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OUR COVER: Many of "Jesus' little lambs" are pretty girls like this one, carrying baby brother or sister astride their hips. Read how you can help build "lamb shelters" for them (see pages 5, 8, and 9).

"GO, TELL IT TO THE WORLD!"

WILLIAM Miller was in deep distress. From an intensive study of the Scriptures he was convinced beyond the shadow of a doubt that Jesus would come in the year 1843. Now it was 1831 already. Only twelve years remained before the heavens would depart as a scroll, and Jesus would descend in flaming splendor to judge the world. And the world did not know! Miller found little comfort from the quiet witnessing he had already done. Every day the conviction grew that he must work publicly.

"Go, tell it to the world!" rang in his ears.

Like Moses, he was overwhelmed with a sense of inadequacy. "I can't, Lord," he insisted. "I am slow of speech. I am not eloquent."

"Go, tell it to the world!"

"But I'm a farmer. I've had no training to be a preacher."

"Go, tell it to the world!"

"But Lord, I'm fifty years old already. My health isn't too good. I could never carry such a burden at my age."

"Go, tell it to the world!"

In agony Miller rose from his chair and paced back and forth beside his desk. Finally he thought of a solution. "I'll go, Lord, if You will open up the way."

"What do you mean, 'open up the way'?"

"Well, if I should get an invitation to speak, I would accept it."

FROM THEIR SHOULDERS

Miller was glad that the struggle was over. He would go—if he got an invitation. "It's not very likely that anyone would call an old farmer like me to preach," he reflected. With a sigh of relief he sat down in his chair and relaxed.

He had not been there half an hour before there came a loud knocking at the door. Opening it, he found his nephew, Irving Guilford, with an urgent message.

"Uncle William," panted the lad, "our minister is away and the folks want you to come and talk to the people on the second advent of Christ. Tomorrow. All right?"

Miller was thunderstruck. "I rebelled at once against the Lord and determined not to go," he related afterwards. Without a word he turned and strode out of the house. Soon he found himself in his own private Gethsemane under the maple trees. "Oh God, release me from my promise," he begged.

"Will you make a covenant with Me and break it so soon?" the Lord seemed to say.



As a man of his word, Miller had only one answer. To refuse now would be to resist God. "Not my will, but Thine be done," he prayed at last. Peace flooded his soul. William Miller walked out of the grove a new man, charged with power for a mighty work.

As the family sat down to dinner that day, Miller no doubt explained his strange behavior to his nephew. Then the two of them set out on the sixteen-mile journey to the Guilford home in Dresden. The next morning saw the neighbors flocking to hear

A BROADER PERSPECTIVE

WE STAND ON THE SHOULDERS OF
THOSE WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE.

Miller speak. And the reticent farmer found to his joy that God never calls a man to a task without giving him the power to do it. "As soon as I commenced speaking, all my diffidence and embarrassment were gone, and I felt impressed only with the greatness of the subject," he wrote later. His presentation of the prophecies made such a tremendous impression that many wept, and all begged to hear more. After a week of nightly meetings, Miller had the joy of seeing all but two of the congregation find a new experience in Christ.

When Miller returned home he found another invitation awaiting him, this time from a Baptist minister who knew nothing of the Dresden meetings. And from that time on, the Lord "opened up the way" by sending more invitations than Miller could possibly answer. Under his powerful preaching a whole nation was warned, and thousands were converted to Christ.

* * *

Lord, I've heard Your call too, and how I've resisted it! How I've kept busy with everything else under the sun except my most important work! But even now I feel afraid. How do I know I can do what You're asking me to do?

"All My biddings are enablings."

My efforts in the past have brought very small results.

"As you work under My supervision, you will see great results." C.O.L. 388.

If only I knew how to talk to people!

"I will be with your mouth and teach you what you shall speak." Ex. 4:12.

I just wish You would go with me!

"Lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the world." Matt. 28:20.

All right, Lord. Here in my little Gethsemane I make a covenant with You. I'll go where You want me to go, dear Lord; I'll do what you want me to do.

—B.S.N.

*See L. E. Froom, **The Prophetic Faith of Our Fathers**, Vol. IV, pp. 482-488.

Are You an Andrew?



R. E. Finney, pastor
Balestier Road Church

Recently I had the privilege of baptizing a young lady into fellowship with Jesus at the Balestier Road Church. Though she had been in the Pastor's Bible Class for many months, I do not take the credit for her decision to follow Christ. You see, I know that some good Christian friends brought her to the class. Not only that, but they have brought her brother to Sabbath School as well. Through their consistent Christian witness and tact, they are leading people to Christ.

Someone has observed that there might not have been a Peter if there had not been an Andrew. Among the twelve disciples Andrew never stood in the center of the stage: he worked behind the scenes, quietly leading people to Christ. It was Andrew who brought the lad with five loaves and two fishes to the Master. It was Andrew who led the Greeks to Jesus.

None of us may ever be a Peter or a Paul, but we can be an Andrew, and Andrews are important. It is simple to invite someone to get acquainted with Jesus, and the results are so satisfying!

During many years of ministry in which I have conducted from one to three evangelistic crusades every year, I cannot remember one that ever failed IF the whole church worked together to bring people to get acquainted with the Lord. In such a situation God just will not let His people down. But you do not need to wait for a crusade. At any time you can invite your friends to attend Sabbath School and church.

Remember Andrew. "He first findeth his own brother Simon. . . **And he brought him to Jesus.**" John 1:40-42.

Pierson to Visit Southeast Asia Union



Robert H. Pierson
President
General Conference

Robert H. Pierson, president of the General Conference, will visit two missions of Southeast Asia Union during the month of November. He is scheduled to be in Kuching, Sarawak, on the 18th of November, and in Kota Kinabalu, Sabah, from the 19th to the 21st.

