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MISSION '72 Meetings to Be Widely Publicized

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NATIONAL MAGAZINES TO FEATURE "MISSION '72" IN FEBRUARY

Division-wide publicity in North America for MISSION '72 "Reach Out for Life" meetings scheduled for March will include full-page advertisements in four major magazines, **Time**, **Life**, **Ebony**, and **Macleans**, the latter part of February, 1972.

NATION-WIDE TOLL-FREE TELEPHONE NUMBER TO BE LISTED

Instant information will be a feature of these advertisements. A nationwide toll-free telephone number will be listed. Persons dialing that number can obtain information on the location nearest them where meetings will be held. The toll-free line will be active February 9 through March 4.

Seventh-day Adventists are requested NOT to use the line so that it will be free for others.

In Canada, **Macleans** and **Time** magazines will alert that nation to the opportunities provided through the "Reach Out for Life" series. Separate local contacts will be listed in the Canadian releases.

NEWSPAPER ADS AND RADIO-TV SPOT ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR LOCAL PUBLICITY

This division-wide advertising program is planned to provide a solid foundation for local publicity sponsored by conferences and churches. Reproduction proofs of the magazine advertisements will be available for local newspaper use. Radio and TV spot announcements are also being readied for local airing. Such local publicity will be doubly effective if scheduled to appear concurrently with the magazine advertisements.

N. R. DOWER, Secretary, Ministerial Association,
General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

The Educational Work of the Seventh-day Adventist Church . . . a Centurion in 1972

In the 1860's Ellen G. White's thoughts were turning to the role that the church could and must play in the education and training of workers for God's cause, and of the youth, in their homes as well as in church schools. Finally, in April, 1872, James White and she took part in a meeting where the question of organizing an educational society was openly discussed.

In June of that year, the first school to be opened as part of a denominationally sponsored program was located in Battle Creek, Michigan, under the direction of Professor G. H. Bell.

While this school was getting started, Mrs. White started to formulate her thoughts on education. Before the new year made its appearance, her first important statement on education was at the publishers, and appeared as the first section of a "Testimony for the Church." Referred to as "Proper Education," this statement is now found in Volume III of the *Testimonies and Counsels on Education*.

Her opening sentence hit a positive, optimistic note. "It is the nicest work ever assumed by men and women," she wrote, "to deal with youthful minds." She then proceeded to describe the role of parents and teachers in the education of the children.

The early church leaders were already cognizant of the need of prepar-

ing workers to assume the task of the church. They felt education was important, but that it should be within the framework of the goals and objectives of the great commission. "The great object of education," Mrs. White emphasized, "is to enable us to use the powers which God has given us in such a manner as will best represent the religion of the Bible and promote the glory of God." This has been the basic premise in the building of our schools.

To her contemporaries, this first school no doubt appeared as a small beginning, but in time it became part of a network of schools that was to encompass the globe. There are few flags in the world today under whose banners there are no Seventh-day Adventist schools.

In the United States and Canada practically every state and province can attest to at least one church school. The early beginnings in Michigan were to mushroom a hundred years later into a complex of schools which in the North American Division number two universities, 11 colleges, 84 senior academies, and over 1,000 elementary schools and junior academies. This is certainly a tremendous undertaking when one considers the size of our constituency and how it is spread out across the continent.

Without question the factor which makes our schools unique, and which they must continue to exhibit if we are to maintain our distinctiveness, is that the Holy Bible is an integrating force in all areas of learning in each school. This, with our acceptance of the Spirit of Prophecy, was, is, and must continue to be, the *modus operandi* of our educational work.

This occasion of a century of Adventist education in 1972, should not be used as an opportunity for us to glory in the past, but rather for us to seriously contemplate where we are today, and where should we be going in the future! There are still too many youth in our churches today who have not had the blessings of an Adventist education. Is this not challenge enough for us to seriously contemplate the future direction of our educational endeavors?

by

CHARLES B. HIRSCH,

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Mrs. Norman Vincent Peale, wife of the famous author-minister-lecturer, in a Faith for Today television interview being released on January 9 over 255 TV stations, reveals some of her own career to Pastor and Mrs. W. A. Fagal. She tells how she came to write one of the best-selling books, "The Adventure of Being a Wife."

Donald W. McKay, Associate Director,
Department of Public Relations, Faith for Today.

New Periodical Manager Appointed at Review and Herald Publishers

A man who earned the title "Mr. MV of the Columbia Union" has lent his expertise to another field of endeavor as of January 1, 1972. Elder Ed Peterson, for 13 years youth director for the Columbia Union, has been elected periodical manager of the Review and Herald Publishing Association. He replaces Elder Bruce Wickwire, who has



Ed Peterson

accepted a call to be associate secretary of the General Conference Publishing Department.

In his new responsibility, Peterson will be fostering the growth of numerous periodicals produced by the publishing house. He already has indicated a desire to see our official church paper, the *Review and Herald*, in every Seventh-day Adventist home. With the new and widespread interest

in health evidenced by all age groups in our country, he foresees a tremendous increase in the circulation of *Life and Health*. Other journals receiving particular attention will include *Liberty*, *Insight*, *Ministry*, and the *Junior Guide*.

