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What could be more enjoyable than getting together with folks for fresh watermelon. Nothing could be simpler! Christian hospitality is not dependent upon a well-laid table with a wide variety of food, but upon a willing heart.

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## EDITORIAL

### It's Just a Big Numbers Game

BY DON SCHNEIDER, PRESIDENT  
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It has been said more than once. It really makes me sad, but I have heard it. "It is just a big numbers game." It's been said about Sabbath school attendance, tithe records, even baptisms after an evangelistic meeting. And can you believe it? It's even been said about NET '96 and the NET '98 meetings that are being planned.

Jesus was into numbers. Just look at some of the stories He told. He talked about the woman who had lost one of her ten coins. If she had not been counting, she would never have known that one was missing. And there is that story about the one lost sheep. Ninety-nine were in the fold; one was missing. Now when you are surrounded by 99 sheep, you don't just happen to know that one is missing. You would have to be counting.

We were praying for six hundred baptisms in the conference when I was president of the New Jersey Conference. We had almost reached that number when there was an evangelistic meeting in our home church. As evangelist Lynn Martell made the call and our son stepped forward requesting baptism, I did not say, "That's number 596." He was not just a number. It hurts me to think that he *could be* just a number. He is our only son, and yet he *was* one of the 600 to be baptized. You know what? Every *one* is someone's son or daughter. And every *one* is a child of God. No one is just a number.

Every Sabbath, in every church, we could count every person just to make sure there are none missing. When I was the pastor of a church, we took a vacation and our Sabbath school teacher wrote us a note saying that we had been missed. It felt good! We would really cut down on our problem of missing members if all missing persons would receive a note from church members the *first* time they skipped services, even if we already knew why they were missing.

As long as there are lost people out there, we should be interested in quantity as well as quality. Numbers are important, especially when they represent people Jesus died to redeem. Let's count them in Sabbath school and count them in church. Let's rejoice over every *one* of them—and really rejoice when there are more sinners present—and let's go looking for any that are missing.

## OPERATION AMIGO

# I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go

BY TRACEY PARKER

One of my favorite hymns ends with the lyrics, "Lord, send me." And with those words of service on their lips, the Detroit Maranatha group of skilled and unskilled laborers traveled to Panama to build a new church.

The group's organizers from the Plymouth Church were Arthur Weaver, a physician and the team leader; Stanley Denski, construction superintendent; Natalie Weaver, chef extraordinaire; and Richard Lane project coordinator from the Metropolitan Church. The group took Spanish Bibles and Vacation Bible School materials.

When their plane landed at the Panama City airport, they were met by Pastor Manuel Romero and Manuel Crespo, the Maranatha contact person, who took them by bus to the town of La Chorrera. Both these men and the loving and helpful group of

people who comprise the La Pita Church in La Chorrera were invaluable helpers. Pastor Manuel showed his sacrificial spirit by allowing his own refrigerator and oven to be brought to the site where the group was staying in order



Nikki Higgins and Adam Viitala from the Metropolitan Church lived by the motto "grout happens."



Bravo to group cooks (from left) Wilma Quiel, Natalie Weaver, Bud Bakewell, Marilyn Denski, Debra Moretto, and Irene Peterson.

building site on Friday, January 17, they found that the foundation had been poured, the building's steel frame had been put in place, and the bap-

tistry/podium form had been set. A team of three nationals had been hired by Maranatha, and since they had built other churches, their help and expertise were greatly appreciated. Despite the language barrier, it was soon discovered that construction workers can communicate pretty well with one another. And what a special blessing it was to the group members to think that because they had reinforced that church building, it was going to be standing for generations or until Jesus comes. (We'll hope for the latter!)

One of the greatest blessings of Maranatha trips is the children with whom the workers are able to interact. God always provided a translator for the women in the group who held a Vacation Bible School in the afternoons. But words were not needed to express love for the children, and they didn't need to understand English to experience it.

On Sabbath the first services were

to be held in the new church. It was evident that the church members had spent all Friday afternoon scrubbing and



The combined efforts of the Maranatha volunteers, local crews, and community members kept the church construction on schedule.

to care for their needs. What a blessing those appliances were!

When the workers arrived at the

arranging for a wonderful day of fellowship. The closeness a church develops as a result of such an experience is immeasurable. The participants now realize that they are no longer just the Plymouth or Metropolitan churches. Rather, they are part of "God's church," and they shared that message with their brothers and sisters in La Chorrera, Panama.

*Tracy Parker is the Plymouth Church communication leader.*

# Mending Our Holey NETs

BY ANN FISHER

**H**ospitality is a Biblical imperative—from the Old Testament example of Abraham entertaining strangers (Genesis 18:2, 3) to the more direct admonitions of Apostolic times. Paul lists hospitality as one of the qualifications for church elders (Titus 1:8) and then broadens the admonition to include all believers. “Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with God’s people who are in need. **Practice hospitality**” *Romans 12:9-13 NIV*, Peter, carrying the hospitality principle a step farther, asserts “Be hospitable to one another **without grumbling**” *1 Peter 4:9 NKJV*.

Have you ever wondered why God commands His followers to practice hospitality? I think it’s because He’s a God of relationships, and He wants us as His representatives to share His love in a relational way with His children. When Jesus returns in all His glory, and He invites those on His right hand to come and inherit the kingdom, it will be the relational things we have done—feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, visiting the sick, caring for those in prison—that will make the difference. Because, He says “. . . inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me” *Matthew 25:31-46 NKJV*.

There are a lot of lonely, hurting people out there—both in the world and in the church. It is our privilege and our duty to try to share God’s love with them. I like the title of a little book

that crossed my desk recently entitled *How to Hug a Heart*.<sup>1</sup> I like to think of Christian hospitality as a “heart hugging” ministry—opening our churches, our homes, and our hearts to those in need.

Human pride and indifference have often prevented Christians from being channels of God’s love to the hurting world around us. In her book *Open Heart—Open Home*, Karen Mains contrasts popular perceptions of

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entertaining with Christian hospitality, which does not try to impress, but to serve. She says, “Entertaining says, ‘I want to impress you with my beautiful home, my clever decorating, my gourmet cooking.’ Hospitality, however, seeks to minister. It says, ‘This home is not mine. It is truly a gift from my Master. I am His servant and I use it as He desires.’ Entertaining always puts things before people. ‘As soon as I get the house finished, the living room decorated, my place settings complete, my housecleaning done—then I will start having people in.’ Hospitality, however, puts people before things. ‘We have no furniture; we’ll eat on the floor.’ ‘The decorating may never get done. Please come just the same.’”<sup>2</sup>

If you are like I am, philosophizing about putting people first comes easier than actually doing it. A few weeks ago the Lord pointed this out to me quite clearly. I just wanted to relax and eat Sabbath dinner with my family around our kitchen table without having to set up the dining room table. So since our kitchen table seats six and there were five of us, I decided to invite one guest—Judy, a single divorcee—to make the table complete. After I had invited her, I thought of inviting Alice, a widow who attends our Sabbath school class, but since my table was already full, I didn’t do it. On Sabbath morning when I saw Alice, I was again impressed that I should invite her, but in spite of my guilty conscience, I resisted. Soon after I got home, the phone rang. It was Judy. Alice had just called and asked Judy to join her for dinner, so Judy was calling me to see if it would be all right for Alice to join us at my house. So that Sabbath I learned (hopefully) that seven *can* fit around my kitchen table, that God can overrule my selfish resistance to His promptings, and that my concern over the number of places at a table is not nearly as important as the fellowship around it.

**What can an effort to develop Christian hospitality skills do for you and your church?** In addition to bringing cheer to many lonely hearts, it can make a critical difference in two important areas—membership retention and witnessing outreach.

Recently I was shocked to read that, “the number of former Adventists in North America probably exceeds the number of active Adventists.”<sup>3</sup> “For every two members who join the Adventist Church in North America, one leaves.”<sup>4</sup> These statistics indicate that there are some big holes in the NETs that must be repaired.

**Why do members leave?** Research shows that it's **not** because we have failed to indoctrinate new members sufficiently. They leave because they never bonded with their new congregations, never developed Adventist friendships that went beyond the walls of the church, never held an office or became involved as a volunteer in church activities; and when a crisis developed in their personal lives, no one visited or spoke an understanding word, leaving them with the conclusion that no one in the church cared. If we are going to get serious about mending our holey nets, we will "have to break our concern with gaining or reclaiming *numbers* and be concerned about restoring and building *relationships*."<sup>5</sup>

A wise sage once said, "People need two things. They need to fit in and they need to stand out!" Research has shown that people stay in a congregation because they feel at home there and because they are able to make a contribution that the group sees as significant and important. Ernie Voyles, retired research coordinator for the Southeastern California Conference says, "It is a lack of love and concern that drives them out of the fellowship of the church, and the evidence of love and concern that attracts and brings them into the church!"<sup>6</sup> Loving, caring, hospitable Christians do make a difference.

**What is hospitality, and how can we practice it more effectively?** According to Webster, to be hospitable is to treat guests with warmth and generosity, to be receptive, not narrow-minded. Hospitality is the "golden rule" in action—speaking to and treating others the way we would want them to treat us if we were in their places.

As we reach out and begin exercising our Christian hospitality skills, we will be following in the footsteps of Jesus who "mingled with men as one who desired their good. He showed His sympathy for them, ministered to their needs, and won their confidence. Then He bade them, 'Follow Me.'" Ellen White goes on to say, "If less

time were given to sermonizing, and more time were spent in personal ministry, greater results would be seen. The poor are to be relieved, the sick cared for, the sorrowing and the bereaved comforted, the ignorant instructed, the inexperienced counseled. We are to weep with those that weep, and rejoice with those that rejoice."<sup>7</sup>

God has given women a special measure of His nurturing nature. We have often neglected to recognize this gift, feeling inadequate because we don't all preach, give Bible studies, or go to the foreign mission fields. We need to capture a new vision of the contributions we can make for God's kingdom by **demonstrating** the gospel to the people around us—at home, at church, and in our communities.

So next time you find yourself cooking, cleaning, and preparing for guests; visiting a shut-in; writing a sympathy card; or calling a church member and letting her know you missed her last Sabbath; remember that you are making a significant contribution to the gospel commission and to your church. Because if we don't keep

on "hugging hearts" by practicing Christian hospitality, there just may not be anyone left to listen to the pastor's preaching on Sabbath mornings.

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4. Monte Sahlin, "An Update on the Dropout Problem" included as Appendix A in the 6<sup>th</sup> printing of Fordyce Detamore's book *Seeking His Lost Sheep*, (Review and Herald, 1965), p. 79.
5. Cornforth and Lale, p. 126.
6. Sahlin, pp. 84-85.
7. Ellen G. White, *Ministry of Healing*, (Pacific Press, 1909), p. 143.

Additional resources:

Beverly Graham Stickle, *Hospitality on a Wing and a Prayer*, (Pacific Press, 1997).

Nancy Van Pelt, *Creative Hospitality*, (Review and Herald, 1995).

Reclaiming Resource Center: Ask for a list of church growth resources at (800) 272-4664.

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## Heart-hugging Ideas

1. Invite a new member, a widow/widower, a divorcee, or a single member to share Sabbath dinner with you this week.
2. Next time your friends plan a social get-together, invite a new member to join the group.
3. If someone in your church is going through a crisis—divorce, loss of employment, unwed pregnancy, child rejecting parents' values—reach out and let them know you care.
4. Visit an elderly member and ask what you can do to help.
5. Call absent members and let them know you missed them.
6. If you have a critical, legalistic person in your church who drives members away, think of as many creative ways as you can to shower the person with deeds of kindness and love.
7. Let the children and youth in your church know you notice them and that they are important to your church family. Give them responsibilities.
8. Invite people to your home for pot luck, making it easy for every one. Remember it's the fellowship that counts.
9. Call, visit, take food to, and/or send a card to someone who's sick or whose loved one has died.

# Finding Ways to Hug Hearts

BY MYRNA EARLES WITH  
MARJORIE SNYDER

Lake Union women have been making a difference in their churches and communities, often without notice.

## RECLAIMING MISSING MEMBERS

In the **Ecorse (Michigan) Church**, **Alberta Drew** has worked hard to communicate God's love in her church, and out of it, reports Carolyn Palmer, Lake Region women's ministries coordinator. Alberta keeps the women in her church busy with *Project Reclaim* through writing "pop-up" letters.

Muriel Smith came to the Lake Region Conference camp meeting to explain the process of letter writing by the women of the Ecorse Church.

"Our church is targeting missing members, and we have had great success with our letter writing. We contacted 30 members by letter, asking

are known as the little church with the big heart."

## SUPPORTING ABUSED WOMEN

**Nancy Johnson of Manton, Michigan**, has made an impact on her community by starting a support group for women who have suffered abuse in their families. Johnson is not a trained psychologist, but she is a natural at loving people and caring about what happens to them.

The need for such a group in her community surfaced when Johnson was Vacation Bible School (VBS) leader a few years ago and realized that many women who brought their children to VBS needed more than a psychologist. They needed her love and concern, along with the prayers and support of her 41-member church.

Besides being active in her church, Johnson has also served on the Michigan Conference women's ministries board and has helped coordinate the northern Michigan retreat at Camp Au Sable for the past two years.

