

**A Million Dollars
for One Soul?**

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FOCUS ON THE COVER

A clergyman stood up at a ministers' convention and cried out, "If we spent one million dollars in a great soul-winning venture and baptized only one young man it would be worth it."

Later some of the brethren chided him for getting carried away and asked, "Don't you honestly feel that a million dollars is too much to spend for just one young man?" Instantly the clergyman replied, "No indeed. Not if he were my son."

How much is the salvation of **your** son worth? How much is **any** soul worth? And what if the man next door to you is lost because you never told him?

Look at the wonderful faces on the cover of the RECORD. They are all sons or daughters of someone who really cares about them. Do you care? Really? Look carefully at each face. Which one would you pick to be lost? Does each one really concern you?

Does the unfinished task really concern you? What are you doing about it? Jesus asks, "What do ye more than others?" The prophet says, "Success in any line demands a definite aim." EDUCATION, p. 264. So we must have definite plans and objectives if we are to finish the Lord's work. What are your personal objec-

tives for 1977? What objectives does your congregation have for this year?

Elder Ben Leach, Southwestern Union conference president, has announced the following objectives which your leaders have set for 1977:



B. E. Leach

1. At least 345 evangelistic meetings.
2. 3400 baptisms (a 60% gain over over 1976).
3. A plan to reach every home in our union with the printed message by 1980, with a tentative plan to reach two million homes in 1977.
4. 34,000 copies of GOOD-BYE, PLANET EARTH distributed.
5. Every church member involved in some type of missionary work.
6. MINISTRY magazine to all non-Seventh-day Adventist clergy.

You can help. In fact, you must help or these objectives are meaningless. Will you?

SPOTLIGHT ON SOUL WINNING



A group of ministerial students from Southwestern Union College conducted Bible studies and were active in witnessing in Waxahachie in recent months with plans in mind of raising up a new church.

They soon located an empty Church of Christ building which served as a meeting place. Elder O. A. Jackson, administrative and ministerial secretary of the Southwest Region, joined district Pastor A. Booker in a four-week evangelistic series and seven were baptized. The former Church of Christ building has been purchased and a new lighthouse for God (about 30 members) has been established.

Thanks to our wonderful SUC youth and honor and praise to God. The Southwest Region is surging forward. A baptismal objective of 1000 has been set for 1977 according to the president, W. C. Jones. Amen and Amen!

(Photo at left) O. A. Jackson, left, and A. Booker baptize a convert.



How Much Time Do We Have Left? What Am I Doing to Finish God's Work? Am I Closer to Jesus Today Than at My Conversion?

Ask yourself the above questions then look at this four-point report from overseas: (places anonymous for obvious reasons)

ONE PLACE:

"When the literature evangelist went to the next house, the man from the previous home entered after him, identifying himself as a criminal investigator from the Police Department. He took the literature evangelist to prison. . . . When the publishing secretary and the pastor went to the prison to learn why the colporteur had been arrested, the subinspector had them arrested on the spot. . . . When the president of the union mission arrived to try to clear up the problem, he also was arrested."

HOSPITAL PROBLEMS:

"Three Seventh-day Adventist-owned and operated hospitals overseas recently have come under government pressure to bargain with labor union organizations." Another has already been nationalized.

SCHOOL UNDER TRYING CIRCUMSTANCES:

"Unfortunately during the last few days of the school year, nearby fighting created some serious problems. Immediately after graduation, a direct hit on the college caused some damage. Five students were slightly injured. Since July, there has been considerable damage by shells and rockets."

AND FROM ANOTHER COUNTRY THIS WORD:

"We have just received information about events . . . involving two teachers and a pastor . . . who were stoned to death. . . ."

"And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh." Luke 21:28



Huguley Memorial Hospital

Open House and Dedication, February 20

Elder Robert H. Pierson, General Conference president; and the Honorable Dolph Briscoe, governor of Texas, will be the featured guest speakers at the February 20 dedication and ribbon-cutting ceremonies for the Huguley Memorial Hospital. Other prominent participants will be Elder Neal Wilson, North American Division president; and Cliff Overcash, mayor of Fort Worth.

A special concert of the Southwestern Union College Band at 1:30 will precede the dedication ceremonies.

The Southwestern Union College Choraliers will perform during the program.

Following the ceremonies will be an open house of the entire hospital from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. for the general public. Employee guides will be waiting in each area to explain details and answer questions. This will undoubtedly be the only occasion when the public will be allowed to tour some of the restricted hospital areas such as the 11,000-square-foot surgical suite, and the 7500-square foot radiology unit.

An open house will also be held on Monday, February 21, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. for those who could not attend Sunday.

A series of pre-opening events are planned for the employees, medical



R. H. Pierson



Dolph Briscoe

staff, civic and business leaders, and area corporation executives. Leonard Johnson, M.D., the Air Force Deputy Surgeon and a specialist in aero-space medicine, will be a featured speaker.

Huguley Memorial Hospital, opening shortly after the dedication weekend, will become one more addition to the more than 350 Adventist-sponsored worldwide health facilities.



Neal Wilson



Cliff Overcash

FLASH

You Did It!

The Southwestern Union is an In-gathering Silver Vanguard Union for the first time in many years — the only union in the division to make it. We thank you for your fantastic spirit, and we praise the Lord — just another omen that God and His people are doing special things in the Southwest. And that's not all. Baptisms for 1976 total 2225 — the record highest gain in our history. Our membership is now 34,383, and 1977 is off to a fabulous start. We sense God's hand upon the helm — what a day in which to live and work!

Notice of ASDAN Meetings

Alice Smith, the national executive director of ASDAN (Association of Seventh-day Adventist Nurses), has scheduled meetings with nurses of the Southwestern Union on the following dates:

Sunday, February 20 — 7:30 p.m.

Moran Hall, SUC campus, Keene, Texas

Monday, February 21 — 12 noon

Cafeteria, Ardmore Seventh-day Adventist Hospital, Ardmore, Oklahoma

Monday, February 21 — 7:30 p.m.

Club House, 1501 Limonshire Boulevard, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Wednesday, February 23 — 7:30 p.m.

Hays County Memorial Hospital, San Marcos, Texas

Thursday, February 24 — 7:30 p.m.

Marion County Hospital, Jefferson, Texas

Sunday, February 27 — 7:00 p.m.