Born in Canton, New York, Peterson received his Th.B. degree from Atlantic Union College. He entered denominational work as a pastor-evangelist, serving in the Carolina and Northern New England Conferences. His natural talent for working with young people was early recognized in his call to MV and educational secretary work in the British Columbia and Canadian Union Conferences prior to his association with the Columbia Union.

Peterson is widely known as the founder of the Adventist Amateur Radio Network. He, along with his associates in this around-the-world organization, have served the church in linking up missionaries with loved ones in the homeland, particularly in

emergency situations. As an active "ham" he visits regularly with interesting people from Pitcairn Island to Africa, and even as he drives to work a mobile rig permits him to carry on spirited conversations with other amateurs.

In speaking of his new position, Peterson says: "I don't intend to lose my contacts with youth in my new

work. Young readers make up a sizable portion of the readership of our denominational literature. I definitely will be keeping them in mind."

The Petersons have two young people of their own, Bob and Donna, both of the Washington, D.C. area.

K. W. TILGHMAN,
General Manager,
Review and Herald.

Southern Publishing Association's World Literature Fund Wins Souls

In an average month at least 20 people write letters to the World Literature Fund at Southern Publishing Association, Nashville, Tennessee. Two typical letters received last month requested more than \$700 worth of literature for use in prison work and overseas evangelism.

The World Literature Fund was established in 1960 for the specific purpose of making evangelistic periodicals available to institutions and individuals who could not otherwise afford to receive them, according to W. L. Crofton, SPA's periodical department manager. The fund is supported solely by voluntary contributions. Magazines used to fill requests include *These Times*, *The Message Magazine*, and *Still Waters*.

"The results of contacts made through the fund are dramatic," Crofton says. Right in Nashville more than 200 inmates of the Tennessee State prison have become baptized Seventh-day Adventists as a result of reading *These Times* and *The Message Magazine* which were supplied to them by the World Literature Fund. This could be duplicated in dozens of places around the world.

Readers are enthusiastic about the literature they receive, although they do not usually know who the benefactor is. Delores Schroeder, assistant superintendent of the Indiana Women's Prison, writes: "Until about a year ago we were receiving at least

CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR THE FAR EAST

Several have asked if the Far Eastern Division is interested in receiving Christmas cards again this year. The answer is, Yes! The address for your cards is:

Sabbath School Department
East Indonesia Union Mission
Djalan Dr. Sutomo 191
Menado, Sulawesi Utara
Indonesia

Instructions: Packages should be marked "Not for Resale, No Commercial Value." Cut off inside messages and excess paper. They're interested in pictures only. In addition to Christmas cards, occasional cards are also much in demand.

We are suggesting that the local churches send the cards directly to this address rather than sending them to the General Conference for re-shipment.

J. N. MORGAN.

50 copies of *Still Waters*. We should like very much to receive them again. *Still Waters* is the best devotional booklet we have seen."

ATTENTION ALL PILOTS IN THE SOUTHWEST

A current pilot list of all Seventh-day Adventist pilots in Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Texas, and New Mexico is being compiled. We would appreciate an immediate note from all pilots with all pertinent information, ratings, number of hours, A and E qualification, type of aircraft owned or available, etc. If you are interested in a fly-in sometime, somewhere please indicate this in your information.

An organized pilot fellowship in the Southwestern Union could be not only interesting and fun, but very beneficial. Let us hear from you *at once*. Send information to:

Southwestern Adventist Pilots
Box 400
Richardson, Texas 75080.



Large stacks of "These Times" and "Still Waters" being readied for use in the World Literature Fund program.

Another Urgent Appeal to Every Youth

The WAYOUT youth program of the Voice of Prophecy has a potential for reaching thousands of young people not now being reached by the church. Reports indicate that this unique opportunity in youth evangelism has attracted the largest interest of any approach ever attempted.

In order to meet the phenomenal needs of this opportunity the MV societies of the church school, academy, college, and of every local church are being asked to join hands in their support for the Voice of Prophecy in giving a sacrificial gift during the month of January. Few of our youth in North America have ever experienced what it is to give in the spirit of sacrifice. We believe that now is the time for our youth to share in this experimental religious experience by joining with Christ in sacrifice. The need is tremendous.

Parents, teachers, youth leaders, will you encourage God's youth to rally to this appeal with a sacrificial gift by giving up a meal or some necessity and give the value of such as an offering? God will be honored and the WAYOUT radio program will be measurably strengthened. We believe that it is time for our youth to consider this request in personal prayer for guidance. **God is counting on the youth of the church to arise to the need.** Let us match the overwhelming requests for our literature by the greatest offering ever to be given by God's youth.

By Fall Council action the month of January has been designated as the month to receive this offering. Youth leaders, place this call for sacrifice before the young people during the first few days in January and be sure every youth, both junior and senior, has an opportunity to give before the end of the month. A dollar or more is the suggested personal youth offering.

LAWRENCE NELSON, Associate Youth Director,
General Conference.



Debbie Clark, a letter writer who answers correspondence for Wayout, sits amid a collage of artwork and foldouts of the Wayout youth outreach.

Read this letter to Wayout from CAROLYN, a Seventh-day Adventist teenager at an Adventist academy in the Southwestern Union.

"Dear People at Wayout:

"I really love Wayout! It's fabulous.

"We just finished studying the High Way Scenes in our Bible doctrines class here at school. They were wonderful!

