

The background of the cover is a photograph of three children. In the foreground, a young girl with dark skin and curly hair is smiling broadly, wearing a yellow shirt with a red collar. To her right, another young girl with dark skin and curly hair is looking towards the camera, wearing a blue and white striped shirt. In the background, a young boy with dark skin and curly hair is looking over his shoulder, wearing a red shirt. A large, shallow, metallic bowl is positioned in front of the children, partially obscuring the girl in the foreground.

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## C O V E R

"Short-term missions" usually evokes an image of building projects in other countries, but the projects in this year's short-term missions issue were something else.

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## E D I T O R I A L

### The Nonstory

BY DON SCHNEIDER, LAKE UNION  
CONFERENCE PRESIDENT

This is about a nonstory. I went to the place where it happened. It was difficult to find. No historical marker designated the spot. People around weren't interested—for them it was a nonstory, too. I didn't take a snapshot. That is why no picture goes with this nonstory.

Our country sets markers where special events have taken place. We make statues to remind us of people connected to these events. There in Germany, where I was visiting, the same is true. Markers, signposts, statues, and churches of every description notified us of places of historical importance. At most of these sites, I could buy books, or videos, or picture postcards to remind me of my visit.

But it was different where I stood *that* day. Not a marker, not a signpost, not a picture could be found ... a field full of weeds was all that I saw. As I said, it was a nonstory, so, of course, there were no pictures. After some research though, I could tell I was at the right place. It certainly was a nonstory!

Just a couple of hours south of where I was standing, the home, the church, and the life of Martin Luther are well documented. But then, he made a difference ... for God. He wrote, he preached, he believed that Jesus' life and death make possible our right relationship with God. Of course, he made mistakes, but he set out to make a difference for *God*. Today visitors come constantly to the church where he preached and look for the door of the church where he nailed the 95 Theses. His is an exciting story known by people around the world—this story of Martin Luther and the little town of Wittenberg with its then only 2,500 inhabitants.

But there I stood in Berlin looking at weeds in a vacant lot. There, you see, Adolph Hitler died. At one time he was one of the most powerful men on the face of the earth, yet no marker shows the spot where he died. No visitor's center tells where his bunker stood. Tourists don't come here by the busload to take pictures. No postcards are available. Not even a gravestone can be seen. Just weeds. There *is* no wonderful story. Most people in the neighborhood just want to forget what happened here. For them it is a *nonstory*, and no special pictures accompany this nonstory. Anyway, who would want a picture of a bunch of weeds on a vacant lot?

What makes the difference between the story and the nonstory? Jesus ... serving Jesus! Hitler and Luther were both leaders. Both were gifted speakers. Both influenced many people. But serving Jesus made the difference.

Do I want my life to count? Yes! Do I want to make a difference? Definitely! The only way that I can be sure of accomplishing something lasting is to give my life to Jesus. And at this moment I'm doing that again.





BY GARY KRAUSE

**M**ore than 30 years ago, Daw Thaung married a Christian, and together they had 10 children. But in 1970 her life changed forever when she traveled from her home in Chin Hill State to the hospital in Rangoon for a major operation. When she arrived, she signed in as a Christian. When she left, she wasn't.

While in the hospital, Daw Thaung began having visions of the Buddha and his monks. Although she didn't know one word of Parli, she began reciting Buddhist prayers in that language. When she left the hospital, she placed Buddha's image on an altar in her home. Her Christian husband was very upset, and soon they divorced.

Daw Thaung says she started to see the future. It started to automatically come out, she recalls, both history and future. News of her fortune-telling ability soon spread, and people flocked to see her. "You can see, and you can foretell," they said, acknowledging her gifts, which Buddhists covet.

Becoming heavily involved in meditation, Daw Thaung soon lost interest in everything else—even her children. Her visions became more and more distinct. All the time she heard a voice that instructed her to count beads, or fast, or perform other religious duties. "The Prime Minister and his family would come to visit me, and I would help them," she said. "Yet I wasn't a Buddhist, knew nothing

about Buddhism, and didn't know what I was doing."

Among her many religious practices, she started going to cemeteries and meditating on dead bodies. Yet despite the fame and respect she received, Daw Thaung says she began to get bored.

Finally, in 1984 she had another life-changing experience. She went to the altar one day and, instead of meditating, decided she needed something more. "It's enough," she thought. "I've had enough of this, and I want to know the truth. I want to know the true God." Then she heard a very loud voice that said, "I am the Alpha and the Omega." It was a very different voice from the one she had been listening to. "It was a powerful voice. I

## Daw Thaung

wept. It struck me; this is my Savior," Daw Thaung said. "Right there and then I became a Christian—with no pastor or preacher."

After that experience, Daw Thaung began a quest for truth. "I wanted to know the true teachings," she said. Eventually she started studying the beliefs of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, and in 1996 she was baptized.

"I could have been very rich," she said. "People offered to give me a nice house and car and support me and my family if I'd take up my old ways." But the look in her eyes tells it all. She counts it all as garbage, "compared to the surpassing greatness of knowing Christ Jesus [her] Lord" (Philippians 3:8NIV).

The General Conference session offering, to be collected April 8, will be used to focus on people like Daw Thaung in the countries of the 10/40 Window. (See box.)

On April 8, mark your tithe envelope "GC 2000 Offering." If you would prefer to mail your gift or give by credit card, you can call (800) 648-5824 or visit the Global Mission web site at [www.global-mission.org](http://www.global-mission.org).

*Gary Krause is Global Mission communication director.*

### Myanmar Spiritual Foundation

Adventist work began in Burma at the turn of the century, but today there are less than 18,000 Adventists. The majority remain virtually untouched by the Adventist message. In fact, just 60 of the 40 million Buddhists have become Adventists.

But in the past few years, nearly 200 Burmese Buddhists have become Adventists, thanks to a new Global Mission initiative called the Myanmar Spiritual Foundation (MSF). One of Global Mission's challenges is to make the good news about Jesus relevant in many different cultures. Part of our task as Adventists is to translate—to convert eternal principles of the Adventist message into people's immediate contexts. That means leading into our message through their culture, and through their interests. This is exactly the method used by the apostle Paul and Jesus Himself.

An Adventist meditation center has been built to accommodate new interests among the Buddhists. Sabbath services are conducted in Burmese style, but focusing on God without any images. The liturgy includes a chanted commitment to Sabbath-keeping.



## NEW MEMBERS

### INDIANA

**Judy Mueller** was born and raised in the Roman Catholic Church and attended 12 years of Catholic schools and St. Francis College in Fort Wayne, Indiana. She married her high school sweetheart and was blessed with three sons, who were also raised in the Catholic Church.

In 1990, Judy's husband had a stroke and died at the age of 47. Soon after his death, she stopped going to church. She says, "Every time I entered a Catholic Church, I ended up leaving in the middle of mass in tears."

**Franz Mueller** was born in Linz, Austria, and was raised as a Lutheran.



*Franz and Judy Mueller, new members in Fort Wayne, Indiana.*

When he met Judy, neither of them was attending church on a regular basis. They started attending the Lutheran Church one week and the Catholic Church the next week. Since they couldn't tell much difference between the two services, they decided to join the Lutheran Church, where they were married in July 1998.

Judy had always wanted to take Bible studies and had tried reading the Bible on her own with very little understanding. When Franz brought home a piece of "junk mail" from his parents' home, reminding her that she wanted to take a Bible study course, they decided to attend the Prophecy Seminar with speaker Ray House. Although Franz missed some of the meetings because he had to be out of

town on business, Judy was hooked, and kept going, no matter what. She knew in her heart almost immediately that *Amazing Facts* was teaching the truth.

Judy says, "It is a really hard thing to admit that you have been taught falsehoods all your life; that a church you loved and grew up in has been and still is leading the whole world to destruction. Accepting the truth turns your life completely upside down. After the Doug Batchelor *Millennium of Prophecy* series on 3ABN, we had no choice but to admit that the Holy Spirit was leading us to a new life in Jesus. We are learning new truths daily and praise the Lord for His great and merciful blessings."

Franz and Judy were recently baptized in the Fort Wayne Church. They pray daily that the Lord will show their families that He wants them to worship on His Holy Sabbath and not on a day that the Roman Catholic Church designated.



*Jim Huber recommitted his life to Christ and was baptized in the creek near his home.*

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The congregation sang "Down by the Riverside" and "Shall We Gather at the River" on the banks of the Brandywine Creek on Sabbath,

October 30, 1999. They were there to witness as Gary Case, Irvington/Shelbyville Church pastor, lowered **Jim Huber** into the water in baptism to start a new life.

Jim graduated from Indiana Academy, but then drifted away from the Christian life. Forty years later, after the death of his father, Rolland, he began accompanying his mother, Annamae, to the Shelbyville Church. Taking his time to renew his faith, he began weekly studies with Pastor Case, and they often sat outside watching the stream that runs past his property. Toward the completion of the studies, Jim informed Pastor Case he wanted to be baptized in the stream.

It was a happy celebration for Jim, his family, and the Shelbyville congregation. Jim's mother can testify to all praying mothers everywhere that God is faithful to His promise; "There is hope in your future, says the Lord, that your children shall come back to their own border" (Jeremiah 31:17).

Jim was the second Indiana Academy alumnus in Pastor Case's district to return to a life of faithfulness and be re-baptized in 1999.

### MICHIGAN

**Valerie Schaefer** was very involved in her church. She sang in the choir every Sunday and was doing all that she knew to please and obey God. Yet she was discontented. She wondered why some things that had at one time been forbidden by the church were now accepted. She asked her pastor to explain from the Bible why these changes had been made, but he could not. Feeling that the guidance she sought was in the Bible, she asked whether her church had Bible studies, but nothing was available. Valerie was confused and frustrated.

Then one day a coworker at the office, Shawn, began sharing with her some of the things she was learning in a weekly Bible study at her grandmother's home. Valerie asked whether she could join the study group. Shawn's mother, Edna Button, who was conducting the Bible studies, welcomed Valerie into the group. They



were watching video Bible lectures by Dwight Nelson, and Valerie joined them beginning with the third video. These lectures answered many of her questions, and in a matter of weeks, Valerie was attending worship services at the Grand Ledge Adventist Church.

Valerie decided to join the church, and her decision was reinforced while attending the Festival of Faith series last December at Camp Au Sable with her friends, Jack and Edna Button. The



*From left: Edna Button and Valerie Schaefer became friends through a Bible study group.*

Festival of Faith is an annual weekend retreat that is designed to help non-Adventists make decisions for Christ. Valerie was baptized on December 18, 1999, during a Christmas musical worship service.

*Lyle Davis, Grand Ledge Church pastor*

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At a young age, **Max Jewel** enjoyed learning about Jesus. He attended a church of another denomination during those years, but he had many encounters with Adventists. When Max was thirteen, someone paid for him to spend a week at junior camp, and later, he was given sermon tapes and a copy of *The Great Controversy*. One time he was also asked to join a Bible study group comprised of Adventists.

