and Joyce Bullock in 1989

while riding her bike on the camp roads when she and her husband were vacationing at their cabin on the Au Sable river. Because of their friendship with the Bullocks, some of the White's grandchildren have attended summer camps over the past years. When Del passed away in December 1991, the family decided to give his memorial funds to the Merrill Fleming Nature Center. Some time later the family decided they would like to have the funds used for a large aquarium.

"We are very happy to have this beautiful aquarium, filled with more than 100 fish of 15 different species, in our nature center. It is so peaceful and relaxing for those visiting the center to sit and watch," says Dodge. "We appreciate the memorial gift that made the aquarium possible and the additional funds given to purchase food for its occupants."



Terry Dodge Sr. and Nancy White at the dedication of the new aquarium at Camp Au Sable



The new aquarium—memorial gift from the family of Del White.

Marathon Runner for ACS

Indiana—On Sunday, July 14, the 26-mile San Francisco Marathon began at the north end of the famous Golden Gate bridge. Some 5,000 men and women from many parts of the globe participated. Joseph M. Dickerson, Adventist Community Services (ACS) leader of the Gratz (KY) Church was running to call attention to the work of ACS in the Indiana and Kentucky-Tennessee Conferences, according to Lin Powell, trust services director for the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference.

Dickerson had a dual mission that day. He was one of 450 nonprofessional Team in Training runners for the Leukemia Society who raised \$1.7 million for the battle against leukemia. He was not a runner until January of this year when his heart was touched by a newspaper article about the suffering of leukemia patients. Then began the grueling six-month training period to become a marathon runner. "This is a good cause. This disease is the number one killer of children," said Dickerson. "There is no amount of suffering I could ever endure that would be more than what [leukemia patients] have gone through."

Dickerson said that finishing the marathon was like climbing a mountain. That mountain climb began 13 years ago when he was a mainline drug abuser. He prayed for God to release him from his addiction. Through a series of events Dickerson found treatment, then he began Bible studies with a coworker and later joined his local Seventh-day Adventist Church where he is busy about the Lord's work. Along with God, Dickerson gives much credit for his present happiness in life to his wife, Peggy, and their two sons as well as to his church family.



Joe Dickerson ran the San Francisco marathon to call attention to ACS and children's leukemia.

Fathers Honored at Inkster

Lake Region—The men of the Sharon Church, Inkster, MI, were treated to a special luncheon on Father's Day, June 15. Scripture verse cards adorned the simple candlelit centerpiece as the fathers were served a nice meal, reports J. Blake, communication leader. Each father was treated to his choice of gifts: the book *Assurance: A collection of quotations from Ellen G. White*, or a baseball cap emblazoned with the words "Jesus the Answer." Thea Collins, hospitality leader, explained that the cap was "designed as a witnessing tool. Being summer, the men are likely to wear the cap and people may ask about its message." Whenever the men read the book or share the meaning of the cap slogan with a friend, these tokens should remind them that they are loved.



CREATIVE PARENTING

The Christian perspective for a happier, healthier home life

The Best Thing My Great-grandma Ever Gave me

by Susan E. Murray

The other day I picked up an imaginative doll in a gift shop and read about Danna. She has a company, "Danna Does Dolls," and each of her dolls comes with a tag that reads, "I remember as a young child my grandmother taking me to a field of bright orange poppies. She showed me how to fold and remove certain parts of the flower and then use my fingernail to carve a face in the soft pod. Suddenly, I had created my first doll. . . Such magic! Maybe because I loved my grandmother so much, and maybe because of the wonder I felt at making those dolls just one month out of the year, I still love to make dolls. Today my Dolls are more permanent, but they too are pure magic."

I exclaimed to the store owner, "Why, my great grandmother taught me how to make dolls out of orange California Poppies, too." I felt an instant kinship with Danna—and the link was our grandmothers!

My grandparents were immensely important to me since they took me into their home when I was only three years old and raised me as their own. While my grandparents assumed a more parental role, my great-grandmother did the more "grandmotherly" things with me. She's the one who taught me how to make the poppy dolls and how to bake bread, make jelly, embroider, knit, shine my grandpa's good shoes, and even how to bake fresh pumpkin seeds slightly oiled and salted! She could peel an apple and keep the peel intact, making a long curling serpentine. Then she would tell me to make three wishes as we'd twirl the apple peeling over our heads, laughing and making our wishes.