"They cleared up so many things I never completely understood before even though I've been an Adventist all my life. That 'Law A' and 'Law B' was very helpful. But it's amazing how many of us kids got hung up on being saved through faith and not by works.

"When I go home I'm going to try to get my parents to read Wayout. I really think they'll like it.

"I hope you'll send me the 'Hang Ups.' I'm sure I'd like them just as much as I did the High Way Scenes.

"Your friend in Christ,
Carolyn"

January, 1972, has been designated WAYOUT OFFERING MONTH to help extend the outreach of the "Wayout" youth program of the Voice of Prophecy.

What Is Love?

That ever-interesting question, along with an appeal to learn of the special love of God for mankind, is part of a colorful, Valentine-motif Bible course enrollment folder entitled "Love Is" being offered free through January 25, by the Voice of Prophecy.

The folder printed in Valentine colors of red and pink, invites persons to enroll in the "Light of the World," Bible course — 25 interesting studies on the life of Christ. Invitations to enroll in the Voice of Prophecy's "High Way," teen Bible lessons, the junior-age Bible course, and "Storytime Adventures" for smaller children, are also on the folder.

"The 'Love Is' Bible course folder is certain to appeal to many people in the Valentine season," asserts Pastor H.M.S. Richards, Jr., director-speaker of the Voice of Prophecy. "Its natural transition from presenting the general subject of love to the love of God and its invitation to learn more of His love will surely find many receptive persons."

Up to 50 of the "Love Is" cards are available free through January 25 from Department FS, The Voice of Prophecy, Box 1511, Glendale, CA 91209.

HERBERT FORD,
Director, Public Relations.



Front cover of "Love Is" Bible course enrollment card.



Wayout Is In

Man, have you been looking for a way to witness? Do you want to share your Christ and have the joy of winning a soul to Him? Pastor Wally Burns has found that way! He states the following:

"The unique, fantastically successful outreach of the Voice of Prophecy inviting unchurched youth to 'turn on' to Christ 'is going like wildfire' across the youth scene in Thibodaux and Houma, Louisiana. It is called WAYOUT!

"Dean Duncan of Nicholls University suffered from almost as much intense bewilderment as the students attending the booth in the Student Union Building as he witnessed students signing up for the WAYOUT magazine. In eight hours

over 1,000 registered for the magazine. Since then the dean has given us permission to put up posters with cards on all the general bulletin boards of the university. Hundreds are being reached with the posters.

"We were given permission by the priest, director of a large Catholic fair in Houma, to work on the fairgrounds as long as we desired. And a deputy sheriff, in charge of a teen dance on Friday nights where 700 teenagers 'make the scene,' begged us to go and speak to the youth about WAYOUT magazine. The flow of drugs is so uncontrollable there that they stopped all smoking.

"Drive-ins, shopping centers, a private dance hall, et cetera have given us permission to put up booths and speak to the youth. Several thousand names have been sent

to the Voice of Prophecy already, and we are just beginning."

Pastor Burns also sends the following testimony which was given by two students of Nicholls University who were baptized on Sabbath, November 12, 1971.

"The powerful current of God's Holy Spirit is surging across the



Students sign up for WAYOUT magazine at booth in Student Union Building of Nicholls University, Thibodaux, Louisiana.

WORTHINGTON FOODS presents . . .

"PACK IT WITH A PUNCH"

by

LYMAN and VICKIE MILLER

An informative and interesting nutrition lecture, demonstration, picture, samples, and prizes for all ages — and anyone packing a lunch. Check schedule below for meeting in your area. Plan now to attend.

Sunday, February 6 — New Orleans, Louisiana
Monday, February 7 — Hammond, Louisiana
Tuesday, February 8 — Baton Rouge, Louisiana
Wednesday, February 9 — Alexandria, Louisiana
Thursday, February 10 — Shreveport, Louisiana

Monday, March 20 — Texarkana, Arkansas
Tuesday, March 21 — DeQueen, Arkansas
Wednesday, March 22 — Hot Springs, Arkansas
Thursday, March 23 — Little Rock, Arkansas

Sunday, March 26 — Fort Smith, Arkansas
Monday, March 27 — Harrison, Arkansas
Tuesday, March 28 — Springdale, Arkansas
Wednesday, March 29 — Gentry, Arkansas

(Check with your local church for hour and place of meeting.)

RICHARD W. BENDALL, Superintendent, Department of Education,
Arkansas-Louisiana Conference.

youth scene today! Street-people, 'acid-heads,' hippies, and 'speed-freaks' have found that the tinsel gods of free love, drug trips, and

pop festivals have led them down a dead-end street. Many of these young social dropouts, in search of meaningfulness and truth, have

found it in our Saviour, Jesus Christ. In witnessing to youth, we have found nothing more effective and relevant as 'The Wayout.' The material is so colorful and well written that teenagers are attracted to it immediately. While interviewing young people who have read it, we are thrilled to hear the wonderful comments they make about the way that it offers a positive solution to the problems which plague them. Only Jesus Christ can show young people the true 'Wayout' and this tremendously effective magazine is the channel."

The youth of Ozark Academy signed up 1,500 youth for the WAYOUT program at the Fayetteville fair. Elder Chase of Shreveport has the WAYOUT spots by Johnny Cash and others on KEEL radio. The Shreveport youth, with the pastor, sponsored a WAYOUT booth at the Louisiana State Fair and signed up over 1,000 for the WAYOUT magazine.