Max believed what he had learned about the Sabbath and the Ten Commandments, but he did not attempt to practice those beliefs. However, one day, as he was flipping

through television channels, Max saw and enjoyed a program with Doug



*Max Jewel is a new member at the Riverdale Church.*

Batchelor, and so he sent for the Bible lessons that were offered. He completed the studies and knew that he should make a commitment. He kept putting it off, though, until a friend invited him to attend the Riverdale Church. One Sabbath he was convicted by a statement made in the sermon by the church pastor, James Micheff, and he followed the pastor out into the foyer. Max asked Pastor Micheff if he could be baptized. He told the pastor that he had put it off long enough, and he wanted to live for Jesus.

Max Jewel was baptized on January 15, and now shares the news of Jesus' coming with others.

*Bernice Micheff, Riverdale/Carson City communication leader*

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**Julie Kohagan** was not satisfied with her life and felt she needed to start attending church. She tried one church after another, but she was still not happy. One day she decided to go to the little Carson City Seventh-day Adventist Church and see what it was like. She was nervous about going since she didn't know anyone there, but she asked the Lord to give her courage if He wanted her to go in.

When Julie arrived at church that morning, she was greeted warmly, and the people were friendly. She asked, "What do you folks believe?" She was given two video tapes and invited to come back the next week. She continued to attend the Carson City Church for a year, going through several series of videos and coming every night to NET '99 with Doug Batchelor.

One day Julie called James Micheff, church pastor, and asked whether she could be baptized. On January 15, she became a member of the Carson City Church family.



*Julie Kohagan, a new member in Carson City.*

Although she has met some opposition, she continues to grow spiritually each day.

*Bernice Micheff, Riverdale/Carson City communication leader*

## Heard a Good Story Lately?

*We'd like to print stories here about people who have joined your church, but we can't print what we don't receive. We're sure there must be people being baptized in all the conferences.*

*We are looking for inspiring stories about how new members found the Lord and who helped them toward that decision. What made them decide to seek out the Adventist Church? What unique story do they have to tell?*

*Think about it. Would telling that story help to inspire other members to share the love of Jesus in their workplace or neighborhood? Let us hear about it.*

*Send brief stories to your conference Lake Union Herald correspondent (you'll find their names and addresses on page 31). And don't forget to include a close-up photo of the person baptized—taken in some other location than the baptismal tank or behind the podium on the platform.*

*Each story should stand alone. Please do not send multiple stories all in one article.*



# Common Ground

*Indiana administrators hold a reaping series in the Dominican Republic*

BY **GEORGE CRUMLEY**

**W**hat's the common ground between Indiana Conference—where peace, comfort and well-being pervade—and the Southern Adventist Mission of the Dominican Republic, where even basic physical needs are often not met? On the surface, your senses tell you that there is not much in common; we have abundance, and they have very little.

Clay Farwell, Indiana Conference president; Luis Leonor, Lake Union vice-president; and I observed the needs first-hand as we arrived in Barahona for four days of reaping meetings. We saw shanties with tin roofs, scooter taxis, dirty market stalls, eight-year-old boys doing shoe shines to earn food money for their families, lawns being cut with machetes, inadequate garbage disposal, beggars requesting a peso or two, and men working all day in the sugarcane fields for \$2. The list could go on and on.

The people, however, are very gracious and hospitable. This created an inviting atmosphere for me to share information on health at each of the meetings, followed by Clay Farwell who shared present truth about our God. Each night the people arrived at the city theater on foot, by scooter, in the back of jam-packed pickup trucks, and by car. They came with enthusiasm, big smiles, and warm handshakes.

The meetings culminated Sabbath morning at the Central Church in Barahona, where 180 new converts

were baptized as a result of the working of the Holy Spirit on their hearts. As the baptism took place, those who had labored over the past weeks through Bible studies and personal visits looked on with great emotion.

Before saying our good-byes, the mission president, treasurer, and five pastors gave us a tour through the areas of Barahona where help is needed for the construction of two new churches and the completion or repair of three existing ones. They were offering us the opportunity to use

means, to meet needs, and to win souls to Christ.

Yes, Indiana Conference has common ground with the Adventist churches in Barahona. That common ground is at the foot of the cross. We are both different in material affluence or lack of it, and yet we are all the same in the shadow of the cross. It is at this cross where all differences fade into obscurity, and the love of a risen Savior shines forth from heaven.

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*George Crumley is the Indiana Conference treasurer.*

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*Each night the people arrived at the city theater on foot, by scooter, in the back of jam-packed pickup trucks, and by car. They came with enthusiasm, big smiles, and warm handshakes to the reaping meetings held by the Indiana Conference administrators in Barahona, a city in the Southern Adventist Mission of the Dominican Republic.*





*Leona Sackett, who died in 1992, left a portion of her charitable trust to foreign missions. Her gift made possible a mission trip to the Dominican Republic which resulted in 49 baptisms with more people preparing for baptism.*

BY JAMES FOX

Leona Sackett never realized what her gift would accomplish! Leona, or "Lee" as her friends knew her, was a retired colporteur who dedicated a portion of her charitable trust to foreign missions. As a result of her gift of approximately \$7,000, 49 people were baptized during a short-term mission trip to the Dominican Republic.

Luis E. Leonor, Lake Union Conference vice president, invited Don Corkum, Wisconsin Conference president, to present the message each night, and Brian Hamilton, Wisconsin Conference secretary-treasurer, to present a health message during an eight-night reaping campaign. The site was Puerto Plata, Dominican Republic, a beautiful tourist area on the north side of the island. "The members here have a strong mission to win souls for Christ," reports Don Corkum. "Because of a weak economy, they do not always have the finances to achieve their mission. We conducted the meetings and provided the financing as well."

Bible workers were hired to work prior to the campaign, and on opening night, more than 250 people packed into the Adventist church to hear the

Word of God. Members were encouraged to leave the seats within the church for guests. "The members watched from outside through open windows or on closed circuit television beyond the building," said Brian Hamilton. "Every seat on the inside was reserved for interested people." Some nights, the room was packed beyond capacity with more than 280 people present.

The meetings were conducted in Spanish and English with computer-generated graphics in both languages. Adventist teachers in local English language schools brought their students to hear "the pure English" spoken by Elders Corkum and Hamilton. They also heard a "pure message" for God's last days, and some from the language schools responded to the invitation to follow Jesus.

By the close of the meetings, 49 people had sealed their decision for Jesus in baptism. Scores more made their decision but were in the process of leaving sinful habits behind—some were preparing for marriage in order to be baptized.

One dear woman stood weeping by the baptism as her husband was immersed. Through a translator, she reported that she had been praying for this moment for years, and now God had answered her prayers.

Many young people were baptized prior to their parents making decisions. As loving parents gathered around the baptism in support of their children, an appeal was made for them to follow

the Lord as their children had done. The crowd spontaneously applauded when they raised their hands and committed to Jesus and His church.

The president of the North Dominican Conference attended each night of the meetings and was particularly helpful with the projector. He explained that he would like to have such a projector if it were affordable. When told the price, he explained that he would have to pray.

Every night, he picked up the projector from the car and lovingly carried it into the church. Each evening, he lovingly carried it back to the trunk of the vehicle. On the closing night of the meetings, Brian Hamilton commended the president for the loving care he had shown in taking care of the projector. On this last night, Elder Hamilton told him to place the projector in the trunk of his own car as a gift of good will to the North Dominican Conference. As the crowd applauded, the president began to weep tears of joy and gratitude to God.

Lee Sackett died in the summer of 1992. The distribution of her trust was deferred until her sister passed away according to her wish. Only in the coming kingdom will Lee see the results of her charity. At first, she may wonder why scores of people from Puerto Plata will be saying "thank you" to her, though she has never met them. When Jesus explains, I think that Lee will smile.

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*James Fox is the Wisconsin Conference communication director.*



# Giving Is a Blessing

*Teen Mission makes an impact in the Dominican again*

BY TERRY DODGE

ALL PHOTOS BY TERRY DODGE

**O**n December 19, 1999, twenty-two excited Pathfinders and 12 apprehensive staff members left Detroit for the Dominican Republic on the annual Pathfinder mission trip. The Teen Mission Impact team took with them medications

(including more than 100,000 pills), dental supplies, 2,000 pairs of glasses, and hundreds of small stuffed animals and other toys. The toys would be given to children who would come with their parents to the clinics held during the 12-day trip. During the seven days of medical, dental, and optical clinics, we were able to help more than 3,500 patients who came to the South Mission, Central Confer-

ence, and Southeast Mission.

Bridget McCarthy, a member of another Christian denomination, was a real blessing on the trip. She is from Chicago and has been a student of Rick Beckermeyer, D.D.S., one of the dentists who also came with us. Bridget graduated with a dental hygiene degree only four days before the trip. She shares her story: "My trip to the Dominican Republic was an

unbelievable experience! I would highly recommend this trip to anyone with a caring nature and the ambition to help make change for the good of others. I began the journey not knowing what I was getting myself into, and I walked away with a whole new perspective on life. I have always known that I was blessed with good health, a loving family and friends, as well as countless opportunities. It wasn't until I experienced life in the Dominican Republic that I realized the reality of a third-world country where people are not healthy and do not have the means to receive the medicines and other health-care supplies needed to sustain a healthy life. Also, from my own personal observations, the children in the Dominican do not have



Twenty-two Pathfinders and 12 staff members went to the Dominican Republic during Christmas break on the annual Teen Mission Impact. They held seven days of medical, dental, and optical clinics, through which they were able to help more than 3,500 people.





*The children were very special to those who participated in the mission trip, and they loved to have their pictures taken. You always see lots of children while shopping or sight-seeing in Santa Domingo.*



*Young boys, carrying little shoeshine boxes and small cans to sit on, offer to shine shoes for only five pesos. This is their way of raising money for themselves or their families.*

the same opportunities as we do here in the U.S.

"The children who were lucky enough to attend the various clinics we held in different cities—although half naked, most with no shoes on their feet and in poor health—were happy as could be and very grateful for the vitamins, medicines, toothbrushes, glasses, and services we were able to provide—not to mention the way the children's faces would light up when they were given a new toy upon the completion of their exams. It gave me and the other volunteers a wonderful sense of fulfillment. No matter how bad the conditions were (weather, traveling long distances, bathrooms, cleanliness, and lack of sleep), when we left a clinic, we felt as if we were on top of the world. I personally felt that the sky was the limit, and that there was nothing in the world that I could not successfully accomplish. It was the most amazing feeling!"

The Pathfinder teens who will again be going to the Dominican this coming December will celebrate the 20th year of the Michigan Teen Mission Impact experience. We ask for your prayers, not only for the future programs, but for those people who came to the clinics and will be invited to attend the evangelistic meetings that will soon be held in their towns. We thank those who have given support to this tremendous life-changing experience for teen Pathfinders.