Besides being the author of 16 books and numerous magazine articles, Elder Pierson is an active evangelist. He sets an example for all workers by holding at least one major evangelistic crusade every year on top of his heavy administrative duties.

Heald is New Union Medical Secretary

ROGER Heald, M. D., recently arrived in Singapore to be the Union Medical Secretary and specialist in internal medicine on the staff of Youngberg Memorial Hospital. Dr. Heald has just completed work on his Master's Degree in Public Health at Loma Linda University with a major in Church Health Education.

Dr. Heald graduated from Loma Linda University School of Medicine in 1948 and interned in Schenectady, New York. He then took a residency in internal medicine at George Washington University Hospital in Washington, D.C. He served two years in the Army, spending time in Korea and Japan. In 1957 he married Jean Campbell, and the following year they came to the Far Eastern Division, where they spent five years in Taiwan, followed by five years in Hong Kong. Dr. Heald was instrumental in starting our hospital there at Tsuen Wan and was first administrator of the hospital. Their last post in the Far East was in the Philippines, where Dr. Heald was the Union Medical Secretary.

While in the Philippines Dr. Heald helped develop health education materials and visual aids for use by physicians as they seek greater effectiveness as medical evangelists. He plans to continue this work as Medical Secretary of this Union.

We welcome Dr. and Mrs. Heald and their children, David and Susan, to Southeast Asia Union.



Dr. and Mrs. Roger Heald and their children, David and Susan.



Singapore Bible Correspondence School receives citation for excellence. Chester Damron presents it to Beth Coffin.

Bible School Receives Citation

THE Singapore Bible Correspondence School recently received the Certificate of Honor and Merit, with an "A" rating, from the Radio and Television Department of the General Conference.

In part it read, "In recognition of outstanding efficiency of operation and successful service to evangelism this **Certificate of Honor and Merit** is awarded."

The Singapore Bible Correspondence School was inspected last October, 1970, by Pastor Walter R. L. Scragg of the General Conference and Pastor R. C. Williams of the Far Eastern Division.

At a brief ceremony held in the presence of Union and VOP personnel, Pastor Chester H. Damron, SAUM Radio-TV and Ministerial Secretary, presented the certificate to Mrs. Beth Coffin, assistant director of the Singapore Bible Correspondence School.

—**B. U. Donato, P.R. Secretary**
Southeast Asia Union

News Notes

* **Dr. & Mrs. Jark Lau** and family have returned after an absence of three years. Dr. Lau completed his doctoral program in Southhampton and is now connected with the Polytechnic. Mrs. Lau, the former Alice Wong, teaches music in government primary schools.

—**Maggie Tan**



INNOVATION. The very first lamb shelter in the Far Eastern Division was built in Togop, Sabah. This is how it looked on the day of its dedication in March of 1967.

New Lamb Shelters* Planned

THE evangelistic theme of the Southeast Asia Union is "100 for Christ Evangelism." In line with this theme, our five missions have accepted the challenge to build 100 more lamb shelters during 1971-72. The Union Sabbath School Department is to supply the financing for the buildings, and the mission and local church members will supply the labor in erecting them.

Pastor M. Gaban, Sabbath School Secretary of Sabah Mission, and his fellow church members are actively engaged in building 40 lamb shelters right now. Pastor Richard Hall has just returned from furlough with his nephew, Ray Hall, a third year Walla Walla College student, who will be spending a major portion of his time for one year in erecting 40 or more lamb shelters in Sarawak. In Vietnam, where our mission has baptized 156% of its baptismal goal for the first half of the year, a strong interest has been shown by our Montagnard pastors in building a number of lamb shelters in the mountains of South Vietnam. Thailand has written requesting permission to build lamb shelters at the new tribal center being erected for work among the animist Meo people of Northern Thailand.

Where will the money come from to build these lamb shelters? You can help in this faith venture by giving liberally this Thirteenth Sabbath, when the overflow will help build lamb shelters throughout the entire Far Eastern Division.

*A "lamb shelter" is a simple wooden structure where the children can meet for Sabbath School. Many village churches have no place for the children to meet, hence the need for "lamb shelters."

Angels Protect Our Lamb Shelter

AH Djun is the pastor of a small district in Sabah where we have a lamb shelter. The village chief, Ah Dwan, had given our Adventist people permission to build a lamb shelter on some of his property, but later he decided to become a Muslim so he could receive help from the government in developing his land. Then he regretted having permitted the Adventists to build their lamb shelter right in the middle of the property he wanted to develop.

He and some of his villagers came to our people and said, "You must tear this lamb shelter down!" Some of our members were frightened, but Ah Djun is not easily frightened. He refused to tear down the lamb shelter.

"We will come back. You must tear this church down before we come back!" threatened the chief. One night some of the villagers, under the chief's direction, slipped into the lamb shelter with their parangs and hacked and chopped at the pulpit and the posts of the building. This damage made our people very sad, but still they would not tear the building down. The chief and his villagers continued to threaten and harass them.

Not long after that, Ah Dwan, the chief, was walking by the lamb shelter on his way home from a drinking party. He stopped and looked at it, thinking angrily to himself, "Ah Djun still hasn't torn this building down. How dare he defy me like this! I'll tear it down myself!"

Suddenly he saw a great giant, dressed all in white, standing in front of the lamb shelter. Ah Dwan began to tremble and shake. He thought he had been drinking too much. He ran home as quickly as he could.