## VISITING SHUT-INS

When you look through conference directories, some women's names show up on the list more than once. **Pam Michaels** is one of those women. Michaels is an elder, personal ministries secretary, Sabbath school superintendent, and women's ministries coordinator in the small **Belleville Church** near Detroit. She is in the process of fixing up an old farm house and is a biology teacher in the Detroit school system, but that does not prevent her from being actively involved in her community and church. She loves to take other women with her and visit

shut-ins in the community.

## HELPING A WOMEN'S SHELTER

**Kim Bergthold** of the **Knoxville Avenue Church** in Peoria, Illinois, became interested in seeing what could be done to help at *New Promise Center*, a shelter for abused women.

"Our group had been looking for a way to reach out to the community, and this was the perfect answer. We took the shelter for our special project. It has been quite a bit of work, and has taken a lot of time, but it was worth it,"

**Kathryn Storlie**, women's ministries coordinator, said.

Kathryn called the center and asked for a project. They were assigned a room in the center that badly needed redecorating and immediately went into action.

Their whole church became involved in the project. The first need was for money and supplies. Church members were asked for donations, and they came through beautifully, Kathryn reported.

Armed with wallpaper, paint, new bedspreads, area rugs, and pillows donated by their Community Service Center, a group went to the home and began the transformation.

The room assigned them was dismal and dark and occupied by four women. The women were asked to leave the room while the transformation took place.

"It was so much fun," Kathryn relates. "The four women kept coming to check on our progress. They were very excited about the whole thing."

Before the day was over, the room had a new coat of paint, a hunter-green and pink wall paper border had been applied, and the hole in the wall was gone. A new picture, new bedspreads, and area rugs completed the renovation.



Women in the Ecorse Church are writing "pop-up" letters to encourage inactive members to "pop into church once again" with good success.

them to 'pop into church.' We have had 19 of them come back, and most of them are now attending church again," Smith said. "Since we have been taking an interest in our missing members, we

"We are working to establish a positive image in our community, and I think this project helped do it," Kathryn said.

The Knoxville Avenue women have also been involved in Bible study groups, a chaplaincy training program, weekly exercise classes, medical missionary trips, distribution of food and clothing, and a number of other activities.

### WOMEN'S RETREATS

Many Lake Union women come together at least once each year for retreats. The experiences they have there help draw them closer to God, and they have the opportunity to experience sharing groups, with prayer and fellowship. At Michigan's Camp Au Sable retreat, a special prayer room is opened each time for women who want to have a quiet time with God. Many of them have expressed their appreciation for it.

During some of the seminars, women are able to share their experiences and pray together about their problems. Details of their stories are confidential, but answers to prayer are often evident.

At a retreat in one of the conferences a woman asked for prayer for her adult child who was caught up in an unhealthy relationship. She requested her small prayer group to remember the situation in prayer, and this was done throughout the weekend. When the mother returned home, she was thrilled to discover that the child had broken off the unhealthy relationship.

Thrilled at having her prayer answered, the women set up a telephone conference call with her prayer group and shared her joy for the answered prayers. This same group of women have continued to set aside a regular time for prayer and telephone conference calls to share their joys and requests.

A woman called me at home to tell me her doctor had told her not to attend the upcoming retreat.

"I'm planning to come to the retreat, but my doctor said I shouldn't," the caller said.

## Lake Union Conference

### Women's Ministries Fall Retreats

Sept. 26-28	<b>Lake Region:</b> Dearborn Hyatt Regency Speaker: Flonzie Wright Lake Region Coordinator: Carolyn Palmer Lake Region Conference: (773) 846-2661 8517 S. State St., Chicago, IL 60619
Sept. 26-28	<b>Indiana:</b> Spring Mill State Park, near Mitchell Speaker: Sally Strieb Indiana Coordinator: Debbie Wasmer Indiana Conference: (317) 817-0334 P.O. Box 1950, Carmel, IN 46032
Oct. 3-5	<b>Illinois:</b> The Radisson, Lisle-Naperville Speaker: Rebecca Cheng Illinois Coordinator: Marsha Collins Illinois Conference: (708) 485-1200 3721 Prairie Ave., Brookfield, IL 60513
Oct. 17-19	<b>Michigan:</b> Holland Holiday Inn Speaker: Hazel Johnson-Gordon Michigan Coordinator: Myrna Earles Michigan Conference: (517) 485-2261 P.O. Box 19009, Lansing, MI 48901
Oct. 31-Nov. 2	<b>Wisconsin:</b> Chula Vista Resort, Wisconsin Dells Speaker: Cherry Habenicht Wisconsin Coordinator: Aileen Patton Wisconsin Conference: (608) 241-5235 3505 Hwy. 151 N., Sun Prairie, WI 53590

Your conference women's ministries coordinator would love to send you a brochure and registration form for the retreat in your area.

Scars from her recent surgery appeared to be infected and needed close monitoring.

"I'm coming to the retreat, and I assured my doctor that if I have trouble I will go to the emergency room and have it taken care of," the woman said, and come she did.

When she arrived and attended her prayer circle, she requested prayer for her condition. Her stitches were red and inflamed that night, but by the next morning the redness had all disappeared, and the area was softening. When she returned home, the doctor examined her and exclaimed, "What happened?"

Telling the doctor about the prayer

group brought an instant response from him. "It must have been a miracle," he exclaimed.

Following this experience, the woman commented, "I can hardly wait until the next retreat. I know the Holy Spirit was there."

Fall retreats are coming up for most of the Lake Union conferences. Why not get the women of your church to go together and share the blessings you will receive by attending.

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*Myrna Earles is Lake Union women's ministries director and Marjorie Snyder is Lake Union women's ministries correspondent.*

# Bicycles for Cuba's Bible Workers

BY SANDY MILLER

No one could have prepared me for the Cuban experience. It might seem that four mission trips to the Dominican Republic would be enough preparation, but there was no comparison. Yes, the climate was the same, the poverty similar, but since we had never been in a Communist country before we were not prepared for the extent of government controls.

As the newly-elected president of the Lake Union chapter of Adventist-laymen's Services and Industries (ASI), one of my main concerns for the coming year was to find a good project that our chapter could sponsor. At the ASI Spring Fellowship in April, member, Thony Escotto, *Tio Daniel* (Uncle Dan) of *Tu Historia Preferida* (THP), the Spanish version of the radio broadcast, *Your Story Hour*, was invited to come and tell the group what was happening with their work in Cuba. *Your Story Hour* is an independent inter-faith ministry.

Thony's exciting report about the explosive growth of their children's Bible club called *Centinelas de Américas* (Sentinels of America), which is similar to the Adventist Youth (AY) program of progressive classwork, inspired the ASI members to action. The number of children participating is increasing by the thousands. Thony reported that one of THP's biggest needs was for bicycles for their full-time Cuban instructors and regional coordinators. Many of these workers are forced to spend most of their time traveling to their widely scattered children's Bible study groups on foot or by almost nonexistent public transportation.

Luis E. Leonor, Lake Union vice president and ASI executive secretary,

suggested that our chapter not simply raise the needed money, but that a small group of our members travel to Cuba and deliver the bikes directly to each of the instructors and coordinators. We were to purchase 35 bicycles in Cuba because we could not take them into the country with us due to the United States' trade embargo.

Thony and Ileana Freeman-Gutierrez, *Tia Elena* (Aunt Sue), co-hosts of *Tu Historia Preferida*, and Daniel Baltazar, their bilingual recording and sound engineer, were planning to be in Cuba the latter part of May to present special programs featuring skits, songs, and special graduation exercises for all the children that had completed one of the four levels in the Bible club. Pastor Luis suggested this would be a good time for us to go also.

We had only one month to raise the money for the project. May 27 was the targeted departure date. Nearly \$9,000 was raised to buy bikes, and, amazingly, Pastor Luis was able to make all the arrangements for us to fly into Cuba.

When we arrived in Cuba, we were met by the THP staff who had already spent two weeks traveling all over the island of Cuba putting on programs not only in Adventist churches, but in other denominational

churches as well. After our initial greetings, they informed us that they had been to several of the stores in Havana and had been unable to find any bikes for us to buy. This was very disheartening to us, because we had worked very hard over the previous few weeks raising enough money to buy these bikes when we arrived in Cuba. Now there just didn't seem to be any bikes anywhere for us to purchase.

We decided to make it a matter of prayer. God knew that we needed these bikes, and that we needed them within the next few days before we had to leave the country. Thony called us at our hotel later that day to say that they had finally found a store that was expecting a shipment of bikes the next day. We were to meet him at 10:00 the next morning, and he would take us to this store. When we arrived at the store the next morning, the owner took us to the warehouse in the back and there stood 30 bikes—just the kind we needed—both men's and women's bikes, all sporting between 5 and 18 speeds. God is always on time! Those



Thousands of children all over Cuba, members of the Bible club *Centinelas de Américas*, were ready to graduate from their level of progressive classwork.

bikes arrived in Cuba on the very day we needed them. If they had arrived a day earlier, there may not have been enough of them left for us.

It was so thrilling to see the faces of these men and women as we gave them their bikes. They all kept expressing their appreciation to us by many hugs, kisses, and tears of joy. I would have given anything to be able to



When Fred and Sandy Miller (left) presented bicycles to the THP workers in Cuba with Luis Leonor translating, the reaction was always the same.

speak Spanish.

Because the bikes cost less than what we had expected to pay, we had money left over that we gave to Andrés Rodríguez, THP's national director for Cuba. It will cover six

months' salary for ten full-time instructors, purchase ten cassette players, and buy the paper for and print 250,000 Bible lessons.

Fred and I came home with far more than we took with us, even though we gave away all the clothes we had taken with us before we departed. We felt like receivers rather than givers. Everything they gave us—every hug, every smile, every expression of appreciation—came from their hearts. I only hope that my life will touch others as the people that I met in Cuba touched mine with the beauty of Jesus shining through them.

*Sandy Miller, co-owner of Fred Miller Construction, Inc., Madison, Wisconsin, loves to go on short-term mission trips and take along a collection of much-needed toiletries and clothing to give away.*



Tu Historia Preferida's beloved Tío Daniel (Uncle Dan) and Tía Elena, (Aunt Sue) traveled to each graduation ceremony. . .



. . . giving performances all over Cuba and congratulating each of the graduates.



Bicycles donated by the Lake Union chapter of ASI to Tu Historia Preferida's Bible instructors will allow them to visit clubs easier.



"God doesn't need your money," says Russell Williams. "What He really wants is you."

## A Fifty-cent Lesson

BY RUSSELL WILLIAMS

When I was a young lad the economy was depressed, and my parents, along with many others, were struggling to survive. Consequently, I seldom had any money I could call my own. But I remember that, somehow, I acquired fifty cents, which was worth a lot more then than it is today, and I felt really well-to-do. All that week I dreamed about what I could buy, still not really wanting to spend it and be broke again.

Then came Sabbath. As I was sitting in church they called for the offering, and all at once a little voice said to me, "Put your fifty cents in the offering plate." My immediate reaction was, "No way!" I didn't know when I would ever get that much money again. But the voice persisted, and I kept resisting. I had a real struggle with the Lord as the plate got closer

and closer. Finally, I gave in and put the fifty cents in the plate. The Lord didn't help me find a ten-dollar bill the next day, but I learned an important lesson that day that has stuck with me through the years.

The Lord didn't really want or need my fifty cents. What He really wanted was me. He realized my inherent selfishness and was giving me an opportunity to overcome the very sin that excluded Lucifer from heaven and is the downfall of millions of people today.

In later years when I started a small business, I made a commitment to the Lord above and beyond the tithe. I was faithful to that commitment, and the Lord blessed, so eventually I doubled what I had promised and then doubled it again. The Lord never failed to stand behind His promises. I read a sign on a billboard recently that said, "If you really want to get on your feet, miss two car payments." I made an

analogy. If you really want to have financial problems, fail to be faithful with the tithes and generous with your offerings. For those who have difficulty with this, look up Malachi 3:10, 11—very familiar verses. Now say out loud, "Lord I don't believe you are telling the truth, and I can't afford to do this." Few people would dare to call God a liar, yet in essence that is what we do when we fail to take the Lord at His word. Then when some crisis arises, He answers us in Isaiah 50:1, 2.

God doesn't need your money. What He really wants is you. So when you hear that small voice speaking to you, give your fifty cents. Make a commitment double or triple what you planned to do, and put the Lord to the test. Prove Him. You'll be glad you did.

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*Russell Williams is a retired contractor and active member of the Niles (Michigan) Church.*

## Running Receives Lifetime Award



AU PR photo

Leona Running.

Leona Running, professor emerita of biblical languages, was presented with a Medallion of Distinction from the General Conference Education Department on June 8. The medallion is the Adventist Church's highest award.

For more than 40 years, Running has taught at the Adventist Theological Seminary. A trailblazer in academia, she became the seminary's first full-time woman faculty member in 1955.

A 1937 Emmanuel Missionary College graduate, it was her lifelong interest in languages that prompted her to pursue a master's degree in biblical languages and a doctorate in Semitic languages, which she received from John Hopkins University in 1964.

She has taught biblical Greek and Hebrew, Syriac, Akkadian cuneiform, and Egyptian hieroglyphics and has worked in French, German, Spanish, Portuguese, and Italian.

"Her teaching represents a total commitment to the intellectual and spiritual endeavors of her students," said Daniel Augsburg, emeritus professor of historical theology. "And it's her gift for languages that will rank her among the great Adventist linguistic scholars."