Chapel, Seventh-day Adventist Church, 6180 Winbourne, Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Monday, February 28 — 7:00 p.m.

Chapel, Houston Junior Academy, Houston, Texas

All nurses, R.N.'s, L.V.N.'s, students and retired persons are urged to attend the meeting most convenient for you. If you are a Seventh-day Adventist nurse in the Southwestern Union and there is not an ASDAN chapter in your area please write:

Bob Hadley, R.N.

Route 1, Box 55

Joshua, TX 76058

Brandom Reports Outstanding Growth in 1976

Brandom Kitchens increased its business by 34% during the last half of 1976 over the same period for 1975. And the month of December, usually one of the slowest in the year, accounted for the major share of the increase. Last December was the second largest month in the company's history. Brandoms began the new year with an



This student is employed at Brandoms on the campus of Ozark Adventist Academy in Gentry, Arkansas. Brandoms also has plants at Southwestern Union College in Keene, Texas and at Sandia View Academy near Albuquerque, New Mexico.

order file five times larger than what it had a year ago.

Ben Bowen, president of the corporation, expects that within the next few months the company will be among the top 20 kitchen manufacturers in the nation. "We'll be doubling our production between now and mid-1977," Bowen said. "We're going to be passing up a lot of other manufacturers. I'm sure we'll be in the top 20."

Increased output means increased labor. A year ago the Keene plant had 92 full-time employees and 60 students. Today there are 87 full-time personnel — five less — but the student count is 145, an almost 150% increase! Within the next few months, Brandoms plans to add many new employees to handle the anticipated growth.

Brandom's 1976 payroll (July 31, 1975, to July 31, 1976) was up by more than half a million dollars: \$504,696 more than 1975. And student employees were among the major beneficiaries of the increase. Southwestern Union College students earned 84% more in 1976. Ozark Adventist Academy student earnings were up by 22%, and Chisholm Trail Academy students earned a whopping 152% more in 1976!

MARVIN MOORE, *Free-lance Writer.*

The Harry Dills Celebrate Their 50th Anniversary

Elder and Mrs. Harry Dill (Harry and Nora), who are great friends of the Southwest, recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in Phoenix, Arizona. They met on a "blind date" and were married in December of 1926. Harry was so excited that he ran four boulevard stop signs on the way home from the wedding.

The Dills retired from business in 1950 and decided to devote the re-

1977 Camp Meeting Dates Southwestern Union

Arkansas-Louisiana

Gentry, Arkansas ----- June 9-18

Oklahoma

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma — July 8-16

Southwest Region

Undecided ----- June 17-25

Texas

SMU Campus, Dallas ----- July 1-9

Texas Spanish

SUC, Keene ----- August 18-20

Texico

Corrales, New Mexico ---- July 22-30

mainder of their lives to evangelism which was their first love. They worked with Elder Detamore and later with Elders Barron and Turner in the Barron-Turner-Dill evangelistic team. The team was based in Texas and the Dills endeared themselves to thousands in the Southwest.

In 1964 the Dills "retired" again in Phoenix, Arizona; but Harry was restless, so asked the Arizona Conference president for something to do.

He was assigned to the post of conference-church pastor and he and Nora traveled all over the state, into every tiny hamlet, looking up long-neglected conference-church members.

He next became coordinator of evangelism for the conference and held dozens of meetings plus organizing and coordinating evangelistic meetings for the whole conference. He was ordained at camp meeting in 1969.

Friends of the Dills in the Southwest say "Happy Anniversary, Harry and Nora. May the Lord grant you the happiest days of your life between now and the time of His second coming. The Southwest loves you."

Elder and Mrs. Harry Dill



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A Report to the People

by your Union Conference Secretary . . . Bill May



● Attended the last three hours Arkansas-Louisiana Workers' Meeting. Lasting impressions from those 180 minutes are:

1. Baptisms for 1976 highest in history (540). Rejoice!
2. Objective for 1977 set at 1000. Pray!
3. Messages by Elder W. D. Frazee left a fire burning in my heart. -Wish every Seventh-day Adventist could hear his series.
4. Ingathering per capita is \$30.09.
5. Arkansas-Louisiana members gave almost \$200,000 during 1976 for evangelism which is even more than raised for Ingathering.

● Flash! We've just received the heartening news that Buddy Brass is now feeling well enough to go back into evangelism full time. He has agreed to six series in Arkansas-Louisiana in 1977. Buddy, an experienced, successful evangelist, moved to the Arkansas-Louisiana Conference a few months ago to regain his health. Pray for Buddy as he goes back to his first love — fishing for souls.

● Flash! Lyndon DeWitt's evangelistic series opened in the Rio Grande Valley with 700 in attendance. They were only expecting 300 or so. God be praised. Lyndon was reared in the Valley so this meeting is in his old home territory. Please pray much for God's blessings.



(Left to right)

W. D. Frazee
Buddy Brass
Lyndon DeWitt

● "The superior man is firm in the right way, and not merely firm." Confucius

● The Arkansas-Louisiana Conference intends to open at least four unentered areas in 1977. They are Blytheville and Magnolia, Arkansas; and Ruston and Natchitoches, Louisiana. Natchitoches is the oldest city in the territory of the Louisiana purchase. Praise God for this four-fold venture.



● We pause to pay tribute to a wonderful couple who retired in January of this year, Elder and Mrs. R. F. Warnick. Elder Warnick has served 42 years as teacher, pastor, literature evangelist, dean of men (Oakwood), hospital chaplain, evangelist, and writer. He served in four unions with the last 20 years being spent in the Southwest. The Warnicks (she is an accomplished pianist) stand very tall among the workers. Their wisdom, gracious spirit, love of people, and unusual ministerial and soul-winning abilities have made them leaders and pace-setters for their fellow workers. Thank you for your faithfulness, Elder and Mrs. Warnick. We love you! (See page 8 for a more complete tribute).

● "Whoever by word or deed injures a believer thereby wounds Jesus." TESTIMONIES, vol. 5, p. 229.



● If you haven't already sent a gift to aid the SUC work project, please do so now. There will be no school on February 17. On that day, SUC students will clean out the polluted streams which wind through Cleburne and do home repair work in Keene to raise funds to rejuvenate Evans Hall, (80%) and assist the Cystic Fibrosis fund drive (20%). Send your gift at once to "Work Project," Southwestern Union College, Keene, TX 76059. What a pleasure to support our splendid youth in such a thrilling project.