Youth, during January the Voice of Prophecy WAYOUT program needs your help. Won't you sacrifice and give to a program that needs our financial help? Some won't need to sacrifice. But give — thereby sharing your faith with others.

RICHARD W. BENDALL,
Youth Director,
Arkansas-Louisiana Conference.



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FIRST TO REACH VICTORY

Panhandle District Surges Ahead Toward Double Vanguard Goal

When the Oklahoma Conference received its Mystery Day Ingathering reports on November 20, the figures revealed the almost incredible fact that the Panhandle district had almost reached their Silver Vanguard Victory goal. On the very next weekend it happened — the district was over the

top — first in the Oklahoma Conference.

"Our achievement was the result of the grace of God working through the hearts of our devoted lay members," said Elder Petry, pastor of the district.

The Panhandle district intends to continue to work feverishly for the

Saviour in an attempt to double the amount set for their goal. As of the present date (December 15) they have reached a 149% of goal figure for a district per capita of \$37.48.

"The greatest blessing I am receiving during the Ingathering crusade is the many soul-winning discoveries made as the homes of residents and the establishments of the area businessmen are visited," said Elder Petry.

"There is no question in my mind that souls will be in the kingdom as a result of the Ingathering evangelistic crusade conducted in the Panhandle district," continued the enthusiastic, dedicated pastor.

Thank God, for what He has wrought in the Panhandle district as ministry, church officers, and laymen have joined hands together in service for Him. (See pictures on top of next page.)

VICTOR L. ZUCHOWSKI,
Lay Activities Secretary.



A happy day at Guymon as pastor and church officers announce that the church's Ingathering chart reveals an early Ingathering victory. Pictured left to right are: Violet Smith, treasurer of the Guymon church; Elder H. B. Petry, district pastor; and George Stephenson, lay elder of the Guymon church.



Early victory at the Hooker Seventh-day Adventist Church. The Hooker lay elders, Henry Ehrhardt, right, and Virgil Martin express their joy as they indicate to the congregation that Hooker is "over the top."

Oklahoma Couple Celebrate Golden Wedding Anniversary

In these last days when much of the world is rebelling against the commandments of God, particularly in His instructions concerning family life, it is most refreshing to announce that there are some who have made love the principle of their family life and are honoring our Saviour through obedience to Him.

Brother and Sister Bill Fehrer were married on November 12, 1921, at



A happy Christian couple, Brother and Sister Bill Fehrer, celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary.

Woodward, Oklahoma. This year, following 50 happy years together, they had the joy of celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. They wish to express their gratitude to their Heavenly Father for the wonderful years He has given them together.

The happy couple presently live in Fargo, Oklahoma. Through the years they have been faithful Seventh-day Adventists and are presently members of the Shattuck Seventh-day Adventist Church. Their prayer is that they may have the privilege of serving Jesus together until the glorious day that He returns to this earth.

On November 28 of the past year an open house celebration was held in honor of Brother and Sister Fehrer, sponsored by their two daughters, Mrs. Irene Howe and Lila Lee Fehrer. Both of the daughters live in Denver, Colorado, and are serving the Lord at Porter Hospital, our Seventh-day Adventist hospital in the mile-high city. Sister Fehrer is the secretary to Mr. Moline, administrator of Porter Hospital. Both daughters attribute the strength of their experience in Jesus to the example of love and faithfulness illustrated in the lives of their parents.

The statement is true — that "Families that pray together, stay together."

According to God's will, we pray that this wonderful family will have many more years of togetherness in order that, by example and action, they may continue to serve their Saviour.

VICTOR L. ZUCHOWSKI,
Public Relations Secretary.

A Request for Prayer

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lee and their children — Eddie, Roger, Diane, and Paul — were recently baptized by Elder H. B. Petry and became members of the Guymon Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Before baptism, one of the tests which Bill faced was arranging his employment so that, according to God's commandment, he could spend Sabbath with his wonderful Saviour. Although Bill was well paid in his job, there was no hesitation in his heart in regard to what he should do. His love for the wonderful Saviour whose grace now filled his heart meant more to him than all the money in the world.

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Coming ... Oklahoma Youth Rally

FEBRUARY 4 and 5, 1972

Del City High School
Auditorium
Del City, Oklahoma

with
GUEST SPEAKER
Roland Hegstad

editor of "Liberty" magazine

Watch for more information in
next issue of the RECORD.



Reach Out for Life

COMING MARCH '72

WHAT IS MISSION '72?

☐ MISSION '72 IS AN URGENT CALL to every church member, adult and youth, to meaningful service for Christ.

☐ MISSION '72 IS TRAINING, in-service training. Experienced laymen and ministers will help others in personal witnessing.

☐ MISSION '72 IS PERSONAL SERVICE FOR OTHERS, such as: Health and Welfare Work, The Five-Day Plan, The Gift Bible program, distribution of "Reach Out for Life" leaflets, and much more.

☐ MISSION '72 IS A PRAYERFUL, TACTFUL SEARCH FOR MISSING MEMBERS of our church. All must share this responsibility.

☐ MISSION '72 IS PERSONAL HELP FOR YOU, ADULT OR YOUTH, THROUGH REVIVAL MEETINGS in every North American Seventh-day Adventist Church, February 5-12, '72.