I was sharing with a friend, Connie, about the influence of my grandparents and great grandmother. She thoughtfully added that perhaps the most important thing my great grandmother taught me was that I *could* do things, that I was capable! And I agree.

By the way, one of Danna's dolls came home with me.

Musings Of a Grandfather

by Donald W. Murray

"I just found another one of Cassie's Cheerios," I said to Sue as I was vacuuming. To my surprise, my heart was overwhelmed by a myriad of feelings as I spotted a Cheerio on the floor under the edge of a chair!

It began the first time I saw her. Cassandra Elizabeth, that is. As I entered her Alabama home in August of last year, when she was just a few hours home from the hospital, her eyes looked on mine. It was as if she were saying, "I thought I had everyone in this place accounted for. Who are you?" From that moment on, I was a willing captive to her charms.

We live more than six hundred miles away, but distance has been only a tiny obstacle to regular visits. Grandparenting, amazingly, has re-prioritized our vacations. The amount of the monthly phone bill doesn't matter so much anymore. Talking with our daughter while Cassie chirps and chortles in the background adds to the delight of any conversation with Marci or Michael.

I was looking forward to being a grandparent. My grandfathers died many years before I was born. I did have a step-grandfather, Dick, who seemed more like a friendly neighbor. He was nice to me, but there was no bond between us. In retrospect, I realize that the only model I had was seeing how my own parents loved and nurtured our own children.

As I vacuum, my mind wanders and wonders. What will

Cassie's world be like as she matures? In a world growing increasingly unsafe, how can she experience trust, confidence, and faith in her family and friends? What will her school experiences be like? Will she be optimistic? Will this little one who already offers to share her Cheerios with our cats grow up to be generous in spirit? Will she always love the Lord? She has the opportunity to become a sixth generation member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Will

that be seen as a blessed heritage or a burden.

Will she have a great capacity for love and a gift for caring for others? Will her precious smile and ready giggle always be so quick to burst forth? Will she develop a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and a mature faith that will guide her through the potholes of adolescence and into adulthood?

These are all the musings of a grandfather as the vacuum cleaner once again discovers another Cheerio leftover from a summer visit. I have experienced the blessings of loving parents and a lasting and loving marriage. I have been blessed to be the father of our two children, and their marriage partners also enrich my life. And now a grandchild! That's my current passion—just being a grandfather. Lord, may I be faithful to this new calling.



Richard Drower

Ages & Stages

Parenting the Second Time Around

Today the media calls them "silent saviors" and "recycled parents." At a time in their lives when they expected to be traveling and doing everything they had put on hold while raising their first set of children, many grandparents find themselves back in a routine of bottles, diapers, and parent-teacher conferences. Instead of doting grandparents who can cuddle, cuddle, and send the kids back to Mom and Dad, they are assuming all the responsibilities of raising another set of children.

According to the US Census Bureau, approximately 3.2 million children under 18 were living in grandparent's homes in 1990—a 40 percent increase in ten years. There's a myriad of causes, but most commonly it's because of parental drug and alcohol abuse.

For whatever reason, grandparents are sharing their homes with their grandchildren, and even though they know they are not alone, many express feelings of isolation. One grandfather said, "We need people. My friends call once in a while but don't come around. We feel alone in the world. We need people." A grandmother described herself as being on an emotional roller coaster. "At age 54, all of a sudden I've got a 4-year-old. Nobody seems to understand where I'm coming from."

On the other hand, there is great joy—the wonder of watching grandchildren grow, the pride in their accomplishments. Some grandparents say their grandchildren keep them young. And there is the love. As one grandmother said, "There's something positively magical in the hugs and kisses that makes it all worthwhile."

The Best Things to Give Grandchildren Are Not Necessarily Things

A recent study reported by the A News Service confirmed that 35 million American children ages 4-12 earned a combined total of \$20 billion last year. The figure is growing at 15%-20% a year. Most of that money amounted to allowances, cash earned for household chores, and gifts from relatives.