● "They (Seventh-day Adventists) have been given a work of the most solemn import — the proclamation of the first, second and third warning angels' messages. There is no other work of so great importance. They are to allow nothing else to absorb their attention." TESTIMONIES, vol. 9, p. 19.



● American sources believe that at least 665,000 Chinese were killed in the earthquakes last year. An omen of our Lord's return. "Can ye not discern the signs of the times?" Matthew 16:3.



(Left to right)

George Vandeman
Chuck Williams
Jac Colon

● "It Is Written," with George Vandeman, presented their first telecast for the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex Sunday, January 9, on channel 11. Approximately 110 people phoned in for his gift book.

● Our associate publishing director for the union, Chuck Williams, has just turned down a call to be the publishing director for the Trans-Africa Division. Chuck, we are elated that you are staying with us.

● Jac Colon, Oklahoma intern, is holding meetings in unentered city of Cleveland. Fifty attending. Half are non-SDA. City manager is Seventh-day Adventist. Pray for organization of new company shortly.



● Our union president, Ben Leach, was recently held at gun point and robbed and his life threatened for 20 to 30 minutes as he checked into a motel room at about 1:30 a.m. The gunman stole his cash, watch, overcoat, dictating machine, and various other items before finally releasing him unharmed. We praise and thank God for sparing his life. The devil is angry at God's leaders.

"We have nothing to fear for the future except as we shall forget how the Lord has led us — in the past"



Southwestern union college

No School on February 17 at SUC

The SUC student body voted overwhelmingly on January 18 to spend February 17 on work projects to raise funds to redo Evans Hall and assist the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Hopes are to replace at Evans Hall —

1. the gray, plastic window curtains;
2. the tattered, frayed stage curtains;
3. the broken, worn seats; and
4. the inadequate sound and lighting system.

This 20-year-old auditorium definitely needs a face lift. 80% of the funds will be used for this project and 20% will go to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

The students will clean out the polluted streams flowing through Cleburne and will also do home repair work in Keene. According to Student Association president, David Bunker, the project will be directed by Ed Laue.

Thank God for such wonderful youth and for such exciting, worthy projects. The students are counting on out support. Sponsor someone by the hour or make a specific gift, but do it today. Our youth are counting on us and deserve our liberal support. Send your gift to "Work Project," Southwestern Union College, Keene, TX 76059.

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ext. 269 (Dr. Sicher)



Old and worn curtains in SUC's Evans Hall.



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Meet Your New MV and Health Director

Elder Gary Rust, his wife, Elaine; and two sons, Keith and Glen, are moving from Chesapeake to the Arkansas-Louisiana Conference. Their move will fill the post of youth director left open since the move of Jim Herman, Jr., to the Southern Missionary College campus in October.

These friendly, energetic young folk will be a very fine addition to our

Elder and Mrs. Rust with sons, Keith and Glen.



ministerial team here in Arkansas-Louisiana.

In addition to the youth department, Gary will also be coordinating the health department activities. This will include medical personnel recruitment as well as promoting five-day plans and other health-related activities.

The Rusts have spent their entire six years of ministry in the Chesapeake Conference where Gary was first a teacher, then the conference Pathfinder director, and for the past two years has been the conference youth leader.

We ask a deep interest in your prayers for the success of this fine family.

Report from Southern Louisiana

As a rule you begin the day with breakfast. Pastor Marwood Hallett decided that this might be a good way to



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**LEISKE - PULTAR AUDITORIUM
Sat., Feb. 26, 1977; 8 p.m.**
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start the new year as well. The breakfast was set up at Holiday Inn in Slidell and church officers came from Bogalusa, Hammond, Covington, and Slidell. All four churches were represented.

Pastor Hallett believes that if you're going to get anywhere you need a map or a set of objectives. Consequently he used this occasion in unveiling his plans for the churches in his district. In his devotion that Sunday morning, he outlined a systematic growth pattern for each member's spiritual development by suggesting that we need to pray more and then claim God's promises. "We need to be known as friends of God in our communities," Hallett added.

After spelling out a deep spiritual foundation for every church and every home, the pastor said we are then ready to launch out from a firm base to a systematic outreach program. At this point the pastor unveiled his projected plan to all of the officers. Among them was a goal of 50 baptisms for the district, to plan a community service center, to remodel the Bogalusa church, to begin building operations in Slidell on a new church building, to build a



Pastor Marwood Hallett stands at the table where his church officers from Southeastern Louisiana met for a pancake breakfast at the Holiday Inn, Slidell. The leaders of the four churches were briefed January 2, 1977, for the new year's plans of the district.

Walter Mitchell, Pastor Hallett, Darlene Pickle, and Reta Quave pause for a picture in front of the fishing nets which decorated the room. No doubt these nets could be very significant to the officers as they met to make their plans in the light of the Lord's commission to make His followers "fishers of men."



The children of the Chalmette church in Louisiana went door-to-door at Halloween time, collecting canned foods. Then just before Christmas the members donated fresh fruits and vegetables and other perishable items to make practical and attractive grocery gifts for needy families in the community. Pictured here with the overflowing grocery bags are Betty and Tony Robin, Betty and Sherry Heidmann.
Linda C. Booth, Communications,
Chalmette, Louisiana.



Mrs. Pearl Zimmerman, the oldest member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Gentry, Arkansas, is shown with the flowers and goodies she received from her church friends on her 97th birthday, December 22, 1976. She has been an Adventist about 30 years. At present she is being well cared for by her devoted daughter, Mrs. Elson Schmidt, of Gravette, Arkansas.

road to the new church site in Covington and develop plans for a building, and to open up a new work in the city of Franklinton. This plan seemed to be a "bite size" project even for a large district. But the officers did not seem to think this to be unusual. In fact, many of them were already working with such projects as distributing *Good-bye Planet Earth* in the motels of their cities. Reta Quave, the Lay Ac-

tivities leader in the Covington church had already set a project of having her church mail *These Times* to all the ministers in that city.

As one observes the fervor and the plans of the members in this southeast district of Arkansas-Louisiana, one is convinced that they are not only beginning the year with a breakfast, but they are also beginning it with a "refreshing from the Lord."



