

SOUTHWESTERN UNION Record

Oh Lord my God,
 You have blessed without a stop,
 You have cared for me the same.
 Please help me Lord to do what is right,
 And Thank you Lord for everything.
 You have saved me from lots of troubles,
 Helped me when I needed it.

You comfort me,
 When I'm so sad,
 And help me when I'm mad.
 You teach me, You tell me,
 All the things I need to know,
 And you watch me every day.

So Please help me Lord,
 These coming years,
 To Love you and care for you more.
 AMEN

Kim Owen 5th grade
 Midland Odessa School

AMEN

Focus on the Cover

A Time for Thankfulness for God's Blessings

The words "Thank you, Mister," cheered my heart. It was such a little thing — a bar of candy. The skinny, scared youngster looked up with his big brown eyes and face aglow to let me know he really appreciated the gift. Children are that way. Most of them really respond to any act of kindness. They take joy in saying thank you and expressing their thankfulness in many ways.

The poem on the cover tells us something about the heart of Kim Owen. "You have blessed without a stop," — isn't that nice. "You teach me, You tell me, All the things I need to know," — Kim Owen, age 10, is really a thankful girl.

Perhaps the Master had in mind that we should continue to have a thankful heart when he said "Except ye become as little children . . ." King David was a very thankful person. Many of the verses in the book of Psalms come from a heart of gratitude.

I give thanks to thee, O Lord my God, with my whole heart,
and I will glorify thy name for ever. Psalm 86:12

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love
endures for ever. O give thanks to the God of gods, for his
steadfast love endures for ever. O give thanks to the Lord of
lords, for his steadfast love endures for ever. Psalm 136:1-3

Bless the Lord, all his hosts, his ministers that do his will! Bless
the Lord, all his works, in all places of his dominion. Bless the
Lord, O my soul! Psalm 103:21-22

Even if difficult days come our way we should still be thankful. Helen Keller, that great individual who could have been an ungrateful person, said, "I thank God for my handicaps, for through them I have found myself, my work, my God."

Elder Ben Leach, Southwestern Union Conference president, some time ago was robbed soon after he checked into a motel. He said afterwards, "I am thankful they didn't take my life. Thankful I am that although they took my money, which wasn't much, they didn't leave me crippled. Most of all I am thankful we have a God who protects and sends angels to guard every moment of the day."

Recently I pulled up to the exit booth at Dallas-Fort Worth Airport to pay for parking my car. Since the car had been there several days the bill was \$25.00. I didn't have the cash. The attendant said he could not take credit cards. A check would do but I didn't have one with me. What should I do? Just then I remembered a friend had given me some money. My frustration and embarrassment turned into happiness and thanksgiving. I was thankful for friends and for a God who says, "I will supply all your needs."

The Thanksgiving Day proclamation of November 26, 1789, states, "I do recommend and assign Thursday the Twenty-Sixth day of November next, to be devoted by the people of these states, to the service of that great and glorious Being, who is the beneficent Author of all the good that was, that is, or that will be."

During this Thanksgiving season, shall we not be as the children and express our thanks more freely to each other and to our God.

Spotlight on Soul Winning

in the Texico Conference

Elder Floyd Ramsey pastored the Tucumcari, Melrose, Clovis, and Portales churches a couple of years ago, but before he left he gave the lay activities leader, Marcella Jenkins, the name of Linda Trujillo. He had contacted Linda during a door-to-door campaign of passing out literature.

Marcella started the 34-Bible-lesson course from the Voice of Prophecy with Linda, her husband, Raymond, and their daughter, Frances. The Trujillos were Catholics. Linda had read *Steps to Christ* and had found out how to surrender her life to the Savior, and had also given up smoking and drinking. She told Marcella she did not know where the book came from, but after reading it, she wished she could have more of the same kind to study.

After Linda completed the Bible course, she became an avid reader, reading the "Conflict Series," 15 or so other Spirit of Prophecy books, the 10-volume Bible Story set, *The Adventist Review* and other magazines.

After a couple of years of study, Marcella felt it was time for baptism, so Elder Ramsey was contacted and meetings were held September 14-20. Marcella's husband had been transferred because of his work, but she asked the Lord to work it out so she could attend the meetings. She wrote letters to those she had visited and studied with and also contacted her sister in Carlsbad, Evelyn Durham, so she could plan to help with the vocal and instrumental music.

Those baptized were Linda Trujillo; her daughter, Frances; Eva Gillispie of San Jon, New Mexico, who came out of the Mormon church; Kyle and Evette White; and Edna Collins of Logan, New Mexico.

Edna had met and enjoyed the company of Elder and Mrs. Joseph Espinosa and Elder and Mrs. Melvin Skadsheim during the World Youth Congress held in Zurich in 1969. Marcella had interceded so that there would be room for her to go to that congress, and word had come back, "Fine, have your cousin come along." Edna, who has been WCTU state president for the past eight years, had contact with the Skadsheims through that organization also.

Elder Ramsey's series on "The Great Controversy Between Christ and Satan" brought six souls to a decision for Christ. There are others who have finished the Bible lessons and read the Spirit of Prophecy books, listened to the Voice of Prophecy broadcasts, and some have even helped support the program over KTNM in Tucumcari. The believers there are encouraged and hopeful for yet more fruit for God's kingdom.

"Separate the Sabbath from the messages and it loses its

Elder Floyd Ramsey and the six who were baptized in Tucumcari.



power, but connected with the message of the third angel, a power attends it which convicts believers and infidels." *Testimonies*, vol. 1, p. 237.

Tucumcari members give all the praise and glory to their wonderful Lord and Savior for these marvelous blessings they have received.

Rachel Bell, *Communications Secretary,*
Tucumcari Church.

General News

NEWS BRIEFS OF GENERAL INTEREST

• The Seventh-day Adventists voted at Annual Council to support the International Year of Disabled Persons in 1981. An existing committee known as the visually handicapped and hearing impaired, to which this item was referred, became renamed in the process. Its new name is the Committee for Handicapped Persons (COHAP).

• April 4, 1981, was set aside as the day which Elder Neal C. Wilson referred to as "a prayer offensive." This was in response to Elder Wilson's speech concerning intercessory prayer. He urged every member around the globe to join in prayer concerning the spiritual needs of his immediate neighbor, the surrounding community, and the nation.

• At Annual Council the possibilities of acquiring a denominationally owned satellite plus buying time whenever and wherever feasible were discussed. The denomination's world office of communication set aside \$200,000 to assist in reaching their goals. An additional \$100,000 is expected to come from donations.

• A special Bible course enrollment card has been released by the Voice of Prophecy for use during the holiday season. The colorful card features a dove and the word "Peace" on the cover, and offers the Focus on Living introductory Bible course. The card is designed to be used by itself or as an insert with personal greeting cards.

A packet of these cards is available at no charge by writing: Voice of Prophecy, Department FS, Box 55, Los Angeles, CA 90053.

• Howard D. Burbank, who has served 41 years for his church, recently retired from his position as executive director of Seventh-day Adventist World Service (SAWS). He has headed SAWS since 1974. The amount of clothing shipped by SAWS during his term in office totaled 91 million pounds. The cost of medical supplies and equipment shipped for the same period reached \$6 million. Food valued at 19 million dollars almost reached 105 million pounds.

Burbank's replacement, Richard W. O'Fall, has been SAWS deputy executive director since 1977.

• An unparalleled opportunity to visit the Holy Land is being offered by It Is Written. Registrations are now being accepted for the February 2-10 "once-in-a-lifetime" trip. For information on the tour, write It Is Written, Holy Land Anniversary Tour, Box 0, Thousand Oaks, CA 91360.

• Beginning in 1981, the adult Sabbath School quarterlies will be available for the deaf and hearing impaired. Interested deaf persons should contact Kay at Christian Record Braille Foundation, 4444 South 52nd Street, Lincoln, NE 68506. Quarterlies are available for \$2, plus 50¢ postage.