*Terry Dodge is the Michigan Conference youth ministries associate director for Pathfinders*



*Dennis Benedict, an optometrist from Jackson, Michigan, worked in the optical clinics during the Pathfinder Teen Mission Impact trip to the Dominican.*



*Bridget McCarthy from Chicago, who graduated with her dental hygiene degree just four days before the mission trip, said she would highly recommend the trip to anyone with a caring nature and the ambition to help make change for the good of others.*



# An American Guru in India

*Tabernacle team finds joy in short-term mission service for The Quiet Hour*

BY DALE LEAMON

Arjuna came by bus the 40 kilometers from the village of Gutyada to our meetings. A lifelong Hindu, Arjuna had felt dissatisfied for many years. What he wanted was hope for the future and a sense that there was meaning to life. The whimsical gods of the Hindu religion must be cajoled into blessing their devotees, and offer a better reincarnation only to those who show their own righteousness through good works.

Arjuna had retired from the Indian army in which he had served as an officer for many years. After retire-

ment, he opened a fish farm near the coast of the Bay of Bengal. His life was successful, but he knew that he could never amass enough righteousness during the remaining years of his life to be at peace when death came. When he heard about the *Everlasting Gospel* meetings in Machilipatnam, he decided to attend. His wife discouraged him, telling him that he would anger the gods and destroy their lives, but Arjuna's spiritual hunger prevailed.

When the appeal for baptism was made, Arjuna was the first to come forward. "I want to be a Christian," he said. "For two weeks I have given up worshiping my family's gods, and I am happier than I have ever been. I now

believe that the God of heaven has sent His Son to save me from sin and give me eternal life. When can I be baptized?" Three days later I had the joy of burying Arjuna in baptism in the warm waters of the Bay of Bengal. After the baptism, Arjuna fell down on the warm sand to kiss my feet saying, "You are my guru." Immediately pulling him up to his feet I said, "No, Jesus is your guru." Arjuna responded with a big hug saying "Yes, Jesus is my guru, and even though my family is against it, I know Jesus will help me win them over and start an Adventist church in my village."

Arjuna was the first of more than 300 to be baptized as a result of the *Quiet Hour*-sponsored meetings held in Machilipatnam, India, by seven members of the Battle Creek Tabernacle. Assisted by Indian pastors and lay people, my team and I shared our great advent hope with nearly a thousand men, woman, and children for fourteen days in January. Team members included Christian Martin, Battle Creek Tabernacle youth pastor; Rene Guzman, a physician from Grand Rapids; and Gustavo Guzman, and Dennis, Patsy, and Brandon Timm, Battle Creek Tabernacle members. Team members did house-to-house visitation, held medical clinics, offered nightly children's programs, and gave love and encouragement to those making decisions. The Lord blessed abundantly.

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*Dale Leamon, Battle Creek  
Tabernacle pastor*



Arjuna, (center left) stands with Pastor Leamon (center) and the other baptismal candidates after his baptism in the Bay of Bengal in India.



# Before Disaster Strikes

BY GAYLORD F. AND  
DERRI HANSON

**H**ave you noticed the increased frequency of disturbingly similar news reports from country after country: unfortunate and devastating disasters? While some people interpret these "acts of God" as the approach of Armageddon, others claim that these natural, global disasters are Mother Nature's way of getting even for humanity's misuse of the earth's natural resources. We as Seventh-day Adventists know from our study of Biblical prophecy that these types of events will be occurring at an ever-increasing rate.

While Ellen White admonishes us to not store up for the end of time, simple preparation for life's emergencies is prudent thinking and does not violate the principle of dependence on God. The time to begin planning and organizing is *NOW*, not after a disaster has occurred. Decisions need to be made, and people need to be educated well in advance. A disaster can strike quickly and without warning. It can force you to evacuate your neighborhood or confine you to your home. What would you do if basic services such as water, gas, electricity, or telephones were cut off? Local officials and relief workers will be on the scene after a disaster, but they cannot reach everyone right away.



*There are several types of disasters common to the Great Lakes states. Planning ahead and knowing what to do when a disaster is imminent is your family's best protection. The best emergency plans are those with very few details.*

## HOLD A FAMILY CONFERENCE

Families can and do cope with disaster by preparing in advance and working together as a team. Knowing what to do is your best protection. Meet with your family and discuss why you need to prepare for disaster. Explain the dangers of fire, severe weather, and earthquakes. Plan to share responsibilities, and work together as a team. Keep your plan simple enough so that everyone can remember the important details. A disaster is an extremely stressful situation that can create confusion. The best emergency plans are those with very few details.

You should discuss the types of disasters that are most likely to happen in your area. Explain what to do in each case. Everyone should know what to do in case all family members are not together. Discussing disasters ahead of time will help reduce fear and anxiety, helping everyone know how to respond effectively.

Geographically, the Lake Union is located in the path of many of the following weather-related situations: winter storms with sub-zero tempera-

tures and large amounts of ice and snow; tornados; floods; severe thunderstorms with wind, rain, and hail; even earthquakes are possible. Man-made disasters are always a threat such as riots, bombings, fires. In addition, there are 11 nuclear power plants in our four-state area which could develop problems. Such events can and should be prepared for.

Lake Union Adventist Community Services (ACS) will hold the second annual ACS Disaster Response Institute on July 13-16 at Andrews University. The institute will be conducted by Larry Buckner, North American Division disaster coordinator and chief instructor. A representative from your church or area should be there. For further information call (800)SDA-PLUS.

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*Gaylord F. and Derri Hanson, certified disaster response instructors, are members of Pioneer Memorial Church, Berrien Springs, Michigan.*



# How to Prepare for a Man-made or Weather-related Incident

- **Keep games, puzzles, and craft projects on hand** to fill time and keep everyone occupied and active.



- **Keep a well-stocked first-aid kit** at home and in your car.
- **Always stock three to five days of non-perishable food** (preferably food that does not require cooking) and drinking water.

- **Keep extra blankets, coats, hats, and gloves on hand** for warmth.
- **Plan for an alternative heat source** for cold weather. Please do not plan to use gas-fueled appliances (such as an oven) as an alternative heating source. The same goes for wood-burning or liquid-fueled heating devices that are not



designed to be used in a residential structure.

Camp stoves and heaters should only be used out-of-doors in well-ventilated areas. If you do purchase an alternative heating device, make sure it is

approved for indoor use and is listed with the Underwriters Laboratories (UL).

- **Have plenty of flashlights** and extra batteries on hand. Don't use candles for emergency lighting.
- **Maintain a battery-operated radio**, and keep a supply of extra batteries so you can listen to it for information about developing conditions or where shelters will be available.
- **Fill your bath tub with water** for flushing the toilet while the power is off, if necessary.



- **Be prepared to relocate to a shelter** for warmth and/or protection during a prolonged power outage, or if for any other reason local officials request or require that you leave your home.



- **Agree on a contact person.** Make arrangements with someone such as a relative or family friend outside of your neighborhood or state. If you are separated, your family members can contact this relative or friend to let them know where they are. You might also want to leave a note at your residence to let your family/friends know where you have gone.



- **If you plan to use a portable generator**, connect what you want to power directly to the generator. Do NOT connect the generator to your home's electrical system. Also, be sure to keep the generator in a well-ventilated area such as outside or in a garage with the door open. Don't put a generator in your basement or anywhere inside your home because of the poisonous fumes it produces.



- **Check with the emergency service providers** in your community to see if there is more information available about how your community is preparing for potential problems. Be an advocate and support efforts by your local police, fire, and emergency management officials to ensure that their systems will be able to operate at all times.
- **Contact local agencies**—fire department, police department, nuclear regulatory commission, or the county emergency management office—for more information on things you can do before disaster strikes.



## The Real Millennium

... "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent, and believe in the gospel." Mark 1:15

The first second of the year 2000 was anticipated, feared, celebrated. We looked forward to watching the calendar page turn from one century to the next. We were afraid that our dependence on allegedly outdated computers would wreak havoc on a technological world. And we watched as the flare of fireworks heralded the new year from time-zone to time-zone. But why all the fuss? The first second of the year 2000 did not mark the dawning of the new millennium!

Think about it. When did you celebrate your first birthday? On the day you were born? Of course not. You celebrated it after you had lived a year. Until you had lived on Earth for 365 days (366 if your birthday fell during a leap year), your parents counted your age in months.

In essence, during that first year you were zero years old.

Now apply that logic to the year 2000. Until 366 days have passed (This is a leap year!) we are still living in the old millennium. There are even three zeroes in 2000 to remind us that this is, as a milestone, really a nothing year. Yet M & Ms were the official candy of the millennium.



A d i d a s  
marketed  
Superstar  
Millennium Shoes (So that we could leap into leap year?), and Elizabeth Arden produced Millennium face cream (So that we would never look 1,000 years old?). There were millennium travel packages and concerts and programs, too.

## Exploring God's World

With James and Priscilla Tucker

Now consider this: Current scholars believe that Jesus was born several years earlier than our modern calendar indicates. That means that we all missed the beginning of the new millennium. Just as we can't determine the real beginning of time and can only rely on our best calculations to keep track of what we think is time, we

cannot know that day or the hour of Jesus's second coming. In our temporal lives, all we can do is live each day to the fullest by serving Him. And in our spiritual lives, we should do the same.

For more information about time, see the January 2000 issue of *Natural Learning*.

### It's about Time

Learn a new word today, and put together a time capsule for tomorrow.

#### What you need

- ✓ reference books about calendars
- ✓ sturdy, water-repellent box
- ✓ duct tape
- ✓ non-perishable items that reflect our lives

#### What to do

1. Learn to spell "millennium." According to *Time* magazine (November 15, 1999), "In 1999, newspaper and magazine editors in America and Britain omitted the second "n" a full 4,709 times."
2. Check the Chinese lunar calendar, the Hebrew calendar, and the Islamic calendar to find out when the new year starts. (By the way, most of us follow the Gregorian calendar.)
3. Put the material you have collected into the box. A newspaper shows the current events as well as food prices. Stamps and coins represent currency and how we do business. And what about fads, like Beanie Babies? Also include a wish list for the future. Remember, because the real millennium isn't until 2001, you can add to the box throughout 2000.
4. Decorate the box with a millennium logo and slogan that you create, then write, "Do not open until (date)," on the top.
5. Place your time capsule in a cool, dry place.

The Tuckers have written four daily devotional books (most recently *In His Hands*) and publish *Natural Learning*, an exciting new magazine to help home-schooling parents, classroom 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.





## Adventist Health System Midwest Region

### Hinsdale Hospital's "Aunt Kate" Receives Service Award

During the recent Adventist Health System conference on mission, held Feb. 24-27 in Orlando, Fla., leaders of Adventist Health System were honored for their personal and professional contributions in helping enhance the mission of Adventist healthcare.

One of these awards, the Christian Service Award, was given to Hinsdale Hospital's very own Kathryn Sieberman, known affectionately to many as "Aunt Kate." It was 1957 when she joined the Hinsdale Sanitarium and her gracious, "May I help you?" began to be heard every morning down each hallway. She has a truly encyclopedic memory of those

she meets, allowing her to remember occasions and events in a most winsome manner.

Aunt Kate's duties are so broad that it is impossible to describe them. Currently, as customer service representative, she visits patients, solves problems such as

searching for an address book left by a patient, or sits with families as they face the most sensitive issues of grief.