What are these children buying? Most of their income (\$17 billion) was spent on snacks, toys, soda, video games, movies, and clothes. 20% of all cellular phones sold in 1995 went to members of this age group.

So, grandma and grandpa, what are the best things you can give your grandchildren?



Six Cheers for Grandparents

- A grandparent's hug is one of the wonders of the world.
- Grandparents may have hair that is gray, but they have hearts of gold.
- Grandparents create the family heritage with their stories.
- Grandparents are the ones that laugh and smile at all the jokes you tell.
- Grandparents have more pictures of you at their home than there are at yours.
- Grandparents walk at your pace and never try to hurry you.



Books About Grandparents

- Grand Loving: Making Memories with Your Grandchildren* by Sue Johnson and Julie Carson, 1996. Order from Fairview Press, 1-800-544-8207, for \$14.95
- The Grandparents Little Idea Book* by Tori Harrison, 1996. Order from Sta-Kris, Inc. 1-800-369-5676 for \$9.95
- The Magic of Grandparenting* by Carmen Sherwood, et al., 1995. Order from Henry Hot, 1-800-488-5233 for \$9.95
- Helping Your Grandchildren Through Their Parents' Divorce* by Joan Cohen, 1994. Order from Walker & Co. 1-800-289-2553 for \$12.95
- Dear Hope... Love, Grandma: A Real Correspondence Between an 8-year-old and Her Grandmother* edited by Sara Washburn, 1993. Order from Clef Design Group, 1-800-845-0662 for \$13.95

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This feature page is designed as a resource. You are welcome to clip it out. The Lake Union Herald is committed to providing you with specific and helpful information that will be appropriate for various ages and developmental stages of family members. Your input is important—so let us hear what you need!

Adventists Release Statements During Yearly Business Meeting

San Jose, Costa Rica [ANN]—Four statements were released by the office of the president of the Seventh-day Adventist Church during the church's Annual Council held October 1–10, in San Jose, Costa Rica.

Issued from the office of President Robert S. Folkenberg, after being adopted by the Administrative Committee of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, the statements on ethics and smoking, environmental stewardship, religious liberty and spiritual renewal were released during a press conference, October 4, at the Hotel Herradura in San Jose. The release of the statements followed two days of spiritual renewal as members of the church's executive committee focused on the theme, "Experience the Joy of Salvation."

In the statement on the environment, the church expresses its concern about the earth's ecological crisis and advocates that each person is a steward of the earth and needs to manage the natural environment faithfully and with care.

In the second statement, the church calls on all Christians to champion spiritual renewal and "act as agents of change in the face of moral decay" in society. The political and social initiatives are not adequate to provide lasting change, the statement states.

In the third statement, the church expresses a concern of Seventh-day Adventists, active promoters of religious liberty for more than a century, about continuous acts of discrimination and persecution of religious minorities in different areas of the world. The statement appeals for a continued defense of religious freedom for every person.

In the fourth statement, the church advocates "ethics of prevention" and suggests adoption of public policies aimed at reducing smoking. The issue of international ethics in exportation of cigarettes is singled out, and the statement calls for regulations requiring the tobacco industry to pay for the health costs associated with the use of its products.

Italian Authorities Grant AWR Long-awaited License

Bracknell, England [ANN]—Adventist World Radio (AWR) received a long-awaited license from the Italian Ministry of Post and Telecommunications on September 19, 1996. The license gives AWR opportunity to build a major shortwave radio station near Argenta, Italy. The broadcast facility will provide coverage of the Islamic nations from Morocco in the west to the nations of Pakistan and India in the east. The new station will compliment AWR's short wave station on Guam, says Gordon Retzer, AWR president.

More than 30 languages are scheduled to be broadcast from the Argenta station, including several languages new for AWR, such as Turkish, Kazakh and Uzbek. AWR already broadcasts in Arabic and Farsi.

AWR has sought legal authorization for broadcasting from Italy since 1985 when it established a small short wave facility near Forli, Italy. In 1990, at the General Conference Session in Indianapolis, a worldwide offering was collected for the proposed station.