## Deliverance Mass Choir

Music, it is said, is the heart's deepest expression. So the Deliverance choir must have a lot of heart—because this choir sure has made a lot of music.

Comprised of Andrews students, the 110-member choir has sounded a joyful noise across the Lake Region and nation since first forming in 1995. Concert trips have taken members to Florida, Canada, Atlanta, St. Louis, and New York City,



Elmer Mun, AU PR

The Deliverance choir during their spring concert at Andrews.

group draws from gospel and spiritual traditions. God-given talents create effective harmonies, but it's Spirit-led prayer

among other sites. This summer, the choir has sung for both the Lake Region and Allegheny East camp meetings.

The

multinational

that creates community. Rehearsal opens with 30-minute prayer sessions. Outside of practice, voice sections hold Bible studies. "Our goal is to reach the unreached. But to do this, we first have to let God reach us," said Patrick Graham, Deliverance director and a first-year seminary student.

Their popularity is rising: More travel is planned for the fall and a Deliverance recording is in the works. But it's ministry and fellowship—and not fame—that really matters, says Danielle Talbert, a senior nursing major from Chicago.

"Sometimes when we're singing and I see all members from so many different cultures and races I think, 'This is what heaven will be like.'"

Jack Stenger, Public Information Officer

## Down at the Farm at Andrews

The cows still low on the Andrews farm, the corn still grows, and students still drive tractors that turn up the rich Michigan soil.

By themselves, these commonplace agricultural goings-on are not unusual. But they *are* out of the ordinary where Adventist colleges are concerned: Andrews is the only North American Adventist college that still runs a commercial farm.

Home to more than 700 Holstein cows, the dairy farm does more than bring students back to the land, it takes Adventist education back to its roots.

"The lessons that our students learn here are every bit as important as what they learn in the classroom," says Tom Chittick, farm co-manager and chair of the Andrews agricultural department.

He frequently cites Ellen White's counsels concerning the importance of agriculture for a well-rounded education. And computer-age students are still easily sold on the steady ration of hard work and early-morning milkings that constitute life on a dairy farm.

Feed for the animals is raised on 1,000 acres of university farmland, and last year more than 7 million pounds of milk were produced. The end result means wholesome milk in Midwestern grocery stores and, in good years, a healthy profit for Andrews.

Karen Culver, a senior agriculture major from Sandusky, MI, said farm work is not the easiest—or cleanest—but it offers no shortage of satisfaction. "Sometimes you get sweaty and a little dirty, but when you walk through the milk aisle in the grocery store you can say: 'Hey, I helped to get that here.'"



Jack Stenger, AU PR

Agriculture major Karen Culver of Sandusky, MI, makes a young friend.



The IA senior class was excited to meet a fellow Adventist on a rooftop while working with Habitat for Humanity. Here Katrina Riley and Ron Krueger are talking with their new friend.

## Indiana Seniors Make Trip Count

**Indiana Academy** — The class of '97 spent part of their senior class trip working with Habitat for Humanity in Homestead, Florida, reports Rick Aldridge, IA principal. The Florida project was made necessary by Hurricane Andrew a couple of years ago. While few physical scars yet remain, homes and lives are still in the process of rebuilding. The senior class was happy to be a part of that for the people of Homestead.

All school year, as the class had planned and dreamed, they had also worked to raise funds for their trip. The class trip was a celebration of the fact that an educational experience spanning two thirds of a lifetime has been completed, and that God has indeed been good.

The senior year can have its stresses, and sometimes it shows on the students' faces. Maybe that is why one of the most rewarding sights of the entire trip was to see the genuine happiness, sparkle, and sense of wonder that found its way back into the seniors' eyes. On a boardwalk in the rain-washed Everglades, it was this sense of wonder that the whole class basked in as they talked about what heaven must be like and agreed that that's the trip they all plan to be on together.

## Student Wins Poster Contest

**Michigan** — The Michigan Mock Elections Poster Contest for Genesee, Lapeer, and Shiawassee Counties awarded Lauren Fraser, fifth-grader at the Owosso Adventist Elementary School its first place honors, reports Carol A. Rowell, Owosso communication leader. In addition to studying voting procedures,

students in the Tri-county Intermediate School District were encouraged to participate in a political poster contest. Fraser chose Ronna Romney as her poster theme. As the first place winner in the poster contest, Fraser was awarded a \$100 U.S. Savings Bond. Owosso's teacher-principal is Lanetter Brandow.

## Cedar Lake Elementary School Dedicated

**Michigan** — Cedar Lake Elementary School was dedicated on May 4, reports Doug Peterson, school principal. After a dedication speech by Peter Neri, Cedar Lake Church pastor, the mortgage was burned by Fred Earles, Michigan Conference executive secretary; Hu Moog, conference treasurer; and Duane Roush, education superintendent.

The elementary grades were originally connected with Cedar Lake Academy which was founded in 1889. The original school building was a two-story public school building that was purchased for \$5 and renovated before its doors were opened to 30 students in grades one through ten. The elementary school grew and was housed in several campus locations before finally moving to its own facility—a fieldstone building—in 1932. Near the end of the 1980s, that building began to creak and groan with age. Either it would need a major renovation or a new building would need to be built.

The decision was made to build a new school and demolish the old stone building. The new facility was built in 1993. The children of the church now have a new structure, which says to them that their church is interested in providing quality Christian education that will lead them to Christ and His eternal kingdom.



Fred Earles (left) and Duane Roush hold the pan and watch with delight as Hu Moog holds the burning mortgage symbolizing that the debt is paid in full!



*Dorothea Amy, Michigan Conference associate superintendent of education, honors Madeline Kowalski (left) for a lifetime of service teaching in Michigan church schools.*

## Madeline Kowalski, Master Teacher

**Michigan**—Longtime teacher, Madeline Kowalski, was presented with a beautiful plaque in commemoration of and with gratitude for 39 years of teaching ministry to the young people of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Dorothea Amy, associate superintendent of education, made the presentation on May 31, 1997, during a Sabbath afternoon program held by the Eau Claire Church to honor Kowalski's wonderful teaching contribution to their church and school during her final 12 years of teaching. The plaque read, "Thank you, Madeline. May you feel confident as you retire that you have been engaged in the 'nicest work' ever committed to man."

Madeline has taught in Grand Rapids, Bessemer, Pontiac, Niles, Holly, and Eau Claire.

The church worship hour speaker Sabbath morning was Curt DeWitt, pastor of the Marion and Chapel Hill (IN) churches, who was one of her students. His sermon, "The Privilege," focused on the challenge to parents, teachers, and church congregations to join together to mold the character of their children for God's kingdom. He ended by asking, "When time is no more and the roll is called up yonder, will our children be there because we took part in their Christian education?"

In February of this year, Madeline wrote to Duane Roush, director of the office of education. She told him that "Forty-one years ago on a sunny September morning a very scared Madeline stepped into a schoolroom for the very first time as 'the teacher.' On that morning, life and teaching happily seemed to stretch out forever. Oh, how swiftly those years have sped by. It is time to leave my flock to other hands. I plan to retire at the end of the school year. I am so thankful to my Heavenly Father for caring for that scared girl all these many years. Without His help nothing would have been accomplished."

## Students Build Church in Panama

**Michigan**—A dream came true for seven witnessing class students from Battle Creek Academy on March 26, reports Phyllis Essex, Battle Creek Academy teacher. The students went to Panama in Central America to take part in a miracle for the church members of La Pesa. Through Maranatha Volunteers International, they were to assist in building a church.

The members in La Pesa believed that if they only had a church, people would come to hear the gospel of salvation. All they needed was a church!

Besides helping in the building project, the students participated in a Vacation Bible School program at a local public school, assisted in medical clinics, gave Bible studies, shared in the church worship and communion services, and joined a three-day expedition into the rain forests bordering Panama and Costa Rica. All these adventures for Christ were made possible through the generous donations of parents, relatives, alumni, and other supporters of Battle Creek Academy. As one student described it, "I thought we were going out to the Panama mission field to be a blessing to others. What really happened was that we were the ones who were blessed as we served others."



*Seven BCA students helped build a church in Panama. From left: Rebecca Trimboth, Nicolas Peariso, Jared Hanlon, Denny Sejar, Celeb Cross, Marie-Lys Lallemand, Ben Thornton (teacher), and Tricia Essex.*

## How are People in Your School or Church Volunteering?

Our October issue will be focusing on what members are doing to make a difference in their communities—how they're making friends for Jesus by working alongside their friends and neighbors doing things that make this world a better place in which to live.

Send to your conference communication director by Aug. 15 stories about someone in your church who's "making a difference." Don't forget to take a picture of that person in his/her volunteer setting.

## 102 Years and Counting

**Indiana**—You can be sure to see Vicenta Salvatierra Cadiente any Sabbath morning as she enters the doors of the Glendale (IN) Church where she's been a member since moving to the United States from her native home in the Philippines 12 years ago after the death of her husband, Sixto. This would not seem at all unusual except that Vicenta is 102 years old and surpasses our expectations for someone who has had that many birthdays, reports Barbara Bryant, Glendale Church communication leader.

If entering a new country and culture at age 90 seems remarkable enough, consider a few more exceptional activities

of this amazing centenarian. She walks without a cane, reads the Bible through in her native language, Ilocano, at least once every year, plants flowers and vegetables in her garden, and prays that Jesus will come in her lifetime.

Born Sept. 11, 1894, in Narvacan, Ilocos Sur, Philippines, Vicenta now lives in Indianapolis with Samson and Lorenza Cadiente, and frequently visits her daughter, Irene Cadiente Sison, of Indianapolis. She has 13 great-grandchildren.

Vicenta attributes her longevity to a worry-free lifestyle, complete trust in God, eating small portions of a vegetarian diet, and sleeping well. Her fondest hope is in the familiar promise of the second coming that Jesus made in John 14:1-3, and her most fervent prayer is to see Jesus come in her lifetime.

## Scarlet Gilia

*Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow. Isaiah 1:18*

**T**he Scarlet Gilia does something that is really remarkable—it changes color in the middle of its growing season! Petunias, impatiens, pansies, and begonias, for example, can be shades of white, salmon, pink, orange, or red. Gladiola can be all those colors plus shades of yellow. And the color selection among the irises is almost limitless.

Can you find such variety among the wildflowers? That's more difficult to do, but the gilies, members of the phlox family, range in color from blue-violet and purple to red, pink, and white.

The Scarlet Gilia is a common wildflower that blooms from the lowest valleys to the highest peaks of the Rockies. Its flowers bloom

from Montana into British Columbia in spectacular splashes of brilliant red amid the endless gray sage. The clusters of trumpet-shaped blossoms are about an inch long and top stalks that can reach three feet.

On Fern Mountain, in northern Arizona, the Scarlet Gilia begins to bloom in July, just when the hummingbirds are nesting and looking for red flowers to provide enough nectar to feed them and their young. As they visit the gilies, the hummingbirds pollinate the plants. But the hummingbirds leave in August, moving southward toward their wintering-grounds. The Scarlet Gilia now needs a new pollination service. That's where the hawkmoths come in.

The hawkmoths are members of the



With James and Priscilla Tucker

sphinx moth family. They fly at night and are attracted only to white flowers, which are easy to see in the darkness. The red Scarlet Gilia flowers are virtually invisible at night. If only they could change and produce white flowers. . . .

That is exactly what they do! In August, when the hummingbirds leave, the Scarlet Gilia begins to bear white blooms instead of bright-red ones. By changing color, the Scarlet Gilia supplies food for the hawkmoths and guarantees pollination for itself.

## It's a Colorful Language

Scarlet may be a new word for you, and there are lots of words for the many shades of color in our world. Look up and record the colors described by each of the

following words. Then go outside and find something in nature that fits the precise description. How long did it take you to find one example of each color?

amber  
burgundy  
cerise

cerulean  
claret  
dun  
emerald  
fuchsia  
heliotrope  
hoar  
indigo

jade  
jonquil  
saffron  
sepia  
sienna  
topaz  
turquoise  
verdigris

The Tuckers have written three daily devotional books and publish *Natural Learning*, a bimonthly newsletter to help parents, teachers, and youth leaders use the motivating forces of nature to integrate faith and learning. For further information, write to the Institute of Outdoor Ministry, P. O. Box 670, Niles, MI 49120.

## LOCAL CHURCH NEWS

### Pioneer Church Gets First Full-time Woman Pastor



Esther Knott, new associate pastor of Pioneer Memorial Church, Berrien Springs, MI.

**Michigan** — While Pioneer Memorial Church (PMC) has long had Pastor Dwight and Pastor Skip, it has never had a Pastor Esther. That changed in June, when Esther R. Knott became PMC's first full-time woman pastor.

Knott is not new to ministry, having served on the pastoral staff of Sligo Church, Takoma Park, MD, for seven and a half years. She is not new to Andrews, having received her BA and MA from Andrews University. She is not even new to the PMC pulpit, having preached there twice: once as an undergraduate and the other time sharing the pulpit with her husband during alumni weekend.

As the newest member of PMC's pastoral staff, Knott comes with a wealth of experience to draw on: working on NET '96, planning women's spiritual retreats, nurturing small groups, and starting a local *Voice of Prophecy* Discover Bible correspondence school.

Knott's job description emphasizes pastoral care and the training and equipping of local church members to be active in the nurture of the congregation, but she will be active in other areas as well, including NET '98.