Over the years, Aunt Kate has held many positions, including that of vice president. She has served with a host of administrators, including Mardian J. Blair, who recently retired as president of Adventist Health System Midwest Region. Aunt Kate has contributed to the Hinsdale family practice residency program by sharing her historical perspective on the hospital and a vision for its place in the future. For more than 40 years, each patient she has greeted has felt her kind concern, and their hearts have been warmed with memories when they have needed to return.

There isn't an employee at Hinsdale Hospital who hasn't been influenced by Aunt Kate's spirit, as she diligently walks every wing of the hospital's seven stories each day, welcoming new patients with a cheerful bouquet of flowers, speaking words of comfort, and offering a promise of prayers.



**Kathryn Sieberman of Hinsdale Hospital was awarded the Christian Service Award at the health system's conference on mission in Florida in February.**

### GlenOaks Hospital Grand Re-opening a Success

It rained. It was cold. But, the crowds still came. GlenOaks Hospital hosted almost 1,000 community members, employees, and dignitaries at their grand re-opening celebration on Sunday, Oct. 3, 1999.

Two large tents kept event-goers sheltered from the weather conditions. The grand re-opening featured a free picnic, clowns, face painters, jugglers, and pony rides. Randy Brown of the Chicago Bulls signed a steady stream of autographs from noon-2:00 p.m. Another attraction included emergency vehicles from the Glendale Heights, Bloomingdale, Carol Stream, and Addison fire departments.

More than 30 GlenOaks Hospital departments put themselves on display in the activities tent. The department of radiology wore skeleton costumes to educate event goers about healthy bones. And, the department of surgery "dressed-up" a CPR manikin as if it were being prepped for surgery, and many of the instruments used in a surgical procedure were on hand.

Brinsley Lewis; Ernie Sadau, Adventist Health System Midwest Region president and CEO; and Jonathan Leach, administrative director of Ministries and Mission for the Midwest Region, spoke about the strengths, future and mission of GlenOaks Hospital at the ribbon-cutting ceremony. As the area high school marching bands played, State Representative Kay Wojcik cut a giant Band-Aid, draped across the front of the hospital, with a large scalpel, signifying a new GlenOaks Hospital.

GlenOaks Hospital opened its doors in April of 1980. At the 1999 ceremony, 24 original employees who still remain at GlenOaks were recognized for their years of dedicated service. "It was a great day for our employees, physicians, and the GlenOaks Hospital community," said Brinsley Lewis. "By this rededication we have entered a new era at GlenOaks Hospital.

*Christine Priestler, GlenOaks Hospital marketing manager*



**The GlenOaks Hospital celebrated their grand re-opening on Oct. 3, 1999.**



# Andrews University

## New Appointments

John McVay has been named dean of the Seventh-day



**John McVay has been named seminary dean.**

Adventist Theological Seminary at Andrews University. Effective July 1, McVay, who is currently associate dean, will replace Werner Vyhmeister who announced his retirement last fall. As dean, McVay will oversee 40 full-time faculty members and the theological training of more than 400 graduate-level theology students.

McVay lists "listening carefully" as his initial priority. "It's important for me to understand

where we are as an institution. To accomplish this, I'll need to be a prayerful person who listens, but who is also closely attentive to how God is working in our midst," he says.

The seasoned leader says he gleaned inspiration and wisdom from his favorite Biblical figure, the Apostle Paul. "I appreciate his passion and zeal for ministry and realistic outlook on the church and its foibles," McVay says. "Leaders are not perfect people and don't lead perfect people. Yet, amidst the doubts and challenges that plague us all, we can be deeply committed to serving the Lord and to the Seventh-day Adventist message."

## Faculty Appointments

Alice Williams was appointed director of university assessment effective in February. Since 1997, she has served as assistant director of academic assessment. In addition to her new position, Williams is also assistant dean



**John Stout**

for graduate programs in the College of Arts and Sciences. She joined the Andrews faculty in 1983 and again in 1993.

Effective in July, John "Jack" Stout will assume the position of dean of scholarly research. He is currently a research professor of biology. Stout joined the Andrews faculty in 1969.



**Alice Williams**

## Andrews Employees Honored

During the annual faculty, staff, and trustees banquet, held Feb. 20, Andrews University faculty and staff members were honored for their service to the university. Awards for excellence were presented to Mary Bielas, payroll supervisor; Linda Wysong, director of human resources; David Steen professor of biology; April Summitt, assistant professor of history; and Charlotte Coy, director of undergraduate admissions. Merlene A. Ogden, dean of affiliations, was awarded the highest award in Seventh-day Adventist education, the Medallion of Distinction for her many years of leadership at Andrews.

## Annual Alumni Homecoming

"Educated for Service" is this year's theme for the Andrews University annual alumni homecoming weekend, Apr. 27-30.

Most Andrews University graduates have never served as missionaries outside their native lands. Yet, we all have a daily sphere of influence—on the job, in our homes, in our communities, or in the checkout line at the grocery store. Does Adventist education prepare us for generous service to the church and society, as indicated in the mission statement of Andrews? This year's theme will focus on mission, providing opportunity to ponder this concept and celebrate with those who have served as student missionaries and task force workers.

Special reunions for student missionary and task force workers, library staff, and Hinsdale/Andrews allied health and medical technology graduates are planned.

Visit with old friends and make new ones, see what has changed on campus and what hasn't, and be a part of both the traditional and new festivities. For more information, call (616) 471-3591 or see us on-line at [www.andrews.edu/alumni/events](http://www.andrews.edu/alumni/events).



**Horse-drawn trolley tours of the campus are a favorite Sabbath activity during alumni weekend.**



## YOUTH NEWS

### Illinois Academy Students Discover ADRA

**Illinois** — *Illinois Conference youth, led by Frank Kean, Elmhurst Church pastor, simulated the pathos of the Adventist Development and Relief Agency's ministry to people experiencing global trauma during an ADRA focus weekend at Broadview Academy in December 1999. Broadview Academy sophomore, Harvey Ward Kibble IV, age 15, reports his impressions:*

The ADRA weekend was a lot of fun for everyone. Upon entering the gymnasium, we were each issued a cardboard box and a cup. It was up to us where and how we set up our boxes. We saw how hard it is for homeless people to survive. We still had it much easier than the homeless, because we were ensured a constant supply of water and our boxes were out of the rain.

Next, we established colonies or cities in groups of three or more. Once this was complete, we chose leaders and were issued our group's ADRA biscuits.

We watched very interesting movies about the ways ADRA is helping in many countries. When the movies were over, we were told we could join in a mission trip, provided the proper funding was available. (I would love to be able to help all of those people if I had the money.)

On Saturday after church, everyone split up into three groups. One went to a retirement home, another visited a soup kitchen, and one group went out collecting canned goods and non-perishable items.

When we all returned, we divided up into groups, representing various countries' populations, and received crackers according to the percent of food available in that country. The people in each "country" shared the few crackers they had. It was sad in a realistic way, because some groups ended up with crackers to spare, or two for everyone, while other countries only had a fraction of a cracker for each person. We learned how poor some countries are in the world.

An exciting thing happened when simultaneously a siren sounded, and we had to drop everything and pray. This simulated a country being bombed during war. In another game we sat in a circle and were handed index cards. On each card was written an activity or a game kids like to play. If you got one of these cards you went out and played peacefully that day.

There was a bad side, however, to the game. Two of the cards read: "Bomb" and "Bomb." If you received a blue bomb, you lost a body part. A red bomb meant you were killed instantly. This demonstrated that in some countries many mines lie dormant from previous wars.

After the Sabbath ended, we headed toward the cafeteria

for our long-awaited supper. Since I was one of the servers, I knew what was going to happen. We served everyone vegetarian spaghetti with sauce, but in uneven portions. This upset many people, and the cafeteria became loud with complaints. Pastor Kean was illustrating that some people don't get as much food as others in this world.

Overall, I had a very fun and educational weekend—all thanks to ADRA.



*Illinois youth experience ADRA at Broadview Academy weekend.*

### Impact Toronto 2000

#### ***A Young Person's Guide to the Ministries and How to Get Involved***

While the General Conference convenes in Toronto, Ontario, this summer, between June 29 and July 8, young Adventists, aged 18–35, will have a chance to work with approximately 350 ministry-minded young people from around the world and the church's top leadership talents in innovative ministry.

**The Application Process:** Applications are still being accepted for delegates to IT2000. Fees are now \$300 per delegate. For an application, please contact your local conference youth director or go to the Center for Youth Evangelism's web site: [www.cfy.org](http://www.cfy.org).

**The Ministries and Some of the Leaders:** Impact Toronto 2000's (IT2000) organizers have remained open to suggestions from young adults, while the best ministry teachers are being recruited around the globe. As a result, some of the ministries have been revised since the official application was printed. As of Jan. 21, the list of Lake Union members who will be involved includes the following:

**Ron Whitehead** is the director of IT2000. Pastor Ron is the associate director of youth for the North American Division and is director of the Center for Youth Evangelism in Berrien Springs, Mich.

In the financial department, **Lyle Litzenberger** is the IT2000 treasurer. Litzenberger also works as treasurer for NADEL, the North American Division Evangelism Institute.



Another ministry leader is **Buz Menhardt**, former youth pastor of Pioneer Memorial Church at Andrews University. Menhardt created the highly-successful Fun Learning About God (FLAG) international summer camp ministry, and brings his energy and experience to Toronto.

**Barry Gane**, director of the Master of Arts degree program in youth ministry and a professor of youth ministry at the Adventist Theological Seminary at Andrews University, will be one of the coordinators for the Impact Your World Youth Rally.

Working with Gane is **Steve Yeagley**, the program director for the youth rally in Toronto. Yeagley has been very active with youth. He has worked with various bands on the Andrews campus and in other areas such as the university's freshman orientation program. He currently serves as the assistant director of enrollment at Andrews University.

**Wanda Vaz**, now in her fifth year as one of the women's deans of Lamson Hall at Andrews University, will be coordinating the praise team and musicians in Toronto. With a singing background, Vaz brings to this ministry extensive experience and love for what she does.

*Lynn Neumann McDowell, Impact Toronto 2000  
communication director*

## The eXtreme Team Looks Forward to Relaunch

YouthNet eXtreme, the touring revival ministry of the North American Division of Seventh-day Adventists is looking forward to redesigning its ministry. YouthNet eXtreme was launched June 1998 with a tour lasting until August 2000. In this time, the eXtreme Team has traveled all over North America, providing revival, ministry and leadership training, and support for local youth ministry. During this first phase of the eXtreme ministry, the team's ministry has received praise and affirmation, and its ministry has resulted in changed lives, baptisms, and changed youth groups.

Now, the eXtreme Team is looking to the future. With the end of phase one, the eXtreme Team will be relaunching and changing its emphasis. The eXtreme Team will expand its role from simply a revival team to an evangelistic/empowering ministry designed to work with the unchurched—public schools, youth crusades, evangelism, creative outreach—and to provide training for youth and young adults in creative methods for reaching the world.