"This long-anticipated license permits AWR to own and operate its own facility in Europe," said Retzer. "This has been an objective since AWR first started broadcasting from leased facilities in Portugal in 1971."

Construction of the new facility will begin in 1997 and should be ready for broadcast in 1999.

Andrea Steele

United Airlines Carries New Shoes for Kyrgyzstan

Silver Spring, MD [ANN]—In an agreement with the Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) International Central Office, the employee-owned United Airlines, Inc. complimentarily flew six large boxes of shoes, August 27, from Dulles airport in Virginia, USA, to England's Gatwick airport, where the shoes remain in transport to ADRA Kyrgyzstan.

The shoes, collected by the New York Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, were given as a donation to the Tadjik and Afghan refugee communities and for the impoverished people in the high mountain areas of Kyrgyzstan. The New York Conference collected the shoes following a request from ADRA Kyrgyzstan director, Jay Edison, a former member of the New York Conference.

In England, the 3,670 pound shipment was turned over to the Kumtor Operating Company, a Canadian firm. From England, Kumtor flew the shoes to Bonn, Germany, where company personnel will complete the transport into Kyrgyzstan by truck.

The shipment of shoes was the follow-up of 12 shipments of clothing to the same area, where the consistent request was, "Do you have shoes?" Edison says, "Many children in these areas do not attend school because they have no shoes, but the need includes all age groups."

Lake Union Photo Contest Winners

Photographers in the Lake Union captured awards in quarterly photo contests conducted by *Creation Illustrated* magazine, published by Tom and Jennifer Ish, members of Adventist-Laymen's Services and Industries (ASI).

After three years and 10 editions, this church-supporting ministry had Lake Union photographers take awards with stunning photos from flowers, birds, and animals to seascapes, mountains, and celestial constellations. Award winners include: Judy Lechleitner of Hastings, MI; Arthur E. Robertson of Berrien Springs, MI; and James Sherwood of Mio, MI.

Creation Illustrated continues to conduct photo contests in each edition. Any photographers, writers, or poets are encouraged to write or call for a copy of Creation's writer and photographer guidelines. For more information on submissions, subscriptions, or how your church or school might use *Creation Illustrated* as a fund-raiser or as an outreach to your community, write to *Creation Illustrated*, PO Box 7955, Auburn, CA 95604, or call (800) 360-2732.

MILEPOSTS

ANNIVERSARIES



Alejandro and Manuela Sanchez celebrated their 50th anniversary on Sunday, June 9, with a religious ceremony at which they renewed their wedding vows with Pastor Caseres officiating. The service took place at the West Suburban Spanish Church in Villa Park, IL, where they have been members for 10 years. After the service, family and friends joined the Sanchezes for a reception in their honor in Oakbrook, IL.

The Sanchezes were married June 8, 1946, in Mexico. Alejandro, a metal worker, retired 10 years ago. Manuela has been a homemaker.

The Sanchez family includes Rachel and George Dander of Westmont, IL; Alex Jr. and Mickey Sanchez of Hinsdale, IL; and Sylvia and Mike Djuricin of Nashville, TN; 7 grandchildren; and 1 great-grandchild.

WEDDINGS

Lisa L. Elmer and Gerald K. Maquera were married June 2, 1996, in Milton, WI. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Robert Stauffer.

Lisa is the daughter of Lois and Bernerd Elmer of Milton, and Gerald is the son of Alfred Maquera of Florida.

The Maqueras are making their home in Edgerton, WI.

Michelle M. Klassen and Gerald R. Martin were married May 26, 1996, in Milton, WI. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Robert Stauffer.

Michelle is the daughter of Roby and Joanne Klassen of Michigan, and Gerald is the son of Steve and Vickie Martin of Milton.

The Martins are making their home in Janesville, WI.

Tonya Poole and Chad Turner were married July 28, 1996, in Berrien Springs, MI. The ceremony was performed by Pastors Glenn Poole II and Des Cummings Jr.