• George E. Vandeman, speaker-director of the church's full message telecast, *It Is Written*, has been chosen the 1980 "Faith and Freedom" award winner in the television category by Religious Heritage of America (RHA). This is the first time a Seventh-day Adventist has ever been given such recognition since RHA was founded 30 years ago.

• "Learn Not to Burn," a curriculum developed by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), is being promoted for Adventist schools across North America. Of the almost 10,000 persons who die in fires each year and the hundreds of thousands more who suffer serious injury, nearly 25% are children under 13 years of age. The purpose in developing this curriculum is to reduce these tragic statistics and help children grow into safety-conscious adults.

• The third Minority Writers' Workshop was held on the campus of Andrews University. A good share of the workshop time was spent in

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Report to the People

by your Union Conference Secretary . . . Bill May

Brief Highlights From the Annual World Council

Washington, D.C., — October 7-15

1. Elder Roger Coon (Pastor, Takoma Park, Washington, D.C., church) replaced Elder D. A. Delafield, (who retired) as associate secretary of the Ellen G. White Estate.
2. The Southwestern Union is NUMBER ONE for the 10 North America unions in percent of baptisms to membership at 7.05%.
3. Members baptized per ordained minister in world field for 1979 is 31.5; for North America, 10.1.
4. 1979 per capita giving for the world field was \$197.05; for North America, \$722.58.
5. The church sent out 1,190 missionaries in 1979 from all divisions; 943 were from North America.
6. An international SDA lawyers conference was slated for Geneva, Switzerland, for September 3-7, 1981.
7. Voted to name the recently formed African Division the "Africa Indian Ocean Division," and to change the name of the Northern Europe-West Africa Division to "Northern European Division."
8. Voted to establish an "Office of World Mission and Evangelism" (to keep first things first) with final details to be voted at the 1981 Annual Council.
9. Voted to launch world-wide intercessory prayer in every SDA church beginning April 4, 1981. Nothing is more important than this. Watch for details.
10. Voted to establish a council of inter-church relations with the purpose of making warm, personal contacts to share our message and its joys, peace and deep satisfaction with church leaders of other faiths. The door is wide open for this today.
11. Elder Richard O'Fall is the newly elected Director of SAWS. (Seventh-day Adventist World Service), replacing Elder Howard Burbank, who has retired.
12. 50,000 people are being fed monthly in Haiti by SAWS. Starvation is a major problem there and in many other countries of the world. Praise God, the church is helping! SAWS is now recognized as one of the 10 major relief agencies of the world.
13. Voted to establish a *Commissioned Minister* credential/license for those who would probably not be expecting ordination such as associates in pastoral care, auditors, Bible instructors, departmental directors, hospital chaplains, institutional administrators, secondary school principals, treasurers, and business managers.
14. A new model constitution and bylaws was adopted for both the local and union conferences.
15. One billion people in the world live on less than \$100.00 a year. 500,000 million are starving (SAWS report). What a challenge!
16. Nearly 700 organizations are now members of ASI. (Adventist-Laymen's Services and Industries)
17. By the means of a tele-communication satellite an "It Is Written" seminar will be beamed (on March 1, 1981) from a central location to large seminar groups in 45 cities reaching up to 25,000 people in one day.
18. Elected were Frank Hudgins (assistant director communication department) associate director G. C. Communication Department; Youth Department associate director, Jere Patzer (youth department director), North Pacific Union.
19. The project to send *Ministry* magazine to non-SDA ministers in the USA is now reaching 290,000 minister's homes. *Ministry* is the most widely circulated journal for professional ministers in America. Over 16,000 letters have been received from these ministers, most of whom are excited at what they are reading. Letters come in daily from ministers requesting subscriptions to the magazine. Divinity schools are requesting *Ministry* for their students and are opening their doors for SDA seminars.



R. Coon R. O'Fall H. Burbank F. Hudgins J. Patzer

SPECIAL NOTICE — Review & Herald Relocation. The October 16 Review & Herald constituency voted to relocate the printing plant into a new building to be erected on a new site within 80 miles of Washington, D.C. — probably Hagerstown, Maryland. Hopes are to be ready to break ground within six months and to begin operations within 18 months.

Jewels in the Southwest

by your "RECORD" Editor . . . Richard Bendall

Teaching is perhaps the greatest responsibility ever given to man and the most rewarding. "The work the teacher is doing day by day will exert upon his pupils, and through them upon others, an influence that will not cease to extend and strengthen until time shall end." *Education*, p. 281.

The influence of Miss Lockie Gifford's teaching and her personality has been felt by many students for over 40 years.

"Aunt Lockie," as she is affectionately called by her students was born in Ringgold, Louisiana. She lived in this small town until she completed her high school education at the local high school. Lockie Gifford has always had a quest for knowledge. She attended some 11 different colleges and universities for workshops and while earning her two masters degrees — one in educational psychology and the other in special education for exceptional children. In fact, this coming summer she plans to attend Southern Mississippi State University. This love for knowledge was evident as she returned home from her first day of school. When her mother asked her how she liked school, Lockie replied, "I like it so well, I wish I could sleep there." Many of her students say she is the most interesting teacher they ever had.

Upon graduating from high school, Lockie enrolled at Southwestern Junior College for the teacher-training program but was not allowed to return the second year. The college was not accredited at that time, and her father, not a Seventh-day Adventist, would not let her graduate from a non-accredited school. "My mother, a staunch Adventist, would not let me go to a state college." A neighboring church offered her a job teaching in their church school but her father wanted her to be a certified teacher or none at all.

During the two years she was out of school she learned one of the most valuable lessons of her life. The local conference educational superintendent met her one day and inquired about school prospects for her. She told him school was out for the time being. He kindly suggested that she pray about the matter and her reply was that she had prayed for two years, and she was not going to pray any longer. He asked to see her Bible, and she handed it to him. Without a word, he started turning the pages, pausing now and then to check various texts. When Lockie grew tired of shifting from one foot to another, she asked, "What ARE you looking for?" "That text that reads, 'Thou shalt pray for two years and stop,'" he replied. She got the lesson without another word being said. She feels that was the lesson God wanted her to learn for very soon after that, she was allowed to return to Southwestern Junior College, and finish the teacher-training course.

After teaching for 10 years in the Southwestern Union, Aunt Lockie put in her application for mission service. She wanted to go to Africa but was sent to China instead, where she had many responsibilities — including dean of boys for a short time. At the end of a year she transferred to Burma and spent 17 years there. After the Socialist takeover of Burma, all missionaries were ordered out of the country, and Lockie came home to be with her mother instead of taking another call. She taught for about 13 years at Shreveport Junior Academy, which was right next door to her mother's home. Then, just as she retired, she received an SOS call to Malawi where she spent two years teaching. And now, she is teaching in a small church school near her home on a voluntary basis.

Once a boy was bitten by a poisonous snake and the students as well as Lockie were convinced that it was prayer that saved his life.

While in Burma the officials told the Seventh-day Adventists they could not continue their schools. Lockie was given the responsibility of visiting with the leaders and seeking permission for the schools to remain open. Those schools are still open today.

Facing the challenges of the classroom and the responsibility of guiding young lives has been a wonderful experience for Lockie as she has depended upon prayer in every situation.



Gerald Hardy Joins Faith For Today — There's a new face representing Faith For Today as field services director these days. Gerald Hardy, formerly Ministerial Association secretary of the Oregon Conference, recently joined the telecast staff.

In his new position Hardy works with local churches as the liaison person between Faith For Today and Ministerial Associations, evangelists, and church pastors. He also serves as the "contact man" with donors who support the television ministry through trusts and wills.

NEWS BRIEFS

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learning techniques for writing in missionary journals, denominational publications, secular magazines, and newspapers, with special emphasis placed on writing for minority audiences.