At home, he gasped to his wife and son, "I just saw a great giant in front of the Adventist church!" The boy hurried to see for himself. The tall being was still standing there. Then the wife had to go and see. She ran to the church. There stood a tall giant, dressed in white. Her husband had been right! Before she could move, the giant spoke in her language. "Tell your husband not to bother this church. I am watching it. The Adventists are good people." Then the wife began to tremble and shake. She ran home and told her husband what the giant had said.

The next time Ah Dwan saw Ah Djun he said, "I'll never say anything against you again. You have a great giant watching over your church." And he told Ah Djun the story of what had happened.

When I saw this simple lamb shelter I was utterly amazed that God would protect such an insignificant building as this. Wouldn't it be wonderful to have our eyes opened so that we could see the angels that surround each Adventist church?

—Robert B. Grady,
Sabbath School Secretary,
Southeast Asia Union

NEWS FROM THE MISSIONS



SABAH

Wilcox New President of Sabah Mission



Wendell Wilcox
President
Sabah Mission

ELDER Wendell Wilcox arrived in Sabah from Korea the latter part of September to assume the responsibilities of President of the Sabah Mission. Mrs. Wilcox and Deborah accompanied Elder Wilcox and sons Paul and Daniel are attending Far Eastern Academy. Their elder daughter, Wendalyn, is in the United States attending Pacific Union College. Elder and

Mrs. Wilcox are both graduates of Pacific Union College and he later received his M. A. degree from Andrews University.

Elder Wilcox is not a newcomer to the Far East. He was born in Hong Kong to missionary parents, and the family was interned in a prison camp in the Far East during the second world war. Elder Wilcox accepted a mission appointment and came out to the Far Eastern Division again as a missionary to Indonesia in 1954. He served as a pastor evangelist and Union Publishing Secretary before becoming Union President in 1962. He served in this capacity until December, 1967, when he accepted the appointment to be the Korean Union President, which post he filled until accepting the position as President of the Sabah Mission.

We are very happy to welcome the Wilcox family to our Union where he is already giving strong leadership to the Sabah Mission. The Malay language is very similar to Indonesian so Pastor Wilcox is able to carry on the work fluently in Malay, which is greatly appreciated by the members. We know the Lord will bless Pastor and Mrs. Wilcox and the Mission under his able leadership.

—R. I. Gainer, Treasurer
Southeast Asia Union

VBS and Evangelistic Effort Held Jointly

ONE hundred and fifty bright-eyed, enthusiastic youngsters enrolled in the first Vacation Bible School held in connection with public evangelistic meetings at the Kapa church, July 5-17. Pastor M. Gaban, Sabbath School and Lay Activities Secretary of the Sabah Mission, conducted the evangelistic meetings, while the Vacation Bible School was directed by Miss Nony Sha'ah, Sabah Mission Child Evangelism Secretary, assisted by Mrs. Patrick Godwan, wife of the district pastor, and five teachers.

Three-fourths of the children attending the VBS were from non-Adventist homes. Sessions were held daily as well as during the night meetings. Some feared that there would be problems in holding the Sabbath sessions because the games and crafts would be omitted, but the attendance was very good and the children enjoyed the song service and regular opening exercises. During church on the second Sabbath they practiced their parts for the graduation program. Then Mrs. Godwan told them the story of "The Kindest Man Who Ever Lived on Earth," to which they listened with rapt attention.

That afternoon the children all returned, many with their parents, for the graduation exercises. It was a most thrilling experience for the entire church, as well as the students. As a result of this Vacation Bible School, many children are now attending Sabah School, and church members are planning to build a new lamb shelter, possibly out of cement block, to take care of the increase in attendance.

—Miss Nony Sha'ah
Child Evangelism Secretary
Sabah Mission

Family Forsakes Heathenism

ONE Sabbath morning a heathen man and woman and their five small children entered the Seventh-day Adventist church at Putah, Sarawak. Pastor Sapok, the district leader, had been visiting the family and knew of their interest, but this was their first Sabbath at church.



Pastor and Mrs. Sapok remove ornaments from a woman forsaking heathenism.

For some time this family had been observing people belonging to the different churches in the area, and when they saw how much happier and healthier the Adventist people were they decided to give up heathenism and join the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Now, on their first Sabbath in church, they told the pastor that they had already left the heathen longhouse and built their own hut, much to the scorn of their former neighbors in the long house. The wife started to remove the beads from around her neck, but the pastor suggested that they return in the afternoon for a special ceremony of removing her heathen ornaments.

That afternoon, before a large crowd of church members, Pastor Sapok and his wife began removing the woman's necklace, earrings, bangles around her arms and ankles, and a heavy brass band around her waist. After all her ornaments had been taken off, she was given a lovely blouse and sarong to wear. Already she looked like an Adventist woman. Her husband was happy to see her looking so nice. Then he was given a clean white shirt, donated by Elder Robert B. Grady of the Southeast Asia Union, who was present for the happy occasion.

When asked if these people were likely to revert to heathenism, the pastor replied, "Absolutely not! These people will never exchange their new experience for the old." Newcomers are not baptized until they have been coming to Sabbath School for at least a year. Our church in Putah now has 179 baptized members and over 300 Sabbath School members. Nor is it content to confine its efforts to its own village: organized only eight years ago, it has reached out to start branch Sabbath Schools and new churches in four surrounding villages.

Thank God for this light in the midst of the darkness of heathenism and for the precious souls reclaimed from the devil.



Kuching Young People Invested

DURING the recent visit of Pastor B. U. Donato, director of youth activities for the Southeast Asia Union, an investiture service was conducted in the Kuching church. Of the fifteen young people invested, three received their Master Guide pins. Certificates were presented to 25 who had completed the church heritage course during the recent Bible Conference camp, and 35 students of Sunny Hill School received "Bible Says" certificates.