Tonya is the daughter of Glenn and Margaret Poole of Berrien Springs, and Chad is the son of R. Edward and Mary Ellen Turner of Annapolis, MD, and JoAnne and Loren Cunningham of Stevensville, MI.

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BOGUE, Ralph W., age 88; born April 12, 1908, in Rush County, IN; died July 27, 1996, in Shelbyville, IN. He was a member of the Shelbyville Church.

The only survivor is his wife, Adalee.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Harold White and interment was in Miller Cemetery in Shelby County.

HANAWAY, Catherine M., age 62; born Mar. 29, 1934, in Green Bay, WI; died Sept. 12, 1996, in Green Bay. She was a member of the Green Bay Church.

Survivors include her sons, James G., Jerry, and Timothy; daughters, Mary Peters, Kathy Zirbel, Sue Thiesfeldt, Terry Willett, Jane Mencheski, Carolyn Austin, and Janet; father, Wesley LaFave; sister, Mary Jo Shaw; brother, Greg LaFave; and 14 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Marvin Clark, and interment was in the Champion (WI) Adventist Cemetery.

HANNON, Mark, age 76; born June 28, 1919, in Champion, WI; died June 4, 1996, in Green Bay, WI. He was a member of the Green Bay Church.

Survivors include his wife, Irene; foster daughters, Linda Anderson and Vicki Vlies; brother, Richard; 3 grandchildren; and 4 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Marvin Clark, and interment was in the Champion Adventist Cemetery.

HERZBERG, Joseph W., age 69; born July 30, 1926, in Bay City, MI; died Feb. 29, 1996, in Ann Arbor, MI. He was a member of the First Flint (MI) Church.

Survivors include his wife, Thelma; son, Ron; daughters, Kathy Woodhall and Debra Fechik; sisters, Martha Shores, Elizabeth Ratti, Marilyn Thomas, Thoris Grief, Dorothy Rettman, Sandy Richmond, and Robin Shafley; brother, Robert; and 8 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastors Gary Bullard and Ron Feely, and interment was in Sunset Hills Cemetery, Flint.

LAMARCHE, June, age 71; born Aug. 25, 1929, in Fox, MI;

died Aug. 16, 1996, in Escanaba, MI. She was a member of the Escanaba Church.

Survivors include her daughters, Susan Chouinard and Mary Richards; 5 grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted by Elder Rick Binford, and interment was in Holy Cross Cemetery, Escanaba.

MCKENZIE, Ella May, age 94; born May 8, 1902, in Mt. Rose, MI; died Sept. 6, 1996, in Adrian, MI. She was a member of the Tecumseh (MI) Church.

Survivors include her sons, Val, Arthur, Keith, and Larry; daughters, Evelyn Kinkella, Phyllis Radike, Nancy Wolfe, and Marilyn Wolf; sister-in-law, Fern Rhoades; 25 grandchildren; and 45 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastors Jason N. Prest, Mike McKenzie, and Rodney Hyde, and interment was in the Prattville (MI) Cemetery.

MEDFORD, Harry C., age 98; born Aug. 5, 1898, in Paulding County, OH; died Aug. 28, 1996, in Lakeview, MI. He was a member of the Lakeview Church.

Survivors include his sons, Foster, Robert, Lester, and Ronald; daughters, Dorothy Snow and Barbara Hamlin; sister, Mary Medford; 22 grandchildren; 33 great-grandchildren; and 12 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Peter Neri, and interment was in Cato Township Cemetery, Lakeview.

PERRY, Carrol E., age 82; born Oct. 1, 1913, in Newfane, VT; died Sept. 8, 1996, in Berrien Springs, MI. He was a member of the Pioneer Memorial Church, Berrien Springs, MI.

Survivors include his wife, Louise; son, Norm; step-daughter, Donna Burland; and step-sisters, Betty Trumm and Helen Noble.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Dwight Nelson, and interment was in Rosehill Cemetery, Berrien Springs.

RIDEOUT, Richard F., age 77; born Dec. 31, 1918, in Battle Creek, MI; died Apr. 13, 1996, in Battle Creek. He was a member of the Urbandale (MI) Church.