At the previous workshop held in 1978, a Minority Writers' Guild was organized. During this last session new officers were elected, the constitution was amended, and new members were accepted. Dr. Lizette Westney, a professor in the English Department of Howard University, was re-elected president of the guild. It was decided that the guild should become a national, organization. Anyone interested in writing for publication may join one of the guild chapters. For further information contact Mrs. Audre Taylor, 6840 Eastern Avenue, Washington, DC 20012.

Owen A. Troy.

Health Happenings in the Southwest . . .

Fred Murray, Director

Elvin Adams, M.D., M.P.H. Associate Director

Huguley Hospital Exceeds United Way Objective

Huguley Hospital employees celebrated victory last week in reaching their 1980 United Way campaign goal with a special western celebration.

Huguley employees pledged \$9,217.84 during this year's campaign, or 122% of the 1980 goal of \$7,505.

Physicians, employees, volunteers, patients, and their families were invited to attend the festive celebration which featured a special meal and country-western musical entertainment.

Compared with last year, Huguley Hospital employees pledged \$2,516 more than last year. The average donation this year was \$51.49 per contributor.

"The generosity of Huguley employees in supporting the 1980 United Way campaign indicates they have a great concern for the people in this area who benefit from the United Way," said John Koobs, president of Huguley Hospital.

Of those who gave to United Way this year, almost 40% gave the "Fair Share" amount. Fair Share is an amount suggested by the United Way which usually equals about 1% of a person's annual income.

Huguley Hospital has taken part in the United Way since 1976 when nine people employed before the hospital opened gave an average of almost \$23 each.



Huguley Hospital health educator Wayne Bolan, far right, and his wife, Betty, serve food to a nurse at the special dinner.

Southwestern Adventist College

Senior Class Officers Elected at SAC

Randy Roberts, a theology major from Keene, Texas, was elected president of the senior class of Southwestern Adventist College during the first class meeting Sunday, October 5, in the Scales Hall Auditorium. Vice-president is Barry Greg Foley, a biology major from Jacksonville, Florida. Ella Weis, an office administration major hailing from Amarillo, Texas, was elected secretary. Gary Wayne Huffaker from Greenwood, Louisiana, was elected class treasurer. And Cornelius M. Ruley, a theology major from Keene, Texas, was elected pastor.

Continuing Education Program for Nurses

Southwestern Adventist College

Southwestern Adventist College is conducting a program on "Management of Antepartum with Emphasis on Fetal Assessment." The objectives of the six-hour session are to enable the participants to describe five theories used in prenatal teaching, determine learning needs of expectant parents, develop a teaching plan, identify high and low risk antepartum patients, and interpret the tracings of various patterns of fetal monitoring.

The registration fee is \$25.00. This covers all the materials, refreshments, and lunch at the program. The enrollment is limited to 35. Registrations will be accepted at the door. Dr. George T. Boyett, Jr., M.D., will be the main speaker. The workshop will be held at Moran Hall Nursing department on Friday, November 14, from 8:30-3:30 p.m. CEU's awarded .6.

COMING SOON

If you are a high-school senior or college-age student, you won't want to miss the **college visitation day** on **November 16, 1980**. A special program has been planned just for you, beginning at 11 o'clock in Barron Memorial Chapel.

Contact your pastor for travel details. Lodging will be provided.

Come join us!

Arkansas- Louisiana

J. WAYNE HANCOCK, Correspondent

Little Acorns — Big Oaks

"From little acorns, big oaks grow." 1904 saw the beginning of a venture, built in faith and sustained by sacrifice, for it was in January of that year that 15 youngsters, grades one through seven, together with their teacher, Miss Katherine Bickham (later Mrs. Katherine Martin), gathered in the bedroom of the H. S. Roche home for classes. This was the first Seventh-day Adventist school in Shreveport and the second in the entire Louisiana Conference.

Times were poor, and it was with a real feeling of accomplishment that two years later, after having utilized the bedrooms of several church members, the group was able to move into its first permanent home. The structure stood just in front of where the Pathfinder clubhouse is now and served both as church and school. Every Friday afternoon brought much activity as the desks were moved outside and the benches put in place for Sabbath services.

The furniture for this building was made by P. C. Sibley. Later a floor was added by the men of the church, fashioned from lumber paid for with \$25.00 advanced by the school teacher.

Dedicated teachers, such as Miss Bickham, Miss Bertha Lee, and others taught for small remuneration (as little as \$15.00 a month paid partially in room and board) and school was conducted with few facilities, but there was no shortage of book learning or spiritual growth on the part of pupils. All but three members of the original group became baptized church members while attending school.

Two more school locations followed until the mid-50's when it became evident that the facilities that had served for so long were no longer adequate. When the need was presented to the members, they rose to the challenge.

Land was donated, appropriately enough, a portion of the same parcel of land on which the first school had stood, and a sacrificial giving program was begun. In September of 1960, the new building was ready for occupancy.

And now, 1980, not a new building, but a new program has been added to Shreveport Junior Academy. KEPT, the religious FM station in the Ark-La-Tex area, announced it this way: "There is something new in town! Shreveport Jun-

Dr. Samuele Bacchiocchi will hold a **Sabbath Enrichment Seminar** at the **Gentry Seventh-day Adventist church** on **November 14 and 15, 1980**. Dr. Bacchiocchi is the only protestant ever to earn a doctorate at the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome. The seminar will be a study into the origin of Sunday observance. Friday evening at 7:30, he will speak on "Experiences and Research at Vatican University." Sabbath at 11:00 a.m., the topic is "Divine Rest for Human Restlessness." And Sabbath at 4:00 p.m., he will speak on "Sunday: Holy Day or Holiday?"

ior Academy is now offering the Loma Linda University Kindergarten program, 'God, Creation, and Me.' This curriculum, recommended by the General Conference, is taught by Mrs. Carole Rusco.

In preparation for the opening of school, many improvements were made to give a bright new look to the school, and the teaching staff had spent many hours getting ready for the 52 students who enrolled.

Mrs. Joyce Kostenko is teaching grades seven to ten with Mrs. Carole Rusco helping with language arts in the afternoon after teaching the kindergartners in the morning. Besides his duties as principal, Ron Rusco teaches grades five and six and the physical education classes for grades five to ten. Mrs. Dianne Hancock is the teacher for grades one to four.

Among the first graders who enrolled at Shreveport Junior Academy this fall



First school building to house Shreveport Junior Academy. It was located where the present Pathfinder clubhouse sits.

This is the way Shreveport Junior Academy looks now — quite different from our first school building.





Pictured is a portion of the 247 teens who attended Yorktown this summer for Teen Week. They enjoyed such outposts and inpost camps as: caving, mountain climbing, horsepacking, tour camping, canoeing-sailing trips, aquatics, creative arts, gymnastics, and much, much more. To top off the week an exciting teen banquet was planned for both teen camps, and Friday's spelled olympics. Elder Gary Rust reports that next year a Counselor in Training Week (CIT), will be conducted giving many teens the challenge of training to become future CYB staff members. This summer 1,110 campers attended beautiful Camp Yorktown Bay. Thanks to all who chose us for your vacation spot. See you next summer.

Youth Department, P.O. Box 31000, Shreveport, LA 71130.

was Mike Jones. And what is special about Mike? He is a fourth-generation student at Shreveport Junior Academy.

Mike's great-grandfather, Harvey L. (Pozzy) Gifford, Sr., began his school career when the school first opened in 1904. When the time came for his son, Harvey Jr., to start school, naturally the choice was Shreveport Junior Academy. And when Harvey, Jr.'s, daughter, Betty Joe, was ready for school, again the choice was Shreveport Junior Academy. And now she carries

on the tradition by sending her son, Mike, to this school where she knows he will receive an education that will prepare him for eternity as well as for the here and now.