The highlight of the service came when Brenda Tan was awarded the "Tell Twenty" pin for enrolling 400 Voice of Prophecy students during the past eight



Young people of the Kuching church receive recognition for M.V. and soul-winning activities.

months. Brenda, a student of the secondary school in Kuching, is an active member of the Missionary Volunteer Society.

"I love the lessons learned from the Voice of Prophecy, and I enjoy sharing the blessings with others," she said, smiling, after receiving her pin.

The young people of Kuching church have chosen as their aim this year saturating Kuching with our literature and tracts. So far they have covered most of the housing areas, with 13,000 magazines distributed and over 1000 Voice of Prophecy enrollments. Praise God for this mighty army of youth!

—Jonathan Ng, Pastor
Kuching SDA Church

First Bible Conference Camp in Kuching

KUCHING'S first Bible Conference Camp was conducted recently at the lovely beach of Sarawak Bako National Park, with 45 campers attending. Courses were offered in church heritage, leadership, music, hiking, and swimming. Bible discussion sessions gave campers an opportunity to widen their knowledge of the Word of Life.

The climax of the camp took place on Friday night as camp pastor Jonathan Ng presented a challenge for consecration and greater service. Each camper was given time to express his thanks to God and relate his experience of conversion. To close this solemn occasion each camper stepped forward with a candle in his hand to be lighted by the pastor, signifying his willingness to be a lightbearer of the gospel.

Spiritual revival was felt among the campers. One of them remarked, "This is the most spiritual moment that I have ever experienced. I feel myself very close to the Saviour."

—W. F. Choo
Camp Director

Thirteenth Sabbath



GRAND OPENING. The new Hong Kong Adventist Hospital was officially opened May 4, 1971. The 170-bed building is the first circular structure in the city dedicated to medical work.

DURING the fourth quarter of 1971, special attention is focused on the Far Eastern Division, the field which will receive the overflow of the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering. The steaming jungles of New Guinea, Borneo, and Sumatra and the modern sophistication of Djakarta, Singapore, and Tokyo are encompassed in the Far Eastern Division. The gospel program must be flexible enough to reach all of these areas, and this flexibility is illustrated in the three projects which will benefit from the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering overflow to be taken in our churches around the world on Sabbath, December 25.

In Hong Kong, one of the most cosmopolitan and sophisticated cities of the Orient, stands a new 150-bed hospital, part of a larger medical program which includes another 150-bed unit already operating in the industrial area of Hong Kong. The new hospital is designed to offer first-class medical care in accommodations to meet the needs of patients from even the highest level of society. Most of the funds needed have been raised over a ten-year period by a public solicitation program. This Thirteenth Sabbath Offering overflow will help complete the project and furnish and equip the rooms.

Vast areas of the island of Borneo are almost inaccessible and still largely untouched by modern progress. Borneo's people, almost ten million, live mainly along the rivers and can only be reached by slow river boat.

Our work has made only a small beginning in the Indonesian part of Borneo; we have no academies, no colleges, no hospitals, no launches, and no airplanes. Yet today is the day of opportunity. Other churches are reaping a great harvest of souls in this



LAUNCH. The mission launch to be purchased with funds donated on Thirteenth Sabbath will carry doctors and nurses to the river people of Indonesian Borneo.



GOOD NEWS. Waterways are about the only highways existing in Borneo, and a launch operating on these waterways will have access to communities otherwise inaccessible. Thus the news of salvation can be brought to thousands more by literature evangelists, mission workers, doctors, and nurses.

"PHARMACY." This village medicine girl is likely to be out of a job once the Adventist mission has enough funds to operate a launch in her area. But she and her people will then be able to have reliable, professional medical care for the first time in their lives.



Offering Goes to Far Eastern Division

vast island. With funds from the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering overflow a new launch will be purchased to work on the Mahakam River in the East Kalimantan Mission. The launch can be used to transport colporteurs and their book supplies, bring medical help, and carry evangelistic workers and equipment. Based at Samarinda, the provincial capital, where there is a Seventh-day Adventist church, the launch can make regular trips to encourage our believers, enter new areas and provide medical aid.

Perhaps the most neglected group in our work in the Far East is the children. There are hundreds of churches which have no place for the boys and girls to meet for Sabbath School. If they do try to meet outdoors, there is no shelter from the hot tropical sun or the sudden frequent downpours of rain. More often, they sit or play restlessly at their parents' sides, receiving no spiritual food.

The "lamb" entrusted to our care by Jesus need "lamb shelters" where they can be told the wonderful story of redemption in language they can understand. The growth of our church tomorrow is dependent on our feeding the lambs today. Requests are pouring in from all over the Far Eastern Division for help in erecting lamb shelters. Costing only a few hundred dollars to construct, they have brought great enthusiasm to those churches where they have already been built. The Thirteenth Sabbath Offering overflow will make possible the addition of a large number of new lamb shelters throughout the Division.

Won't you join with Sabbath School members around the circle of the world in giving a **sacrificial** offering on December 25 so that the work of God can advance in this great Far Eastern Division?

NEGLECTED. While their parents attend worship services of their own, the little folks in the Far East are often neglected. They must either attend their parents' services, or meet out of doors. These boys and girls, Jesus little "lamb," need a place of their very own in which to worship Him.



UNSHELTERED. These boys and girls in Borneo meet out under the trees for Sabbath School every week. Your offering on Thirteenth Sabbath will help provide a lamb shelter to protect them from the rain and sunshine.



LESSONS. These older boys and girls in Sabah are diligently studying their Bible lessons in their new lamb shelter.