Pastor Knott's supportive family consists of husband, Ron (writer/editor and former Andrews University public relations director), and 3-year-old daughter, Olivia.

*Stella Greig, member of PMC's pastoral search committee.*

### Zealot or Scrooge? A Model for Healthy Spiritual Nurture

**Michigan** — A special Community Services workshop entitled "Zealot or Scrooge? A Model for Healthy Spiritual Nurture" is being planned for the weekend of September 26-28 at Camp Au Sable. The speakers will be Fred Washington and Curt VanderWaal, both faculty of the Andrews University department of social work who have professional expertise in the integration of spirituality and social services. As social worker educators, they have taught many how to nurture faith and spirituality within the unchurched.

Have you wanted to know how you can witness in a professional way that will not hurt or turn off the unchurched?

These weekend guest speakers will present a model for assessing where people are spiritually. They will share ideas about how you can communicate caring and Christ's love in meaningful and healthy ways. They will facilitate discussion about difficult or awkward witnessing situations that you may have encountered while providing client services.

If you are interested in attending this inspirational and practical workshop, please contact the Michigan Conference community services department at (517) 485-2226, ext. 275, to make reservations.

*Sharon Pittman, Andrews University social work department chair,*

### Prayers Produce a Miracle

**Michigan** — A few years ago, an interested group of Saginaw Church members sent in the necessary funds for an application to establish a Three Angels Broadcasting Network (3ABN) downlink station in their area, reports Greg Baity, Saginaw communication leader. Such a downlink would allow all the community homes in the area to watch 3ABN on their home television sets while using only a "rabbit ear" antenna. The church desired to have this modern witness to find people for God's kingdom.

Last April, because several institutions were vying for the same downlink spot, the Federal Communication Commission (FCC) decided to have a drawing to select which application would receive the one possible site. In that drawing, the Saginaw Church lost! However, in May, the FCC decided to have the drawing a second time because they had learned some of the entrants had sent in 20 applications to Saginaw's one application. Obviously, that drawing was not fair, and the FCC ruled it illegal.

When the Saginaw Church learned about the second drawing, the pastor requested as many church members as possible to join him in prayer for the Lord's blessing on their application—that if it were His will, their application would be drawn. There were hundreds of homes that needed to hear about the three angels' message of Revelation 14 and end-time events. Following those prayers, the miracle happened. Saginaw's application was selected, and they were awarded the one available downlink site. Everyone was thrilled. Now they have one year to gather the necessary \$80,000 to construct and equip their downlink facility. When it's finished, Saginaw will be the fourth Michigan downlink, joining Andrews University, Battle Creek, and Grand Rapids, whose facilities are already built and operating. It will also give the supporting churches a unique blessing, since 20% of a downlink station's broadcasts can be devoted to local programs. These could include church worship hours, cooking schools, vespers, and other special activities.



The Saginaw Church has received permission for a 3ABN downlink station.

## New "Festival of Discipleship"

**Michigan** — The Michigan Conference held its first annual Festival of Discipleship the weekend of May 2-4, which was designed especially for newly-baptized members of the church, reports Royce Snyman, Michigan Conference personal ministries director. Dwight K. Nelson, pastor of the Pioneer Memorial Church in Berrien Springs, was the keynote speaker. Nelson's presentations centered on discipleship and how new members can move from being new Christians to becoming mature disciples for Christ.



Royce Snyman, Michigan Conference personal ministries director, interviews a couple from Kalamazoo at the Festival of Discipleship at Camp Au Sable.

For the past several years Michigan has placed a great emphasis on "Lay Bible Ministry" training. In an effort to assist church members in leading some of their Bible study students to make decisions for Christ and the church, a reaping event known as the "Festival of Faith" was initiated. This weekend evangelistic seminar for church members and their students, who had completed Bible studies at least through the Sabbath topic, proved to be a great help in soul winning. The Festivals of Faith have been held at Camp Au Sable twice each year. A significant number of people have made their decisions for Christ during these weekend retreats.

Snyman says, "Because we were finding that more and more new members wanted to attend the Festivals of Faith to receive some additional spiritual 'super charging,' we realized that we needed something designed just for our new members. They needed to be instructed on what a real disciple for Christ is." And thus was born the "Festival of Discipleship."

The weekend included two main ingredients. First was the spoken word of inspiration and instruction provided by Pastor Nelson. Second was small-group Bible study, prayer, fellowship, and training. The leaders of these small groups were students from Great Lakes Adventist Academy and Andrews University who were specially trained by pastors Peter Neri, Troy Fitzgerald, and Joe Engelkemeir. The small groups pro-

vided encouragement on how to make Bible study and prayer a vital part of their new Christian lives.

On Sabbath afternoon, an outreach experience was provided for people to join activities of the group of their choice. One group visited shut-ins. Another visited members in the area. Another went knocking on doors in the nearby senior complex, where they sang for and prayed with those who came to the door.

Still another group went "prayer walking," which is walking along the sidewalk in a neighborhood, stopping at each house or business, and praying for the people inside—without their knowledge. They watched for opportunities to share their faith as well. One young couple, Bill and Bonnie Briggs, were part of the prayer walk. They came to a florist's shop, and since Bonnie has a real interest in flowers, she went inside and just started talking to the owner. The woman began to share the burdens on her heart, and Bonnie and Bill prayed with her. The next day they returned and left *Steps to Christ* with her.

Another group stayed behind and prayed the whole time for all those who were out visiting people. Later that evening the participants shared their stories from the afternoon. It was a thrilling time together.

At the conclusion of the weekend, one longtime soul-winning member said, "This was one of the best weekends I have ever had here." Indeed, it was a wonderful weekend, and only the first of more Festivals of Discipleship to come.

## The Sharon Travelers

**Lake Region** — For more than 10 years the Sharon Church of Milwaukee, WI, has been blessed with a male chorus, The Sharon Travelers, whose goal is to share the gospel through singing, reports Monica Desir, assistant church communication leader. The group first performed at an annual Men's Day program in 1986, and had only four members at its inception: W. P. Stricklin, Thomas Prescott, Robert Brown, and Elijah Lewis. Later James Jones, John Brown, Henry Brown, William Booker, and Millard Taylor joined the ministry.

The Sharon Travelers continue to minister in song not only during regular Sabbath worship services, but also for special events such as Men's Day, or the Lake Region Conference community service programs. They sometimes stage their own musicals, visit nursing homes and other churches, and have been featured on national television.

As some members move on, others replace them. In 1989 and 1990 respectively, Daniel Porter and Jesse Weathersby added their voices to the chorus. On August 23, 1991, the Travelers were saddened by the passing of one of the group members—John Brown. Gene Smith joined in 1995.



The Sharon Travelers

# WORLD CHURCH NEWS

## Evangelist Kenneth Cox Following Richards' Lead

With the addition of Pastor Cox, the Voice of Prophecy (VOP) will take its evangelistic tradition to a new level with a five-week satellite uplinked series, "Hope Beyond 2000," beginning Nov. 1.

"Pastor Richards always believed that we should use the latest in media technology to reach the masses with the gospel of Jesus Christ," says Lonnie Melashenko, director/speaker for the VOP radio broadcast. "He was passionately committed to making that investment. Today we're following his lead as we uplink Pastor Cox's programs from an auditorium in Tacoma, Washington, to hundreds of churches across the United States and Canada."

The "Hope Beyond 2000" satellite series can be received with the same equipment used during NET '96, as well as on other receiving dishes. The crusade runs from Nov. 1 to Dec. 6, every night except Monday and Thursday.

Meetings will be uplinked at 5 p.m. Pacific Time. Churches in the Eastern and Central zones can use the live feed (8 p.m. and 7 p.m. respectively).

For details on how to plan a downlink of the "Hope Beyond 2000" series, phone (909) 359-0967.

## Adventists Help Formulate Christian Internet Challenge

**Lancaster, England** [ANN] — Seventh-day Adventist communicators joined with other Christian Internet users to issue a challenge on the Christian use of Internet technology.

Delegates at the first International Christian Internet Conference (ICIC) held July 10-12 in Lancaster, England, recognized the need for a Christian perspective on Internet use. The result of this strong conviction was the Lancaster Challenge. The challenge calls for "every individual, government, organization, or faith community to use electronic information and communications technologies to strengthen links between cultures and religions, and to promote peace, justice, and human development throughout the world."

Adventist participant John Surridge appreciated the opportunity to be involved in the drafting of this historic announcement. Surridge is communication director and webmaster for the Adventist Church in the British Isles.

The document "challenges the churches, Christian organizations, and Christian communicators of the world to urgently produce and adopt policy statements and guidelines within their own context concerning rights and obligations in their use of the Internet." Specific focus areas include ensuring the

right of access, free expression, privacy, aiding the disadvantaged, Christian content, education/training, and the strengthening of Christian communities and their mission through the Internet.

Conference organizer Klaus Dieter Stoll expressed his appreciation that Adventists had chosen to be full participants in the meetings. "I hope through this conference we can create a broader base for Christian Internet use," said Stoll. "Just meeting and discussing these themes is vital and important."

Approximately 25 churches and Christian organization were represented at ICIC, including Adventists, Methodists, Presbyterians, Orthodox, Anglicans, Lutherans, and Dutch Reformed. Countries represented included Bolivia, Russia, Finland, Italy, Yugoslavia, and the U.S.

Increasing from a figure of 3.4 million in 1990, there are now more than 71 million Internet users today, and the figure is expected to pass one billion by the year 2000.

## Famous Recording Artists Present Tribute Concert Tour

The Wedgwood Trio, the Heritage Singers, and other artists will perform the first concert of the Tribute Concert Tour on Sept. 27, at 7 p.m. at the Hinsdale Church. The concert tour is a tribute to God, to Adventist education, and to the Wedgwood Trio and the Heritage Singers who have become legends in Christian music. Proceeds will benefit Adventist education.

The members of the Wedgwood Trio have their roots in Georgia and North Carolina. All three grew up with a love of the region's traditional music. Beginning in 1964, the trio sang its way through the British Isles and Europe, and over the next five years, in every part of the U.S. The simplicity and originality of their music endeared them to thousands. During that time, Wedgwood produced four folk-gospel and two secular albums. During the late 60s and early 70s, the group was consistently in the top 10 in Christian radio play.

In 1992 Wedgwood came back together and launched their Reunion Tour. Since then Wedgwood has performed more than 80 concerts in five countries, and they've released a new recording called "Simple Truth."

The Heritage Singers' slogan is that "Heritage is more than singing." It's true. They minister to the heart. And their ministry has continued for more than 26 years. They are known and loved in 45 countries where they have toured. They have produced more than 200 albums and have won more Angel awards from Religion in Media than any other gospel singing group. Those awards include Best Christian Television Show, Best Children's Album, Album of the Year, Vocal Group of the Year, and Best Music Video.

You can get more information and Tribute Concert Tour tickets by calling (800) 842-4690 or call Hinsdale Academy at (630) 323-9211.

*Jeff Scoggins, communication coordinator*

## World Church Divisions Undergo Self-study Surveys

**Silver Spring, MD [ANN]**—In an effort to assess the strengths and challenges of the world church divisions, the General Conference (GC) has initiated a program reviewing each of the twelve divisions.

"This is the first time that the church has established a world wide program for a formal review of each division," says Lowell Cooper, GC associate secretary. "The survey is an effort to keep our focus on mission." The document approved by the GC Executive Committee spring meeting of 1996, outlined the survey procedure by which each division and its leadership would undergo a self-study in regards to its vision of mission, programs, structure, finances, and legal affairs.

After the spring meeting of 1996, the survey document was sent to all divisions. Once the divisions have completed the survey, a survey team consisting of five delegates from the GC, two members of the division under study, and two members from other divisions, will meet with the division leaders. The survey team will then prepare a list of recommendations and commendations based on information contained in the self-study document.

The objectives of the survey are: to maintain emphasis on the essential mission of the Seventh-day Adventists while dealing with organizational, managerial, motivational, planning and programing issues; to identify strengths and weaknesses within each division structure/or program with a view to achieve increased vigor in the spiritual, evangelistic, financial, and human resources of the church; to model a system of organizational review that can be effectively used at other levels of church organization.

The division surveys will be completed by the year 2000. Five divisions will be surveyed in 1997, five in 1998, and two in 1999. The survey team reports will be shared with division officers and General Conference administration.

## Czech Children Share Hope with Sarajevo Children

**Prague, Czech Republic [ANN]**—In a nation-wide campaign, school children of the Czech Republic participated in a "project to remember," by collecting and donating items of daily use, such a toothpaste, shampoo, soap, and toilet paper, for the children in Sarajevo.

"I collected things that I need every day. I did it for a girl like me in Sarajevo. She must need the same things too," said an 8-year-old girl in Cesky Tesin, who proudly showed her gift-wrapped "box of things." She was taking her gift to a depot place at her church.

The program was coordinated by the Czech office of the Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) which has delivered several transports of gift packets to school children in Sarajevo. Last year, ADRA delivered 23,000 parcels

in Sarajevo and other parts of Bosnia. The Sarajevo children project was sponsored and publicized throughout the republic by *PePe*, a magazine for children.

The project grew. Soon there was another national campaign to help Sarajevo children. It involved gathering of less essential materials such as items for writing and drawing which children usually need in their school and home art work. Also, this project has become a daily preoccupation for many school teachers, parents, and aid workers.