That is the kind of education that Shreveport Junior Academy offers to each student who enters its doors. Pausing to look at the Shreveport Seventh-day Adventist Junior Academy of today, can anyone doubt that from little acorns, big oaks grow?

Arkansas-Louisiana Adventist Book Center

Fall 1980 Book Display Schedule

Nov. 22 Baton Rouge	6:00 — 9:00 pm
Nov. 23 Hammond	10 am — 6:00 pm
Nov. 24 Lafayette	4:00 — 7:00 pm
Nov. 29 Slidell	6:00 — 9:00 pm
Nov. 30 N. O. Metairie	10 am — 6:00 pm
Dec. 1 Houma	4:00 — 7:00 pm
Dec. 6 Harrison	6:00 — 9:00 pm
Dec. 7 Bentonville	10 am — 1:00 pm
Dec. 7 Springdale	3:00 — 6:00 pm
Dec. 14 Shreveport	
Open	10 am — 4:00 pm



Three generations who have attended Shreveport Junior Academy: Betty Jo Gifford-Jones; her father, Harvey Gifford, Jr.; and grandson Mike Jones, a first-grader at Shreveport Junior Academy. Great grandfather, Harvey Gifford, Sr., began his school days at Shreveport Junior Academy.

Harvey Gifford, Sr., as he looked a few years after his first days at Shreveport Junior Academy. His son, granddaughter, and now great-grandson have attended the same school.



tional superintendent, directed the conference. Larry Schneider, youth director, directed the camping and recreational activities; and his wife, Cheryl, supervised the meal preparation.

Erwin Sicher, chairman of the Department of Social Sciences at Southwestern Adventist College, was guest speaker. He spoke of various aspects of Christian conduct and manner of life. After each



Erwin Sicher speaking to the junior academy students at the Bible conference.



One of the Bible conference discussion groups.

Many of the students ate in the open air on one side of what will be the spacious dining room.



Oklahoma

CHARLES R. BEELER, Correspondent

First Conference Held at Wewoka Woods

The Wewoka Woods Conference Center is no longer merely a future project — it is now a reality. The Junior Academy Bible Conference held there October 8-12 made surprisingly good use of the center's unfinished facilities.

The Bible conference was attended by 150 boys and girls and about 15 counselors. Darrell Beyer, conference educa-



Although carried on in makeshift quarters, the food service was excellent.



An nearly-completed cabin at Wewoka Woods.

presentation the boys and girls met in small discussion groups to grapple with specific questions posed by the speaker. Then they reassembled and reporters from each group stated their group's conclusions. This was followed by a final analysis of the problems by the whole assembly under Dr. Sicher's guidance.

On Sabbath afternoon a round-table discussion brought questions from the boys and girls on a wide range of topics. The Faith For Today film, John Huss, was shown Saturday night.

The youngsters and staff were all housed in the cabins which, when finished, will provide far more comfortable accommodations. This time, two of the cabins that as yet have no internal partitions were arranged in barracks fashion with double-decked cots. The facilities were somewhat better in the one cabin that is nearly completed.

The headquarters and dining building at Wewoka Woods, about ready to begin second-story construction.



Notice:

All former students of SAC, SUC, SWJC, and KIA in the Oklahoma City area are invited to attend an Alumni Chapter Meeting in the Oklahoma City Central Seventh-day Adventist Church, November 22, 1980.

A 4:00 p.m. slide show and musical program by Southwestern's music department will be open to the public.

Following a sundown vesper program for all alumni, pictures will be shown followed by a chapter organizational meeting and a popcorn and homemade ice cream supper.

Dudley Tomblinson, Alumni Association President, will be in charge of the meeting.

The food service was adequately provided in what will be the dining and head-quarters building. Since the concrete slab for the second floor of the building had been poured, there was overhead shelter for the kitchen which was outfitted with borrowed camp-meeting equipment. Tables were set up partly in a sheltered area, and partly in the open air in what will ultimately be the large dining room.

Wewoka Woods construction continues, so that other events already scheduled will be provided with even more adequate and comfortable facilities.

Charles R. Beeler,
Oklahoma Conference
Communication Director.

OKLAHOMA NEWS ROUNDUP

• H. B. Petry, conference evangelist, began a series of evangelistic meetings in the American Legion Hall in Chandler on October 17, 1980.

Oklahoma 1980 Book Display Schedule

Muskogee	Sat.	Nov. 15	*
Sallisaw	Sun.	Nov. 16	5:00-7:30
Tahlequah	Mon.	Nov. 17	5:00-7:30
Summit Ridge	Tues.	Nov. 18	5:00-7:30
Ardmore	Sat.	Nov. 22	*
Lawton	Sun.	Nov. 23	5:00-7:30
Tulsa School	Sat.	Dec. 6	*
Sand Springs	Sun.	Dec. 7	5:00-7:30
Claremore School	Mon.	Dec. 8	5:00-7:30
Jay School	Sat.	Dec. 13	*
Ketchum School	Sun.	Dec. 14	3:00-7:30
Bartlesville School	Mon.	Dec. 15	5:00-7:30

Oklahoma City — Special Open House
Dec. 7, 10:00 — 4:00

Prices good through December 31, 1980

*After sundown

Health Services Offered in Fair at Enid

With the help of the Southwestern Union Mobile Medical-Dental Clinic, the Enid Community Services Center offered a variety of health screening services at the Garfield County Fair. Evalena Heinrich, community services director, organized the program. The Pathfinder Club assisted with the registration.

Thirteen local dentists gave their services in conducting an oral cancer test. Ten nurses from St. Mary's Hospital and five technicians from Vance Air Force Base helped with blood sugar and sickle cell anemia tests. A number of people were referred to their physicians for needed attention. 280 people visited the van for the various services.

A Bible course was requested by 15 persons. Interest was shown by 24 persons in the Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking, and by 43 persons in a cooking class. The church plans to offer these services to the public in the near future.

Southwest Region

W. C. JONES, Correspondent

Workers Meeting Held at Lake Texoma

After a long, hot summer — when all of the ministers had concluded their evangelistic thrust in a tent, hall, or church, we gathered for our annual retreat at Lake Texoma. Our special guest this year was F. L. Jones from the General Conference Treasury Department, and Dr. B. F. Reaves of the Religion Department, Oakwood College. This team conducted a seminar on "Management by Objectives." This unique presentation offered new concepts of enlarging a pastor's ability to cope with church problems.

The report on evangelism was another feature that inspired the gathering as well, for we discovered for the first three quarters there was a total of 594 baptisms. The fourth quarter promises to give us the greatest number of souls baptized in the history of the conference.

In spite of the busy sessions, the afternoons were always reserved for recreation and fellowship. This year was no exception, for there was tennis, basket-



(Left) Dr. B. F. Reaves from the religion department at Oakwood College. (Right) Southwest Region workers in session with Elder F. L. Jones of the General Conference treasury department and Dr. B. F. Reaves of Oakwood College. This team conducted a seminar on "pastoral management."

ball, hiking, golf, as well as other activities. All of the workers were able to return home with a heart full of pleasant memories and a better determination to end 1980 with greater achievements than ever before.

In connection with the workers' meeting the ministers wives tastefully decorated the cafeteria with red, white, and blue for the All-American Banquet. The Shepherdess group served as hostesses and were located at the entrance

of the Banquet Hall, presenting each lady with a corsage and each man with a boutonniere. They brought gifts for their secret pals also. The social event was semi-formal and Elder and Mrs. V. L. Roberts were honored after serving the church for 36 years. Awards and accolades were presented to the Roberts' at this grand affair.