LISTENING. The story is being told to the children, but notice how the older folks are hanging in over the walls to catch every word! This picture shows that lamb shelters in the Far East are neither expensive nor elaborate. But they meet the needs of the children adequately, and many more of them are needed throughout the Division.



High Rise Estates Challenge Churches

AN Adventist looking at one of Singapore's high rise estates is likely to groan; The cities are high and walled up to heaven—how can we conquer them? One building alone may contain from two to three thousand people; one estate may consist of a hundred such buildings. How can the people there be reached with the Message?

The Balestier M.V. Society accepted the challenge of the high rises, especially when they learned that Singapore's largest estate, Toa Payoh, has among its inhabitants 250 Voice of Prophecy interests. The Society planned a Voice of Youth effort to begin on July 31. One week beforehand forty Balestier youth and adults made a heroic effort to reach the 250 VOP students and present them with invitations for the meetings. In two hours' time they contacted over 170, giving them not only attractive invitation cards, but also the promise of free bus transportation to and from the meetings. The cards would serve as bus tickets.

Although the results were not as large as hoped for, yet twelve to fifteen of these people have been coming regularly to the Voice of Youth meetings, enjoying the lively doctrinal presentations and special music. Now that they feel at home in the M.V. Society, they will be invited to attend Sabbath School and church as well.

The Balestier M.V. Society has made a good start and come up with original ideas on how to work in the high rises. (The faithful young people who trudged up the stairs week after week giving out Bible lessons should also be commended.) But the work has only begun, even among the 250 interests of Toa Payoh. Who has a bold new strategy for working in Singapore's high rise estates? Send your ideas to:

Editor, **The Messenger**
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Singapore, 13.



A Singapore housing estate, with over a hundred such buildings, presents a challenge to the church.



New Malaya Mission Headquarters in Kuala Lumpur.

Malaya Mission Has New Headquarters

THE Malaya Mission now has its own headquarters building after having been housed for years in some back upstairs rooms of the Kuala Lumpur church. The former pastor's home behind the church has been completely remodeled to provide over 1,700 square feet of office space. Not only are the mission workers delighted to have adequate and attractive work space, but the church members are happy to be able to use the rooms in their church for Sabbath School departments. Now they are inspired to remodel and redecorate their church to make it more attractive and functional.

Manager for PAH Arrives

BROTHER Vernon Small and family, wife Margaret J. Small and sons Barry and Gregory, were given a VIP welcome at the Bayan Lepas airport by a group of employees from the Penang Adventist Hospital. Brother Small was hospital administrator for the Menard Hospital in Texas before he answered the call to be business manager of the Penang Hospital.

The picture shows Brother Small standing behind the welcome banner, with the medical director, Dr. Samuel Ketting, at his right.



The PAH staff welcomes Vernon Small and family at the Penang airport.



Mr. Harun brought 36 students to evangelistic meetings.

Young Man Brings Students to "Word of Life" Meetings

A YOUNG man who recently became interested in the church canceled his evening tutoring classes so that he could bring his students to the "Word of Life" meetings held in the Telok Anson Indian church, August 7-20. Mr. Harun and his 36 students attended every meeting.

Though not yet a church member, Mr. Harun has a strong desire to share his faith. His first contact with the church came when young people's meetings were organized in the Telok Anson church in July, 1970, with the help of Pastor Wong Yew Seng, M.V. Secretary of the Malaya Mission. Through the friendship of the other young people and the pastor, Mr. Harun began attending, and quickly became so convinced of their value that he has never missed a meeting since.

—Pastor P. Benjamin,
Telok Anson Indian Church

Twenty-four Baptized in Chinese Church

PASTOR Joshua Chong conducted a three-week effort in the Singapore Thomson Road Chinese Church from August 8 to 29, followed by three weeks of Bible studies. The church members and the San Yu High School teachers worked closely with the pastor, with the result that 24 were baptized into the church on September 25. The new members include three school teachers, one university student, seven pre-university students, six secondary school students, and six other adults, several of whom are Voice of Prophecy Bible School graduates. A number of other interested persons are receiving Bible studies. Please pray for these new members and for those who are preparing for baptism.



Paul Grady sold Investment cookies while Robbie and Karmie Kopitzke raise Investment puppies.



Children Invest for Jesus

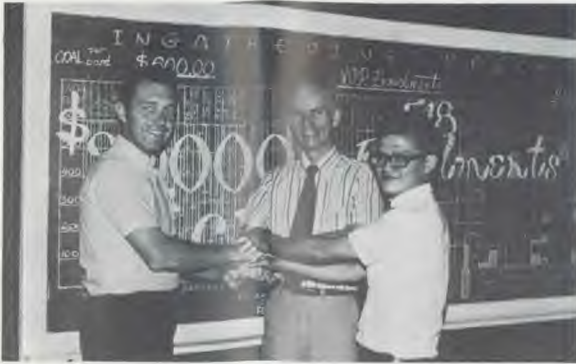
SIX-YEAR-OLD Randy Yeo from Los Angeles, California, decided to work for Jesus while visiting his grandparents, the K. T. Kongs and J. S. Yeos, this summer. By selling papayas and rambutans from his grandmother's trees, he was able to bring in an Investment offering of \$39.50.

Inspired by Randy's example, other college-church kindergartners started Investment projects. Gillian Khoo sold tomatoes and brought \$10.50. Paul Grady and his brother David, a junior, sold cookies baked by their mother and turned in \$28.50 for Investment. Robbie and Karmie Kopitzke hope to have a large offering from the sale of their Investment puppies. Other children earn money by doing chores around the house or helping neighbors. During the first three quarters of 1971 the kindergarden children have raised over \$200 for Investment.