Ketchum Hosts Northeastern Federation

When the Northeastern Community Service Federation was held the Ketchum Seventh-day Adventist Church was the host church. This federation consists of Pryor, Nowata, Bartlesville, Claremore, Miami, Jay, Vinita, and Ketchum. Marie Meyerhoff of Pryor officiated as president and her assistant is Merelyn Haddock of Ketchum. Mrs. Vera Wolfe, Oklahoma Conference community services director, and Elder George Schram of the Southwestern Union Conference gave counsel and reports of the community services program of Seventh-day Adventists for the past year. Sr. Wolfe and Elder Schram were both pleased

with the Adventist response to the needs of the area communities.

One of the high lights of the federation meeting was the arrival of the Tri-County Ambulance with Cheryl Baker and Pat Condray in charge. They demonstrated the use of the splint, oxygen, radios, siren, stretchers, and other ambulance equipment along with other demonstrations. A good number of Adventist church members have emergency certificates along with several others taking a refresher emergency medical technician's course.

MRS. OBED W. PATTY,
PR Secretary,
Ketchum Church.



December 25, 13th Sabbath, was a high day for the Muskogee Sabbath School. It seemed as though everyone placed a special gift for missions for Jesus on the evergreen tree, for when the funds were all counted there was a total of \$312.14 making this the best 13th Sabbath offering ever for the Muskogee church. The children's department, under the leadership of Mrs. Steve Paris, gave each week during the quarter, and they had over \$30 to help swell the total. The Sabbath school leaders praise the Lord and thank the members for this good response.
Ira Gilliam, PR Secretary,
Muskogee Church.



Elder Ben Leach, Southwestern Union Conference president, spoke to the Muskogee church members and visitors on September 18. This was a special decision day service for both the Sabbath school and the worship service. Elder Leach's heart-warming presentations resulted in lives rededicated to the Master. A fellowship lunch followed the worship service, and everyone left with a real spiritual blessing along with the joy of having fellowshiped with the Union president.
Ira Gilliam, PR Secretary,
Muskogee Church.



Happy Sallisaw Pathfinders gather around food and money collected from the treat-instead-of-trick Pathfinder program. Club Director Gene Scaggs reports that 231 cans of food and \$50.60 were collected. Also, eight baskets were delivered for Thanksgiving and Christmas. Keep up the good work Pathfinders!
Larry Schneider, Youth Director,
Oklahoma Conference.

Hats Off to the Guthrie Pathfinders

The four members of the Guthrie Club have been very active. A report has just crossed my desk sharing some of the things they have been doing. During the annual "Treat Instead of Trick" the club gathered enough food to make up nine baskets which were given away.

The club also took a very active part in the Ingathering campaign. Numerous MV honor tokens have been sent to the club because of their hard work in this area. Guthrie Pathfinders, keep it up!

LARRY SCHNEIDER, Youth Director,
Oklahoma Conference.

NEW HOSPITAL EQUIPMENT — Jean Cullins, operating room supervisor; and Jo Nell Stribling, surgical technician, left, discuss operation of the new Multi-function Micturition Monitor at Ardmore Adventist Hospital. This machine provides the latest in diagnosing diseases of the urinary system and was only recently released for clinical use. The equipment has been in operation at the hospital for the past two months and because of its extensive use, has proven to be a valuable diagnostic tool.



Evangelistic Meetings

American Legion Hall
501 N.E. Washington Blvd.
Bartlesville, Oklahoma

February 25 — April 2, 1977

Elder Dale Tunnell, Conference Evangelist
Send all interests to:

Elder Don Fortner
1709 S.E. Harris
Bartlesville, Oklahoma 74003

Oklahoma ASDAN Meeting

Association of
Seventh-day Adventist Nurses)
Greenbriar Kingspark Clubhouse
1501 Lincolnshire Blvd.
Oklahoma City

FEBRUARY 21, 1977

Officers' Meeting	5:30 p.m.
Pot Luck Supper	6:30 p.m.
Regular Meeting	7:30 p.m.

GUEST SPEAKER:

Mrs. Alice Smith, National Executive
Director of ASDAN

All Adventist nurses (R.N., L.V.N., L.P.N.) are urged to attend. For additional information call: Mrs. Harold Beltz, 691-2687 or Elder Paul Proctor, 721-6110



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The Warnicks Announce Retirement; Serve Church 42 Years

Raphael F. Warnick a native of Washington, D.C., (son of a preacher) graduated from Mount Vernon Academy in Ohio, attended Oakwood College and also George William College, Chicago, Illinois. He began his ministry in 1925. He served the work in the following capacities: teacher, pastor, literature evangelist, dean of men at Oakwood college; chaplain at Riverside Sanitarium, evangelist, and writer.

He courted and won the hand of Marie Biggs from Tyler Texas, in 1935. To this union two sons were born: Raphael Jr. of Indianapolis, Indiana; and Gary Eugene of Houma, Louisiana. They are the proud grandparents of two boys.

The work of the Lord has carried the Warnicks to many areas of labor. You will find their footprints throughout the south and also many areas of



Elder and Mrs. R. F. Warnick

the north. They have pastored and inspired the young as well as the old and labored in the following areas: Washington, D.C., Cincinnati, Cleveland and Columbus, Ohio; Huntsville, Alabama; Puducah, Kentucky; Memphis and Nashville, Tennessee; Chicago and Evanston, Illinois; Detroit, Michigan; and Indianapolis, Indiana. He was ordained in the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference.

You will find generations whose lives they have touched during the formative years of the Black work. The Warnicks were on hand to assist in laying a strong foundation in the Lake Region Conference. Inquire among the believers in Detroit and Indianapolis whose lives were touched by the ministry of God's faithful servant.

Raphael and Marie accepted a call to the Southwest in the mid-50s and their talents and efforts have spread the gospel in all states of our territory. Who has not heard of the Master's servant at camp meeting with his scholarly messages and Marie's nimble fingers on the keyboard? For 42 years this couple has given devoted service to the church; 42 years of stress and strain, of love, joy, and 42 years of toil and sacrifice. Forty-two blessed years have led them to baptize hundreds of souls to this third angel's message.

For your sound scholarship of the Word, for your unique way of writing and speaking the common things in an uncommon way, and for your personal counseling spirit and knack of feeling with individuals — Elder Warnick we thank you — it is great to have been associated with you — so thanks again for passing this way.