Elder and Mrs. Roberts are both from Florida. He began his ministry in the South Atlantic Conference as a pastor,

and because of his expertise in figures, he was called to serve as treasurer of the newly organized Southwestern Mission. Laboring in this mission with his ability to save and manage finances changed the mission's status quickly into a conference. The Northeastern Conference in New York city called the Roberts to serve as treasurer in 1950, and he labored faithfully in the northern area until he was summoned to return to the Southwest Region Conference in 1956 as president — which he held with distinction for 13 years. He was then asked to serve at the Southwestern Union office; he was the first Black man in the division to head a major department on the union level (Sabbath School) the first to serve as an officer on the union level (associate secretary); the first to serve as a union treasurer.

Mrs. Roberts is a retired school teacher, she also served as director of the Southwest Region Community Services for several years. They have two

WHAT: Southwest Region Conference Senior Youth Retreat

WHEN: November 26-30, 1980, (THANKSGIVING WEEKEND)

WHERE: LONE STAR CAMP, Athens, Texas

FOR WHOM: ALL SENIOR YOUTH — ALL Adventist Youth Officers, Pathfinder Leaders Adventist Youth Federation Officers and Temperance Leaders.

COST: \$35.00 per person Deposit fee — \$10.00

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION: November 15, 1980

SEND TO: Senior Youth Retreat
P.O. Box 226289
Dallas, Texas 75266
ATTENTION: B. E. Wright

APPLICATION Southwest Region Senior Youth Retreat

Name _____ Home Phone _____

Address _____

_____ Zip Code _____

Age _____ Birthday ____/____/____ Male _____ Female _____

Single _____ Married _____ Home Church _____

In case of an emergency, please contact: _____ Phone _____

I agree to abide by all camp regulations and policies and to uphold its objectives.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

I have enclosed _____ Deposit fee (\$10.00)

_____ Camp fee (\$35.00)

SEND CASHIER'S CHECK OR MONEY ORDER.

DON'T FORGET TO BRING: Bible, morning watch, lesson quarterly, pen or pencil, Sabbath clothes, everyday clothes, coat, sweater or jacket, stockings, socks, pajamas, hiking shoes, flashlight, swimming suit, toothpaste and brush, soap, towels and wash cloths, blankets or sleeping bag, clock, pillow, and linen.



Elder and Mrs. V. L. Roberts

Southwest Region Church Officers' Meetings

November 15, Oklahoma City

Districts: Enid, Hominy, Langston, Fort Smith, Ark., Oklahoma City, Newby, Okmulgee, Sapulpa, Muskogee, Tulsa

December 6, Baton Rouge

Districts: Alexandria, Covington, Hammond, New Orleans (Ephesus), New Orleans (Caffin), Kenner, Thibodaux, Lake Charles, Beaumont, Jennings

December 13, Shreveport

Districts: Monroe, Tallulah, Marshall, Shreveport, Natchitoches, Coushatta, Mansfield, Little Rock, Hot Springs, Pine Bluff, Monroe, Ark., Jefferson, Texarkana

daughters: Jo Ann, who is a school teacher, and Verna is a nurse.

During the 36 years of the Roberts' ministry, it may have been that your paths have crossed and these faithful servants of God have touched your life. Now they have reached the golden years of their lives — what a noble deed it would be for you to remind them by dropping a word of thanks. Their address is: Elder and Mrs. V. L. Roberts, 1801 Danny Ray Drive, Cleburne, TX 76031, 817/645-7217.

W. C. Jones, Reporter.

Texas

WARREN SKILTON, Correspondent

Texas Style Serendipity

An acquaintance of mine married a woman who became a Christian 10 years ago. He is a successful business person. Many times he showed a reluctance in becoming a Christian. Finally, someone found out why — even after Bible studies and difficult decisions, he avoided baptism. The answer finally surfaced. He was afraid of the cold baptismal water. This happened in Johannesburg, South Africa.

He agreed the night before the baptism to test the water and give me the signal if he wished to go ahead. I called three candidates names and then looked at him. He paused and then flashed a broad smile of acceptance.

After the baptism I asked him about his cold water experience. He had forgotten his fear because he had made a greater commitment.

The Faith in Action Ingathering Crusade is in full swing. Yes, there are some who are reluctant to do Ingathering. The reasons and excuses are numerous.

Make a greater commitment. Loose your fear. Yes, Virginia, there is a Giver of good gifts!

Yes, there is Texas style serendipity! You will find it in the faces of those you communicate with during Ingathering.

Larry Engel.

Helps for Ingathering What to Say

Remember that you represent Christ and His message. Do not try to conceal your identity as a Seventh-day Adventist. If you do you may arouse suspicion, and will fail to take advantage of the good name the church has developed through its good-neighbor activities and public relations program.

Suggested canvasses for various types of presentation follow. These are merely examples. They should not be followed slavishly —

Texas — Southwest Region Adventist Book Center Bookmobile 1980 Fall Display Schedule

Date and Bookmobile Location	Time	Area Churches Invited
November		
15 North Houston	*	
16 Houston Gulfhaven	10:00-12:00	Galveston, Baytown, Texas City
22 S. A. Laurel Heights	*	
23 Austin	10:00-12:00	All S. A. Area Churches
December		
6 Jefferson	*	Marshall, Jefferson Church Marshall Emmanuel Tyler — Sharon All New Orleans Area Churches
7 Longview-Tyler	10:00-12:00	
13 New Orleans-Ephesus	*	
14 Baton Rouge — Berean	10:00-12:00	
20 Fort Worth First	*	Burleson & Fort Worth Churches

*Sale will start shortly after sundown.

for every Christian soldier must fight in his own armor. These have been developed by experienced volunteers and contain suggestions you will find helpful.

There are three distinct parts to a good canvass: First, tell what you are doing, then explain the work being done for humanity, and last, with confidence state that you are glad to give them an opportunity to share in this program with their contribution. When a person along a particular street has contributed, mention, "Your neighbors along the street have given to help this good work."

Be accurate in saying to what the contribution goes. Example: "Your contribution helps to carry forward medical, educational, welfare, and Christian mission work in nearly 200 countries as well as right here at home." Be accurate and appealing.

NEVER say:

- "Your contribution goes to help local welfare work." (Never)
- "We are soliciting for the ———— Sanitarium." (Never)
- "Help the poor and needy." (Never)

The varied canvasses which follow will apply in different situations. They are given with the idea that you will select from them all those things which will make your own canvass interesting and persuasive.

Calling on the People You Visited Last Year

After your greeting you may say, "I am happy to present you with another annual report of our humanitarian program. It tells what has been accomplished with the contribution you gave last year. (Refer to projects in magazine which you know will interest them — clinics, schools, leper colonies, medical launches, orphanages, disaster relief, welfare projects, camps for underprivileged children.)

"Your gift each year helps carry forward this good work and makes possible the expansion of this humanitarian service. Your dona-

tion is greatly appreciated. I thank you for your continued support."

Visiting Homes No. 1 Canvass

"Good morning. A number of volunteers are giving their time today to visiting homes in your neighborhood. We are leaving with you this report which tells about our hospitals, clinics, schools, and welfare projects, and what they are doing for humanity. You may want to read this article on page ——— which tells about the camp for underprivileged children. We bring relief to suffering people in all parts of the world. I know you would like to have a part in these good-neighbor activities. Some have given a dollar. Every contribution helps to carry forward this good work for another year. Thank you."

Visiting Homes No. 2 Canvass

"Good morning. We are volunteering our time today visiting neighbors, and are leaving with them this report (place magazine in their hands). It tells of work in hospitals and schools and how they are relieving suffering in all parts of the world. (Refer to some special feature of the report. After you have received the first contribution of the day you can say:) Your neighbors along this street are giving to help this good work. Some have given a dollar or more (according to what you have received). (If a person hesitates you might say:) You know every offering helps. I am sure you will be glad to give to help others. Thank you."