☐ MISSION '72 IS SIMULTANEOUS EVANGELISTIC

MEETINGS in every church or community across North America beginning March 4, 1972.

☐ MISSION '72 IS VOICE OF YOUTH EVANGELISM.

☐ MISSION '72 IS "FRIENDS FOR LIFE" meetings for younger children.

☐ MISSION '72 IS A DIVISION-WIDE PROGRAM OF ADVERTISING the "Reach Out for Life" series through major magazines, radio, television, newspapers, billboards and . . .

☐ MISSION '72 IS A TOTAL COMMITMENT of every resource in the church to reach the people in every city, town and village with this last message of hope.

☐ MISSION '72 IS A CAREFULLY PREPARED FOLLOW-UP PROGRAM making certain new members and interested persons know our love and personal concern for them. It is helping these new ones grow and find their place in the family of God.

Mission '72

The Greatest Evangelistic Effort Ever Organized by the Church

HERE'S HOW YOU CAN PARTICIPATE:

☐ Make a specific commitment of your time and talent.

1. Through in-service training for personal contact witnessing.
2. Distribute "Reach Out for Life" folders.
3. Watch for gift Bible and Bible study openings.
4. Young Adults: Plan for "Voice of Youth" meetings.
5. Plan a "Friends for Life" series concurrent with adult meetings for the younger children.

☐ January 1—Organize prayer groups in your church to pray for those who are read-

ing and studying the Bible and our literature.

☐ February 5 to 12—Share in revival meetings in your church. Pray for a reformation within your church.

☐ March 4—Meetings begin in every community.

1. Support the meetings with your presence.
2. Invite your friends, neighbors and family. If possible, take them with you.
3. Pray for the blessing of the Holy Spirit upon those attending.
4. Help make your church a warm, friendly place.

**** FOR DETAILS CHECK YOUR PASTOR'S
MISSION '72 ORGANIZER KIT. ****



Reach Out for Life

COMING MARCH '72



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A faithful family: Brother and Sister Bill Lee and their four lovely children — Roger, Eddie, Diane, and Paula.

Bill talked the matter over with his employer and satisfactory arrangements were made so that he could continue to work and have his Sabbaths off. All went smoothly according to the agreed arrangement during the first week following his baptism. At the end of the second week, however, without explanation, Bill was notified that he was no longer employed by the company.

"I know that the same Saviour who gave me salvation and who is Creator of the universe, is able to supply all

the needs of my family, said Brother Lee.

"I intend to trust in Him and stand fast to the truth," continued the convert.

Presently the matter is being considered by the management of the establishment.

Elder LaMar Allred and Dr. Wallace Brewer, conference religious liberty secretaries, the writer, and the brethren from the General Conference are working feverishly for Bill in an attempt to make a settlement in harmony with God's will.

But above all, the God of heaven is viewing this faithful family and is also working for Bill.

We solicit the prayers of every member of the Oklahoma Conference for this wonderful family.

H. B. PETRY, *Pastor,*
Guyton District.

A Critical Patient, A Bible, and an Adventist Hospital Win a Soul

New Gideon Bibles had just been placed in all the hospital rooms just two days before the author of the testimony written below was called in to sit at his grandfather's bedside. The author, a young man of 21, had never before openly expressed his feelings about his relationship to God.

The following morning his personal testimony was found written on the back of a paper towel in the room of

his grandfather, who was a critically ill patient at the Ardmore Hospital:

*Lord, I'm here in this hospital
By the bed of someone dear;
I needed strength, but not just
physical,
So I read Your Word so clear.*

*I said when I opened Your Word,
Lord,
Either I need strength or he needs
strength;
Well, Lord, You gave me mine and
now
I know that his will just take time.*

*With love Thy Word was written,
Lord,
With love here it was placed;
With love I opened Thy Book, Lord,
With peace it was replaced.*

*After reading of the birth of Christ
And of temptation here on earth,
I read, dear Lord, of demons cast out,
Of Thy resurrecting power in words.*

*Then I thought, if all it takes
Is faith, dear God, then that man
There in bed is already getting better;
For faith, dear God, I found,
Before Thy Word I put down.*

—Clinton Anderson

MICHAEL PETRICKO,
Chaplain-Public Relations,
Ardmore Seventh-day Adventist
Hospital.

Hinckley Evangelistic Team Holds Series in Marlow, Oklahoma

The "Floodlight of Hope" Evangelistic Crusade was held in Marlow, Oklahoma, November 6-21. This was the first effort ever to be conducted in this small Oklahoma community.



Bruce Hinckley

Speaker for the nightly series was Bruce Hinckley, pastor of the Lawton-Duncan district. Assisting Elder Hinckley was his father from Ohio, Charles Hinckley,

who served as director of music, and Alta Hinckley, mother of the evangelist, who played the organ.

Each subject was presented in beautiful colorama using three slide projectors and rearview projection. An-

Coming to Tulsa

JANUARY 29 - FEBRUARY 20

AT THE

Tulsa Civic Center
Downtown Tulsa

THE

Voice of Prophecy
EVANGELISTIC CRUSADE

WITH

Fordyce Detamore and
Gordon and Phyllis Henderson

MAIL NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF
INTERESTS:

Tulsa Seventh-day Adventist Church
920 South New Haven
Tulsa, OK 74112

NOTE: This crusade is geared for the greater Tulsa area. Members of neighboring churches are invited to bring their interests.

other high light of the series was the synchronized presentation of a special color panorama of the creation story, making use of two slide projectors and a movie projector.