Mrs. Warnick is a devoted wife, pianist, Bible instructor, and teacher. Workers, especially ministers' wives, hold you in high esteem as a model for finer womanhood. May God's continued blessings be yours as you serve Him in the golden years of your life.

If you have known the Warnicks

over the years and they have been a blessing to you and your church, drop them a line or express in some way your gratitude now.

Elder and Mrs. R. F. Warnick
3408 North Bryant
Oklahoma City, OK 73121
W. C. JONES, President,
Southwest Region Conference.

Mortgage Burning Services in Oklahoma and Louisiana

McLagan Seventh-day Adventist Church Erected — Dec. 8, 1962
Dedication Service and Mortgage Burning — Dec. 18, 1976

There were four faithful Seventh-day Adventist members in the town of Okmulgee who for more than 20 years prayed, saved, hoped, and longed for a church. They were permitted to meet in different churches for years — Church of God for two years, Presbyterian Church for about five years, and then in homes of the members until Elder E. D. Rudley and his family arrived. Brother and Sister Rice (both now deceased), Elder and Mrs. A. D. Shorter (both now deceased), Sisters A. Davis, A. Isham, J. Fisher, Willie Davis, and Brother R. Huffman helped to purchase the land at McLagan and along with Elder E. D. Rudley helped to see that there was a Seventh-day Adventist Church on the corner of McLagan in Okmulgee. Now the church has been completed with the help of their new pastor, John W. Forbes, III; and local elder, Carnie English. The church is free of a mortgage; this was

completed with the help of all of the other church members. "To God be the glory."

Dedication for Ephesus Church in Covington, Louisiana

About 1943, Sister Mary Nelson and Brother A. Powlee along with Sisters Laura Dickson, Dicy Shears, and El-nora Johnson (deceased) pooled their meager resources together and purchased a lot. In the meantime, they were holding their meetings in the home of Sister Sabbado. Later they moved to Sister Mary Nelson's home. Among those who joined was one of her brothers, Charles Dyles (deceased) and his faithful wife, who is still loyal in the Master's service.

Then they decided to build a little house to the glory of the Lord. Brother Dyles was the builder with the help of Brother Landry and Barsock (deceased). This church has had a num-



Pastor M. V. Singleton, center; Pastor H. M. Crider, right, former pastor; and present local elder, Brother Wilson, rejoice at the mortgage-burning ceremony in Covington, Louisiana.

The McLagan church of Okmulgee, Oklahoma, was dedicated December 18, 1976. Some of the charter members and the present congregation rejoice on this occasion.



ber of pastors who have contributed to its development, and for this we are grateful.

The official opening of the new church was held on January 4, 1969, shortly after Pastor J. Harris came and continued to plan for the dedication. Pastor M. V. Singleton has done a marvelous job since being pastor of the district, and we rejoice with the believers in Covington who are thankful that the mortgage on the church has been liquidated.

DORIS JONES, *Reporter.*

Two New Pastors Come to Southwest

The Byrd's Come to San Antonio

William C. Byrd, Jr., is a native of Chicago, Illinois. His early educational years were spent at Shiloh Academy in Chicago. Later he attended Union College in Nebraska but completed his undergraduate work at Oakwood College. After completing a year at the seminary he was assigned to serve as assistant pastor of the City Temple church in Detroit, Michigan. Upon completion of a successful work in Detroit he was moved to Pontiac, Michigan, where he held his first evangelistic effort baptizing 34 souls for the year. During his three-and-one-half-year pastorate in that area 65 souls were baptized and he constructed a sound financial program and organized a company into preparation for church status.

He is married to the former Carol Sterling who is a graduate of Union College. They have three children: Carla, six; and twin boys, Carl and Carlton, who are four years old.

William expressed a keen interest in his new assignment and a great admiration for the many evidences of progress in the San Antonio district.

Albuquerque, Roswell Welcome the Greens

Samuel Green of Stroud, Oklahoma attended only three meetings conducted in 1972 by Kenneth Cox, but he continued to study his sermons and

Pastor and Mrs. Sam Green and son



The Roswell church welcomes Pastor and Mrs. Green and their son. They reported their ingathering goal as a demonstration that they mean business to finish God's work in that lovely city.

was baptized by Dan Neergard. After completing his B.S. degree in accounting at Oklahoma State University, he was impressed that he should be in the Lord's work. He enrolled at Southwestern Union College and after receiving his B.A. degree in theology he accepted a teaching position in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. He was not satisfied with a teaching position, so he decided to go to a dark county and enter the literature ministry. Because he was a successful literature evangelist and his services were needed in another area, the conference committee assigned him to pastor the Albuquerque and Roswell churches. He is married to Mary Thomas who is a graduate of Southwestern Union College. They have a nine-month-old son, Shelton.

We are indeed grateful for the privilege of introducing Pastor and Mrs.



Pastor and Mrs. William C. Byrd, Jr., and family.

Green to our people throughout this conference. Another example of young people in action for the Lord! Pray for them as they work in the far west.

DORIS JONES, *REPORTER.*



texas

North Houston Opens Church School

On August 19, 1976, North Houston Seventh-day Adventist Elementary Church School opened for the first day of school with 33 students and two teachers. This event was answered prayer for Pastor Jim King and the congregation of North Houston church.

With a great deal of faith and no money, the church members present at the November 23, 1975, business meet-

ing voted unanimously to start a church school. On March 9, 1976, our church received permission from the Texas Conference to start a two-teacher school. Work began immediately on alterations and improvements to our Sabbath school building to adapt it for school use. A work-day was called almost every Sunday, until school started, to complete the necessary im-



North Houston Church School family.

provements. The school opened on schedule thanks to the hard work and support of the church members. We also now have a 700-book library!

This school is a great example of what people can accomplish with faith in God. Some said no, it was impossible; others said yes, and through faith, made it a reality.

PATRICIA GREENE, *Historian*.

Attention — Valley Grande Academy Alumni

All former students and faculty members of Valley Grande Academy should take note that the Academy's Alumni Association will hold its fourth Annual Homecoming Weekend on April 1 and 2, 1977, in Weslaco, Texas. The guest speaker for the weekend will be Dr. Jerry McGill, now of Redlands, California, who was on the academy staff from 1966 to 1968. A number of group programs and activities are planned for the weekend.