Visiting Homes No. 3 Canvass

"Good morning. As volunteers we are contacting homes in a good-neighbor program around the world. This folder tells about our hospitals, leper colonies, schools, and aid given to disaster victims. (Call attention to projects in magazine.) We are making the annual appeal for humanitarian work sponsored by Seventh-day Adventists. As good neighbors we all want to bring relief to the suffering and Christian education to people



Please
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1% TEXAS EVANGELISM
1% TEXAS EXPANSION

Thank!
you!

around the world. Whatever you can give to help in this great work will be appreciated."

Concluding the Canvass:

At the close of your canvass, say, "Did you know that you are entitled to a free service — an opportunity to explore the Bible? I thought you would be glad to have me call your attention to this free offer. It is on the inside cover of the magazine. Millions have found the Bible to be a new book after receiving the question-and-answer guide sheets by mail."

Keep records of the people you contact, the amount given, and the interest shown. Cards, called the Donor Record, for this type of record may be obtained from the church lay activities secretary. These cards may be used as a record of follow-up contacts made with the individual, invitations to meetings sent, subscriptions to magazines, books given, et cetera.

The Five Great Rules of Selling . . . — I Mean INGATHERING

A sale (I mean Ingathering) isn't a thing — it's a process. It isn't standing still — it's moving. It isn't one long job — it's a series of smaller jobs. The five steps of the selling (I mean Ingathering) process are:

1. ATTENTION
2. INTEREST
3. CONVICTION
4. DESIRE
5. CLOSE

These five steps of the selling (Ingathering) process make good sense. They are based on good psychology. They work! So let's take a close look at them. Let's analyze them a bit, as follows:

1. Unless you get your prospect's attention, unless he listens to you, why make your pitch? (No listen, no hear; no hear, no sell [Ingathering]).
2. You want your prospect to keep on paying attention, so you get his interest. If a prospect is interested because he believes that your product or service will benefit him in some way, he gladly listens. (Can you think of any way Ingathering can benefit your prospect? How about friendship?)
3. Next you must convince your prospect that it will be a wise move for him to buy your product (give an Ingathering offering — how about the fact that it is tax deductible?) . . . an intelligent thing to do, because of the benefits he will gain from owning (giving) an using your product (the church).
4. He may be interested in your product (your church), may be convinced that it is a good article, and still not reach for his wallet. (You are *interested*, for example, in looking at the Grand Canyon. You are *convinced* that no better canyon exists — but you have no *desire* for it.) Therefore after you have *interested* your prospect in your product, and that it will benefit him, you must, as a rule, make him *want* to own (give) before you can make the sale (obtain in Ingathering offering.) That is, you must arouse *desire*.

5. Even if your prospect is *convinced* that your product (church) is as good as you claim, even if he *wants* it, he still may not sign the order blank (give an offering.) For example, I have taken the first four steps of the selling (Ingathering) process with respect to a color television (giving a \$5.00 bill to Ingathering), and I can afford it. Yet I don't own one (give), because no salesman (SDA) has asked me to take that final step. . . .

Thousands of people in Texas have witnessed the wonderful work of the Seventh-day Adventist Church — the first step has already been taken — we have their **ATTENTION**. Thousands have been helped in disasters right here in Texas, so we definitely have taken step number 2. — we have their **INTEREST**. Thousands of dollars from the public goes to taxes — dollars they would be happy to give to a worthy church project such as **INGATHERING** — they are going to give it anyway, and they are aware that our church is a worthy project, so they have taken step number 3. — **CONVICTION**. With this background, how easy it might be to create **DESIRE** (learn what to say, how to say it, with a smile.) and the final step — **CLOSE**. Study ways to make the close. Materials and suggestions are available. Someone has said, "Any fool can learn from experience. It takes a smart salesman (Ingatherer) to learn from a book . . . but it pays." With apologies to author Percy H. Whiting, here's to happy and successful Ingathering!

LaVon Ray.

Conroe Pathfinders Are Active

Pathfinder director at the Conroe church is Bob Johnson, who is also an elder and the lay activities leader. He has organized the club to be very active in the community. The Conroe Pathfinder Club is currently collecting canned goods to make up Thanksgiving baskets for the needy. The young people went out after church on September 27 and came back with requests for *four Bible studies*.

All members of the Conroe Pathfinder Club passed the first two levels of the swimming honor and are just about to complete the requirements for canoeing. The club has 14 members at the present time.

Mary Ellen Couvillion is the deputy director of the club and has helped to make our club strong and active.

John E. Taylor,
Pastor.



Conroe Pathfinders enjoy water activities.

Will you consider giving some of your surplus property to advance God's truth today? We can show you how to do this and setup a Life Income for you and your spouse at the same time. Please call 817/921-6181 or write the Texas Conference about your Evangelism Gift and Life Income possibilities from your surplus property.

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Baptism in Santa Anna

A baptismal service is always impressive, but the one recently in the Santa Anna church was especially so when a man and his wife and a mother and her daughter were buried in baptism together.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Howard and Mrs. Mavis Croft and her daughter, Marie, were all interested in the church as a result of a wide-awake lay member who works in the doctor's office. Mrs. Maxine Douglas was alert when an opportunity came to invite these people to the Adventist church.

Mrs. Croft and her children have been attending the Adventist church for a couple of years. At last she took Bible studies from Luther Walraven and also from Pastor Tom Good.

Bible studies with the Howards and Brother Walraven resulted in their going all the way with their Lord.

Mrs. John Hart,
Communications Secretary,
Santa Anna Church.



These were baptized recently in Santa Anna: Mr. and Mrs. Herman Howard, far right; center: Mrs. Mavis Croft and daughter, Marie.

Five-Day Plan in Arlington

Smokers became non-smokers as the result of a Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking held at the Arlington Seventh-day Adventist Church September 15 through 19.

Six people successfully completed the program which was coordinated by Leroy Gillan, Elvin Adams, M.D., and Paul Haynes, M.D., assisted at the plan.

The plan held at the Arlington church featured a unique support system developed by Dr. Adams whereby local church members acted as "support people" for the smokers.

Each smoker was assigned a personal support person whom they could call at any time for encouragement or help in kicking the smoking habit.

The program will also include follow-up visits with the program participants in the future. Church members assigned as support people will personally conduct the follow-up visits.

The Five-Day Plan began a series of similar evangelistic outreach programs that are being planned by the Arlington church.

Youth Day at the Huntsville Church

Praise the Lord for these young people they really did a great job. Besides R. Q. Swann who presented the morning sermon, Tracey Taylor and Amin Couvillion gave special music, Brenda Benefiel led out as the music director, Terri Taylor



R. Q. Swann, 14, spoke in the Huntsville Church recently concerning being aware of the people around us and what we can do for them.

Left to right: Amin Couvillion, Tracey Taylor, Brenda Benefiel, Terri Taylor, R. Q. Swann, Mark Gutierrez.



called for the offering, and Mark Gutierrez had the benediction.

The Conroe church, Huntsville's sister church, is planning a youth day soon when the young people will have the complete program including the adult Sabbath School lesson.

John E. Taylor, Pastor.

Texico

DON SULLIVAN, Correspondent

Amarillo Holds Stop-Smoking Clinic

A Five-Day Stop-Smoking clinic has just concluded in the Olsen Park church in Amarillo. Conducted by Pastor C. L. White in the committee room of the Texico Conference office, 15 persons attended. Four of those attending have recently begun attending the Sabbath services at the church and other church activities. Two are attending through a direct interest from the weekly radio program, conducted each Sunday morning by the pastor.

On Monday night, which began the five days, 433 cigarettes had been smoked in the past 24 hours by the group. By Thursday night the total number of cigarettes smoked in the past 24 hours had dropped to 61, with two persons accounting for 40 of these. Six had not smoked any since the clinic began. Careful follow-up of all these should bring some to a new relationship with the Lord and into His true church.

C. L. White, Pastor,
Olsen Park Church.

SVA Students Attend Bible Conference

The 20-hour bus ride was well worth it, according to the 36 SVA students who attended this year's Southwestern Union Bible Conference at Camp Yorktown Bay.