The whole project idea originated during the last week in October 1995, when the three participants of the ADRA humanitarian aid visit met schoolteacher Nesima Vajica at the Musa Cazim Catic grade school in Sarajevo. Nesima Bajic was rightfully proud of her first-graders who sang angelic Bosnian melodies for the guests. If it had not been so cold and the once-glass windows had not been replaced by shatterproof plastic, the three visitors would have forgotten that they were at a place where a war had just ended.

The Sarajevo teacher also did not allow the guests to forget the very recent tragic events. She told them about the things the pupils were lacking and needed to have, yet were very difficult to acquire at the time.

As she was describing the needs of her pupils, one of the visitors came up with an idea that could provide a solution: "What about organizing a charity drive in our country and naming it 'Joy for the Children of Sarajevo' to collect school supplies for the pupils?"

Beginning with this remark, the initial idea was born, and before long it was a reality. Both adults and children became enthusiastic as school supplies accumulated steadily in ADRA storage centers. Before Christmas of 1995, the centers in numerous towns were filled with crayons, water colors, pencils, rulers, pencil sharpeners, sheets of paper, and even some toys. The supplies had been brought in or mailed by pupils, scouts, or parents from all over the Czech Republic.

Finally on Feb. 15, 1996, an entire ton of school supplies was shipped to Sarajevo. At the last minute, Libuse Ciharova, a film director, made a contribution of remarkable pictures from favorite TV series. One additional truck transported two hundred kilograms of potter's clay.

A few days later, the sixth and seventh-graders from Musa Cazim Catica and the first graders from the basic school in Dobrinja created exquisite works of art under two artists' supervision in the living room of Jovanka Seferovicova, better known to the children as Aunt Beba. Most of the school-children's artwork has been displayed together with documentary photos by Jiri Kopac on a traveling exhibition named after the original charity drive, "Joy for the Children of Sarajevo."

"Joy for the Children of Sarajevo" became more than a genuine response to someone in need in a distant country. In the words of one of the church's leaders in Prague, who saw his church's congregations respond to the project, the whole activity was also "teaching compassion to our own children." It could also be stated in a different way—I set out to help, but it was I who was helped.



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*The Christian perspective for a happier, healthier home life*

## Hospitality at Home

In the book *Mom to Mom: Heart to Heart*, Sue Murray & Cari Haus write one another on the subject of hospitality. Excerpts from those chapters follow:

Dear Sue,

I got back from the post office the other day to find two furry creatures caged in my son's room. "Aren't they cute?" Matthew was asking.

I stopped mentally scolding myself for going to the post office and tried to respond appropriately. "Cutest rats I ever saw."

"The new pastor just brought them over." David was quick to share the blame. "He has two boys, but they don't want the rats anymore. They thought we might like to have them."

"How generous." I could hardly conceal my pleasure! "When I meet this new pastor, I'll have to let him know how grateful I am," I mumbled under my breath. Out loud I said, "Well, what shall we name them—Michael and Matthew?"

Michael immediately caught the somewhat uncomplimentary nature of my suggestion and responded in kind. "How about Mommy and Daddy?"

I gave him a withering look, then softened a little when I realized that calling the rats "Michael and Matthew" was also a rather insulting thing to do.

"They already have names," David was saying. "Roland and Samuel, after the pastor's boys."

"Let's just keep those names," Michael suggested.

There was just one problem with Roland and Samuel. Michael and Matthew seemed to have trouble remembering to put the lid back on the rat cage whenever they visited with them.

It didn't take long for me to grow weary of the rats in our house. They may have lasted one week before they were banished to the garage. They lived out there for another week before "it" happened—the boys left the lid off their cage again. Once more Roland and Samuel were at large! At first it was somewhat humorous. We would come into our garage and see Roland and Samuel dashing back to their hole to avoid being apprehended.

But that got old fast. The day they dashed through my legs I thought I would have a heart attack. I finally confronted David, "Those rats have to go. Period. I don't care how you catch them, or where they go, but I want them out of my house."

Being a rather responsive man and also sensing that the rats were affecting my emotional state, David set out immediately to capture them. He apprehended one (we'll call him Roland) within days. After a couple of weeks, it became apparent to me that David had lost his zest for catching Samuel. But I became more and more annoyed by Samuel's presence and especially by the thought that we had been outsmarted by a rat. So one morning when I arrived home from an early morning walk and found Samuel perched up on the seat of the golf cart, I determined to take matters into my own hands.

That's when I remembered David, still basking under the covers in our bedroom, and went to recruit him. It was just past 6:30 on a Sunday morning, and David was obviously pleased to be dragged from bed to participate in my rat-catching mission. He soon warmed to the occasion, and the chase began. As soon as Samuel exited his hideout, I blocked it and he had no place to go. He ran this way. He ran that way. I stood on the golf cart, screaming and wishing I had a video camera while David, with his bathrobe and bug net, raced around in hot pursuit.

Then with one athletic scoop of the bug net, Samuel was captured. Held aloft in the net, he looked just as surprised as we were.

Well, I have to admit, I was more than a little bit pleased with myself for initiating the chase, even though it was David who finally made the big catch!

Caught a rat and proud of it!

Cari

Dear Cari:

I laughed out loud when I read your runabout rodent story. I tried to imagine David's athletic swoop in his bathrobe! He's such a good sport! So hospitality isn't the order of the day for rodents in your house? That's OK, I can understand why.

But your letter did get me to thinking about hospitality and how, like many people, Roland and Samuel weren't wanting to be entertained. They needed safety and security, a place to be themselves.

We can find joy sharing our home with others, but each of us has to find a way that works for us. I remember hearing of a residence hall dean's wife who always left their door unlocked, and the boys were free to come in at any time to make sandwiches from supplies in their refrigerator. As much as I enjoy having students in my home, it needs to be at my invitation—or at least I need to answer the door.

I remember the first time I thought of the differences between entertaining and hospitably. It was in reading Karen Burton Mains' book *Open Heart, Open Home*. I recall a statement she made that God can awaken in us abilities that seem to have no relationship to our natural abilities, and that we need to learn to listen when God knocks at the door. She said our churches are filled with strangers and sojourners, and that the homes and lives of our congregations are often closed to one another.

Don and I have found great joy in sharing our home with others. Oh, a few times it has been a snake, a bunny, a bird, a couple of field mice, a stray cat or dog, a stray child or two; and I must admit I haven't always felt hospitable. But God has given me many opportunities to use His gifts in sharing our home. People are still my favorite visitors!

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# Hospitality Starts at Home

"No work entrusted to human beings involves greater or more far reaching results than does the work of fathers and mothers" *Ministry of Healing*, page 351.

"The home should be to the children the most attractive place in the world" *Ministry of Healing*, page 388.

"Above all else, let parents surround their children with an atmosphere of cheerfulness, courtesy and love. A home where love dwells, and where it is expressed in looks, in words and in acts, is a place where angels delight to manifest their presence" *Ministry of Healing*, page 387.

"When parents have little time for children, a great vacuum will develop, and some kind of ideology will move in." *Billy Graham*

"The very best part of the house, the sunniest and most inviting rooms, and the most comfortable furniture should be in the daily use by those who really live in the house" *The Adventist Home*, page 155.

## Family Manners

A family and its manners are shaped by the quality of the spirit they share. A spirit based on love makes for a happy home where true manners thrive and grow. While manners are caught more than taught, children need to learn what good manners are, and they can develop self-confidence when we help them know how to act in social situations.

### Manners show in:

- The way we speak to those we love.
- The tone of our voices.
- The things we say and later regret.
- Our compassion for each other.
- Our support for those we love.
- The ways we help each other.

## Let's Eat Out

No matter where we eat, everyone has a treat when our children use good manners. Do your children know about these manners for eating out?

### Fast Food Restaurants:

- When ordering in any restaurant, courtesy to the person taking our order is important.
- We should know exactly what we want to order before reaching the head of the line.
- We take only the amount of napkins, straws, and condiments we'll need.
- We collect our trash and dispose of it in the bin provided as we leave.
- We always leave the table neat and clean for the next person.



### At a Salad Bar:

- We never use our fingers to take anything from the salad bar.
- We're always as careful as possible to avoid spilling the salad selections we choose, as others will be coming after us.
- We don't take more than we can eat or pile our plates too full.
- We don't finger through the rolls. We select the roll we want without handling the others.



### In Restaurants:

We don't

- Use straws as blowpipes.
- Blow bubbles with straws.
- Dangle spoons from our noses.

- Build houses with packages of sugar.
- Respond with a "yuk" when something is served that doesn't appeal to us.
- Write anything in the rest room.

### We remember to:

- Say "please" when ordering food or asking for anything
- Say "thank you" when we are served.
- Always say thank you to the host and hostess when we are eating at someone else's home. We don't depend on Mom or Dad to say it for us.

- Keep our voices at a level where we won't disturb others.

### Birthday Parties:

- We arrive on time.
- We make sure we say "Happy Birthday" to the friend who's having the party.
- If we're met at the door by someone we haven't met, we introduce ourselves.
- We participate in the games and activities planned without complaining.
- We use all our good manners at the table and at the party.
- If we spill something, we tell an adult quickly so we can help clean it up.
- When we leave the party, we say thank you to our friend and his or her parents.

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Once it was five teenagers! And Ryan was the one who first practiced the gift of hospitality. He came in one early evening and asked Don if there were any spare rooms in the residence hall. It was registration week at the college, so there were no spare rooms!

When Don responded and then asked why he was asking, Ryan said, "Well there are some kids who don't have anywhere to stay tonight, and I just thought maybe they could stay here." When we told him it would be fine for him to bring these kids home, he said something like, "Well, these aren't like the regular kids you're used to. . . ." (To find out more about those visitors, the story is complete in chapter 8.)

This experience stretched the limits of our commitment to hospitality, and we had to put feelings aside and practice acceptance. We were proud of Ryan for his loving response to people in need.

Well, I'm hungry—think I'll get something to eat. Anyone coming to your house for dinner (or any spare room in your garage)?

Sue

# MILEPOSTS

## ANNIVERSARIES

**Merritt and Edna Fellows** celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on June 22, 1997, at an open house in the church Community Service Center, Lansing, MI. They have been members of the Lansing Church for 47 years.

Merritt and Edna Urch were married June 19, 1937, in Jackson, MI. Merritt worked in the MSU Married Housing Maintenance Department since 1982. Edna was a dental assistant and Avon representative.

The Fellows have two children: Linda and David Penrod of Augusta, MI; Gordon and Karen Fellows of Dexter, MI; 4 grandchildren; and 3 great-grandchildren.



**Martin and Irene Fishell** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on June 22, 1997, at an open house hosted by their children in the commons of Pioneer Memorial Church on the campus of Andrews University. They have been members of the Berrien Springs Village and Pioneer Memorial Churches for 50 years.

Martin and Irene Bolenbaugh were married June 18, 1947, in Allegan, MI, by Elder Don Hunter. Martin has been a Certified Public Accountant, retiring in 1991 after 40 years. Irene has been a homemaker, elementary school teacher, and wedding consultant and coordinator.

The Fishells have two children: David and Karen (Edgar) Fishell of Grand Junction, CO; Randy and Diana (Hessel) Fishell of Smithburg, MD; and 5 grandchildren.

## C.W. "Knobby" and Pat

**Mauro** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on July 27, 1997, by enjoying a buffet dinner reception and tribute program at Andrews Academy in Berrien Springs, MI. They have been members of the Pioneer Memorial Church for 38 years.

Knobby and Pat Rodenberg were married June 8, 1947, in Richmond, IN, by Albert Tyson. Knobby was principal at Andrews Academy ('59-'69) then joined the staff at Benton Harbor High School. Pat has taught family studies at Andrews University.

The Mauros family includes Steven D. Mauro; Nancy and Greg Gerard; and 4 grandchildren.

## Orville and Margaret "Peggy"

**Olson** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on June 22, 1997, in an afternoon reception at The Gathering Place in Milton, WI. They have been members of the Milton Church for 50 years.

Orville Olson and Margaret Serns were married June 22, 1947, in Milton, by Pastor Everett Calkins. Orville has been a plant engineer, and Peggy has been a literature clerk.

The Olson family includes Tom and Janet Olson of Marietta, GA; and 2 grandchildren.



**Glenn and Vera Terry** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Apr. 20, 1997, with a reception hosted by their children at the Tell City (IN) Church where they have been members for many years.

Glenn Terry married Vera Caslow on April 20, 1947, in Rochester, IN. Glenn has served as a church elder in the Tell City Church for many years. Vera's responsibilities over the years

have included church clerk work as well as being a pianist.

The Terry family includes Steve and Suzanne Terry and Medrith and Dale Adams, all of Tell City; and six grandchildren.

## WEDDINGS

**Tonya M. Avery and Jason Joo-Liang Lim** were married June 22, 1997, in Holland, MI. The ceremony was performed by Elder Gary Thurber.

Tonya is the daughter of Gary and Sandra Avery of Holland, MI, and Jason is the son of Johnathon and Judith Lim of Fraser, MI.

The Lims are making their home in Berrien Springs, MI.

**Kendra Banks and Jay Perry** were married June 15, 1997, in Berrien Springs, MI. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Milton Perry.

Kendra is the daughter of Joan Banks of Berrien Springs, and Harry Banks and Jamie West of Anchorage, AK, and Jay is the son of Milton and Sherry Perry of Bellevue, NE.

The Perrys are making their home in Berrien Springs.