The team will expand to a team of ten with a full musical group and drama troupe as a part of the team. The eXtreme Team is beginning to hire for the new season's team, which includes a drama director, music director, and a technical director.

The eXtreme Team will also be booking for the new season soon. For more information on booking, call (800) 968-8428; or e-mail [yne@juno.com](mailto:yne@juno.com)

*Brian Yeager, YouthNet eXtreme director*

## Congressional Resolutions Offend First Amendment

**Lake Union** — On leap year day, a resolution was introduced into each house of the U.S. Congress "condemning the discriminatory practices prevalent at Bob Jones University." The objects of these resolutions are the expressions of religious beliefs of racial segregation and anti-catholicism allegedly promoted on the campus of Bob Jones University.

While such beliefs are almost universally condemned (and should be), grave concern must be expressed when some members of the U.S. Congress seek to condemn constitutionally-protected religious practices. The government should not support institutions engaged in such practices, and in fact, Bob Jones University lost its tax-exempt status several years ago. But if government condemns religious beliefs of one minority religion because they are "against public policy," what prevents government from condemning other minority religions for breaches of "public policy."

There is no doubt that the motives behind Senate Concurrent Resolution 85 and House Concurrent Resolution 261 are political. The main sponsor in the Senate is the chair of the Senatorial Campaign Committee of one of the major parties. The resolutions seek to exploit and expand the recent controversy over appearances by candidates on the Bob Jones University campus during U.S. presidential campaigns. Both resolutions have been referred to the Judiciary Committee of the respective houses of Congress, and it is expected the resolutions will go no further.

James Madison said, "[I]t is proper to take alarm at the first experiment on our liberties." Attempted governmental condemnation of minority religious practices regardless of their offense to the majority is an experiment with our First Amendment freedom which we can not ignore.

*Vernon Alger, Lake Union public affairs/  
religious liberty director*

## Fifty Baptized in Green Bay

**Wisconsin** — The Lord has blessed the Green Bay Church with more than 50 new members courtesy of an evangelistic series conducted by Leo and Tammy Schreven. Delmar Austin, Green Bay Church pastor, reported, "These were lively, exciting meetings! Leo Schreven is a very exciting speaker."

The meetings opened in the Green Bay Church with 350 in attendance and continued strong to the end. "At this time, we have 51 baptisms, six joining the church by profession of faith, and six re-baptisms," said Pastor Austin. "We hope to see six more baptized from the meetings shortly."





**Fifty new members were added to the Green Bay Church as the result of public evangelism.**

Evangelism has not been an easy task in Wisconsin where people are slow to change habits of a lifetime and are "leery" of change. Some have said that public evangelism just doesn't work anymore.

In Green Bay, people have seen the Lord work in a wonderful way. "While winning souls for the kingdom was our primary goal, renewed confidence in public evangelism is an important side benefit of these meetings," said Pastor Austin. "It has boosted our confidence to know that if we do our part, God will bless."

## Architect's Plan Takes Shape for Illinois Conference Camp

**Illinois** — A prayerful dream cherished by Illinois church members was able to be visualized as the year 2000 dawned and architect Jeffery Braun took up his design instruments to draw plans for Akita, the conference's new youth camp/retreat center.

Located on 129 lushly-wooded acres near Peoria, Ill., Akita will hold a state-of-the-art superlodge, cabins for 120-150 campers, and a recreational vehicle park on the shores of a 25-30 acre lake, according to Illinois Conference President Wayne Coulter.



**Architect Jeffrey Braun (left) and Illinois Conference youth director, Larry Schneider (right), look on as David Freedman, Illinois Conference treasurer, signs the contract engaging the architect's services for Camp Akita.**

"We're full speed ahead developing Camp Akita," says Larry Schneider, Illinois Conference youth director. "Our goal is to welcome our first guests to the camp by the fall of 2000."

Schneider has overseen Akita's development since he joined the Illinois Conference last summer. "We praise God for Larry's ministry to the youth of our conference and for his leadership in bringing our vision for Camp Akita closer to reality," Coulter said. Previously, Schneider served in Texas as chaplain for Huguley Medical Center. He and his wife, Nancy, have two children, Michelle and Charlie.

*Kitty Evans, Illinois Conference education department secretary*

## Wisconsin Camp Meeting 2000

**Wisconsin** — Camp meeting in Wisconsin begins one week earlier than normal because of the General Conference session this year, but that just means that the blessings begin to flow down from heaven a little earlier. Camp meeting dates are June 9 through 17.

Featured speaker for the opening weekend is David Osborne, North American Division ministerial director. Osborne also pastors a congregation in Northern California while he bears his administrative responsibility. He will speak Sabbath morning and evening, June 10.

Delmer Holbrook is the retired director of Home Study International. He will hold a special seminar for retirees, "Living Your Adventism in the New Millennium." Holbrook is no stranger to Wisconsin since he graduated from Bethel Academy.

Roy Gane, associate professor of Hebrew Bible and ancient



**Among the guest speakers and artists to be featured at the Wisconsin camp meeting are (from left) David Osborne, Delmar Holbrook, Roy Gane, Walter Arties, and Walter Wright.**

Near Eastern languages at the Adventist Theological Seminary, will present a series each weekday on the sanctuary, entitled "Shadow and the Shekinah."

Dale Galusha, who works for *Signs of the Times* magazine in marketing and *Signs* world evangelism, will be the featured evening speaker from Monday through Thursday.

Walter Arties is the director of human resources for the Adventist Media Center in Thousand Oaks, Calif. He is also a gifted musician. Arties will present a gospel concert on the closing Sabbath afternoon.

Walter Wright, Lake Union Conference executive secretary, will bring our camp meeting to its finale with the closing



Friday night, Sabbath morning, and Saturday night meetings.

Many in Wisconsin will rejoice to visit with an old friend, Arnold Swanson, Wisconsin Conference president from 1988–1995, who will deliver the early morning meetings.

Please call (608) 241-5235 for reservations and information, or log on to [www.tagnet.org/wi-conf](http://www.tagnet.org/wi-conf).

*James Fox, Wisconsin Conference communication director*

## Taking the Spirit of Prophecy Seriously

**Michigan**—At 47 years of age, Jack Perera, of the South Flint (Mich.) Church, completed the 26.2-mile Detroit International Marathon on Oct. 17, 1999, after three years of training and

taking the Spirit of Prophecy seriously.

It wasn't an easy task to train for such an event. Three years ago, Perera was 55 pounds heavier and could hardly walk up a flight of stairs without losing his breath. He decided to allow the Lord to take control of his health, and he turned to the Spirit of Prophecy for guidance. "God's original plan for men and women" became an everyday theme for



*Jack Perera (front right) ran the Detroit International Marathon to test the benefits of following Spirit of Prophecy guidelines for healthful living. He won a medal for completing the race in only 5.5 hours.*

Perera as he began a lifestyle of eating fruits, grains, vegetables, and having plenty of exercise. Just prior to the marathon this past October, Perera worked his running routine up to 10 miles a day, 5 days a week. Perera wanted to check out the Spirit of Prophecy to see how good it was, and he vows he will stick to "God's guidelines" for life.

Because of the change in Perera's eating habits, his exercising, and his overall attitude in life, he has been able to witness to his co-workers about the Adventist health message. Perera is a math instructor at the Flint/Genesee Job Corps. He explains to his friends at work that he follows the biblical guidelines on diet and exercise. His co-workers are amazed at the energy he has at work and the enthusiasm he puts into his day. Perera is a living testimony of what God can do in our lives if we follow His guidelines for eating the right food and getting plenty of exercise.

*Todd Ervin, First Flint Church communication leader*

## WORLD CHURCH NEWS

### Adventists Join with Community to Help Build Marriage "Safety Nets"

**London, England** *Adventist News Network [ANN]*—Political and religious leaders in Britain are meeting to consider an innovative program designed to build strong marriages and reduce divorce rates.

Anglican and Catholic bishops, members of Parliament, and Seventh-day Adventist leaders are among the group that will discuss the so-called "Marriage Savers" program—an American initiative that has been credited with causing a one-third drop in marriage break-ups in two American cities.

"Marriage Savers" has been developed by an American couple, Mike and Harriet McManus, and is based on a system of mentoring within a church congregation. As Mike McManus explains, "an older couple in a strong, long-term marriage... is trained to be a 'mentor couple' to help other couples to be successful. Every congregation has such couples, but they have rarely been asked, inspired, or trained to come alongside another couple and be helpful."

Bernie Holford, family ministries director for the Adventist Church in the South England region, has spearheaded the implementation of the McManus' approach in Britain through his "Marriage Saver Congregation" training program for pastors.

The "Marriage Savers" summit is part of National Marriage Week and is aimed at developing new approaches to curb Britain's burgeoning divorce rate.

*British Union Conference News/ANN Staff*

### Victims of Flooding Helped by Adventist Aid Agency

**Maputo, Mozambique** *[ANN]*—Torrential rain and widespread flooding have killed hundreds of people in southern Mozambique and left an estimated one million homeless and without food. In response, the Adventist Church's international humanitarian arm—the Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA)—is providing food and emergency supplies to thousands of those affected.

"It could easily be another two months before the water recedes," says Curtis Hesse, ADRA Mozambique director. "In some areas, it is even still increasing from rivers feeding more water to the already flooded areas."

In response to a personal appeal from the Provincial Governor of Maputo, ADRA Mozambique is refocusing its efforts to the Xinavane region. "In a meeting with the governor, he made a special appeal to ADRA to provide assistance to this region," says Hesse. "This area is 140 kilometers (87 miles) north



of Maputo, where more than 28,000 people had their homes and all their possessions washed away and are stranded out in the open."

ADRA is airlifting food and essential supplies by helicopter and will distribute emergency kits—including blankets, cooking equipment, and mosquito nets—as soon as roads in the area reopen.

"ADRA staff members are already putting together long-term plans to help the affected areas recover from the destruction of their crops," Hesse adds. "Our rehabilitation efforts will include providing seeds and technical advice on restoring lost crops."

*Beth Scafer/ANN staff*

## Adventist Women Urge Action to Halt International Trafficking of Women

**Washington, D.C.** [ANN] — Seventh-day Adventist women have joined with others protesting the enforced labor and sexual exploitation of women and children around the world.

"The Seventh-day Adventist Church welcomes recent Congressional investigations into this kind of systematic abuse of women," says Ardis Stenbakken, Adventist Church spokesperson for women's issues. "As Christians, we believe in the God-given dignity and worth of every individual."

Stenbakken's comments come in response to a hearing by the U.S. Senate's Foreign Relations Committee's Near Eastern and Southern Asian affairs subcommittee. Evidence was given at the Feb. 22 hearing about women around the world who are being lured into exploitative employment situations by promises of money for their families or assurances of a better life in a new country. According to testimony, feeder countries for the slave trade include Albania, Ukraine, the Philippines, Thailand, Nigeria, and Mexico.

One witness at the hearing spoke of working six days a week, 12 hours a day, in the United States sex industry after leaving her native Mexico on the promise of work as a waitress in a restaurant.