The theme for the weekend was "Life Without Limits" and centered around the book of Mark. Leading out in the presentations was Elder Wayne Shepperd, union youth director; with Valerie Young and Elder Milo Sawvel from the General Conference.

Mornings were spent in Bible study and discussion and the afternoons were set aside for Christian fellowship and recreation. The Sandia View students enjoyed water skiing, canoeing, riding the water sled, swimming, horseback riding, basketball, and other games.

Sabbath was a spiritual high point as



Texico youth pose together at Bible Conference.



It took group planning to get the Sabbath School program together . . .



. . . and planning paid off as an interesting program was presented.



This group of six brought Sabbath School special music.

SVA students take time out for relaxation.



Texico ABC Bookmobile Schedule

November 16	
Borger	9:00 — 10:00 a.m.
Dalhart	12:00 — 2:00 p.m.
Spearman	4:30 — p.m.
(food demonstration and sale)	
November 17	
Clayton	10:00 — 11:00 a.m.
Raton	1:30 — 3:00 p.m.

Harvest Celebration shared their testimony through music. Sabbath School was under the direction of Sandia View Academy and was enjoyed by all.

Plans are now being made for next year's Bible Conference. Why not make plans to join the Sandia View Academy group and the other Texico youth?

Sergio Hernandez,
Youth Director.

Midland Welcomes New Pastor

September 20 the Midland church group gathered in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Perryman for an evening of fellowship and special welcome for the Frosts — Rex, Donna, David (a second grader in the Midland-Odesa Church School), Shelley, Holly, and Melany. Donna's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Ogle, who were visiting in their daughter's home, joined us also.

A buffet supper was served and a love gift of cash was presented. The Frosts have just returned from Andrews University, where Rex attended the seminary. He graduated from Southwestern Adventist College in 1977. He pastored for two years Dalhart-Clayton-Raton district before going to the seminary.

Donna attended Sandia View Academy and graduated from SAC also. She and Rex spent most of their lives in Lovington, New Mexico, where their parents still live, so they feel right at home in Texico. We in the Midland-Odesa-Big Spring area have already learned to love this dedicated young couple and their children. We hope to work

Pastor and Mrs. Rex Frost and family.



with them in every possible way as we unite our efforts in the name of the Lord that His work may prosper.

We are hoping for a good harvest of souls soon.

Evangeline Richman,
Communications Secretary,
Midland Church.

Lay Members Work in Portales

Several months ago, I was impressed that I should be working for the Lord. But, what could I do?

Study and prayer went into a decision — for I had been head librarian for Portales and Roosevelt County for 15 years. After having kept Adventist literature for public distribution during that time, why not follow up on it? I began making visits to those I had known and leaving a tract with them.

Later, at the constituency meeting at Sandia View Academy in the early part of the year, I found the tract, "Visitation Evangelism," on a table in the auditorium. That was just what I needed!

I asked Mrs. Lauterbach to make calls with me and we set Tuesday as our mis-



Mrs. Ray Lauterbach and Mrs. R. B. Padon do missionary work in Portales.

sionary day, following the visitation evangelism guide. We now have 23 literature racks which we furnish each Tuesday. We also keep a bulletin board at the university. One Tuesday a month we go door-to-door with 35 Signs. At all the houses in between our Signs patrons we leave literature.

We have been able to place the "How to Stop Smoking" and the vegetarian issue of *Life and Health* in all motel rooms in town. We hope to cover the town with the book, *One Heart, One Vote*, now before election time in November.

Our missionary project is growing. Just recently the principal of Lindsey Elementary School asked for 200 copies of *Listen* for a school project. He later asked if it would be possible to have 200

delivered each month (we hope we can finance such a project!)

Our distribution for September was 1171 publications, 39 visits, and 18 food baskets. Please remember us in your prayers as we contact for the Lord.

Temple Padon,
Sabbath School Superintendent.

Amarillo Church Prepares for Action

The members, officers, and the pastor of the Olsen Park church have taken seriously the counsel of the General Conference leadership through the Faith/Action/Advance plans recently released to the field. A series of Sabbath worship sermons and Wednesday-night Bible studies by the pastor gave a total overview of the real mission of the church. A careful analysis of the church's growth pattern through the past five years followed by an evaluation of methods presently being used to reach the needs of the church membership, as well as out-reach to the community, has challenged the church membership into action.

This period of study has taken in the entire program of the church. A series on the total stewardship of time, talent, influence, and finance was given by Elder Ed Stacey, conference treasurer and stewardship director for the Amarillo church. Ralph Harmon, head elder and chairman of the church finance committee, gave a study on the Biblical basis for systematic giving on a regular basis.

Even the Sabbath School and the lay activity period have taken on a "new look." Sabbath School classes in the senior division were made smaller by adding new teachers, thus giving each class and member a more "individualized part in the total program. The weekly Sabbath School program has been changed from the usual format by starting at 9:20 in every department with music. The senior opening program lasts only until 9:45, when classes begin. All classes and divisions close promptly at 10:30, followed by a 10-minute intermission.

The period from 10:40 to 11:00 is now called the "out-reach program." Panels, discussions, studies, and guidance will be given during this period of time to cover every aspect of our church program. The church's first priority will be to those who are already members, but who attend once a month or less. The second out-reach will be to those who have once been members, or those who have shown deep interest in the church in the past but are not now attending.

The worship service follows imme-

diately at 11:00 with Bible preaching designed to help each one attending find a spiritual climate in which to grow steadily and surely into a deep and meaningful spiritual relationship with God.

With God's directing hand, Olsen Park looks expectantly to the 1980-81 year to be the very best in its history.

C. L. White, *Pastor,*
Olsen Park Church.

At Rest

DENNIS, James William, was born Feb. 26, 1890, in Cherry Box, Mo., and passed to rest Sept. 24, 1980, in Oklahoma City, Okla. Mr. Dennis has been a Seventh-day Adventist many years. Survivors include three sons: Charles, Sam and Grant Dennis, two daughters: Maude Dabler and Mary Stephenson, one brother, 17 grandchildren, and 18 great-grandchildren.

Clarence Southard.

EVILSISER, Mrs. Pearl, 93-year-old resident of Route 2, Gentry, Ark., died Aug. 30, 1980, at the Siloam Springs Memorial Hospital. She was born May 14, 1887, at Norwich, Kan., and had been a resident of Gentry for the past 10 years. She was a member of the Gentry Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Survivors include two daughters: Mrs. Virginia Chesnut and Mrs. Gladys Witchey; one sister, and 11 grandchildren.

Services for Mrs. Evilsiser were held at the Wasson Memorial Chapel with Dr. Elmer Malcolm officiating. Burial was in the Flin Creek Cemetery under the direction of the Wasson Funeral Home.

KUTIN, Agnes E., was born June 23, 1892, and passed away April 23, 1980, in Newalla, Okla. Services were held in the Choctaw Seventh-day Adventist Church of which she was a member for many years. Mrs. Kutin awaits the coming of her Maker in the Memory Lane Cemetery, Harrah, Okla.

Clarence Southard.

MORGAN, Lee Virgil, was born Jan. 12, 1914, in Marietta, Tex., and passed away Oct. 4, 1980, in Linden, Tex. He was married to Dorothy Mason in

July, 1936. Both Brother Morgan and his wife, who survives him, have been faithful members of the New Hope Seventh-day Adventist Church.

To this union were born one son, Gerald; and four daughters: Virgilene Crocker, Melba Fritts, Irene Cook, and Sherry Mathis, all of whom survive him. He is survived also by a brother and a sister, 12 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

The memorial service was conducted by Elder Forrest Tenbrook and Pastor Allan Priest in the New Hope church and interment followed in the New Hope SDA Cemetery. He died in the hope of a sure resurrection when Jesus returns.