Average nightly attendance ranged from 40 to 60, approximately 50% of whom were non-Adventists.

At the close of the meetings the many prime interests were brought together for a baptismal class and also

organized into a branch Sabbath school. Any who know of interests in the Marlow area are requested to send such information to Elder Hinckley at Lawton.

The father-son evangelistic team are praying that a new Seventh-day Adventist Church will soon be established in Marlow.

MRS. GRACE MYERS,
Press Secretary,
Lawton Church.



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Dedication and Ordination in Houston's New Bellfort Church

The first Sabbath in December was a time of great rejoicing for the pastor and members of the Bellfort church in Houston. This church membership consists of those who were formerly members of the Sunnyside and Berean churches. They rejoiced to see their pastor ordained and the deed to the church given to the conference president.

Our day began with a Sabbath school period whose theme was hospitality. The morning worship speaker was Elder B. E. Leach, Southwestern Union Conference president, who pointed out that we must hold on until the end.

The first afternoon service was the ordination of James C. Wray to the gospel ministry. He and his wife Muriel were happy to be able to share the memories of that day with Elder Wray's parents, sisters, and brother from North Carolina. The ordination sermon was given by Elder W. W. Fordham, inner city director of the General Conference; the charge was made by Elder Leach, and the welcome given by Elder W. J. Cleveland, president of the Southwest Region Conference.

Right after the ordination service was completed, Elder Wray presented to Elder Cleveland the deed to the church, debt-free.

Elder Fordham who had been with

us the previous week for a revival, spoke that afternoon in the service for the opening of the Child Development Center. But before he spoke, he gave opportunity for those who wish to join the Seventh-day Adventist Church to do so. Three persons took their stand for Christ in a most moving appeal.

After a full, yet meaningful day in which the Spirit of God could be felt with us, we climaxed this time with a banquet. Our guest speaker was Elder V. L. Roberts, treasurer of the Southwestern Union Conference. He com-



(Left) Elder B. E. Leach, president, Southwestern Union Conference, as he spoke at the worship service in the Bellfort church.

(Right) Elder W. W. Fordham, inner city director of the General Conference, gives the ordination sermon in Houston.

mended the pastor and membership for their untiring efforts to acquire the property they have now, and encouraged them to build up their Child Development Center as a means of reaching thousands in the community with this message.

MYRTLE H. OSBORNE,
Public Relations Secretary,
Houston Bellfort Church.

A Few Facts About the Bellfort Church and Educational Complex

Bellfort Street is a secondary thoroughfare providing access to the downtown business district. Located only a few blocks from the South Loop Freeway, the Bellfort Seventh-day Adventist Church is surrounded with various residential subdivisions, apartment



The Bellfort Seventh-day Adventist Church, Houston, Texas.



After the ordination these participants pose for a picture: left to right, Elder V. L. Roberts, Elder W. W. Fordham, Mrs. Muriel Wray, Elder B. E. Leach, Elder James C. Wray, and Elder W. J. Cleveland.



Elder W. J. Cleveland receives the deed to the Houston Bellfort church from Elder James C. Wray.

complexes, shopping centers, schools, and churches.

The church and property rests on a corner lot that includes approximately two acres of paved parking space, and two acres of cleared landscaped land. The entire lot is 5.66 acres in size. There are two separate buildings — one an "L" shaped school, the other a rectangular church and Sabbath school building. Sidewalks are all around the school, connecting both school and church. There is a seating capacity of 575 seats downstairs and 200 in the balcony of the church.

Connected with the church is an educational building which consists of six classrooms, one large auditorium, two regular offices, one large church office, and two bathrooms.

The Child Development Center is housed in the school building (separate from education building) and will care for 200 children. Here there are two assembly rooms with 12 small classrooms and they are being used for "little people" of primary and kindergarten age. This center is directed by Mrs. Ruthie Mitchell.

The cost of the entire facility was \$240,000.00. The total appraised value is \$498,000.00.

Tulsa Holds "Graduation" Exercise for Bible Students

The Bethel Seventh-day Adventist Church held a very memorable graduation exercise honoring students who had successfully completed the "Bible Says" course.

Brother Joe Williams was very active in distributing lessons and work-

ing closely with many of the graduates.

There were 50 persons who completed the course and 20 to receive diplomas.

Elder O. A. Jackson was the guest speaker for this occasion. Pastor M. J. Scott, district pastor, felt that this was an appropriate manifestation of Matthew 28:19, "Go ye therefore, and teach . . ."

MRS. DELORIS SCOTT,
PR Secretary.



Brother Joe Williams, right, stands with one of the graduates of the "Bible Says" course, Mrs. Florence French.



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NOTICE . . . All ASDAN Members in North Texas Area

A special meeting for all ASDAN members in North Texas is being planned for later in January. Watch your local church bulletins for exact date, place, and the special guest speaker.