"One of two methods—force or fraud—is used to obtain victims," says United States Senator Sam Brownback, chairperson of the subcommittee. "The most common method, fraud, is used with villagers in under-developed areas. We need a comprehensive policy to penalize the full range of offenses involved in the elaborate trafficking networks."

"There seems to be a low level of public awareness of this issue," says Stenbakken. "But with an estimated 1 million women and children worldwide forced into the sex trade each year, this is a significant social problem that needs urgent, concerted action from governments, humanitarian organizations, and religious groups."

"Raising awareness of this ongoing tragedy is an important first step," adds Stenbakken. "We must be the voice of those women who have been silenced through this degrading practice."

As part of its international education campaign, the women's ministries department of the Adventist Church has identified a number of critical challenges facing women around the world including illiteracy, poverty, threats to health, employment conditions, and abuse.

Stenbakken points out that one of the core goals of the women's ministries department is to raise awareness of those conditions which denigrate the value of women in society. She refers to the statement on abuse in the department's handbook that condemns "incest, child pornography, the selling of the girl child into prostitution, and early arranged marriages."

In an official statement of the world church, released in June 1995, Adventist leaders affirmed that "women are entitled to the God-given privileges and opportunities intended for every human being—the right to literacy, to education, to adequate health care, to decision making, and to freedom from mental, physical, or sexual abuse."

*Bettina Krause*

## Global Mission Launches New Concept in Evangelism

**Minneapolis, Minn.** [ANN] — Nearly 3,000 people attended the debut "One Night of Your Life" program in Minneapolis, Minn., on Sat. night, Feb. 26. A new initiative of the Global Mission office of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, "One Night of Your Life" aims to reach people in secular urban areas who don't attend church. Future programs are planned for North America, Europe, and Australia.

The program, held on the campus of the University of Minnesota, featured Mark Finley, speaker for the *It Is Written* TV program; Doug Batchelor, speaker for *Amazing Facts*; Danny and Linda Shelton, from Three Angels Broadcasting Network (3ABN); and recording artists Steve Darmody, Merrilou Luthas, Walter Arties, and Jennifer LaMountain. The program was also uplinked live on satellite by 3ABN.

"We were overwhelmed by the attendance," says Dennis Carlson, Minnesota Conference president. "Advertising for the program was almost totally from church members telling friends and neighbors. We estimate that about 2,500 Adventists attend church on any given Sabbath morning in Minneapolis. That means there were probably at least 700 people at the program who weren't Adventists."

"'One Night of Your Life' is all about helping Adventists share with their friends the amazing story of Jesus," says Mike Ryan, Global Mission director. "We recognize that people today are extremely busy, and many aren't willing to come out several nights a week to traditional outreach campaigns. This is a bridge-building program to the community, where the beauty of the gospel is portrayed through music and spoken word."

Other "One Night of Your Life" programs are currently being planned for Chicago and for Melbourne, Australia.

*Gary Krause*



## MILEPOSTS

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### WEDDINGS

**Julia E. Aitken and Allen J. Carey** were married Jan. 2, 2000, in Berrien Springs, Mich. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Boyd Olson.

Julia is the daughter of Jerry Aitken of Bangkok, Thailand, and Judy Aitken of Berrien Springs, Mich., and Allen is the son of Harlin and Shirley Carey of Janesville, Wis.

The Careys are making their home in Ann Arbor, Mich.

**Dawn R. Cox and Charles E. Martinson** were married Aug. 5, 1999, in Grand Rapids, Mich. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Ben Jansen.

Dawn is the daughter of Charles E. and Joyce E. Cox of Grand Rapids, Mich., and Charles E. is the son of Dan and Betty Martinson of Schoolcraft, Mich.

The Martinsons are making their home in Grand Rapids.

**Trisha E. Gallimore and Eric J.C. Ellison** were married Aug. 13, 1999, in Sun Prairie, Wis. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Steve Gallimore.

Trisha is the daughter of Steve and Charé Gallimore of Sun Prairie, Wis., and Eric is the son of James Ellison of Castle Rock, Colo., and Ginger Ellison of Berrien Springs, Mich.

The Ellisons are currently making their home in Yokohama, Japan.

**Heather D. Riggs and Brian W. Case** were married Dec. 26, 1999, in Chehalis, Wash. The ceremony was performed by Pastor John Riggs.

Heather is the daughter of John and Helene Riggs of South Bend, Ind., and Brian is the son of Ronald and Joan Case of Lacey, Wash.

The Cases are making their home in Loma Linda, Calif.

### OBITUARIES

**AFTON, Richard D.**, age 70; born May 10, 1929, in Grand Rapids, Mich.; died Jan. 1, 2000, in Grand Rapids. He was a member of the Grand Rapids Central Church.

Survivors include his wife, Sharon E. (La Fave); son, Richard L.; daughters, Kimberly E. Everett, Kimberly Givens, Katherine S. Price, and Amy L. Benedict; brothers, Clayton and Glenn; and 7 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastors Arthur Covell and Don Williams, and interment was in Sand Lake (Mich.) Cemetery.

**ASHTON, Marjorie D. (Nicola)**, age 93; born Sept. 11, 1906, in Stoneham, Mass.; died Dec. 25, 1999, in Buchanan, Mich. She was a member of the Pioneer Memorial Church, Berrien Springs, Mich.

Survivors include her sons, Nicola and Bruce; daughter, Rilla Taylor; 11 grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted in Ohio, and interment was in Walnut Grove Cemetery, Worthington, Ohio.

**CHAPMAN, Barbara (Rode)**, age 92; born Nov. 16, 1907, in Carney, Mich.; died Jan. 19, 2000, in Kalamazoo, Mich. She was a member of the Kalamazoo Church.

Survivors include her sons, Tom and Bill; daughters, Jean Miner, Audrey Corke, and Pat Piller; 10 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; and 4 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Michael Nickless, and interment was in Richland Township Cemetery, Vestaburg, Mich.

**BLACK, Cora Mae**, age 96; born Sept. 6, 1903, in Alma,

Mich.; died Oct. 11, 1999, in Howell, Mich. She was a member of the Williamston (Mich.) Church.

Funeral services were conducted by Michael D. Schneider, and interment was in Greenwood Cemetery, Fowlerville, Mich.

**COX, Joyce E. (Devries)**, age 61; born Jan. 7, 1939, in Grand Rapids, Mich.; died Jan. 22, 2000, in Grand Rapids. She was a member of the Grand Rapids Central Church.

Survivors include her son, Douglas A., daughter, Dawn R. Martinson; mother, Alberta E. (Roberson); sisters, Ardith K. Matthyse and Laverne R. Hells; and 3 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastors David Glenn and Greg Timmins, and interment was in Rosedale Cemetery, Grand Rapids.

**CRAVEN, Frances F. (Bunn)**, age 68; born Apr. 9, 1931, in Vinita, Okla.; died Jan. 15, 2000, in Plainwell, Mich. She was a member of the Mt. Pleasant (Mich.) Church.

Interment was in Two Rivers Cemetery, Mt. Pleasant, Mich.

**DANIEL, Ruby D.**, age 63; born Dec. 10, 1936, in India; died Jan. 23, 2000, in St. Joseph, Mich. She was a member of Pioneer Memorial Church, Berrien Springs, Mich.

Survivors include her brothers, William, Victor, George, Stephen, and Jacob Daniel.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Skip MacCarty, and interment was in Rose Hill Cemetery, Berrien Springs, Mich.

**DOLBEE, Neal**, age 88; born May 11, 1911, in Mason, Mich.; died Aug. 16, 1999, in Lansing, Mich. He was a member of the Charlotte (Mich.) Church.

Survivors include his wife, Evelyn (Bateman); son, Charles; 3 grandchildren; and 4 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor David Kobliska, and interment was in Greenwood Cemetery, Aurelius Township, Mich.

**DONOHUE, Dennes A.**, age 77; born Aug. 18, 1922, in Plymouth, Mich.; died Jan. 13, 2000, in Ann Arbor, Mich. He was a member of the Tecumseh (Mich.) Church.

Survivors include his wife, P. Yvonne (Wilkinson); sons, Michael D. and Robert E.; daughters, Peggy L. Wolfson and Kathleen Martinez; brothers, William and Joseph; sisters, Mable Standish and Marian Miller; 11 grandchildren; and 9 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor David Stramel, and interment was in Riverside Cemetery, Clinton, Mich.

**DUBOIS, Leland C.**, age 81; born Jan. 24, 1919, in Dowling, Mich.; died Jan. 26, 2000, in Battle Creek, Mich. He was a member of the Battle Creek Tabernacle.

Survivors include his son, Conrad L.; daughters, Juana D. Mercer, Gayla S. Metzger, and Susan M. DuBois; brothers, Kenneth and Francis; and 5 grandchildren.

Cremation services were conducted by Pastors Stan Hickerson and Charles Hanlon, and interment was in Dowling Cemetery.

**ELI, Helen**, age 84; born Jan. 17, 1915, in Girard, Ohio; died Sept. 25, 1999, in Garden City, Mich. She was a member of the Cherry Hill Church, Garden City.

Survivors include her brother, Samuel Elie; and sister, Ann Woolf.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastors Michael Doucoumes and Thomas Scull, and interment was in Hillside Cemetery, Belleville, Mich.

**ESTEPP, Betty A. (Horvath)**, age 53; born Aug. 29, 1946, in Detroit, Mich.; died Dec. 3, 1999, in Westland, Mich. She was a member of the Cherry Hill Church, Garden City, Mich.

Survivors include her sons, Roy, George, Edward, and Thomas; brother, George Horvath; sisters, June Farr and Rose Gonzalez; and 5 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Jason Crawford, and interment was in Parkview Memorial Cemetery, Livonia, Mich.

**FEKKEN, Wendy (Selig)**, age 40; born Mar. 14, 1959, in Muskegon, Mich.; died Jan. 27, 2000, in Shelby, Mich. She was a member of the Shelby Church.

Survivors include her husband, Dan; daughter, Danielle; father, Robert Selig; mother, Alice Selig; and brothers, Gary, Raymond, and Kirk Selig.





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**HAINES, Georgia M. (Wil-  
liams)**, age 88; born July 21,  
1911, in Martinsburg, Ind.; died  
Jan. 8, 2000, in Salem, Ind. She  
was a member of the Madison  
(Ind.) Church.

Survivors include her son,  
Chester "Lee"; daughters, Julia  
"Judy" Himmel, and Martha  
"Jean" Elliott; 10 grandchildren;  
10 great-grandchildren; and 1  
great-great-grandchild.

Funeral services were con-  
ducted by Pastor Mike Troxell,  
and interment was in Livonia  
(Ind.) Cemetery.

**HODGE, Larry E.**, age 63;  
born Dec. 14, 1936, in Holton,

Ind.; died Jan. 12, 2000, in  
Hamilton, Ohio. He was a mem-  
ber of the Irvington (Indianapo-  
lis) Church.