TIDWELL, Edward Lonnie, was born in Cass Co., Tex., Nov. 19, 1901, and passed to his rest on Aug. 8, 1980, in Hughes Springs, Tex. He was married to Etta Snelgrove in 1921. To this union were born nine children, all of whom survive, along with their mother. These include three sons: Edward, Curtis, and Johnny; and six daughters: Nettie Vaughn, Lorena Stigaulde, Merle Fincher, Lee Duncan, Bernice Foster, and Dorothy Hickson. He is also survived by two brothers, 28 grandchildren, and 39 great-grandchildren.

He was a member of the New Hope Seventh-day Adventist Church. Words of comfort were spoken by Elder Harvey Stephens and Pastor Allan Priest at the memorial service which was held in the New Hope church. Interment was in the New Hope SDA Cemetery, where he awaits the call of the Lifegiver on the resurrection morning.

TURNER, Mrs. Lillie C., was born March 2, 1892, in Brenham, Tex., and passed to her rest on Oct. 13, 1980, in Houston, Tex. Mrs. Turner was a charter member of the Houston Central Seventh-day Adventist Church. The early meetings of the church were held in her mother's home until a public place could be acquired.

Mrs. Turner and her husband co-founded the Turner Baking Co., of Houston and operated it for many years. She became a Christian early in life and was a faithful member of the Houston Central church at the time of death.

Left to mourn her passing are three sons: Charles J. Turner, William Turner, and Dr. Louis Turner; one brother, 10 grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, many nephews and nieces, and a host of friends.

Interment in Forest Park-Lawndale Cemetery, Houston. Memorial services conducted by Elder Herman J. Griffin and Pastor Ron Peyton.

Weddings

MANZELLA — DUGGAR — August 10, 1980, was the date and the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Winter Haven, Fla., was the place where Gary R. Manzella and Joan Duggar united their lives. Gary is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Manzella of New Orleans, LA. Joan is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Duggar of Winter Haven.

Amy Hill, sister of the bride, was the maid of honor; Barry Manzella, brother of the groom, served as Gary's best man. Pastor Keith Morey performed the ceremony.

Gary and Joan met last fall while both were attending Southern Missionary College in Tennessee. They are temporarily making their home in New Orleans where both are attending the University of New Orleans. Joan is taking nursing, and Gary is studying pre-dentistry. They will be returning to Southern Missionary College in Jan., 1981.

Marwood Hallett.

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Church must rebuild because of highway expansion. FOR SALE: 1100' of wood pews w/pads, doors, hardware, lights, cabinets, etc., available. Ft. Worth First SDA Church, 5225 S. Freeway, Ft. Worth, TX 76115; phone 817/921-4123. p23-2t

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	Nov. 14	Nov. 21	Nov. 28	Dec. 5
Abilene, Texas	5:39	5:36	5:34	5:33
Amarillo, Texas	5:42	5:38	5:36	5:35
Brownsville, Texas	5:41	5:39	5:38	5:38
Dallas, Texas	5:26	5:23	5:21	5:20
El Paso, Texas	5:07	5:04	5:02	5:02
Fort Worth, Texas	5:28	5:25	5:23	5:22
Galveston, Texas	5:25	5:22	5:21	5:21
Gentry, Arkansas	5:11	5:07	5:05	5:04
Keene, Texas	5:28	5:25	5:23	5:22
Little Rock, Arkansas	5:05	5:01	4:59	4:58
Muskogee, Oklahoma	5:15	5:11	5:09	5:08
New Orleans, Louisiana	5:05	5:02	5:00	5:00
Oklahoma City	5:24	5:20	5:18	5:17
San Antonio, Texas	5:40	5:37	5:35	5:35
Santa Fe, New Mexico	4:57	4:53	4:51	4:49
Shreveport, Louisiana	5:15	5:12	5:10	5:09
Tulsa, Oklahoma	5:17	5:13	5:11	5:10



on the record

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

"What Do You Know For Sure?"

Part IV

One thing should be made clear. My Uncle Okey Metcalfe was a dear man. His intentions were good. His generosity made it possible for his sister (my mother), Hallie, to graduate from college and become an R.N. He volunteered to sacrifice his own education and worked to help my mother attain her degrees. I will always love Uncle Okey for that.

Being a man of great natural talent — but with little education — he was frustrated. He longed to be a minister for God in the church. It is a shame that he never was afforded the opportunity. He would have made a great contribution to the cause.

Through the years I have observed that some of the most critical and negative people are those with great ability, who somehow or other were never able to achieve. Ministerial students who fail to receive a call need the grace of God or they can become super critical of the very church they love but which didn't call them into active service. Ministers who have been in the work, but who for some reason have been released, have my sympathy. When they become negative they really can do great damage to the very organization they loved. They are frustrated. They are hurt. They need our prayers. I have known some who became dedicated to tearing down the very church they wanted to help build. We need to understand that their sad activities result from frustration. We should love them. If we were in their shoes we might be the exact same way.

Uncle Okey's Reformed Seventh-day Adventist Church, with their "better than thou" religion, seemed to prosper for a few years; but then troubles came within their own organization. My uncle observed that some of his fellow leaders were taking advantage of their position. Some it seems were taking the sacred tithe and using it to build their own personal estates. Some were getting rich — buying farms and businesses. This galled Okey Metcalfe. Finally he became completely disillusioned with his brethren in the "Reformed" SDA Church.

One of his sons, Harold, (now ministerial secretary of the Southern Union), saw what was happening too; and he left them and joined the Seventh-day Adventist church. He was ostracized for this — had to leave home at 16. He was able to get into one of our schools, working his entire way, and finally graduated from Columbia Union College. He became a very successful Seventh-day Adventist pastor and evangelist. His writing has reached thousands, as well as his "helps" which are an appendix to tens of thousands of Bibles now on the market.

In time Uncle Okey left the Reformed SDA Church — severed all connections. He was a man without a church — very unhappy, a defeated man. Later he became critically ill. His children came to his death bed and asked, "What shall we

do? Where shall we go?" He gave a clear answer, "Follow Harold, return to the Seventh-day Adventist Church."

Before he died — just a few days — he called for the pastor of the Battle Creek Tabernacle church, Elder Pingnot. He expressed his sorrow for ever leaving the church. He said his basic problem had been pride and frustration — an honest man. He died in Christ. His destination, I believe, is heaven.

His wife, Aunt Mable, rejoined the church, as did all of their large family; and today they all remain faithful, sweet Seventh-day Adventist Christians.

One thing is certain — they will never become "victims" of some prima donna who comes along declaring that he has "new light" — one who is self-willed, unbending, one who will seek or take counsel from no one.

There is great strength in the counsel of the church. The church is not perfect — but it is the Body of Christ, and through this body He leads and directs His work. The church is going through. I've made up my mind to stay with the church and go through to the kingdom with the church. How about you?

A few months ago I had a part in the funeral of the great evangelist, Elder Fordyce Detamore. At the graveside his mother, in her 90's, stood up, as we were about to begin the graveside service and walked over to me and handed me Fordyce Detamore's Bible with these words, "Elder Leach, Fordyce asked me to give you his Bible." How I prize Fordyce Detamore's Bible. I consider it a great honor to possess this precious Book — from which he read and won thousands to Christ and His church.

As I am writing this article Fordyce Detamore's Bible is by my side and as I picked it up it just fell open, and these marked words almost jumped out at me. Listen! "Knowing first, that no prophecy of the Scripture is of any private interpretation." II Peter 1:20. Oh, how true. Don't get caught up with a one-man theological show — I don't care how plausible he may sound or how many followers he has. If his "private interpretation" doesn't receive the acceptance of the church body, he is on the wrong track — and you will be too, if you turn your back on "a multitude of counselors" where there is safety.

Yours for total allegiance to Christ and His Church,

B. E. Leach.

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