**Elda L. Caagbay and Rodd A. Nelson** were married June 15, 1997, in Berrien Springs, MI. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Bruce Hayward.

Elda is the daughter of Daniel and Ellen Caagbay of Oklahoma City, and Rodd is the son of Gerald and Bernice Nelson of Berrien Springs.

The Nelsons are making their home in Berrien Springs.

**Cathy Carey and Christopher Edwards** were married Apr. 6, 1997, in Milton, WI. The ceremony was performed by Pastor William Edwards.

Cathy is the daughter of Harlen and Shirley Carey of Milton, WI, and Christopher is the son of William and Katherine Edwards of Bangor, ME.

The Edwards are making their home in Mishawaka, IN.

**Karis A. Gatz and Keith A. Kerbs** were married June 1, 1997, in Berrien Springs, MI. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Lynn E. Gatz.

Karis is the daughter of Lynn and Donna Gatz of Randolph, NY, and Keith is the son of Floyd and

Jeannine Kerbs of Sodus, MI.

The Kerbs are making their home in Hamilton, OH.

**Heidi M. Straw and Ryan T. Hayes** were married May 11, 1997, in Berrien Springs, MI. The ceremony was performed by Pastors Leslie Smart and George Akers.

Heidi is the daughter of Kenneth and Sharon Straw of Buchanan, MI, and Ryan is the son of Terry and Helen Hayes of Ithaca, MI.

The Hayes are making their home in Berrien Springs, MI.

**Heather A. Suchecki and Heath A. McClellan** were married May 4, 1997, in Muskegon, MI. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Boyd Lundell.

Heather is the daughter of Charles and Gerry Lynn Suchecki of Grand Haven, MI, and Kathy Suchecki, of Grand Haven, MI, and Heath is the son of Sam and Betty McClellan of Nunica, MI.

The McClellans are making their home in Nunica, MI.

## OBITUARIES

**ANDERSON, Steven D.**, age 26; born Nov. 17, 1970, in Kalamazoo, MI; died Apr. 24, 1997, in Silver Creek, MI. He was a member of the Stevensville (MI) Church.

Survivors include his wife, Jang-Kyung; father, Roy; mother, Arlene (Olson); and brothers, Ken, Don, and Dan.

Funeral services were conducted by Elder Keith Mattingly, and interment was in Rose Hill Cemetery, Berrien Springs, MI.

**ANSARA, Olga**, age 86; born Aug. 15, 1910, in Grand Rapids, MI; died Apr. 17, 1997, in Grand Rapids. She was a member of the Grand Rapids Central Church.

Survivors include her daughter, Michelle Bailey; brothers, Norman and Jacob Laham; sisters, Violet Clara, Julia Sartor, and Martha Laham.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor John Fortune, and interment was in Oak Hill Cemetery, Grand Rapids.

**BLAIR, Robert W.**, age 74; born Jan. 28, 1922, in Grand Rapids, MI; died Dec. 16, 1996, in Grand Rapids. He was a member of the Wyoming (MI) Church.

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He is survived by his son Gary and 3 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Mickey Mallory, and interment was in Sand Lake (MI) Cemetery.

**BRANE, Alma M. (Shoemaker)**, age 89; born Apr. 22, 1907, in Liberty, KY; died Apr. 10, 1997, in Nashville, TN. She was a member of the North Vernon (IN) Church.

Survivors include her sons, William and James Sallee; daughters, Ann Johnson, Judy Kemp, Marjorie Marshall, and Jean Vance; step-daughters, Wanda Ragan, and Shirley Thomas; brothers, Earl and George Shoemaker; sister, Gladys Hirsche; 28 grandchildren; 42 great-grandchildren; and 2 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Scott Tyman, and interment was in Dupont (IN) Cemetery.

**CLARK, Lillie W.**, age 94; born Aug. 11, 1902, in Edgerton, WI; died Apr. 29, 1997, in Ashley, MI. She was a member of the St. Charles (MI) Church.

Survivors include her son, Clifford; daughters, Ruth and Doris Honaman.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Bob Stewart, and interment was in Wildwood Cemetery, Chesaning, MI.

**COOPER, J. Raymond**, age 72; born Nov. 8, 1924, in Manchester, TN; died Jan. 5, 1997, in Jackson, MI. He was a member of the Midland (MI) Church.

Survivors include brothers, John W. and Clark F.; sister Elsie M. Ragland; and 3 grandchildren.

Memorial services were conducted by Elder Don Siewert, with private inurnment.

**CRANDALL, Lawrence**, age 88; born May 8, 1909, in Battle Creek, MI; died June 12, 1997, in Kalamazoo, MI. He was a member of the Battle Creek Tabernacle.

Survivors include his wife, Hilda (Moeller); daughter, Karen Clayton, and 2 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Dale Leamon, and interment was in Oak Hill Cemetery, Battle Creek.

**DePAS, Barbara I. (Bodley)**, age 59; born Nov. 5, 1937, in Whitaker, MI; died June 11, 1997, in Wilson, MI. She was a member of the Wilson Church.

Survivors include her husband, Ernest; daughter, Ruth DePas, brothers, David and DeMar Bodley; sisters, Elizabeth Bason and Nancy Geer.

A cremation service was conducted by Pastor Robert Quillin, and inurnment was in Wilson Church Cemetery.

**DePAS, Ignis R.**, age 92; born July 15, 1904, in Dykesville, WI; died Apr. 28, 1997, in Wilson, MI. She was a member of the Wilson Church.

Survivors include her sons, Cecil and Ernest; daughter, Geneva Kroehler; 3 grandchildren; and 2 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Elder Bill Edsell and Pastor Bob Quillin, and interment was in Wilson Church Cemetery.

**DONAHUE, Helena M. (Mikels)**, age 87; born Feb. 19, 1910, in Lawrence County, IN; died Mar. 27, 1997, in Bloomington, IN. She was a member of the Bloomington Church.

Survivors include her sons, Earl L. and Joseph W. Bookwalter; daughters, Gloria Linthicum and Barbara Clapper; brother, John M. Mikels; sister, Hattie Driscoll; 14 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

Graveside services were conducted by deacon Fred Specht, and interment was in Rose Hill Cemetery, Bloomington, IN.

**Haidu, John C.**, age 56; born Dec. 20, 1940, in Naperville, IL; died Apr. 1, 1997, in Williamsburg, KY. He was a member of the Wilson (MI) Church.

Survivors include his wife, Leda; son, Matthew; daughters, Jacqueline Connovich and Melissa; sisters, Susan Willsey and Beth Damask; and 3 grandchildren.

Memorial services were conducted by Pastor Robert C. Quillin, and inurnment was in Wilson Church Cemetery.

**HARDEN, Wade H.**, age 92; born Oct. 29, 1904, in Baylis, IL; died Apr. 5, 1997, in St. Joseph, MI. He was a member of the Berrien Springs Village Church.

Survivors include his wife, Mary (Ebertz); son, Edward; daughters, Bette Berzley and Shirley Christian; brother, Levern (Bob); 8 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Gary E. Russell, and interment was in Oak Grove Cemetery, South Branch, MI.

**HATT, Howard H.**, age 82; born Oct. 2, 1914, in Tistin, MI; died May 30, 1997, in Midland, MI. He was a member of the Eden-

ville (MI) Church.

Survivors include his wife, Doris (Benham); sons, Jack and Gerald; daughter, Linda Miller; brothers, Lavier and Blee Jr.; sisters, Lillian Livermore, Ettie Kenyon, Vera Husted, and Florence Emlinger; 10 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastors Bruce Hatch and Dan Rachor, and interment was in Highland Cemetery, Osceola County, MI.

**HUNTLEY, Just C.**, age 94; born July 12, 1901, in Brant, MI; died July 1, 1996, in Brant. He was a member of the Chesaning (MI) Church.

Survivors include his wife, Helen (Stafford); daughters, Rosalie Mendyk and Bernice Vaborowski; sister, Beatrice Boone; and 8 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Earl Meola, and interment was in Ridge Road Cemetery, Chapin, MI.

**JACOB, Elizabeth C.**, age 94; born Jan. 17, 1903, in Canton, IL; died May 31, 1997, in Mendota, IL. She was a member of the Ottawa (IL) Church.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Randy Davis, and interment was in Lincoln Memorial Park, Aurora, IL.

**JORGENSEN, Donald D.**, age 63; born Feb. 25, 1934, in Beloit, WI; died Apr. 20, 1997, in Stevens Point, WI. He was a member of the Almond (WI) Church.

Survivors include his wife, Lucille; sisters, Nancy Sandvick and Mary Eggers.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Donovan Davis, and interment was in Poy Sippi (WI) Cemetery.

**KEENEY, Velva V.**, age 85; born Oct. 5, 1911, in Otsego, MI; died May 25, 1997, in Jackson, MI. She was a member of the Jackson Church.

Survivors include her husband, Lloyd; sons, Donald and James Barber; daughter, Elizabeth Trumbell; sister, Hildreth Mostert; 19 grandchildren; and 31 great-grandchildren.

Memorial services were conducted by Pastor Ted Struntz, and interment was in Jones Cemetery, Jackson.

**KLEIN, Leona J. (Messer)**, age 68; born Mar. 29, 1929, in Pontiac, MI; died Apr. 18, 1997, in Lansing, MI. She was a member of the Grand Ledge (MI) Church.

Survivors include her son, James; daughters, Marylyn Aird, Linda Peach, and Jane Ann Harris; brothers, Charles and Bernard Messer; sisters, Elsie May Venema and Mary Andrews; and 10 grandchildren.

Memorial services were conducted by Pastor William D. Cowin, with private inurnment.

**KLINE, Russell L.**, age 61; born June 9, 1935, in Flint, MI; died June 7, 1997, in Burton, MI. He was a member of the South Flint Church, Burton.

Survivors include his wife Olive (Loney); son Russell L.; daughters, Betty Kahler, Kimm Copeman, and Jill Dodge; brother, Donald; 10 grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Ed Eigenberg, and interment was in Mt. Forest Cemetery, Estey, MI.

**LOVEJOY, Orilla S. (Beggs)**, age 93; born June 19, 1903, in Almond, WI; died Mar. 25, 1997, in Wild Rose, WI. She was a member of the Almond (WI) Church.

Survivors include her son, Norman; daughter, Violet Christie; 7 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and 2 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Donovan Davis, and interment was in Greendale Cemetery, Belmont, WI.

**McCHUTICK, H. Martha**, age 88; born Mar. 7, 1909, in Madison County, IN; died Mar. 19, 1997, in Anderson, IN. She was a member of the Anderson Church.

She is survived by her sister, Velma Owens.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Clinton Meharry, and interment was in Huntsville Cemetery, Huntsville, IN.

**McCOY, Esther H.**, age 98; born Mar. 29, 1899, in Emmetsburg, IA; died Apr. 5, 1997, in Hinsdale, IL. She was a member of the Hinsdale Church.

Survivors include her daughters, Frances Mulske, Harriet

Dickhaut, and Melvena McCoy; brothers, Rufus and Marvin McCoy; 3 grandchildren; and 4 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Elders Alger Keough and Richard Latane, and interment was in Cedar Memorial Park, Cedar Rapids, IA.

**McINTOSH, James E.**, age 82; born July 15, 1914, in St. Thomas, Jamaica, West Indies; died May 5, 1997, in South Bend, IN. He was a member of the Berean Church, South Bend.

Survivors include his wife, Rosalie; son, Neal; brother, W. Allan; sisters, Swiftley Gonzalez and Grace Gibbs; and 1 grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Philip Jenkins, and interment was in Highland Cemetery, South Bend.

**PARFITT, Richard X.**, age 68; born Feb. 3, 1929, in New London, WI; died May 4, 1997, in New London. He was a member of the New London Church.

Survivors include his wife, Faustina; sons, Daniel R. and Richard C.; father Archie, mother, Harriet (Rathbun); and 3 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor John Riggs, and interment was in Floral Hill Cemetery, New London.

**RILES, Naomi E.**, age 64; born Dec. 15, 1932, in South Bend, IN; died Mar. 23, 1997, in South Bend. She was a member of the Berean Church, South Bend.

Survivors include her husband, Eddie; son, Marcellus; daughter, Cheryl; brothers, Parker, Charles, Floyd and James Laurence; and 1 grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Philip Jenkins, and interment was in Highland Cemetery, South Bend.

**ROBERTSON, Edgar**, age 93; born May 8, 1903, in Burningham, IA; died Feb. 6, 1997, in Tulsa, OK. He was a member of the Hammond (IN) Church.

Survivors include his wife, Anne; son, Richard; sister, Willa Gonzales; 2 grandchildren; and 3 great-grandchildren.

Cremation service was conducted by Pastor Brad Jones, with private inurnment.

**ROYS, Phillis J. (Miller)**, age

65; born Feb. 11, 1932; died June 16, 1997, in Morrice, MI. She was a member of the Owosso (MI) Church.

Survivors include her husband, Gene; sons, John and Bill; daughters, Judy Scheffler and Brenda Roys; brother, Robert Miller; sisters, Ruth Holton, Dorothy Ballard, Beverly Barker, and Sandy Hart; and 3 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Paul Yeoman, and interment was in Alton Cemetery, Perry, MI.

**SANDERS, Barbara (McMorris)**, age 76; born Oct. 9, 1920, in Summit, MS; died June 10, 1997, in Beloit, WI. She was a member of the Beloit Church.