Survivors include his wife,  
Freda (Wyatt); sons, Daniel,  
Larry, and Greg; stepsons,  
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and Tippy Geurin; mother,  
Lucille (Robinson); brothers,  
George and Gary; sisters,  
Roberta Blackburn and Judy  
Richardson; and 12 grandchil-  
dren.

Funeral services were con-  
ducted by Pastor Gary Case, and  
interment was in Holton (Ind.)  
Cemetery.

**HAMBERGER, William E.**,  
age 75; born Dec. 21, 1924, in  
LaGrange, Ohio; died Jan. 7,  
2000, in St. Joseph, Mich. He  
was a member of the Pioneer  
Memorial Church, Berrien  
Springs, Mich.

Survivors include his wife,  
Ruth (Wagner); sons, Kevin and  
David; daughter, Joan Calfee; sis-  
ters, Helen Reisinger and Ramona  
Hastings; and 1 grandchild.

Funeral services were con-  
ducted by Pastor Dwight K.  
Nelson, and interment was in  
North Shore Memory Gardens,  
Hagar Shores, Mich.

**JAHR, Jerald F.**, age 62; born  
Apr. 27, 1937, in Dearborn,  
Mich.; died Feb. 13, 2000, in  
Battle Creek, Mich. He was a  
member of the Burlington  
(Mich.) Church.

Survivors include his wife,  
Kathy (Allen); son, Jerald Jr.;  
daughter, Melanie Warren; and 2  
grandchildren.

Funeral services were con-  
ducted by Pastor Oscar Montes,  
and interment was in Fort Custer  
National Cemetery, Augusta,  
Mich.

**LEFFLER, Elsie E. (Carl-  
son)**, age 95; born Jan. 24, 1904,  
in Jamestown, N.Y.; died Jan. 8,  
2000, in Niles, Mich. She was a  
member of the Pioneer Memorial  
Church, Berrien Springs, Mich.

Survivors include her son,  
Harold; 5 grandchildren; and 8  
great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were con-  
ducted by Pastors Victor Brown  
and William Richardson, and in-  
terment was in Rose Hill Ceme-  
tery, Berrien Springs, Mich.

**LOREE, Larry**, age 50; born  
Nov. 9, 1949, in Flint, Mich.; died  
Jan. 6, 2000, in Flint. He was a  
member of the First Flint Church.

Funeral services were con-  
ducted by Pastor Joel Nephew,  
and interment was in Gracelawn  
Cemetery, Flint.

**MERKEL, Louis E. Sr.**, age  
89; born May 26, 1910, in St.  
Louis, Mo.; died Jan. 3, 2000, in  
Bridgman, Mich. He was a mem-  
ber of the Village Church, Ber-  
rien Springs, Mich.

Survivors include his wife,  
Clara (Lerch); sons, Louis Jr.,  
Fred, David, Norman, and Phillip;  
daughters, Marilyn Wood and  
Deborah Leak; 17 grandchildren;  
and 20 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were con-  
ducted by Pastors Larry L.  
Lichtenwalter and Isias Santos,  
and interment was in Rose Hill  
Cemetery, Berrien Springs, Mich.

**PATON, Barbara (Davis)**,  
age 71; born Nov. 29, 1928, in  
Charlotte, Mich.; died Jan. 23,  
2000, in Olivet, Mich. She was a  
member of the Charlotte (Mich.)  
Church.

Survivors include her son,  
Michael V.; daughters, Diane S.  
Swift, Pamela R. Andrews, and  
Sheila J. Siefert; brother, Roger  
Davis; 12 grandchildren; and 15  
great-grandchildren.

Memorial services were con-  
ducted by Pastor David Kobliska,  
with private interment.

**PAULIEN, Kurt E.**, age 84;  
born Sept. 20, 1915, in Germa-  
ny; died Dec. 22, 1999, in Ber-  
rien Springs, Mich. He was a  
member of the Buchanan (Mich.)  
Church.

Survivors include his wife,  
Gertrude (Ludwig); sons, Daniel  
and Jonathan; 4 grandchildren;  
and 1 great-grandchild.

Funeral services were con-  
ducted by Pastor Sheldon D.H.  
Seltzer, and interment was in  
Mission Hills Memorial Gardens  
Cemetery, Niles, Mich.

**PETERSEN, Marie F.  
(Mickelsen)**, age 100; born Apr.  
13, 1899, in Crow Lake, Minn.;  
died Feb. 3, 2000, in Alma, Mich.  
She was a member of the Carson  
City (Mich.) Church.

Survivors include her son,  
Gordon; daughters, Lilly Wymer,  
Dorothy Strack, Sylvia Peterson,  
and Grace Lowery; sister, Anne

Gissel; 36 grandchildren; 67 great-  
grandchildren; and 9 great-great-  
grandchildren.

Funeral services were con-  
ducted by Pastor James Micheff  
Sr., and interment was in Payne  
Cemetery, Fulton Township,  
Mich.

**ROBERTS, Joan (Dunkel)**,  
age 75; born Sept. 24, 1924, in  
Norfolk, Neb.; died Jan. 10, 2000,  
in Langley, Wash. She was a mem-  
ber of the Pioneer Memorial  
Church, Berrien Springs, Mich.

Survivors include her hus-  
band, Bruce A.; sons, Jim and  
David; daughter Janean Kimball;  
sister, Mavis Werner; and 3 step-  
grandchildren.

Memorial services were con-  
ducted by Elder Joe Barnes, with  
private interment.

**RUSS, Lois L. (LeClaire)**,  
age 79; born Mar. 22, 1920, in  
Rhineland, Wis.; died Jan. 2,  
2000, in Rhineland. She was a  
member of the Rhineland  
Church.

Survivors include her son,  
Larry; daughter, Jan DeHorn;  
brothers, Jerry and Duane Le-  
Claire; 6 grandchildren; and 9  
great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were con-  
ducted by Pastor Kevin Ferreira,  
and interment was in Forest  
Home Cemetery, Rhineland.

**SAHLBOM, Rolf E.**, age 84;  
born Aug. 31, 1915, in Coral,  
Mich.; died Dec. 9, 1999, in Lake-  
view, Mich. He was a member  
of the Lakeview Church.

Survivors include his wife,  
Doris (Antor); son, John M.;  
daughters, Ruby Larsen, Linda  
Sahlbom, and Debbie Ogonowski;  
7 grandchildren; and 4 great-  
grandchildren.

Funeral services were con-  
ducted by Pastor David W.  
Gotshall, and interment was in  
Coral (Mich.) Cemetery.

**SCHWENCK, Evelyn C.  
(Wedin)**, age 89; born Sept. 7,  
1910, in Grantsburg, Wis.; died  
Nov. 30, 1999, in Rockford, Ill.  
She was a member of the Rock-  
ford Alpine Church.

Survivors include her hus-  
band, Walter H.; daughters,  
Elizabeth Davis and Mary  
Perlberg; sisters, Edna Pitts and  
Dagmar Burgess; 6 grandchildren;  
and 6 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were con-



ducted by Pastors Don Davis and Louis Fitting, and interment was in Scandanavian Cemetery, Rockford.

**SEVENER, Marion (George)**, age 98; born July 11, 1900, in Superior, Wis.; died Apr. 28, 1999, in Charlotte, Mich. She was a member of the Charlotte Church.

Survivors include her son, Keith; daughter, Janice Green; 5 grandchildren; and 5 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor David Kobliska, and interment was in Maple Hill Cemetery, Charlotte, Mich.

**SHAW, Horace J.**, age 90; born Apr. 19, 1909, in India; died Jan. 16, 2000, in St. Helena, Calif. He was a member of the Pioneer Memorial Church, Berrien Springs, Mich.

Memorial services were conducted by Pastor Dwight K. Nelson, and inurnment was in Rose Hill Cemetery, Berrien Springs.

**SHERMAN, Myrtle M. (McAvoy)**, age 89; born Feb. 27, 1910, in Richland, Wis.; died July 24, 1999, in Madison, Wis. She was a member of the Richland Center (Wis.) Church.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor David Scofield, and interment was in Richland Center Cemetery.

**SUTTON, Tresa (Ebel)**, age 95; born June 18, 1904, in Fredricksfeld, Russia; died Dec. 31, 1999, in Westmont, Ill. She was a member of the Troy (Mich.) Church.

Survivors include her son, Robert D.; sister, Gladys Ohlsson; 2 grandchildren; and 4 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Paul Yeoman, and interment was in Oaklawn Memorial Gardens Cemetery, Fishers, Ind.

**VANCE, Gale M.**, age 90; born Jan. 26, 1909, in Paulding, Ohio; died Dec. 9, 1999, in Berrien Springs, Mich. He was a member of the Village Church, Berrien Springs, Mich.

Survivors include his son, Gale B.; daughters, Verna Vance and Georgia Stanhiser; stepbrothers, Levi, Clifford, Duane,

and Lash; stepsisters, Joyce Laursen, Clydas Metzoiian, Barbara Harrison, and Judy Brockway; 9 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and 1 great-grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Larry L. Lichtenwalter, and interment was in Glendora (Mich.) Cemetery.

**VAN WICKLE, Wahneta S. (Soncrant)**, age 81; born Sept. 5, 1918, in Tecumseh, Mich.; died Jan. 29, 2000, in Niles, Mich. She was a member of the Pioneer Memorial Church, Berrien Springs, Mich.

Survivors include her husband, Max; daughters, Retha Kalka and Joyce Trail; brother, Lester Soncrant; 3 grandchildren; and 3 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by James Russell, and interment was in Rose Hill Cemetery, Berrien Springs, Mich.

**WHITNEY, Stewart L.**, age 66; born July 22, 1933, in Attumua, Iowa; died Jan. 21, 2000, in Battle Creek, Mich. He was a member of the Urbandale Church, Battle Creek, Mich.

Survivors include his wife, Rachel (Eslinger); stepsons, Mark, Norman, and Keith Irish; daughter, Barbara Danke; stepdaughters, Marsha Smith, Laura Sheets, Leona Petty, and Jeanie Kline; brothers, Kenny, Edward, and Robert; sister, Donna Whitney; 18 step-grandchildren; and 6 step-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Charles Hanlon, and interment was in Floral Lawn Memorial Gardens Cemetery, Battle Creek.

**WUTTKE, Joyce V. (Kneller)**, age 60; born Nov. 23, 1939, in Stoneham, Mass.; died Feb. 1, 2000, in Alma, Mich. She was a member of the Cedar Lake (Mich.) Church.

Survivors include her husband, Richard A. Jr.; sons, Richard III "Chip" and Fritz; daughter, Joya L. Cleveland; brothers, David, Benjamin, and Gerald Kneller; and 4 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastors Mickey Mallory, Paul Yeoman, and Jeff Freeman, and Elders Ray Davis, Ralph Williams, and Jim Danforth, and interment was in Mt. View Cemetery, Rural Retreat, Va.