Survivors include his wife, Dorothy; sons, Richard and Stephen; daughter, Connie Lorenz; and sister, Marie Lynn Spencer.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Larry Yeagley, and interment was in Hicks Cemetery, Battle Creek.

SMITH, Ozie A. Jr., age 74; born Jun. 30, 1922, in Meridian, MS; died Aug. 9, 1996, in Milwaukee, WI.

Survivors include his wife, Susan B.; sons, Thomas and Frederick; daughters, Judith A. Douglas, Susan B. Boon, Linda C. Lynch, and Cheryl E. Weathersby; and 9 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Alfonso Greene Jr., and interment was in Wood National Cemetery, Milwaukee.

STEBBEDS, Monty, age 55; born Oct. 3, 1940, in Clearwater Lake, WI; died Sept. 9, 1996, in Clearwater Lake. He was a member of the Clearwater Lake Church.

Survivors include his wife, Vicki; sons, Todd, Terry, and Tracy; brothers, Gary and Warner; and 1 grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Wm. J. Ochs, and interment was in Clearwater Lake Cemetery.

THOMAS, Leon R. Jr., age 55; born Sept. 30, 1940, in Milwaukee, WI; died Aug. 4, 1996, in Milwaukee. He was a member of the Sharon (WI) Church.

Survivors include his wife, Annie Lee; daughters, Stephanie Thomas, Daphanie Tyler, and Kowanya Thomas; step-sons, Roderick, Frederick, and Alvin Henderson; brothers, William, Edwin and Raymond; sisters, Brenda Coleman, Renata Thomas, and Deidre Hodnett; mother, Zola Thomas; 19 grandchildren; and 3 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Alfonso Greene Jr., interment was in Evergreen Cemetery, Milwaukee.

WRIGHT, Harold E., age 88; born Mar. 2, 1908, in St. Joseph, MI; died Aug. 24, 1996, in Lansing, MI. He was a member of the Conference Church (formerly Houghton Lake (MI) Church).

Survivors include daughters, Penny Ancel and Norma J. Harger; 6 grandchildren; and 7 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Dan Towar and James C. Wyckott, interment was in Denton Twp. Cemetery, Houghton Lake.

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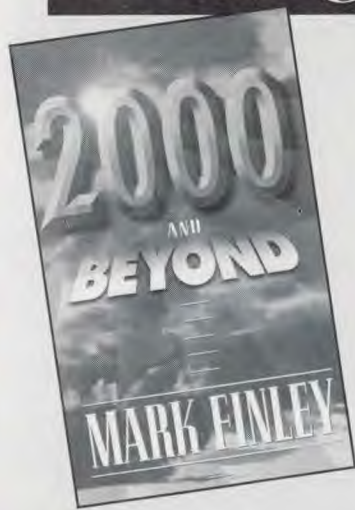
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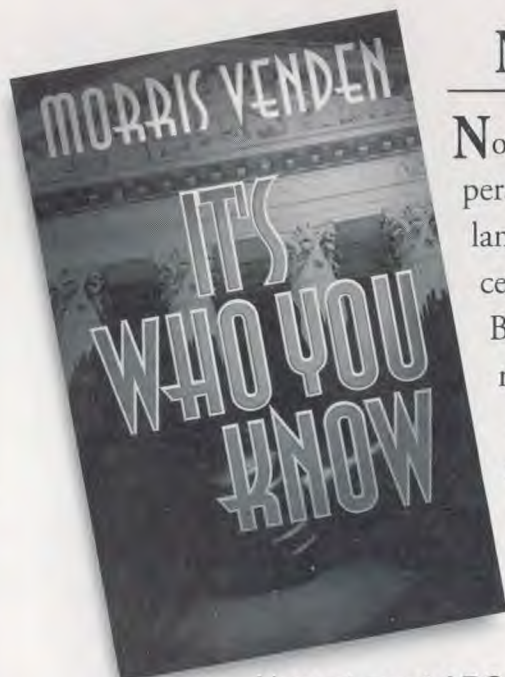
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LAKE UNION

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ADVENTIST MEDIA CENTER SCHEDULE

WEEK OF NOVEMBER 3

Faith For Today: "Safe Sex vs. Sexual Abstinence." Should we be teaching safe sex or sexual abstinence in high schools? *Lifestyle Magazine* explores this controversial topic. *It Is Written*: "He Saved Me from the Sidelines," (Jesus, Face to Face—Part 4). *Voice of Prophecy Sun*: "A Vote That Counts." *Mon-Fri*: "You Can't Do a Single Thing Right!"