Survivors include her son, Garland; daughters, Bulah Robinson and Edna Moss; brothers Elmer and Charles McMorris; sisters Sallie Buchner, Flor McShan, Beatrice Davis, and Rosie Cole; 11 grandchildren; 8 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor David Hoover, and interment was in Floral Lawn Cemetery, Beloit.

**SAULT, Darlene L. (Goss)**, age 55; born Sept. 3, 1941, in Eau Claire, WI; died May 26, 1997, in Rock Creek Township, WI. She was a member of the Eau Claire Church, Altoona, WI.

Survivors include her husband Leath; son, Russell Hazen; daughters, Tika Opelt, Wanda Eisenhuth, and Shari Bair; parents Ralph and Lillian (Mawby) Goss; brothers, Bud, Jack, and Ralph Goss; sisters, Beatrice Best, Ione Boshier, Ida Mae Best, and Peggy Olson; and 19 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Art Miller, and interment was in Rest Haven Gardens, Eau Claire.

**SAYE, Dorothea A.**, age 80; born June 21, 1916, in Big Rapids, MI; died June 11, 1997, in St. Joseph, MI. She was a member of the

Pioneer Memorial Church.

Survivors include her husband, John; son, Bert; daughters, Bernadine Carter, Patricia Saye, Judith Nelson, and Sandra Cassidy; brother, John Williams; sister, Lois Mutch; 16 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Patrick B. Morrison, and interment was in Spring Grove Cemetery, Bloomington, MI.

**SCHNEIDER, Clara**, age 95; born Oct. 2, 1901, in Merrill, WI; died May 21, 1997, in Green Bay, WI. She was a member of the Green Bay Church.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Marvin Clark, and interment was in Fort Howard Cemetery, Green Bay.

**SIRLS, Lorraine (Bobby)**, age 83; born Nov. 18, 1912, in Fulton, KY; died Oct. 14, 1996, in Jupiter, FL. She was a member of the Grand Ledge (MI) Church.

Survivors include her sons, William, Jerry, Michael, Steven, and Guy Robertson; daughters, Bobby Shettleroe and Gladys Powers; 28 grandchildren; and 44 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. George Ralph, and interment was in Salem-Walker Cemetery, Salem Township, MI.

**SMALL, Orville**, age 95; born Mar. 21, 1902, in Three Lakes, WI; died Mar. 29, 1997, in Eagle River, WI. He was a member of the Clearwater Lake (WI) Church.

Survivors include his daughters, Dorelle DeGoes and Nancy Fessenbecker.

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

**SPENCE, Alice J. (Goniet)**, age 68; born June 4, 1928, in Naparima, Trinidad; died May 2, 1997, in Lansing, MI. She was a member of the Grand Ledge (MI) Church.

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Survivors include her husband, Enos; daughter, Brenda Roach; step-daughter, Rose Marie Spense; brothers, Victor and Albert Gonet; 3 grandchildren; and 1 great-grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted by Elder Terry Coursey, and interment was in Deepdale Mausoleum, Lansing.

**SWINSON, Frank L.**, age 83; born June 20, 1913, in Marlette, MI; died Apr. 5, 1997, in Miami, OK. He was a member of the Estey Church, Rhodes, MI.

Survivors include his wife, Geraldine; daughter, Shirley White; brothers, Melvin, Bill, Bob, Richard, and Don; sisters, Donna Woodruff, Ruth King, and Betty Knight; 4 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and 3 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastors J. R. Haney and Scott Baker, and interment was in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Af-ton, OK.

**WARD, Herbert Charles**, age 89; born May 6, 1908, in De-Graff, OH; died June 7, 1997, in Berrien Springs, MI. He was a member of the Pioneer Memorial Church.

Survivors include his sons, William, Phillip, Charles, Larry, Wendell, and John; daughter, Mary Teeters; 19 grandchildren; and 21 great-grandchildren.

Private inurnment.

**WEGNER, Ethel M. (Bowen)**, age 83; born May 2, 1914, in Evansville, WI; died June 19, 1997, in Stoughton, WI. She was a member of the Milton (WI) Church.

Survivors include her husband, Merle; son, Merle E.; daughters, Ellen L. Byrd, Ruth Ann Howard, Nancy England, Jacqueline J. Saunders, and Carolyn Bebee; brothers, Lester and James Bowen; sister Ruth Lohse; 15 grandchildren; and 9 great-grandchildren.

Memorial services were conducted by Pastor David Hoover, with private inurnment.

**WERY, Fred**, age 90; born Nov. 11, 1906, in Wilson, MI; died Dec. 28, 1996, in Collegedale, TN. He was a member of the Wilson (MI) Church.

Survivors include his daughter, Eleanor Hanson; sister, Arlene Nelson; 2 grandchildren; and

4 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Volker Henning, and interment was in Collegedale Memorial Park.

**WILLIS, Lee C.**, age 90; born Aug. 10, 1907, in Calhoun Falls, SC; died May 13, 1997, in Chicago, IL. He was a member of the Shiloh Church, Chicago.

Survivors include his wife, Ruth; sons, Charles, David, Philip, and Michael; step-sons, James and John; daughters, Sally Brown, Sharone Bond, and Candace Willis; brother, Charles; 17 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Elders Norman Miles and Philip Willis, and interment was in Lincoln Cemetery, Chicago, IL.

**WRIGHT, Anna E.**, age 94; born Aug. 7, 1902, in Serena, IL; died May 14, 1997, in Ottawa, IL. She was a member of the Sheridan (IL) Church.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastors Randy Davis and Chuck Simpson, and interment was in Sheridan, IL.

**ZAVITZ, Gloria M. (Seitz)**, age 59; born May 3, 1937, in Muskegon, MI; died Mar. 24, 1997, in Muskegon. She was a member of the Muskegon Church.

Survivors include her sons, Robert, Laurie, and Bart; daughters, Jody and Bernadine Zavitz, and Pauline Hayes; brothers, Robert, Joseph, Lawrence, and William Seitz; sister, Marlene Hertzhaft; 9 grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Memorial services were conducted by Elder Doug English, and inurnment was in Westlawn Cemetery, Muskegon.

**ZEISMER, Frieda**, age 99; born Jan. 10, 1898, died May 16, 1997, in Wyocena, WI. She was a member of the Portage (WI) Church.

Survivors include her son, John Dolgner; stepsons, Gustav and Myron Zeismer; stepdaughter, Wilma Skarban; sister, Ruby Gustrowsky; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Wendell Springer, and interment was in Marcelon Cemetery, Pardeeville, WI.

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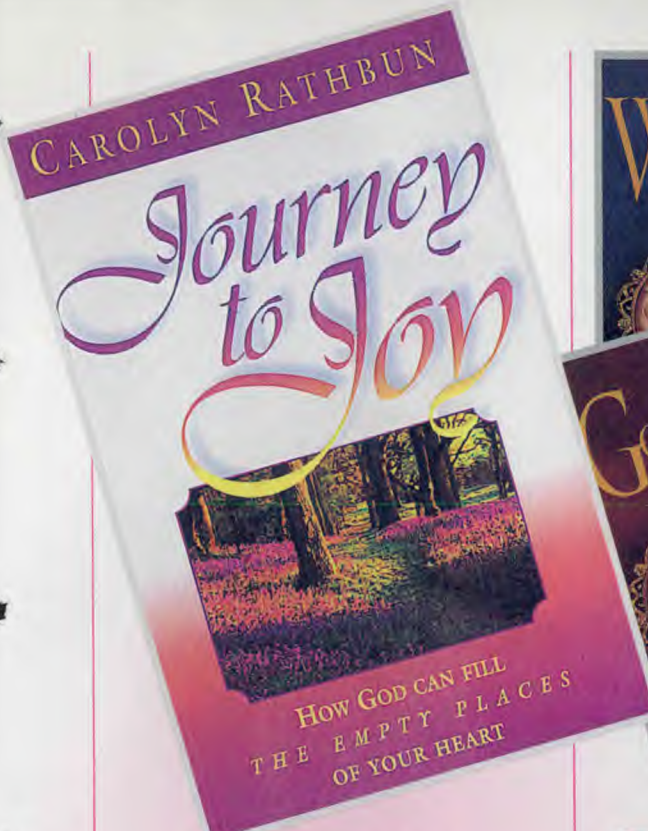
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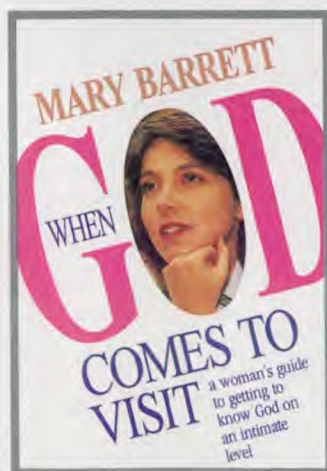
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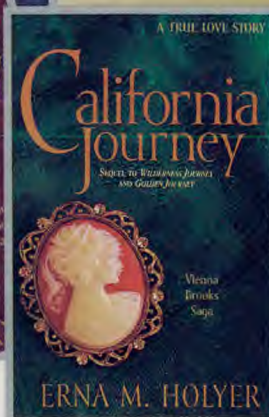
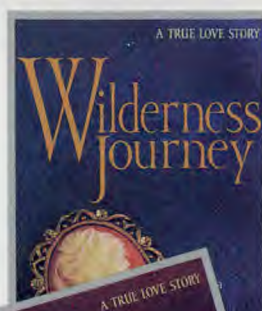
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## URGENTLY NEEDED

**AVONDALE COLLEGE SEEKS MANAGEMENT LECTURER.** Applicants must have a Ph.D. or other advanced degree and commitment to research. Submit résumé and three reference names by August 15 to Dr. G. A. Madigan, Principal, Avondale College, PO Box 19, Coranbong, N.S.W. 2265, Australia; e-mail gvalentine@avondale.edu.au; phone (61) (49) 802120; fax 802118. —5502-97,09

**PEN FRIENDS NEEDED:** Someone Cares Prison Ministry has a risk-free, letter-writing ministry to inmates in North American prisons. Your address is kept confidential and "The God Squad" screens all inmate mail coming to you. This Adventist ministry needs you. For more information and a newsletter, contact Box 340, Charlotte, MI 48813; (517) 543-7400. —5379-97,08

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University, Berrien Springs, MI 49104-0020; (616) 471-3632. (43) —5494-97,08

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Announcements for publication in the Herald should be sent to your local conference office. Readers may want to verify dates and times of programs with the respective sources.**

### LAKE UNION

**Offerings:** Aug. 16, 23—Church Budget; 30—Local Conference Advance; Sept. 6—Outreach/Church Budget; 13—Missions Extension/World Budget.

**Special Days:** Sept. 6—Men's Day of Prayer; 6-13 Nurture Periodicals Week

### INDIANA

**A Men's Conference** will take place on Sept 19-20 at the Fort Wayne First Church, 229 W Lexington Ave. Theme for the weekend is entitled "Adventist Men: Doers of the Word." Guest speaker will be Pastor Richard O'Fallon, Florida Conference director for men's ministries and chair of the NAD men's ministries commit-

tee. Friday night program begins at 7:00 p.m., Sabbath worship will be at 11:00 a.m. and three workshops will be held on Sabbath afternoon beginning at 2:00 p.m. The workshops will be on mens health, Christian finance and relationships. The weekend is free for all attendees. Pre-registration is encouraged. For additional information and pre-registration call Pastor Mercado at (219) 436-6387.

### MICHIGAN

**The 1997 Andrews Academy Alumni Weekend** will be held Oct. 17-18 at the academy. All academy alumni should make plans now to join special services on Friday evening and all day on Sabbath. Honored classes are

'38, '48, '73, '78, '88 and '96. Featured speaker for Sabbath is Randy Fishell, '73, associate editor of *Guide* magazine. For further details contact Becky Becker, (616) 471-6140, fax: (616) 471-6368; e-mail: beckyba@andrews.edu.

**The Michigan Academies Alumni Association** invites all graduates/attendees, and former faculty of Adelphian Academy, Grand Ledge Academy, Cedar Lake Academy, and Great Lakes Adventist Academy to the annual homecoming alumni weekend, Oct. 10-11, on the campus of GLAA. The classes of '47, '57, '72, and '87 will be honored. The alumni association would like to send all alumni the quarterly alumni newsletter. Contact Barb Falconbridge at (517) 427-3418, or academy secretary, Hilda Reichert, at (517) 427-5181, for homecoming information or with addresses of alumni.

### WISCONSIN

**Alive Retreat for Young Adults** at Camp Wakonda, 7 p.m. Fri.,

Aug. 29 through country brunch Mon. morning, Sept. 1. Pastor Sam McKee will lead devotional times together. Space is limited to first 80 paid applicants. Dormitory style lodging in the Hickory and Red Pine Lodges. For information contact Youth Ministries, PO Box 7310, Madison, WI 53707; phone (608) 241-5325.

### WORLD CHURCH

**The Creator's Way**, the 4th annual northeast Native American Campmeeting will be held Aug. 15-18, at the Shiloh Family Retreat Center, Hatch Lake, Eaton, NY. Featured Native American speakers include Monte Church (Mohawk) and Bob Burnette (Onondaga). Inspirational activities include: Native American spiritual testimonies; Iroquois hymn and storytelling; Native American legends and storytelling; a special presentation on plant medicines; canoeing, hiking, and campfires; corn roast and tasty meatless potluck; meeting old friends and making new ones. RV and tent spaces are available.