Have you invested anything for Jesus? Why not try it and see how rewarding a partnership with the Lord can be?



Joshua Chong preaches as Wong Yew Seng translates.



Robert B. Grady, Union Lay Activities Secretary, and Pastors Ralph E. Neall and Sim Chor Kiat of the College Church join hands in victory.



With College President Daniel Tan they survey the victory chart—showing \$20,000 raised in one week.

Ingathering Victories in Singapore

"I'VE been converted and need to be rebaptized!" was the unusual statement made by a most enthusiastic Ingatherer, Elder Rodney Finney, former Wisconsin Conference President and now pastor of the Singapore Balestier Road Church.

Pastor Finney, who for years has faced extremely cold weather and many cold-hearted people during the Ingathering season in the United States, was thrilled to find a warm and generous response to the Ingathering plea from flat dwellers in Singapore. "I've never seen anything like it," said Finney. "These people are giving from one to 20 dollars, and what a joy it is to sign many of them up for the Voice of Prophecy Bible Course. This is really Ingathering! I didn't think Ingathering could be done here, but I've certainly changed my mind. I've been converted!"

Finney's words are being echoed by a giant corp of Ingatherers in the Singapore area. Pastors Ralph Neall and Sim Chor Kiat of the SAUC Church have had outstanding support from their members. These two men, with the assistance of the Lay Activities Committee, organized the church into 34 bands, each with ten members and a leader. Within five days the goal of \$15,000 had been reached, and when the victory potluck dinner was celebrated, one week after the campaign began, over \$20,000 had

been reported. Enrollees in the VOP Way of Life Course totalled 518. Perhaps the most thrilling experience was that of See Kwee Lan, a religion major at SAUC, who discovered the Ang family at one flat where she called. When Mr. Ang found that Miss See was an Adventist, he told her the story of how an Adventist neighbor had years ago prayed for his youngest son when he was sick. The boy had been given the best medical attention available, but doctors feared he would soon die. After the Adventists prayed for him, "God saved my son, Henry," said Mr. Ang.

On Sabbath morning, October 9, 12-year-old Henry and his younger sister attended Sabbath School and church for the first time. The next Sabbath, five of the six Ang children were present, and the parents plan to attend soon. We are reminded of that statement by Mrs. White that says, "Many are on the verge of the kingdom, waiting only to be gathered in."

At press time, Pastor Liklikwatil and his grand team of workers from the Dunman Road Church reported that they had just topped their goal and were pressing on for more. The Chinese Church, under the able leadership of Pastor Joshua Chong, is well on its way to victory, too.

Short, victorious, evangelism-oriented Ingathering crusades are always sweet, as demonstrated in Singapore this year. We praise God for His Spirit that went before the Ingatherers to prepare the hearts of the people to receive their appeals. One college lass summed it all up when she said, "Real happiness is working for God."

—Robert B. Grady,
Lay Activities Secretary
Southeast Asia Union



Henry Ang and his sister are attending Sabbath School as a result of See Kwee Lan's Ingathering visit to their home.

Better Living Center Planned

PLANS have just been released by Architects James Ferrie and Associates for a Better Living Center in Singapore. The building is expected to cost nearly S\$500,000, and will include a charity clinic, a health education lecture hall, and a health and welfare-disaster relief complex. The Center will be operated jointly by the Malaya Mission and Youngberg Memorial Hospital.

The building site has been donated by Youngberg Hospital and is situated on a strategic corner facing both Upper Serangoon and Aljunied Roads. Enthusiasm for this 16,000-square-foot Center is running high among Singapore Adventist Church members and non-members alike. It is hoped that sufficient funds from the public and various philanthropic foundations in Singapore will be in hand during 1972 to permit construction to begin before 1973.

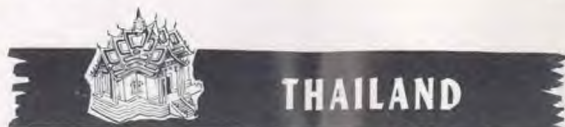
For over two years the Health and Welfare volunteers of Singapore have been without a building from which to operate, but soon they will be able to function again under much more effective circumstances than before. They will have a large work room, complete with well-equipped laundry, and display rooms for clothing to be distributed to those in need. A large disaster relief go-down will be used to store clothing and other emergency supplies so that teams of workers can be prepared to bring immediate relief to victims of disasters in Southeast Asia.

In the beautiful, modern Better Living Lecture Hall emphasis will be placed on educating all segments of society in how to live better and healthier lives. Clinics will be offered in such areas as Family Planning, Stop Smoking, Home Nursing, Drug Rehabilitation, and others. Cooking and sewing classes will also be among the varied courses taught there.

Another feature of the Center will be the charity clinic, staffed by volunteer Adventist medical personnel. At this clinic, the truly destitute of Singapore will be able to receive free medical attention by competent Christian doctors and nurses.

Your prayers and help are solicited for this worthy project which will be an entering wedge in bringing the gospel to more of Singapore's millions.

—Robert B. Grady,
Lay Activities Secretary
Southeast Asia Union



Assisting Palmer Wick (center) in evangelistic meetings were Pairat Ganchanageo, Dr. Roger Van Arsdell, Pastor Jun, and Bible worker Ampom.

"One Hundred for Christ" Evangelism in Thailand

FOR the year 1971 each Mission officer was given the challenge to hold an effort. Palmer G. Wick, President of the Thailand Mission, held an effort in Haad Yai, South Thailand, speaking in the Thai language each evening. The series of meetings was presented as a Better Living Crusade, with Dr. Roger Van Arsdell speaking on a related health subject each meeting.