WEEK OF NOVEMBER 10

Faith For Today's Lifestyle Magazine: "Exercise Addiction." *It Is Written*: "He Showed Me Real Courage." *Voice of Prophecy Sun*: "Sexual Freedom, Sexual Bondage." *Mon-Fri*: "As Meek as Mount Everest."

WEEK OF NOVEMBER 17

Faith For Today: "The Myth of the



Position Available Vice President for Research Affairs

Loma Linda University, a Seventh-day Adventist health sciences university, announces a search for a vice president for research affairs. LLU is currently expanding its research program in areas such as the biology of cancer and in molecular biology and gene therapy. The position will be available commencing on or about July 1, 1997.

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Applications and Nominations: Applications (letters of interest, resume, names and addresses of three references) or nominations should be submitted to:

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	1996	1995	Gain or Loss	% of Increase
Illinois	4,500,764	4,482,138	18,626	0.42%
Indiana	2,714,317	2,657,338	56,979	2.14%
Lake Region	4,445,380	4,535,840	(90,461)	-1.99%
Michigan	12,156,992	11,579,370	577,622	4.99%
Wisconsin	<u>2,658,410</u>	<u>2,526,545</u>	<u>131,865</u>	<u>5.22%</u>
TOTAL	26,475,883	25,781,231	694,631	2.69%

SUNSET CALENDAR

	Nov. 8	Nov. 15	Nov. 22	Nov. 29	Dec. 6	Dec. 13
Berrien Springs, MI	5:31	5:25	5:19	5:16	5:14	5:14
Chicago	4:37	4:30	4:25	4:22	4:20	4:20
Detroit	5:19	5:12	5:07	5:03	5:01	5:02
Indianapolis	5:36	5:30	5:25	5:22	5:20	5:21
La Crosse, WI	4:47	4:39	4:34	4:30	4:28	4:28
Lansing, MI	5:22	5:15	5:10	5:06	5:04	5:04
Madison, WI	4:41	4:34	4:28	4:24	4:22	4:22
Springfield, IL	4:49	4:43	4:38	4:35	4:34	4:34

"God's Prime Time," (Jesus, Face to Face—Part 5) [not broadcast on Trinity Broadcasting Network (TBN)]. TBN Program: "Encounters of Another Kind." *Voice of Prophecy Sun*: "Staying Married: Why Bother? How Do You Do It?" *Mon-Fri*: "Look at Me, Ma!"

WEEK OF NOVEMBER 24

Faith For Today: "DHEA: Is it the Fountain of Youth?" *It Is Written*: "The Exploits of Living Water." Connie Jeffery sings "It's Beginning to Rain." *Voice of Prophecy Sun*: "The Prodigal Son, Southern Style." *Mon-Fri*: "Give Me the Bible!"

WEEK OF DECEMBER 1

Faith For Today: "Medical Negligence: Can You Prevent It?" Some ideas on this *Lifestyle Magazine* about how we, as average consumers, can protect ourselves from medical negligence. *It Is Written*: "Basher 52—Where Are You?" Matt Bittner sings "When You Are a Soldier." *Voice of Prophecy Sun*: "Hope for Backsliders." *Mon-Fri*: "Long Hair and Submission."

ADVENTIST COMMUNICATION NETWORK SCHEDULE

November 1-9, 7:30-9 p.m., ET. NET '96 Evangelism Series continues. Galaxy 9, Channels 1 and 2.

November 2, 4:30-6:30 p.m., ET. "Together Again: A Network of Friends Reaching Friends Who Leave Church." Galaxy 9, Channel 22.

November 6, 5:30-6:30 p.m., ET. "First Wednesday." Good News About the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Galaxy 9, Channel 2.

November 10, 10:30-11:30 a.m., ET. "NET '96 Pastor's Conference." Galaxy 9, Channel 1.