The association's greatest need at present is a more current and complete list of addresses so that all alumni can receive the group's newsletter and notices of up-coming activities. Readers are requested to send names and current addresses for all former VGA students or teachers of whom they are aware to: Valley Grande Academy Alumni Association, Valley Grande Academy, P.O. Box 1124, Weslaco, TX 78596.

WELDON PONDER,
Association President.

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"THROUGH THE VALLEY"

CTA to Show Special Film

"Though I Walk Through the Valley," an unusual award-winning motion picture will be shown at Keene Youth Chapel at 7:30 p.m. on February 18, 1977.

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Plan Vacations Now



Fort Worth First church went beyond the Texas minute man goal and reached \$13,542 during the recent Ingathering crusade. The children and youth helped the adults in raising this amount. Thirteen children raised at least one Jasper Wayne goal of \$130. Vicki Belz, a 10-year-old fourth grader from Burton Junior Academy, brought in a decorated can of coins and placed it under the Christmas tree at the church on Sabbath morning. Her total was \$407.28. The church members are grateful to God for the fine spirit that was manifest during the crusade and are praying that baptisms will result from the many contacts made.

the Atlanta International Film Festival's Silver Medal, and first-place in The National Council on Family Relations Film Festival, "Though I Walk Through the Valley" portrays the last six months of the life of college professor Tony Brouwer.

Tony Brouwer had terminal cancer. Unexpectedly he and his family faced new questions, new fears as death confronts life. The movie was filmed to show the warm tenderness a Christian father has for the family he must leave behind, it also displays the love and courage of his wife and daughters as they learn to "walk through the valley of the shadow of death."

Texas Conference News

Cyril Miller, President

"IT IS WRITTEN" VIEWED BY D/FW METROPLEX: Elder Vandeman presented "God's High Country" on Sunday, January 9, on channel 11 TV and received approximately 110 calls for the gift book. So, we are off to a good start! Please pray for this D/FW Metroplex ministry.

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TEXAS BAPTISMS HIGH IN '76: Thank God for the 694 new members who were baptized in our Texas churches last year. A great soul-winning year for Texas. Let's stay close to each one and help him to grow strong in Christ Jesus and be active in His wonderful church.

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DARK-AREA EVANGELISM COMMISSION: Our 21-member Dark Area Evangelism Commission

(11 laymen, five pastors, five conference staff) began work Sunday, January 30, at the Austin church. We're hoping to establish mission churches in several dark areas in '77. Volunteers are needed to spearhead the work! Will you help? More coming later.

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NAMELESS VALLEY RANCH PROGRESS: Our Academy/Camp Development Committee met on Sunday, January 23, at the ranch. Exciting plans are in progress. Engineering studies on the lake, sewer, and water systems were reviewed. Entrance and road construction has already begun. We have four water wells. One pumps 50 gallons per minute. Ranger home to begin soon. More lay groups are visiting on weekends. Preliminary plans for Spiritual Retreat and Christian Training Center are developing. More and more construction and maintenance equipment is being donated. Look for tabloid newspaper featuring Nameless Valley Ranch soon.

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'77 EVANGELISM SCHEDULE EXCITING: We have 54 crusades slated for first six months of '77. Please begin praying and planning for

a harvest now. We hope most of these crusades can be self-supporting to reserve funds for dark areas. By God's grace we plan to reach every home in Texas by 1980.

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TEXAS IS VANGUARD CONFERENCE: The General Conference and Southwestern Union express appreciation to each of you who helped make this possible. Just think, approximately one-half-million Texas homes were reached with truth-filled literature and God's work strengthened around the world. Thank you, friends — God is good. This is an omen of a better year to come.

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CHILD EVANGELISM WORKSHOPS SCHEDULED: Now is the time to appoint your vacation Bible school directors. Be sure they and their staff attend one of these workshops.

San Antonio, March 22; Weslaco, March 23; Houston, March 23; Keene, March 25-26.

Remember, we need to involve more of our academy and college youth in this unique gospel ministry to the non-Adventist boys and girls in our communities.



texico

Vocational Program Added to Sandia View Academy Curriculum

Greenhouse

A new electrically heated and ventilated 6' x 10' greenhouse is the latest addition to the SVA campus. Vegetable plants will be started for later planting in the 10-acre garden plot adjacent to the ballfield. The produce will be used both for a cash crop and cafeteria needs. Flowers will also be started and later used for campus beautification. The greenhouse will be part of the newly formed agricultural course.

Agriculture

A semi-independent course of agricultural training is now offered at SVA. It is open to any student at the academy. It will be one unit of credit with 225 hours, including gardening experience, greenhouse experience, classroom instruction, and individual study of Ellen G. White materials on agriculture.

Auto Mechanics

An auto mechanics program is offered presently at the academy. The

course involves two semesters that include both classroom and practical experience. The class is coeducational, and available to all students.

Construction Class

Beginning school year 1977-78, a class in building and construction will begin. The class will study the techniques and methods of construction

Agricultural and Industrial Arts at SVA

Much has been written and spoken concerning agricultural and industrial programs in our schools. Sandia View Academy is planning immediately to begin an agricultural program by ordering a greenhouse in which to start its own vegetable and flower plants, and also by growing a large produce garden this spring. The produce will be for the cafeteria and also to sell for cash income.

The academy is also looking forward to constructing a Butler-type building to begin an industrial arts program. What can you do to provide this building for our SVA young people?



The 10-acre field to be used for vegetable garden.



Joe Sedillo, sophomore, works on a car engine.

and will actually build various needed facilities on campus.

KAY RIZZO, *PR Secretary,*
Sandia View Academy.

INVITATION TO TEXICO YOUNG PEOPLE

Every youth from eighth grade on up is invited to **Sandia View Academy** Sunday and Monday, **April 17 and 18**, for the special Academy Days. Please mark this on your calendar right now! Contact your pastor for travel arrangements.

Pecos Church Organized with 19 Charter Members

It was a happy occasion for Don Christman and Joseph Espinosa to represent the Texico Conference at the church organization in Pecos, Texas, on January 22. A fine group was there, many coming over from neighboring Saragosa, and 19 signed the clerk's book as charter members. Elder Don Christman presented a challenging sermon and Maud Davis and Venita Jobe gave the history. Elder R. D. Murray, recently moved from Borger, is the pastor there.

