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## ANOTHER YEAR— UNTRIED BUT SAFE

A YEAR UNTRIED before me lies. What it will bring: a glad surprise, or joy or grief, I cannot tell; but God my Father knows that well. Sickness be mine or rugged health, hard times and penury or wealth—I make it no concern of mine, but leave it all with love Divine. If lonesome I must pass along, or living friends my way may throng, upon my Father's word I rest, and what He sends me will be best. Nothing can come but He can cure, His love does all my good ensure; He'll see me through the journey's length, meet daily need with daily strength. In Him I fortify my heart, and thus do fear and dread depart; my soul shall nothing know of fright since God is all my life and light. Suppose the sun is dark by day and stars by night confuse my way; suppose the earthly lamps grow dim? He walks in Light who walks with Him. Thou Year Untried—thou hast, I see, only what God has planned for me. You cannot cause a single pain, for what God sends is always Gain.

—Selected.

This poem appears as well in the January issue of *Signs of the Times*. Share it with your friends—by giving them *Signs!*

## ADVENTIST EDUCATION . . .



One of my favorite locations is a wooded area in a valley at the edge of a little village. A little creek twists and turns slowly and silently among the beautiful large trees and then departs in peace. It seems a choice spot for many kinds of birds, flowers, green grass and me.

But the reason I am attracted to this place is not alone its beauty, although this would be reason enough. I am captured by it because it is the location of a small Adventist school which has a beautiful story--as beautiful as the trees and the creek and the grass that grows on its banks.

There are only a few children in the school--about a baker's dozen or so--and only one teacher. Her name is Miss Alice. Like the area around the school she is a beautiful part of God's creation. She loves the Lord; she loves the children; she loves her calling to be a Christian teacher.

Soon after Miss Alice began teaching the school some of the non-Adventist neighbors became aware of the little Christian school with the well-behaved students and they talked to Miss Alice about enrolling their children in the school. This is how two girls, Cindy and Letty, came to be a part of the school.

What a contrast it was to the large school they had attended. They now received much individual attention from the teacher and therefore learned more than before. The other students were Christians from Adventist homes and were always kind and friendly. Cindy and Letty loved the school--everything about it, especially the Bible classes.



Toward the middle of the school year Miss Alice talked to the students during the morning worship period of the plan of the church for its members to visit the homes in the community and ask for contributions for the mission work of the church. It was the Ingathering Campaign and the school was given a goal to reach. The other students knew about Ingathering already for it came every year and they had heard the pastor talk about it in church the previous Sabbath. But Cindy and Letty did not attend church and had never heard of Ingathering.

After school Miss Alice called Cindy and Letty to her desk and said, "This Ingathering Campaign is really a church project and you do not have to participate if you do not want to."

"It sounds so interesting and we would like to do our part to reach the school's goal," the girls replied.

And so it was that on a warm afternoon all of the students and Miss Alice went two by two from door to door to the homes near the school and talked to the people about what Seventh-day Adventists are doing in helping people around the world. They told of the medical work, the schools, and evangelistic

program.

The next day each student was given an opportunity to tell his experiences. When Cindy and Letty shared their experiences their sparkling eyes and enthusiastic report told the school that no one had enjoyed the afternoon more than they had.

"We met the most friendly woman in the little white house just up the hill across the road," Cindy said. "She gave a very small offering for she is a widow and does not have much income, but she asked us to come back sometime and I would like to do that for she is so nice."

Early the second part of the school term Miss Alice presented another program to the little school. She announced one morning, "the pastor and I have worked out a project which I believe all of you will enjoy. We have arranged for you to go to homes on Friday afternoons for about 45 minutes and share with others what you have learned in your Bible and your reading classes."

The younger students were to read the stories from their readers to some shut-ins who were lonely and too old



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### "Is Your Blood Boiling?"



"Is Your Blood Boiling?" is the theme of our Health Campaign for 1981. The main twin aims of this Health Campaign are: firstly, to help the participants to detect their blood pressure and to advise them to seek medical aid if their blood pressure was high; and secondly, to assist the participants to realize that each individual has the responsibility and will to take care of his own health so as to prevent some unnecessary illness which may cause physical disabilities.