November 10, 1-6 p.m., ET. "NET '96 Baptismal Class." Galaxy 9, Channel 1.

November 16, 4-6 p.m., ET. "Cross Training—Building Bridges," communication training workshop. Galaxy 9, Channel 1.

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Peter Neri

How to Make Your School Year Special

He weighed 170 pounds. That would not be so bad if I were talking about you or me. Unfortunately, I am not. Instead I am referring to a nine-year-old fourth-grader named Jimmy. He attends a public school near Cedar Lake, or I should say he did! I say did, because Jimmy's parents pulled him out of the school

in mid-September. Believe it or not, his classmates were so cruel to him about his weight that he began to consider suicide. That was the last straw for the parents. Now Jimmy sits at home with no school to go to.

In last month's article we discovered that Jesus expects us to care for those around us. I promised to share how applying this principle of caring for others would make your school year special.

For this to happen, though, you must be willing to do two things. First, you must be willing to be aware of the feelings and needs of those around you, especially your fellow classmates. Secondly, you must be willing to act on your awareness of those feelings and needs. Notice how this is possible.

In the book, *The Desire of Ages*, we are told what Jesus was like as a boy. "When they (Jesus' brothers) spoke harshly to poor, degraded beings, Jesus sought out these very ones and spoke words of encouragement." "He passed by no human being as worthless." "To such a one, discouraged, sick, tempted, and fallen, Jesus would speak words of tenderest pity, words that were needed and could be understood," pages 87, 91, 92. Even as a boy, Jesus was aware of the feelings and needs of those around Him and acted upon them.

Notice what was said about Him because of this. "The aged, the sorrowing, and the sin-burdened, the little child at play in their innocent joy, the little creatures of the grove, the patient beasts of burden, all were happier for His presence," *Ibid*, page 74.

If you would apply the principle of caring for others the way Jesus did, you would not only make your school a better, safer place, but you yourself would be richly blessed in the process. This would truly make your school year special.

The true story mentioned above about Jimmy is a tragedy. But it need not be repeated in your school. Following the example of Christ, you can make the difference.

Peter Neri, Cedar Lake, MI

From *YOUthNEWS*, A communique from the North American Division Youth Ministries Department

Teens for Christ

The second annual Teens for Christ (TFC) summer meeting took place this year in Southern California. Home based at the residence of Drs. Robert & Esther Sewell in Yucaipa, the ten teens and their adult leaders had a wonderful week of fun-filled activities that strengthened acquaintances that were begun on-line.

Teens for Christ is a "teens only" group that meets for weekly conferences on the SDAs On-line Forum on Compuserve. Headed by Steve Timm, the sponsor for TFC, the teens participated in activities such as a Dodgers' baseball game, an educational visit to the Loma Linda School of Medicine, and a Sabbath hike in the San Bernardino mountains.

Relevant discussions were also some of the highlights of the week. These teens were concerned with issues such as their place in the church and their need for acceptance and guidance from adults instead of being ignored. One of the attendees said that he felt that the church "should guide us, not control us" into loving God.

Steve, a 16-year old from California said, "we may act like we know everything, but really we don't. We just want the church to accept us as we are instead of trying to conform us to how they think we should be. Have they (the leaders) thought about maybe that's why so many of the young members are leaving?"

"It seems like the only time we get attention from the church is when they judge us on trivial things such as music, jewelry, and movies. People need to realize that when it comes to religion, the most important thing to teens is their relationship with God, everything else comes second," commented Kristi, 15, from Michigan.

Plans for next summer's meeting are not yet in place, however, TFCs teen leaders are hoping that the location will be more "centralized to give more teens the chance to come."

YOUthNET

Are you looking for ways to make a difference? A wide range of service opportunities, both domestic and international, are now available at this one-stop "service shopping" number, 1-800-331-2767. YouthNet brings together the best student missions, group work camps, task force, and other service events. "networking" organizations like Maranatha, ADRA, Habitat for Humanity, Service Station, and many more to offer you and your youth a diverse array of life-changing service opportunities

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Allan Martin

SDA PlusLine

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