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## ANDREWS UNIVERSITY

General information number:  
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### Event Calendar

**April 5-8**—The 2000 McElmurry Ethics and Society Lectureship: "The End of Life: Assisted Suicide and the Hospice Movement." University Towers Auditorium. For more information, call (616) 471-3444. A listing of session topics, speakers, and times is available on the "News and Events" page of the Andrews web site [www.andrews.edu](http://www.andrews.edu). **8**—Festive Evensong, Second Saturday Series, featuring the Andrews University Singers. 5:00 p.m., Pioneer Memorial Church (PMC). **8**—Gymnastics Home Show, 8:45 p.m., Johnson Gym. Theme: "By Beholding we Become Changed." Tickets for gymnastics extravaganza are \$3 each. For more information, call

(616) 471-3253. **10-14**—Week of Prayer, daily at 10:30 a.m., PMC, and 6:45 p.m. daily at Lamson Hall Chapel. Speaker: Jesse Wilson, senior pastor of Riverside (Calif.) Kansas Avenue Church, will speak on the theme "God Has Something More: Discipleship for the New Millennium." **14**—Lampfighter Vespers Service, 8:00 p.m., PMC. Dedication ceremony for outbound task force workers, student missionaries, and ADRA volunteers. **19**—Brown Bags and Books Discussion Group: *Angela's Ashes* by Frank McCourt. 12:30-1:20 p.m., Architecture Resource Center. **21**—Friday Festival of Faith: Easter concert featuring the Andrews University choirs under the direction of Stephen Zork. 8:00 p.m., PMC. **27-30**—Alumni Weekend: "Educated for Service." For information about this annual event, call the Andrews University Alumni Office at (616)

471-3591 or on-line at [www.andrews.edu/alumni/events](http://www.andrews.edu/alumni/events). **29**—AU Symphony Orchestra, 8:00 p.m., PMC. Guest conductor, Morihiko Nakahara. **30**—International Food Fair, 12:00-7:00 p.m., Johnson Gym.

**Poetry reading by Pulitzer Prize winner.** Poet Lisel Mueller, will make an appearance at Andrews for a poetry reading on **Apr. 25**, at 7:00 p.m., in PMC. Mueller is the author of seven collections of poetry. Her current work, *Alive Together: New and Selected Poems* (which won the 1997 Pulitzer Prize for poetry), is used in several poetry classes offered by the university. Following the reading, Mueller will sign copies of her book in the PMC Commons. For more information, call (616) 471-3169.

**Stroke Care Seminar:** The Changing Image will be held on the Andrews campus **Apr. 27-28**, sponsored by the AU physical therapy alumni association. This seminar will describe the parameters of good stroke rehabilitation and present methods for objective assessment of stroke rehabilitation outcomes, discuss state-of-the-art methods for interventions, and outline clinical pathways of care for stroke rehabilitation. For more information, contact Betty Oakley or Dave Village at (800) 827-2878.

**EMC Class of 1950 Reunions ... Reunion Apr. 27-30.** Plan to join classmates on Andrews campus for our 50-year celebration. Response has been great. Alumni office has great things planned, too. Conn Arnold is planning on you coming. If you like, plan to see Dead Sea Scrolls at Field Museum in Chicago. Contact Marty Anderson for details at (847) 498-0572; or e-mail [martyanderson@ameritech.net](mailto:martyanderson@ameritech.net).

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## LAKE UNION

**Offerings:** **Apr. 8**—Christian Record Services; **15**—Church Budget; **22**—Local Conference Advance; **29**—GC Session Special Project: "10/40 Window." **May 6**—Church Budget; **13**—Disaster and Famine Relief.

**Special Days:** **Apr. 15**—Literature Evangelism Sabbath; **22**—Education Sabbath. **May 6**—Community Services Sabbath; **20**—Youth Sabbath.

**All Lake Union academies alumni, attendees, and friends** are invited to the 11<sup>th</sup> annual reunion on Sabbath, **May 6**, at La Sierra Academy, Riverside, Calif., beginning at 10:00 a.m. Questions? Call (909) 799-8039 or (909) 796-8593. Potluck lunch, massed choir, and more.

## ILLINOIS

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Average Membership Basis		Conference			Increase (Decrease)	% Inc. -Decr.	Per 2000	Capita 1999
31-Dec-99	1999		2000	1999				
11375	11406	Illinois	494,514	442,061	52,453	11.87%	43.47	38.76
6118	5927	Indiana	421,990	468,916	(46,926)	-10.01%	68.98	79.12
23437	23039	Lake Region	517,389	291,003	226,386	77.80%	22.08	12.63
23635	23462	Michigan	1,787,332	1,739,846	47,486	2.73%	75.62	74.16
6374	6231	Wisconsin	410,838	428,413	(17,575)	-4.10%	64.46	68.76
70,939	70,065	Totals	3,632,064	3,370,239	261,825	7.77%	51.20	48.10
Tithe per Week			726,413	674,048	52,365	7.77%		

### 2000 Sunset Calendar

	Apr 7	Apr 14	Apr 21	Apr 28	May 5	May 12
Berrien Springs, MI	8:17	8:25	8:33	8:40	8:48	8:55
Chicago	7:22	7:30	7:38	7:46	7:53	8:01
Detroit	8:04	8:12	8:20	8:28	8:36	8:44
Indianapolis	7:14	7:22	7:28	7:35	7:43	7:50
La Crosse, WI	7:38	7:47	7:55	8:04	8:13	8:20
Lansing, MI	8:11	8:19	8:27	8:35	8:43	8:51
Madison, WI	7:31	7:38	7:47	7:55	8:03	8:11
Springfield, IL	7:28	7:35	7:43	7:49	7:57	8:04



## INDIANA

**Homecoming for the Elkhart (Ind.) Church will be Apr. 29** (not May 6 as listed in the Mar. issue). All former members are invited. For more information, call (219) 522-0372 or (219) 264-5879.

## LAKE REGION

**"The Lifestyle for the New Millennium"** health emphasis weekend seminar/cooking school will be held at the Shiloh (Chicago) Church **May 12-14**. Conducted by Thomas and Laverne Jackson, come learn how to preserve and/or restore your health. For more information, contact Shiloh Church (773) 224-7700 or Alleen Reese (773) 238-5646.

## MICHIGAN

**The 2000 Singles Retreat**, sponsored by the Michigan Conference family ministries department, will be held at Camp Au Sable on **Apr. 21-23**. For more information, call Michelle at (517) 485-2226, ext. 270.

**The Fremont (Mich.) Church annual homecoming celebration will be May 20**. Church service, 9:15 a.m.; Sabbath school, 10:30 a.m. Special guest speaker is Pastor Donald Williams. Potluck following, so bring dish to pass. Table service and beverage provided. Singspiration following potluck. The church is located at 51 W. Dayton, Fremont, MI 49412. For more information, contact Pam Kenney (231) 689-6563.

**The Frankfort (Mich.) Church** is planning a centennial celebration for Sabbath, **June 3**. If you have any information on Frankfort Church history, please contact Tom Smeltzer at (231) 352-9252 or twsmeltzer@benzie.com.

**Adelphian Academy** alumni homecoming, **June 9-11**, at Holly, Mich. The classes being honored are 10, 25, 40, and 50 year. The 50-year class is still trying to locate some of its members. Please contact Doug Wacker at (517) 675-7711 or by e-mail at doug3@voyager.net if you know the addresses for any of the following individuals: Donna Bell-Creager, Anna May Bush-Kretzell,

Robert K. Damon, Betty Germain, Kenneth Hughes, George Morse, Lorna Wagner.

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The posters on my wall remind me of Rock Shox, Tommy Hilfiger, Trek, dresses by Versace, and some old guy named Montana. Voices from every corner of my life entice me to add to my possessions. Dodge shouts at me to be "different." A lizard reminds me of Bud. A monster offers me a new job. Every important person on earth challenges me to slop my milk into a mustache. Friends are always whispering



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# PROFILES OF YOUTH



Charles Foote

**Charles J. Foote**, 18, is a senior at Battle Creek Academy (BCA). He has attended BCA for his entire thirteen years of school.

Charles (better known as C.J.) has compiled an impressive list of accomplishments during his high school years. He has held the class office of sergeant-at-arms in his sophomore and junior years, and he is currently the vice president of the senior class and actively involved in school functions. His academics are a top priority. Currently a member of the National Honor Society, C.J. has always been among the leaders in his classes.

In spite of the time required to maintain these levels of excellence, C.J. continues to practice in the intramural sports program and has captained the varsity basketball squad for the past two years. C.J. looks forward to attending Union College in Nebraska following his graduation in May.

**Stephanie Lallemand**, 17, is a junior at Battle Creek Academy (BCA). She has attended BCA since fifth grade. Stephanie was born in Annemasse, France, and moved to Berrien Springs with her mother, Coralie, in 1991.

Stephanie has been actively involved in the mission outreach programs since starting high school. As a student missionary she spent two weeks in the Philippines during her sophomore year, and she looks forward to returning to those islands this spring. In addition to mission service, Stephanie, who has been president of the religious activities committee for the past two school years, works closely with the staff in providing a positive atmosphere for the students and an uplifting message to the community.

Stephanie also enjoys the sports program and has been a member of the volleyball team since the sixth grade. In addition to this already full schedule, she is president of the National Honor Society and vice president of her junior class. She was class pastor during her freshman year and president in her sophomore year. Upon completion of high school, Stephanie plans to attend Andrews University and continue to share her gifts of witnessing and organizing with others.



Stephanie Lallemand

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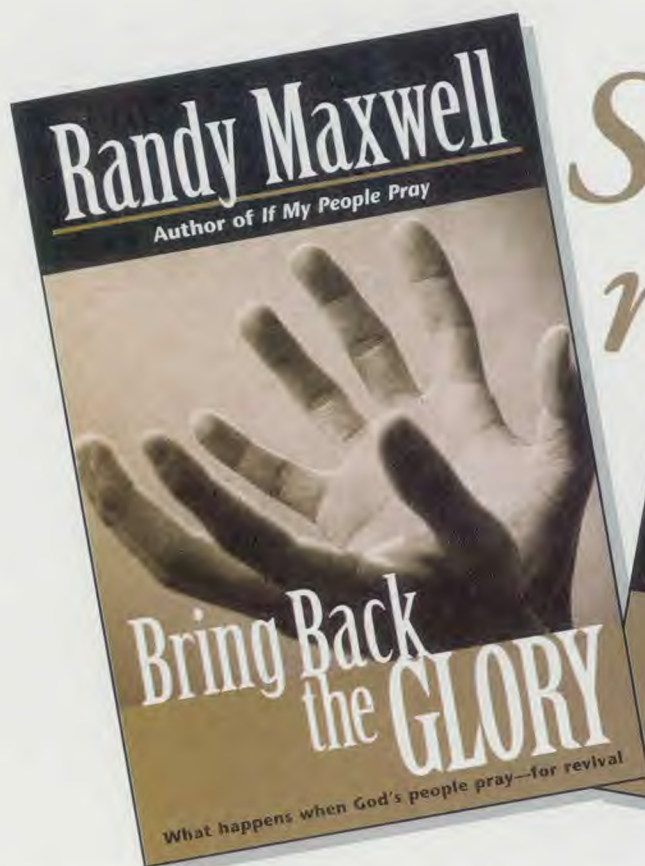
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