The campaign was held from December 6 to 10, 1981, at the Community Hall of Rifle Rangé, a high-rise housing area. The majority of the population there was of mediocre income group.

The Health Campaign was officially opened by Dr. C.G.A. Fonseca, the Director of Medical and Health Services of Penang. "This is the first exhibition on hypertension together with a blood pressure screening campaign held in Penang," said Dr. Fonseca.

The health program consisted of a health exhibition, which mainly emphasized hypertension, its cause factors and complications, the changing of life style, the prevention, and other diseases related to it. An hourly health education movie was shown on the "Day Light" screen during the day. A lung capacity test was also conducted. Nightly health education talks were given by physicians, with a time set apart for questions and answers after each health talk. The participants were very keen to attend the health talk meetings. More than one hundred and twenty seats were filled every meeting. Many who came late had to stand. Dr. Kok Chee Koi was the first speaker for the opening night and his topic, "Diabetes Mellitus", was translated by Pastor Albert Phuah. Dr. Kenneth Oh talked on "Hypertension" with Mr. David Ang translating on the second night. On subsequent nights, Dr. Lee Yan San gave a talk on "Heart Attack" which Mrs. C. Ang translated. Dr. T.P.

Devaraj talked on "Prevention of Heart Attack", and was translated by Pastor John Lai. This was one of the best educational programs and interested many participants who enthusiastically asked questions individually after each meeting was over.

A blood pressure screening attracted 614 participants to have their blood pressure checked. 154 were detected to have high blood pressure and only 78 of them knew that they were suffering from high blood pressure. 55 of them were having medical treatment for their blood pressure. There were 442 of the participants who had their urine sugar test after their blood pressure was checked. The urine of 40 were positive. A blood sugar test was done on them, and it was found that the blood sugar of 33 were high. In these tests and blood pressure screening, we discovered that many of them never had their urine sugar and blood sugar tests and their blood pressure checked before. All these individuals were encouraged and advised to seek medical treatment.

Hundreds of health pamphlets were distributed to the public during the exhibition. Seventy-two smokers signed for "Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking Campaign", which will be held in the near future. There were many good comments given by the visitors who attended our health

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*Delegates to Workshop on Smoking: (left to right) Albert Khor, Ng Gan Theow, Dr. H.K. Liaw & Jonathan Ng.*

### Temperance Leaders Attend Workshop On Smoking

Dr. Everet Witzel, FED Health Director, gave a report on the success of Five-Day Plan to 100 delegates during the recent Regional Workshop on Smoking and Health organized by International Union Against Cancer and Singapore Cancer Society held at Regional English Language Centre, Singapore from November 20 to 22, 1981.

Among the participants were delegates from Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand, Philippines, Indonesia, Papua New Guinea, New Zealand and India.

From the Adventist Church, the following temperance leaders were in attendance. They are: Ng Gan Theow & Albert Khor from Singapore Adventist Hospital; Dr. H.K. Liaw from Sabah Mission and Jonathan Ng from Southeast Asia Union Mission.

Valuable suggestions were presented by workshop consultants Dr. Nigel Gray of Australia and Dr. Robert Wake of Canada that will help to make the Church's temperance ministry more effective in the community.—*Jonathan Ng, SAUM Temperance Director*

### SAUM Publishing Director Ordained

SAUM Publishing Director Randy C. Horning was ordained to the gospel ministry on November 20, 1981 at the College Church, Singapore. Pastor Horning was born in June, 1948 in Chico, California. He attended Pacific Union College where he received his B. Th. degree in 1972, and Andrews University where he received his M. Div. degree in 1977.

Pastor Horning began his denomi-



national work in 1969 and has served as literature evangelist in South-eastern California Conference; Assistant Publishing Director in Northern California Conference; Publishing Co-ordinator and Technical Advisor at the Signs of the Times Publishing Association in Taiwan and more recently at Southeast Asia Union Mission.

Taking part in the ordination service were: GC Vice-president Alf Lohne, FED President W.T. Clark, Australian Evangelist George Burnside, FED Ministerial Secretary J.H. Zachary, SAUM President R.L.

Heisler, SAUM Treasurer M.L. Chase, SAUM Youth Director Jonathan Ng and SAUM Education Director B.E. Olson.