FAITH FOR TODAY

34 New Members in Nacogdoches Result of Fall Crusade

The Faith for Today evangelistic crusade in Nacogdoches, Texas, ended on November 13 with a total of 32 baptisms and two accessions by profession of faith. The three-week series was conducted by Everett E. Duncan, enthusiastic evangelist for Faith for Today.

Although the largest crowd of the crusade was only 115, a strong nucleus attended consistently and many were baptized.

Many problems threatened the beginning of the meetings, but God moved in a marked manner to solve them. One of the problems, a leaky roof, worried many members. But God



An entire family was baptized during the Nacogdoches series. From the left: Elder E. E. Duncan, Gary Owens, Mrs. Leroy Owens, Mr. Leroy Owens, Cindy Owens, Mr. Ellis Smith, and Mrs. Ellis Smith. The Smiths are parents of Mrs. Leroy Owens.



A major portion of the 32 persons baptized in the Nacogdoches meetings are pictured above. Elder E. E. Duncan, left, and Pastor Zull flank the group.

kept the rain away the entire three weeks!

All the churches in the district benefited from the large influx of new members. A future baptism is planned for several others who attended the meetings.

*TERRY ZULL, Pastor,
Lufkin-Nacogdoches-Rusk
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- Preview of senior Sabbath school helps for the second quarter of 1972.
- How to develop a lesson theme
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CHILDREN'S DIVISION LEADERS AND TEACHERS

- Presentations - Discussions - Demonstrations of program and teaching helps for the second quarter of 1972.
- The Texas Book and Bible House will have all the material for ready purchase.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTORS

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TEACHERS — Elders G. M. Schram
and M. D. Lewis



San Antonio young people who worked with Kerrville members to put their Ingathering over the top! The MISSION '72 special tract "Is Anyone Driving" was included with each Ingathering paper distributed.

SAN ANTONIO YOUTH HELP

Kerrville Goes Over the Top in Ingathering on December 4

It was a cold, wet Wednesday, December 1. The rain had begun late Tuesday night and it was still raining. The latest reports from Kerrville were not encouraging — fog, bitterly cold with light drizzle, and some showers. Before leaving San Antonio we claimed God's promise recorded in Psalms 50:15 that "... in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me." We knew that God would keep His promise, and so trusting His power alone we headed for Kerrville. Five miles from Kerrville it was still raining — but then the rain abruptly stopped. It didn't start raining again until we were all back at the church having a hot drink and cookies. The rain then continued through the night.

"Twenty-two shopping days" . . . and Kerrville is over the top! Pictured are the young people from San Antonio who worked every night, that they might have the pleasure of going Ingathering. The members of the Kerrville church are certainly thankful to this fine group of San Antonio youth for a job well done!

JERRY SORESENSEN, Pastor.



The Sherman-Denison church is proud to have four generations of Seventh-day Adventists — Mrs. E. C. Freeman, Mrs. Louise Flowers, Tommy Flowers, and Chuck Flowers. Chuck was one of the 11 new members baptized into the new church on Sabbath, October 9, following a two-week series of meetings conducted by Elder Don Christman and the pastor, Elder Neville Harcombe.



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Sandia View Signals Success for '72

Hands were raised all over the chapel at Sandia View Academy on November 12 in answer to Elder Wilbur Burton's query, "How many would be interested in helping hold evangelistic meetings such as we just saw in the movie?"

The motion picture, *Because You're Young*, showing methods young people are using to carry the gospel, inspired this response.

Pastor Nathan Merkel immediately stepped up to the pulpit and told of the plans the Religious Activities Committee is making:

1. A student evangelistic effort in Spanish to be held at the Peralta church beginning March 5, 1972.
2. An evangelistic effort in English to be held early next year also, but the location has not yet been chosen.

With our enthusiastic pastor and our dedicated student body here at SVA, God will certainly do the great things He has promised when we combine action with faith.

MRS. L. F. MOORE,
PR Secretary,
Sandia View Academy.

News from Texico Church Schools

Lubbock Junior Academy

Teacher-team Mr. and Mrs. Reed Christman make school interesting and profitable for 26 students at Lubbock Junior Academy.

Each Sabbath at both Lubbock First and Lubbock Caprock churches the church school is kept before the congregations as the children gather up front to hear a story especially for them and then the "Little Red Schoolhouse" is passed around for the church school offering.

Artesian Acres Home School

The Tom Uptons find themselves at a picturesque place called Artesian Acres, at Caballo, New Mexico. Because the Uptons want a Christian education for their children even



Greg and Cheryl Upton at their "Home School."

though they are isolated, and because Mrs. Upton has been a church school teacher, they are conducting a home school for their two children, Greg and Cheryl. They have a special little school house and from the looks of the picture, they are enjoying their Artesian Acres home school!

Tom Upton is helping to build the new Truth or Consequences Seventh-day Adventist Church and is also a part-time colporteur.



BORTON, Myrtle Ada, was born Sept. 8, 1881, in Sloan, Iowa, and died Oct. 1, 1971, in Jefferson, Tex. Survivors include her husband, O. E. Borton; one daughter, Sarabel Cornell; one son, Burnelle; two sisters, one brother, eight grandchildren, and 12 great-grandchildren. One son, John, predeceased her in death. Mrs.



Prominent Deming resident, Donald Victor Dixon, was recently baptized by Pastor Joe Reynolds. Lay member, Nettie Potter was instrumental in bringing Mr. Dixon to this message. Left to right: Pastor Reynolds, Nettie Potter, Mr. Dixon, and Mr. Dixon's daughter.