The interesting history of work in Pecos started in 1948 when the Jobes moved there. The nearest Seventh-day Adventist Church was at a great dis-

TAKE NOTE! scheduled tour of **Southwestern Union College Choraliers** to the Texico Conference



FEBRUARY

- 24 — Thursday Evening, 7:30 p.m., Central Church, El Paso, Texas
- 25 — Friday Evening, 7:30 p.m., Albuquerque Heights Church, Albuquerque, New Mexico
- 26 — Sabbath Afternoon, Albuquerque Spanish Center, 3:30 p.m.
- 26 — Saturday Night, 7:30 p.m., Sandia View Academy
- 27 — Sunday Evening, Amarillo Church and School, 7:30 p.m.

tance so it was difficult to go regularly to church — especially with several little ones in the family. Later the Jobes moved to Saragosa, 30 miles away, and then to Balmorhea which is in the same area, all this time being isolated members. One day in 1956 a man knocked on the door to see about doing some soil conservation work. Somehow the Sabbath was mentioned and the Jobes learned that his family were Adventists. This was so exciting that a branch Sabbath school was started in the Verhalen Community Center immediately. Later the group met in a Baptist Church. About 1964 it was learned that the wife of the Pecos mayor was an Adventist. Various places were used to hold meetings then in Pecos. They would play a record for the sermon. In 1970 Pastor Gary Rustad came to help form a "company."

As time went by folks came from the Northwest through wonderful miracles. First it was Mrs. Jobe's parents, and her mother, Minnie Fox, had a great deal to do with encouraging meetings and Bible work in the area. Then came Maud and Eli Davis as well as Esther Lansbery. A building was built for meetings and the work started to flourish. Somehow though, the work seemed to gain greater momentum in Saragosa and things seemed to languish in Pecos for awhile. You have read numerous accounts of the new work started in Saragosa — a church organized with 50-60 new members and a church school started with 50 students and four teachers just in the recent past!

But now things are looking very bright for Pecos. It is with great anticipation that this church is organ-



Mr. and Mrs. Warren Jobe add their names to the charter member list as Pecos church is organized January 22.



Pastor and Mrs. R. D. Murray signing clerk's record book at Pecos church organization.

Nineteen charter members form a soul-winning nucleus in Pecos now!



ized because with the acquisition of the administration of the county hospital in Pecos which happened just recently and which was reported in the RECORD, we see great promise of a growing work in this fine city. We solicit your prayers.

Texico Counts Its Blessings

Have you counted your blessings today? Texico has many blessings to count and we just want to enumerate a few as we look back over 1976, and also we want to place before us some very real and challenging objectives for 1977:

Blessings in 1976

- 191 new converts
- 23 literature evangelists
- \$343,064 in literature sales
(130% gain over '75)
- 5% increase in enrollment in church schools
- \$1,048,534.59 in tithe
(first time over million mark!)
- 7.48% increase over '75
- \$35,490.60 for Texico Expansion
— 115% increase over '75
- \$102,000 in Ingathering,
- \$28.44 per capita

Objectives for 1977

- 350 baptisms (10% of membership)
- 15 new literature evangelists
- Half a million dollars in literature sales
- Every eligible child in our denominational schools
- 15%-20% gain in tithe
- 1% to 2% per member for Texico Expansion
- Over our super Ingathering goal and more!

Greater blessings are just before us as we dedicate our lives more fully to Him and seek His guidance. Let us move toward "A Finished Work Together with God" — in Texico and throughout the world!

DON CHRISTMAN, *President*.

Do You Have a Will and Trust?

In visiting our churches we many times discover that approximately eight out of 10 adult church members have neither a will nor a trust prepared. In many instances the state takes over and much money is lost to the family as well as perhaps to the cause of God in case of death.

It is so easy to postpone the prepara-

tion of our estate. So many times we feel that we have so little that a will or trust is not important, but negligence in this matter so often brings great problems to our loved ones.

The Texico Conference Association, with Elder Ray Wing as director, is willing to give valuable counsel that you can use for the benefit of your family if anything should happen to you. Your wishes are always the last word as we only want to see your desires fulfilled.

TEXICO NEWS NOTES

► **NEW EL PASO SPANISH CHURCH** occupied February 5

► **TEXICO ADVISORY MEETING** — Roswell, New Mexico, February 20, 10:00 a.m., Odd Fellows Hall, First Street and Montana

► **YOUTH RALLY** — SVA, February 25, 26

► **BOOKMOBILE** — Roswell, 9:00 a.m., February 20; SVA — February 26 p.m., February 27.

► **SARAGOSA CHURCH SCHOOL DEDICATION** — March 12. All are invited.

► **FINANCIAL REPORTS IN THE CHURCHES** — Amarillo, March 24; El Paso, March 26 Albuquerque, March 27; Lubbock, April 9; Midland-Odessa, April 10.

► **SVA ACADEMY DAYS** — April 17 and 18

► **"REVIEW & HERALD"** for every Texico family starting July 1!

► **"GOOD-BYE, PLANET EARTH,"** by Robert H. Pierson. This missionary book-of-the-year is just what you need for your 1977 missionary outreach!

► **JUNIOR CAMP** — June 26 through July 2

► **TEXICO CAMP FOR THE BLIND** — July 3-9

► **TEXICO CAMP MEETING** — July 22-30

► **STUDENTS NEEDED AT BRANDOM'S.** Brandom Kitchens, with their many orders coming in will be exceedingly busy during 1977. At least 40 students can work all summer at the factory earning at least \$2.30 per hour. Plan now to earn your way through Sandia View Academy!

► **THE THIRD SABBATH EACH MONTH IS DESIGNATED AS BAPTISMAL SABBATH.**

► **HAVE YOU RECEIVED YOUR SUNSET CALENDAR FOR 1977?** Please contact your local pastor if you haven't. This is for each Texico member, provided with the compliments of the Texico Conference.

► **VOICE OF PROPHECY DAILY BROADCAST IN ALBUQUERQUE AREA** — Station KOB, 770, at 11:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Please let your friends and neighbors know about this. The larger our viewing audience, the more possibilities of interested ones attending Elder Detamore's meetings in October!

► **A BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING CLINIC** is conducted by the Better Living Department of Sandia View Academy church each month in the Corrales Community Center. Mrs. Verna Holtz, better living secretary, reports, "Some 15-20 people on the average come to us each month. Life and Health and These Times are given to each person and many contacts are made."