Mrs. Artemio Elumir, wife of the hospital manager, was in charge of special music for the meetings and she prepared three special numbers for each meeting for the three weeks. Many of these were group numbers that took much practice.

These meetings were held in the Hokian Hall and many Chinese people attended. The average attendance was about 150, about 40 of whom were church members. At the last meeting, over 200 were present in the hall. More than 30 people did not miss a single meeting, and 50 received a Bible or other gift book as an award for attending 15 nights.

A baptism was held in the Haad Yai church, in a beautiful outdoor setting, at the end of the meetings, with nine persons being baptized. Pastor Jun Atagit carried on follow-up meetings in the church three nights a week and during this time another seven people have signed a decision card requesting baptism. We thank the Lord for his blessings during these meetings.



The new church school in Haad Yai.

Another Breakthrough in Thailand

LIKE the renowned bumble bee which, according to the laws of aerodynamics, can't fly, but does, another church school for Thailand, which a couple of years ago was thought impossible, now exists.

On September 1, 1971, the new Haad Yai Seventh-day Adventist Church School opened its doors to 35 eager boys and girls. Where six months before there was nothing but a rice paddy there now stands a beautiful new two-story concrete building with eight classrooms, completely furnished. How did it happen? To tell the truth, it didn't just "happen."

It all began when some of the church members in Haad Yai had a strong conviction that they ought to heed the counsels of the Lord to His Church to provide Christian education for their children.

"But how can we have a school when we have no money with which to build or operate? How can we expect parents to pay tuition when they can send their children free to the government schools? Besides, we could never get government approval." They decided that they had listened to these old arguments long enough. It was time to exercise faith in God's inspired counsels to the church and go to work.

Dr. R. C. Van Arsdell, medical director of the Haad Yai Adventist Mission Hospital and his wife had an idea. They believed there were friends who would help. "But first," they said, "we must find a suitable piece of land." Providentially they were led to investigate a site within easy walking distance from the hospital. Land values were high in this booming commercial city, but after prayerful consideration and consultation with the mission committee, they made arrangements to purchase the site. Almost immediately land values in the area tripled.

Setting an example of Christian liberality themselves, the Van Arsdells rallied the church to the project. Parents agreed that their children should have a Christian education and were prepared to support the school. Funds began to come in, some from unexpected sources. The excitement grew. But what about getting government approval, without which no school can be built in Thailand? Time was

running out. School was due to open in July, and they had only a few months in which to get ready.

Again the Lord directed the brethren. Through the hospital a friendly contact had been made with an important government educational official. Could he help? By now everyone knew it was too late to have the school ready in time. And in Thailand all schools must open at the same time.

"I have a suggestion," said the official. "Why not take these plans used by the government in building their schools, adapt them to suit your purposes, and see if we can get their approval for your school? In the meantime you can put up a temporary structure in which the children can have classes until the new building is ready." They followed his suggestion, and behold, the plan was approved! When it came time for school to open, the children were comfortably situated in the temporary structure. Two months later the new building was complete. The total cost of the entire project was US\$25,000.

Then came the celebration. What a day that was! The opening ribbon-cutting ceremony took place in the morning with a speech by the district governor. Honored guests included the American Consul for Southern Thailand, and the educational officer who had given such valuable advice. Pastor P. G. Wick, president of the Thailand Mission also spoke. Television cameras whizzed and that evening the school and its opening ceremonies were featured on the news program that went out to all Southern Thailand. Others on the program that morning included R. I. Gainer, Treasurer of the Southeast Asia Union Mission, Pleng Vitiamalaksana and J. W. Gepford of the Bangkok Sanitarium and Hospital; Pairut Kanchangeo of the Haad Yai Church and Hospital, and the writer.

Suwimol Thanerote is the principal of the new school. The teachers are Srivanna Ratanaskalwong, Vanna Sooksamat, and Sumrit Wongsaprome. Every child's parent is paying tuition, and an adequate budget for operation has been set up according to policy.

Although the enrollment is small at present, the school is expected to grow and become a strong



The first students of the new Haad Yai school.

base of elementary Christian education. The school has resisted the temptation to accept large numbers of outside students because they want to maintain a Christian environment for the children, who are mostly from Seventh-day Adventist homes. As the school grows it is expected to become a "feeder" for the secondary boarding academy which it is hoped will soon be established in Thailand in harmony with the true Seventh-day Adventist plan of Christian education.

This is the second church school for Thailand in two years. Phuket pioneered the way when it opened the first elementary church school in 1969.

It should be noted that the Bangkok Sanitarium and Hospital together with its daughter medical institutions in Phuket and Haad Yai has given strong support to the development of Christian education in Thailand. The mission president, P. G. Wick, has a long-range plan for the educational program, which also includes the two large mission schools in Bangkok and Ubol as well as the new Tribal Training Center now under construction on 50 acres of land near Chiangmai.

—F. H. Hewitt, Educational Secretary
Southeast Asia Union

Sabbath School Workshops Held

ROBERT Grady, Union Sabbath School Secretary, and A. V. Pangan toured the Thailand Mission during the month of August holding workshops and rallies in Haad Yai, Phuket, Vientiane, and Bangkok. Highlight of the trip was the visit to Vientiane, where a group of sixteen believers attended the workshop conducted in the home of the pastor, Angel Biton. Two pieces of land were inspected as possible sites for a church or lamb shelter.

The ten-day tour climaxed in a Sabbath School Federation meeting of the three churches of Bangkok.



The church members in Vientiane who attended the Sabbath School workshop.