Pastor Horning and his wife, Loralyn (Wileman) have two children; a girl, Shenalyn Celise, now three years old and a boy, Devon Harold Thomas, 7 months old.—*Jonathan Ng, SAUM Youth Director*

### Another Temperance Outreach

Another milestone in Singapore temperance ministry is an invitation from the Director of School Health Services for SAUM Temperance Director Jonathan Ng to conduct a program on "Motivation and Counselling" in conjunction with the Quit Smoking Scheme organized for pupils at Selegie Primary School on November 12, 1981.

In this program, Jonathan Ng worked with a group of nurses under the direction of Nursing Officer Mrs. Low Heng Yoke in presenting talks

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*Picture shows Jonathan Ng congratulating school principal Tan Moh Hah with nurses from Health Services looking on.*

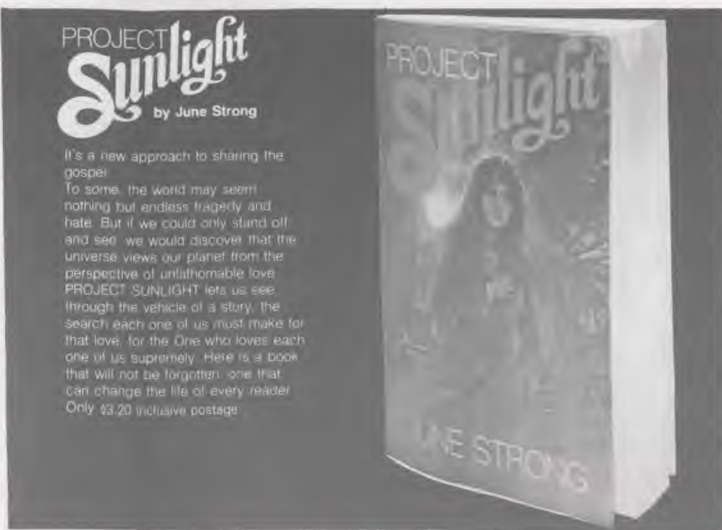


## "A Window To An Eternal Time Of Knowledge"

Our Home Health Education Service joined the Book Fair '81 in the World Trade Center in September. This first-time venture by the HHES gave a great impact of our publication to the public.

We are grateful to the brain of this involvement to Pastor Ray Ammon, former SAUM publishing director, Mr. Lim San Hoe, manager of Southeast Asia Publishing House and to our untiring Michael Chia, manager of Adventist Book Center and Home Health Education Service of West Malaysia-Singapore Mission. It is through the effort of these people and the help of our literature evangelists in Singapore that such a venture was made possible.

We thank God for providing us books that "make a window to an eternal time of knowledge" for everyone.—*Winnie Elorta, Assistant Publishing Director*



## Dawn Of A New Day

Our Adventist Book Center, with its new location at Southeast Asia Union College campus, is indeed serving the needs of our literature evangelists, church members and the community with its wide variety of books.

As you can see in the photos, whatever your need may be—be it spiritual, mental, physical, sociological—A.B.C. is the place you should go!

Each time, when you enter the ABC, it is/LIKE dawn of a new day, with cheery, smiling personnel serving your needs. We salute our ABC manager, Michael Chia and his staff. Keep up the good work! —*Winnie Elorta, Assistant Publishing Director*



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to get out very often. The older students were to share with others what they had studied and discussed in the Bible classes. Of course, Alice and the pastor had arranged for Cindy and Letty to visit an Adventist home which would be of spiritual help to them.

But the two girls implored, "We would like to go to the friendly lady who lives up the hill in the little white house across the road. May we, please."

Miss Alice thought awhile and finally said, "Of course you may if that is your wish."

So it was for ten weeks, each Friday afternoon, Cindy and Letty went up the hill to the little white house across the road and studied their Bible lesson with the friendly lady. They had been taught by Miss Alice to never study the Bible without first praying that God would send the Holy Spirit to bless in the study of His Holy Word. And the Lord began to answer their prayers from the very first study. The little lady began to look forward to having the girls come not only because she learned to love them, but also because of the new truths in the Bible that she had never heard before. They studied such topics as the Inspiration of the Bible, God's Law, the Sabbath, the Second Coming of Jesus and Baptism.