**RUN FOR THE PRIZE**

If you are helping youth or young adults toward the prize of a golden crown, come to the October 24-26 Lake Union Youth and Young adult training conference at Andrews University. It will feature some of the most experienced youth leaders in the Adventist church who will train, resource, network, and inspire people. Sponsored by the Center for Youth Evangelism and the Lake Union and it's conferences, this cutting-edge training event will include earlyteen, senior youth, collegian, AY, federation, sabbath school, and pathfinder training tracks. The \$35 registration fee includes tickets to all the general sessions and elective seminars, resources, a one year subscription to Giraffe News, meals, and much more! So what are you waiting for? If you're a lay or professional youth leader, parent, educator, or pastor, call your conference Youth Director or the Center for Youth Evangelism at 1-800-YOUTH-2-U for a information and registration packet today!



For information contact New York Conference Native American Ministries, 4930 W. Seneca Turnpike, Syracuse, NY 13215; phone (315) 469-6921, 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Mon.-Thur. All natives and non-natives welcome.

**Making a Difference** Single Adult Retreat, Aug. 29-Sept. 1, at Camp Yorktown Bay, Hot Springs, AR, is sponsored by Southwestern Union Adventist Singles Ministries. It will feature speaker John McLarty of the *Voice of Prophecy* and musician/vocalist Bill Young. Activities will include swimming, skiing, canoeing, volleyball, fishing, sailing, hiking, and more. To request information call (903) 832-8069 and leave name and address.

**The Review and Herald Publishing Association** cordially invites you to their open house, Sunday, Sept. 7, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., at 55 West Oak Ridge Dr., Hagerstown, MD. (Interstate 70, exit 29 east, left at traffic signal.) Highlights include: tours, seminars, music, activities for kids, refreshments, meeting authors and editors, and a gigantic warehouse book sale. A 5K FunRun, sponsored by *Vibrant Life*, will

begin at 11:00 a.m. For additional information call (301) 745-3898.

**Yakima Valley Academy** alumni are invited to a one-time reunion at Camp MiVoden, Hayden Lake, ID, Sept. 14-17. Contact Quo Vadis Davis East, 11509 E. 19th Ave., Spokane, WA 99206; (509) 926-7505.

**ACS/ADRA East Coast Disaster Institute, Sept. 18-22**, Silver Spring, MD, will provide the full range of ADRA and ACS training in the operational and leadership skills necessary to their disaster response programs. This training is entirely different from the training provided by the Red Cross. If a person wants to work in Adventist Disaster Response, they need to take this training. Information about this institute may be obtained from your conference disaster response coordinator. Call your local conference office. Phone numbers are listed in the masthead on page 31.

**Kathleen Battle to appear in Dayton, OH, for KMC Benefit.** Five-time Grammy award winning soprano Kathleen Battle is coming to Dayton Thursday, Sept. 25, to perform at the Victoria Theater for Kettering

Medical Center's 9th annual "Heart to Heart" community event. Proceeds from the event are used for equipment and medical education related to the medical center's cardiac services. The KMC benefit will offer a reception and sit-down dinner prior to the concert. Performance only tickets will also be available for the event. Tickets go on sale July 23. For ticket information, call the Kettering Medical Center Foundation office at (937) 296-7207.

**South Lancaster Academy Alumni Weekend, Oct. 10-12**, will begin with a music vespers Friday at 7:30 p.m. Sabbath activities include church at 11:00 a.m. in the AUC Church featuring Victor Hilbert Jr. ('57); potluck at the SLA gym at 12:00 p.m.; vespers at the AUC Church featuring Ron Knott ('77); fruit/muffin supper in the church fellowship hall at 6:30 p.m.; and alumni vs. student basketball games in Machlan Auditorium at 8:00 p.m. Sunday activities start at 10:00 a.m. with a benefit golf tournament at Stowe Acres Country Club. Player and sponsor registration due by Sept. 1. Contact the SLA Alumni Association, PO Box 864, So. Lancaster, MA

01561; (508) 365-5225 or 3882.

**Campion Academy Alumni Homecoming** Oct. 17-18, Loveland, CO, will honor the classes of '27, '37, '47, '57, '67, '72, '77, and '87 for whom special reunions are planned. Graduates, former students, former faculty, parents, and friends should make plans to come and renew friendships. For information call (970) 667-5592.

**Adventist Singles Ministries International Mission Outreach**, Chili, So. America, Oct. 19-Nov. 2, will be an evangelistic and church construction project with Wayne and Rachel Dull and Guillermo Rojas. Carpenters, masons, an electrician, a plumber, general laborers, cooks, musicians, and translators are needed. For information contact Doris Durrell at (209) 583-1259 or Lorraine Hansen at (704) 697-2409; e-mail lorhans@worldnet.att.net.

**The Palm Springs (CA) Church** is celebrating its 50th anniversary, Dec. 5-6. All former members are invited to write, send photos and/or attend. The church is located at 620 S. Sunrise Way, Palm Springs, CA 92264; (760) 327-5112.

**Lake Union PlusLine** is committed to providing live ministry phone support to active church members, pastors, and church leaders throughout the Lake Union Conference. As the official helpdesk for general church and ministry information, PlusLine's duties include the collection and transmission of data related to nurture and outreach ministry. You may speak directly with an information consultant by calling (800) SDA-PLUS (732-7587), Mondays-Thursdays, 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.; Fridays 8:30 a.m.-12:00 noon ET and CT. Or, you can contact a consultant via CompuServe at 74617,627.

**If you eat out in Michigan** you'll be glad to know you can obtain the new edition of the smoke-free restaurant guide *free* from local libraries or from Michigan Citizens for Smoke Free Air,

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(TWENTY-ONE WEEKS)

	1997	1996	Gain or Loss	% of Increase	Per Capita	
					1997	1996
Illinois	3,019,602	2,733,484	286,119	10.47%	265.83	239.91
Indiana	1,719,549	1,619,428	100,122	6.18%	301.15	291.32
Lake Region	2,840,744	2,743,694	97,050	3.54%	124.96	122.62
Michigan	8,078,111	7,154,668	923,443	12.91%	345.37	310.07
Wisconsin	1,783,941	1,622,247	161,694	9.97%	288.71	265.55
TOTAL	17,441,948	15,873,521	1,568,428	9.88%	251.43	231.69

## SUNSET CALENDAR

	Aug. 15	Aug. 22	Aug. 29	Sept. 5	Sept. 12	Sept. 19
Berrien Springs, MI	8:46	8:35	8:24	8:13	8:01	7:48
Chicago	7:51	7:40	7:29	7:18	7:06	6:54
Detroit	8:35	8:24	8:13	8:01	7:49	7:37
Indianapolis	7:42	7:32	7:21	7:10	6:59	6:48
La Crosse, WI	8:10	7:58	7:47	7:34	7:21	7:09
Lansing, MI	8:40	8:29	8:18	8:06	7:54	7:41
Madison, WI	8:00	7:49	7:38	7:26	7:13	7:01
Springfield, IL	7:55	7:46	7:35	7:24	7:13	7:01

PO Box 69042, Pleasant Ridge, MI 48069 for a \$2 mailing fee. The guide started in 1994 with only 172 listings. The latest edition is a 112-page guide which features 1,871 restaurants throughout the state that are 100% smoke-free.

## ADVENTIST MEDIA CENTER SCHEDULE

### WEEK OF AUGUST 17

*Breath of Life, Mon:* "Five Minutes after Christ Died—2."

*Faith For Today's Lifestyle Magazine:* "Living with Loss."

*It Is Written:* "God's Private Lessons."

*Voice of Prophecy, Sun:* "An All-consuming Passion." *Mon-Fri,* "The Big Fisherman—1."

### WEEK OF AUGUST 24

*Breath of Life, Mon:* "Bibli-

cal Questions and Answers."

*Faith For Today's Lifestyle Magazine:* "Public Schools and Religion."

*It Is Written:* "A Time to Act." Matt Bittner sings "Feel the Nails."

*Voice of Prophecy, Sun:* "God Is No Tease." *Mon-Fri,* "The Big Fisherman—2."

### WEEK OF AUGUST 31

*Faith For Today's Lifestyle Magazine:* "Kids Learn Conflict Resolution."

*It Is Written:* "Hope in the Long Run." Merrilou Luthas sings "The Midnight Cry."

*Voice of Prophecy:* "Mercy for Mercy."

### WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 1

*Voice of Prophecy, Mon-Fri:* "The Everest Chronicles—1."

### WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 7

*Breath of Life, Mon:* "Biblical Answers—Last Day Events." Steve Darmody sings "Until Then."

*Faith For Today's Lifestyle Magazine:* "Exercise Addiction."

*It Is Written:* "He Kept Hope Alive."

*La Voz de la Esperanza:* "El Mayor de los Milagros" (The Greatest of All Miracles).

*Voice of Prophecy, Sun:* "Cleaning the Windows on Heaven's Side." *Mon-Fri:* "The Everest Chronicles—2."

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# Youth who dare 2 care

## Global Village

If we could shrink the earth's population to a village of precisely 100 people, with all existing human rations remaining the same, it would look like this:

- There would be 57 Asians, 21 Europeans, 14 from the Western Hemisphere (North and South) and eight Africans.
- 51 would be female; 49 would be male.
- 70 would be nonwhite; 30 white.
- 70 would be non-Christian, 30 Christian.
- 50% of the entire world's wealth would be in the hands of only six people and all six would be citizens of the United States.
- 80 would live in substandard housing.
- 70 would be unable to read.
- 50 would suffer from malnutrition.
- One would be near death; one would be near birth.
- Only one would have a college education.
- No one would own a computer.

When one considers our world from such an incredibly compressed perspective, the need for tolerance, understanding, and hospitality becomes glaringly apparent. Don't forget to treat others in a warm, friendly, and generous way.

## Hey' All! I'm Home!

Sooner or later you'll be a guest in someone's home. Maybe you'll visit a classmate or a relative this summer. Maybe you'll go home with your roommate for a weekend during the school year. Maybe you'll spend some time at the home of a boyfriend or girlfriend (parents love to meet the person their son or daughter is dating)!

Whatever the situation, you'll want to be considerate of your hostess and leave a good impression. It's important that you are a good houseguest—someone whose visit will be remembered with pleasure. Here's how you can do that:

- ✓ Come with an invitation, not just a drop-in, "I'm here, you lucky people!" (Even a phone call from down the road is better than the shock of a totally unexpected visitor).
- ✓ Take a small gift of appreciation to the hostess—a bouquet of flowers, a loaf of special bread, some fruit, or a bottle of sparkling apple juice. It doesn't have to be big or fancy, just thoughtful.
- ✓ Let your hostess know when you'll be arriving and notify her if there's a change in plans. (Keeping a meal waiting can get a visit off to a bad start).
- ✓ Speak to, listen to, and be kind to everyone in the family, from the youngest to the oldest. (And at least tolerate the family pet)! Especially if you go to the home of a friend your age, don't ignore your friend's parents. They are probably the ones paying for your food and washing your linens.
- ✓ Look for little things to do to help, such as setting the table, clearing and washing the dishes, or playing games with the younger children. (A few people don't want help, but others are more comfortable when the work is shared).
- ✓ Keep the room you're staying in neat, make the bed, and pick up after yourself.
- ✓ Speed up your bathroom rituals (unless there is a private guest bathroom).
- ✓ Graciously eat the food that is prepared. Giving a lecture on diet is a fast way to become an unwelcome guest.
- ✓ Be sensitive to the family's financial situation. Don't take a huge serving of potatoes if there is a limited supply.
- ✓ Leave a neat room and bed and leave a note of thanks in the bedroom, or write a thank-you note a few days after your departure.



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## PROFILES OF YOUTH



Kathy Cousins

**Kathy Renee Cousins**, age 18, is a senior at Peterson-Warren Academy. She is a beautiful young lady, not only physically but spiritually as well. Known by all to be dependable and honest, Kathy tries to show others that heaven is her goal. When approached by others for advice, you can count on Kathy to begin with "Now what would Christ do?"

Kathy loves to read and to do things for others. She can't sit still when others are working. Because of this, her decision to become a doctor is not a surprise to her family or friends. Kathy is a member of the PWA Honor Society, and

because of her faithfulness, she was the recipient of the General Conference Caring Heart Award for 1997. She was also awarded the Pastor Royce Mentor memorial scholarship.

Daughter of Michael and Madge Cousins, Kathy and her family are active members of the Conant Gardens Church in Detroit. She serves as an usher, member of the youth choir, member of the Adventist Youth council, and helps with children's church. As you can see, Kathy is full of energy!

**Brenton Dwayne Jones**, age 18, is a junior at Peterson-Warren Academy. He is an exceptional role model for the students there. A third-generation colporteur, Brenton recruits, trains, and motivates his fellow students to be colporteurs, helping them to earn scholarships.

Son of Christopher and the late Adrienne Jones, Brenton is an active member of the City Temple Church in Detroit, where he sings in the youth choir. He also sings in PWA's "Episodes" where his beautiful tenor voice leads all hearers closer to the throne of Christ. He considers his voice not his own but as another instrument in leading souls closer to Christ. Additionally, he plays the saxophone in the PWA band.

Besides his musical interests, Brenton is a member of the honor society and enjoys basketball and the martial arts. He's a well-rounded young Christian.



Brenton Jones

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