Mr. and Mrs. Reed Christman at Lubbock Junior Academy. Mrs. Christman is in back row in dark dress with glasses. Reed is at right in back row.

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SUNSET SCHEDULE

	Jan. 7	Jan. 14	Jan. 21	Jan. 28
Abilene, Texas	5:49	5:55	6:02	6:08
Amarillo, Texas	5:51	5:57	6:04	6:12
Brownsville, Texas	5:54	6:00	6:06	6:13
Dallas, Texas	5:36	5:42	5:49	5:55
El Paso, Texas	5:18	5:23	5:30	5:36
Fort Worth, Texas	5:38	5:44	5:51	5:57
Galveston, Texas	5:36	5:42	5:48	5:54
Gentry, Arkansas	5:20	5:26	5:33	5:40
Keene, Texas	5:38	5:44	5:51	5:57
Little Rock, Arkansas	5:14	5:21	5:27	5:34
Muskogee, Oklahoma	5:33	5:39	5:46	5:54
New Orleans, Louisiana	5:16	5:22	5:28	5:34
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	5:33	5:39	5:46	5:54
San Antonio, Texas	5:51	5:57	6:03	6:09
Santa Fe, New Mexico	5:06	5:12	5:19	5:26
Shreveport, Louisiana	5:25	5:31	5:38	5:44
Tulsa, Oklahoma	5:26	5:32	5:39	5:47

Borton was a faithful member of the church for 58 years and many of her years were spent teaching church school. C. Lee Huff.

CALVERT, Carrie Sue, was born April 15, 1967, in Tulsa, Okla., and fell asleep in Jesus on Sept. 28, 1971, at the family farm near Broken Arrow, Okla., at the age of four. Survivors include her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Calvert; two brothers, and a sister. Gary Grimes.

JONES, Pearl Burnside, was born in Union Valley, Tex., and died Nov. 29, 1971, and was laid to rest beside her husband, William, in the Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery, San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 2, 1971. She is survived by her son, Billy B. Jones; and her sister, Mrs. Evelyn Burnett. Jerry Sorensen.

WINGET, Mamie Ethel, was born in Ohio on Dec. 5, 1889, and died Nov. 5, 1971, in Riverside, Calif. Survivors include her husband, Charles E. Winget, Maysville, Okla., where the couple had made their home; three sons: Lloyd Winget, Betty Orner; and Gerald Winget; 15 grandchildren, and 30 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted by the writer and Elder R. R. Rouse. C. W. Skantz.

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A Great Door — Open

1971 is history — 1972 has already begun, a whole year in which we all will have exactly the same number of days and hours. The greatest leaders in the world won't have a minute more than you in 1972.

This world is in desperate trouble. Scientists are predicting that we have 25 or 30 years (at the rate we are going) before the world will be so polluted it will not be livable. This doesn't seem possible, but nevertheless that's what some are saying. The old planet earth is a sinking ship. She's leaking badly and she's going down. Those who live for this world are going down with her.

The outlook is dismal — but the uplook has never been brighter or better. A great door of opportunity is open. Jesus is coming soon — and when I say soon — I mean *soon*. Whatever we plan to do worthwhile we had better be up and at it! *There just isn't much time left.*

"For a great door and effectual is opened unto me, and there are many adversaries." 1 Corinthians 16:9. There is no question about the open door. Those who are willing to work for Jesus will find unlimited doors of opportunity swinging open on every side. The key word in the above text is *and*. Most people would instinctively use the word *but* — because we know the minute you enter the open door of service, you will encounter "many adversaries." The apostle Paul knew this. He expected opposition. He experienced it many times in many ways. That is why he used the matter-of-fact expression, "*and* there are many adversaries."

Who are these adversaries? Who would keep you from working for Christ? Here are a few:

1. **YOU.** The first and biggest adversary you meet will be yourself. No one can stop you or discourage you more than you. You must forget self if you are going to be effective in working for Jesus.
2. **CRITICS.** There will always be critics. Pay no attention to them. You are working for Jesus, not for Satan's agents.
3. **FRIENDS.** You didn't expect me to list friends — but "friends" can stop you sometimes faster than your enemies. "You'd better be careful." "That's not for you." "Wait awhile." "You need more education." "Let the preacher do it — that's what he's paid for." Ever hear words like that?
4. **RELATIVES.** Many a would-be worker for Christ is stopped cold by relatives. Who can cool you off faster? "You'll make a perfect fool of yourself." "You're not qualified." "You don't have it." "You married me not the church." "If you do that you'll do it by yourself." "I'm leaving."
5. **SATAN.** There is a real devil. If you ever doubted that enter the open door of service. You will never doubt the existence of Satan again!

Yes, there are many adversaries. Expect it but don't let it stop you.

A great door is open — enter that door and you will find the greatest joy you have ever known. Jesus will go with you. He will "be with you alway, even to the end of the world."

Yours for entering the open door,

B. E. LEACH.

INSPIRED ...

"When the message of God meets with opposition, he gives it additional force, that it may exert greater influence. Endowed with divine energy, it will cut its way through the strongest barriers, and triumph over every obstacle." —Ellen G. White, *Evangelism*, p. 20.

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