HOWLETT, Doris Ann Smith, was born July 31, 1917, in Taloga, Okla., and died Jan. 20, 1977, in Napa Calif. Survivors include her husband, Elder Rolland H. Howlett; two stepdaughters: Patricia Ann O'Neil and Louise Mae Driver; a sister, Soledad Smith; stepparents: Mr. and Mrs. Hardy Sem; and five grandchildren.

She served for 23 years in the Central, Southeastern, and Southern California Conferences, and Monterey Bay and Sandia View Academies; as well as several years in the mission field at Antillian College.

STEPPICK, Mrs. Pearl Geneva, was born Dec. 7, 1891, in Oklahoma and died Dec. 18, 1976, in Fort Worth, Tex. At the age of 10 she was baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist Church and remained a faithful member all her life. She loved children and at one time conducted a story hour in her home. A full-page feature article of her story hour for children, along with pictures, appeared in a Fort Worth newspaper. She also gave many children free piano lessons. Survivors include four sons: George, J. C., A. C., and Tommy; two daughters: Mrs. O. L. White and Mrs. Hazel Cooper; three brothers, two sisters, 16 grandchildren, and 25 great-grandchildren. Services were conducted by her pastor, Joe L. Ray, and interment was at Emerald Hills in Kennedale.

Joe L. Ray.

THOMSON, Mrs. Sybil Parker, was born Dec. 9, 1903, in Bernice, La., and died Nov. 7, 1976 in Covington, La. She was baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist faith in 1945 by John Osborn and was a charter member of the First Seventh-day Adventist Church in Jacksonville, Fla., where she served as church clerk, choir director, pianist, and Sabbath school teacher during her years there.

Mrs. Thomson was preceded in death by her husband, Dr. Raymond C. Thomson. Survivors include a brother, George Parker; one daughter, Mrs. Reta L. Quave; and three grandchildren. Services were conducted by Pastor Marwood Hallett assisted by Ed McGee. Burial was in Theodore Dendinger Memorial Cemetery in Covington, La.



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SUNSET SCHEDULE

	Feb. 11	Feb. 18	Feb. 25	Mar. 4
Abilene, Texas	6:21	6:28	6:34	6:39
Amarillo, Texas	6:26	6:32	6:39	6:45
Brownsville, Texas	6:20	6:25	6:29	6:33
Dallas, Texas	6:08	6:15	6:21	6:26
El Paso, Texas	5:49	5:55	6:01	6:06
Fort Worth, Texas	6:10	6:17	6:23	6:28
Galveston, Texas	6:06	6:11	6:16	6:21
Gentry, Arkansas	5:55	6:02	6:10	6:16
Keene, Texas	6:10	6:17	6:23	6:28
Little Rock, Arkansas	5:48	5:55	6:01	6:07
Muskogee, Oklahoma	5:59	6:06	6:13	6:19
New Orleans, Louisiana	5:45	5:51	5:56	6:01
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	6:08	6:15	6:22	6:28
San Antonio, Texas	6:20	6:26	6:31	6:36
Santa Fe, New Mexico	5:41	5:48	5:58	6:02
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on the record

a heart-to-heart chat with your union conference president

"FANTASTIC — You Wouldn't Believe It!"

Elder Frank Sherrill and I were waiting for a meeting to start at one of the Holiday Inns in Dallas. It was early in the morning and we were kind of drowsy standing there talking, just passing the time of day — when out of the restaurant walked a young woman with a vigor, a clip and a smile that immediately caught our attention, especially when she threw her hands in the air and cried out, "Whoopie!" She walked straight toward us. We were half stunned — but we managed to inquire, "Good morning, how are you?" She didn't pause for even a second but shot back as she passed by — "FANTASTIC, you wouldn't believe it!" She really felt great — and everybody that got within 50 feet of her that morning was bound to know it! We later found out she was a track champion.

I asked Elder Sherrill, "I wonder what kind of a diet she follows to give her all that energy?" He drawled out, "I don't know, partner, but whatever it is it sure gives her more pep than some health reformers I know."

How long has it been since you really felt totally one-hundred percent good? Do we give a fresh — "feel-like-a-million" — "couldn't-feel-better" impression to people we meet? I asked a student at Southwestern Union College (where they have a great physical fitness program going), "How are you doing?" His answer came fast as a jet — "I feel so good I can hardly stand it!" Now that's really feeling good!

Why shouldn't we feel good? We have not only the greatest health message — but the greatest gospel message the world has ever heard. It is so fabulous — so fantastic it should keep us on top of the mountain — a shining example of what Christ can do for a mortal when He takes hold one-hundred percent.

Jesus said, "I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." Jesus wants us to really enjoy life. There should be joy, a freshness about us that challenges hearts. Listen:

"If we keep the Lord ever before us, allowing our hearts to go out in thanksgiving and praise to Him, we shall have a continual freshness in our religious life." *Christ's Object Lessons*, p. 179.

A "continual freshness!" — beautiful words. Instead of being draggers, hangers-on, ecclesiastical sadsacks — we should be the most positive cheerer-uppers in the whole wide world. Listen again:

"Religion, pure and undefiled, ennoble its possessor. You will ever find with the true Christian a marked cheerfulness, a holy, happy confidence in God, a submission to His providences." *Testimonies*, vol. 3, p. 377.

A "marked cheerfulness" — do you know what that means? It means — so cheerful — people will always be noticing it. A "holy, happy confidence in God" — that means you trust God so completely you stop worrying.

Jesus came that you might have life — and that you might have it more abundantly. Don't you think it's time we start to really live that kind of life?

I can hear some say — "That's easy talk. If you had my problems — the meanness I endure, you'd sing a different song." Hear this:

"However mean your life is, meet it and live it. Do not shun it and call it hard names. Love your life." — Henry David Thoreau

Friends, there is no excuse for dragging Christians. The message of Christ should give us lifelong cheer and keep our hearts alive. Someone has said, "Time is a great healer — but a poor beautician." You may not look like 20 any more — but you can have great living at 50, or 60, or 70, or 80, 90 or 105 like John McGee of Jay, Oklahoma. Life at any age can be great if you really take hold and live. So stop nibbling — bite! And your life will be so FANTASTIC you won't believe it!

Yours for fantastic living in Jesus,

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