At the close of the ten weeks of Friday afternoon visits the girls talked to Miss Alice one day after school. "Miss Alice," They said, "We believe what you have taught us in the Bible

classes and you have noticed that we have been Sabbats coming to church for several Sabbats. Well, we want to be baptized."

The pastor organized a baptismal class for them, and a few of the other students who had not as yet been baptized, and during the last month of the school year these two girls became members of the church through baptism.

This is not the end of the story. The pastor, of course, heard of the little lady who lived up the hill in the little white house across the road. Cindy and Letty introduced him to her and she told of the wonderful experiences she had had with the girls as they studied the Bible together. The following month there was another baptism in the church. I am sure you have guessed who was in this baptism. Yes, it was the little lady who lived up the hill in the little white house across the road.

This story is the reason why this wooded area is a favorite spot of mine.—*Boyd E. Olson, SAUM Director of Education*

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cum slide show on "Why Smoking is Harmful?" and in counselling a group of students who were reported to have been smoking.

School principal Tan Moh Hah thanked the group for putting up a nice health education program for the pupils at the conclusion of the campaign when he was presented a health book on smoking for his library from SAUM Temperance Department.

Praise God for such wonderful opportunity in fostering a better working relationship with government agency and the community in temperance outreach.—*Jonathan Ng, SAUM Temperance Director*

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**WHAT ARE *You* GOING TO DO ABOUT IT?**

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*Dr. Chai Chee Kong checking the blood pressure of a participant*

campaign and the majority of them suggested that such a campaign should be held in various places, together with a minor treatment clinic to help the sick. Datuk Teh Yew Lim, the assemblyman (former Acting Chief Minister of Penang State), conveyed his appreciation to us and hoped that we can hold another similar health campaign in Taman Free through Mr. Ashiq Hussian, the Director of Youth, of Rifle Range Community.

Praise the Lord for His blessing and guidance! We sincerely thank all the staff of our hospital, the physi-

cians not connected with our hospital, and the members of the church for their time and effort in participating in one way or another, to make the Health Campaign a great success.

As a follow-up program for those who had high blood pressure and/or urine sugar positive and blood sugar level high recorded during our health campaign, a letter and a return report form will be sent to each of those participants one month and a half after our health screening campaign. The main aims for this follow-up is to encourage them to seek for medical treatment as soon as is convenient for them, and to send the report form back to us after they had visited their physicians for proper treatment. This is to help us make an evaluation of the effectiveness of our program in order to help us render better service to the community in the future.

— *John Lai, Director, Health Education Department*

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### SAUC REPORTS ENROLLMENT INCREASE

Southeast Asia Union College opened the first quarter of the new year with 164 students, one of the highest enrollments for any quarter in recent years, according to Dr. Don Sahly, president.

The enthusiastic student body returned to the campus to find some renovations done. Business Manager Lee Peng Cheong will report on these improvements in the next issue of the *Messenger*.

Southeast Asia Union College and Southeast Asia Adventist Seminary were established by Seventh-day Adventists as educational centers for youth in Southeast Asia. They are operated to train young people for the maximum development of their talents and for efficient service to God and their fellow men.

SAUC and the Seminary offer the following degrees in certain areas:

- Bachelor of Arts
- Bachelor of Science
- Bachelor of Theology
- Associate of Arts (Bachelor of General Studies)

SAUC also offers two-year diplomas and one-year certificates in various fields.

It is recognized that the total development of the student in a balanced manner should characterize the educational program. Student-centered social and cultural activities are planned throughout the year. The emphasis is on "clean Christian fun" for most of the social activities. Retreats, camp-fires, banquets, get-togethers, games, films, and other

special programs give students an opportunity to meet and associate with others in a cordial atmosphere. Because its students come from all walks of life and from different countries in Asia, Southeast Asia Union College is in a unique situation where living and studying together is a learning laboratory in itself. From time to time students are invited to share with others their folkways and mores so that deeper international understanding will result.

The Student Association coordinates all efforts to benefit the student body as a whole and is responsible for the publication of the yearbook, *The Flame of the Forest*, the student newspaper, *Vibrations*, as well as other activities that make student life at Southeast Asia Union College memorable and meaningful.

Since instruction is in English at SAUC, the college offers special instruction in English with a modern audio-visual language laboratory to assist students to progress rapidly in written and spoken English.

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