First Sabbath School Federation in Southeast Asia

THE Bangkok Sabbath School Federation, first of its kind in the Southeast Asia Union, was organized during a Sabbath School Rally in the Bangkok Sanitarium church on Sabbath afternoon, August 7, 1971.

Elder R. B. Grady and Elder A. V. Pangan, Sabbath School Secretaries of the Southeast Asia Union and Thailand Mission, respectively, were present during the meeting. Elder Grady was the key speaker, challenging Sabbath School leaders to improve the Sabbath School program and organization so as to qualify for the "A" award. Special music for the Rally was provided by the Ekamai church choir.

The Bangkok Sabbath School Federation, involving all Bangkok Sabbath Schools, elected the following officers: John K. S. Lee, president; Nantje Twijnstra, vice-president; Romona Cavin, secretary; Royce C. Thompson, treasurer; Radjaiman Mamora, auditor; Feliciano Guitierrez, music co-ordinator; Mrs. John K. S. Lee, press relations officer.

The new Federation had its first executive committee meeting on August 28, during which the constitution was approved. It has been decided that the next "Federation Sabbath School Rally Day" will be held on October 30 at the Chinese church.

—Mrs. John K. S. Lee
Press Relations Officer

Pastor Palmer G. Wick on Thai T.V.

PASTOR Wick was recently interviewed in a 30-minute television program in the Thai language in Haad Yai, Thailand. The program was televised live and at a very good hour, 5:45 to 6:15 p.m. This is the only television station in Haad Yai and in South Thailand, so all who were watching TV that evening saw a 30-minute program about the beliefs and practices of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Boonlert Saisanit, who recently was a chaplain at the Haad Yai Mission Hospital, was the interviewer. He chose questions that brought out the contributions of the Adventist Church to Thailand in medical, educational, and spiritual work.

This television interview took place while Pastor Wick was holding an effort in Haad Yai so it worked out very well in advertising the meetings. Viewers were told that in two nights the film, "One in Twenty Thousand" would be shown at the meeting, and at least a hundred extra people came for that meeting.

The program was carried on in an interesting manner and enjoyed by many people of the city who mentioned seeing it, as well as our members in that area.

We thank God for this opportunity to place our beliefs in a favorable light before the thousands of people in Haad Yai.



SOUTHEAST ASIA UNION COLLEGE



Children with caps and diplomas display their crafts for parents to see.

College Students Conduct Bible School

STUDENTS from Southeast Asia Union College, under the direction of Sim Chor Kiat, assistant pastor of the church, conducted a Vacation Character-Building School from August 10 to 21, with over one hundred boys and girls attending.

Watching the children was almost as exciting as listening to the speakers. Their eyes and mouths opened wide as Bruce Kopitzke demonstrated his nature talks with real live animals, Beverly Robbie gave illustrated health talks, and a variety of speakers dramatized their stories. Arts and crafts, planned under the direction of Myrtle Fitzgerald, absorbed the children's interest, while outdoor games with Nelton Bingku and his helpers worked off their excess energy. As Michael Lim and James Lai led in song services, the children sang their hearts out.

The two Sabbath days that came during the session were especially planned for the children. They were brought right into the various divisions of the Sabbath School, causing an overflow attendance. Robert Grady and Ralph Neall preached character-building sermons especially dedicated to the children.

The week climaxed on Saturday night, August 21, when 98 children wearing graduation caps they had made themselves, received their diplomas. The program consisted of songs and Bible verses presented by the children. The juniors had a candle-lighting service as they sang, "This Little Light of Mine." The highlight of the program was "Only a Boy Named David," sung and acted out by the primary children. As little David (tiny Apisit Itsaringkan) whirled his sling, the giant (six-foot Gan Kum Chee) went tumbling to the ground.

The program was followed by a craft exhibit in the college library, with every child's work laid out

on tables. The parents who were present were very much impressed by what their children had learned and accomplished at the Vacation Character-Building School.

Most of the students came from non-Christian homes near the college and gathered their first impressions of the love of Jesus. Some had never seen a Bible before. Their response to the Saviour's love was inspiring.

A Branch Sabbath School is being conducted every Sabbath afternoon at the college to follow up the interest.

—See Kwee Lan

Science Teacher Marries

ALFRID Lim Moh Chuan, science teacher at SAUC, married Tan Wee Luang at a ceremony in the college church on August 8. Pastor S. F. Chu officiated at the ceremony.

New Academic Dean Arrives at SAUC

DR. Bernhard Aaen arrived in Singapore September 27 to take up his new duties as academic dean of Southeast Asia Union College. His wife, Peggy, will be joining him within a month. Dr. Aaen has spent the last two years at the University of Nebraska where, in August, he received his Ph.D. in Educational Administration. While Dr. Aaen was studying, his wife worked as a probation officer in Lincoln, Nebraska.

Dr. and Mrs. Aaen are graduates of Walla Walla College, majoring in English and Home Economics, respectively. Dr. Aaen earned his Master's degree at Walla Walla College in Educational Administration, while Mrs. Aaen received her Master's degree in Family Life from the University of the Pacific.

Dr. Aaen comes to S.A.U.C. with a wide background of teaching and administrative experience. Most recently he was chairman of the Department of English at Pacific Union College. He is no stranger to the Far Eastern Division, having spent two years teaching English at Indonesia Union College, one year as principal of the Celebes Training School, and seven years as president of Indonesia Union College.

The Aaen's three children are alumni of Far Eastern Academy. Their oldest son, Bernie, is now working on his Ph.D. in School Administration at the University of Nebraska. Victor is at Loma Linda University studying for his Master's degree in Public Health, and daughter, Peggy is married to Dr. Don Wilson, who is taking his residency in thoracic surgery at Loma Linda University.