

SOUTHWESTERN UNION Record



*“With malice toward none,
with charity for all;
with firmness in the right,
as God gives us to see the right.”*

ABRAHAM LINCOLN

General News

Adventist Meals Offered At General Conference Session

Adventist Health System/Eastern and Middle America, will assume overall responsibility for the Superdome food service operations during the General Conference Session, 1985. Clinton A. Wall, AHS/EMA corporate dietary services consultant, will direct the food service management activities, while Millie M. Kurtz, dietary management consultant, will serve as associate director, and Earl Evans, Southern College Food service director, will function as food production manager.

Meal service at the Superdome will consist of a dining service for the noon and evening meals at the top level of the Superdome where eight fast-moving, nonselective serving lines will function 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., and 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. The meal pattern of one entree, side dish (vegetable, potato, rice, or pasta), salad, specialty bread, fruit, or simple dessert, and beverage will provide a nourishing meal in minimum time at an affordable price. It is expected that 10,000 meals will be served per day in this dining area, making it the largest vegetarian dining service in history. There will also be a limited-service a la carte cafeteria operating 7 a.m. to 9 p.m., Sunday through Friday, and several concession stands with traditional fast food items.

Since food supplies will need to be ordered well in advance of the General Conference Session, and in some cases shipped from distant locations, it will be difficult to serve randomly without knowledge of the number of persons who will patronize the meal service. Therefore, nondelegates will be asked to preselect meals and prepurchase tickets for the noon and evening meals, and the delegates will be asked to preselect and prepurchase tickets for the evening meal only since

For Housing Accommodations General Conference Session

New Orleans, Louisiana,
June 27 to July 6, 1985

Contact:

Travel-Lite Corp.
800/327-8338

Mardi-Gras Campground
800/535-1958

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the tickets for their noon meal will be included in the delegate packet. Price information and meal order forms will be sent at a later date. Watch for them and respond promptly! Tickets purchased at the time of the General Conference Session will be sold at a higher price.

Young people 17 years old and over who are planning to accompany their parents to the Conference are invited to apply for general food service work opportunities. Send applications for work to Millie M. Kurtz, AHS/EMA, 8800 W. 75th St. Shawnee Mission, Kansas 66104.

Camp for Juniors to Be During General Conference Session

A General Conference Super Day Camp will be conducted in New Orleans from Sunday, June 30 to Friday, July 5, 1985. This camp is for campers aged 10-15. Preregistration is a must because of the limited space. Write for more details today! Pastor Ron Whitehead, Director of Youth Ministries, Arkansas-Louisiana Conference, P.O. Box 31000, Shreveport, LA 71130.

Southwestern Hispanic Churches Receive \$30,000

The Southwestern Union Conference is matching a \$15,000 appropriation from the North American Division Committee, making a total of \$30,000 allotted for new Hispanic church buildings.

Spanish churches that will benefit are: Kenner, Louisiana, \$5,000; Los Lunas, New Mexico, \$5,000; Espanola, New Mexico, \$5,000; Oklahoma City, \$5,000; and Cleburne, Texas, \$10,000.

Each year the Division allocates ten grants of \$10,000 to North American Union conferences for Hispanic church building funds, based on the Hispanic membership percentage in each union.

The Pacific Union receives four grants each year; the Atlantic and Southwestern Unions divide three grants each year; the Columbia and Lake Unions receive three grants during even years and the Southern, North Pacific, Mid-America, and Canadian Unions divide three grants during odd years.

FOCUS ON THE COVER

Abraham Lincoln, whose birthday we remember this week, was a man of rugged strength of character. The passage of time confirms the tremendous contribution his leadership gave to our beloved United States of America. The statement featured on the cover expresses the unwavering stand for principle as he saw it that he took in an hour of crisis. It is taken from his Second Inaugural Address on March 4, 1865.

Southwest Region Receives Funds

The Southwestern Union Conference is appropriating \$10,000 to be added to a \$20,000 allocation of the North American Division Committee of Inner City Funds for the Southwest Region Conference for its medical-dental van. This is one of 30 projects in the eight union conferences in the U.S. receiving a total of \$185,000 for inner city work.

H. M. S. Richards listens and reminisces as four members of the King's Heralds sing for him. From left are Bob Edwards, John Thurber, Wayne Hooper, and Jerry Dill. They are among the 20 former King's Heralds members who are still living. Edwards is now a researcher and program producer at the Voice of Prophecy, Thurber is youth director for the Mid-America Union Conference, Hooper is executive secretary of the committee preparing the new Adventist church hymnal, and Dill is a pastor in the Central California Conference.



Southwestern Adventist College

Nineteen Students Named to Who's Who

Nineteen Southwestern Adventist College students have been nominated to join an elite group of students as members of the 1985 edition of *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*, says Harold Wright, vice-president for academic affairs.

The selection of the students was based on their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for success.

Students named this year include



C. Burton



A. Beyer



L. Barroso



W. Fox



A. Fautheree



J. Cunningham



S. Pittman



R. Oxentenko



K. Homer



L. Zapara



J. Simnett-Pratt



R. Sermersheim



C. Routon

Not pictured:
Stephan Gray
Julie Pollman
Matthew Pollman
Suanna Rochester
Wanda Sample
Annette Yates

Laura Barroso, a junior nursing major from Keene; Allan Beyer, senior, physical education, Cleburne, Texas; Charlene Burton, junior, communication, Bartlesville, Oklahoma; Paul Cunningham Jr., senior, computer information systems, Killeen, Texas;

Aubrey Fautheree, junior, chemistry, Zachary, Louisiana; Wendy Fox, senior, communication, Keene; Stephan Gray, elementary education, Houston;

Kevin Homer, senior, mathematical physics, Alvarado, Texas; Randy Oxentenko, senior, mathematics, Dayton, Tennessee; Scott Pittman, senior, business administration, Keene;

Julie Pollman, senior, elementary education, Keene; Matthew Pollman, junior, biology, Bentonville, Arkansas; Suanna Rochester, senior, biology, Alvarado;

Carol Routon, junior, English, Oklahoma City; Wanda Sample, junior, general studies, Miami, Florida; Philip Sermersheim, senior, religion, Elgin, Texas;

Judy Simnett-Pratt, junior, nursing, Keene; Annette Yates, elementary education, Cleburne; and Lisa Zapara, junior, management, San Antonio.

Business Advisory Council Meets

Southwestern Adventist College president, Marvin Anderson, has begun making good on an inaugural pledge to set up an entrepreneurship school.

The first step came with a December meeting of the Presidential Advisory Council on Entrepreneurship, a group of 12 business leaders from around the country.

"This council consists of men who are very successful in the business world," explains Anderson, "and who better can teach us good business techniques?"

Southwestern has its own \$20 million

Members attending Southwestern Adventist College's first Presidential Advisory Council on Entrepreneurship pose for a formal portrait. They are, from left, seated, Duane Tucker, Ellsworth McKee, chairman Wayne Palmer, college president Marvin Anderson, board chairman B. E. Leach, and Rex Callicott. Standing are board vice chair Max Trevino, Ray Dickerson, Robert Price, Denis McNeillus, Ray Nichols, college vice presidents Hal Wright and David Hope, James Price, and college vice president Berney Neufeld.

(Photo by Suzanne Disheroon)



Cleburne Mayor George Marti talks with Southwestern Adventist College president Marvin Anderson and vice president Berney Neufeld following the first meeting of the college's advisory council on entrepreneurship.

(Photo by Larry Cooke)

business laboratory in the form of Southwestern Diversified Industries, Inc., its wholly-owned, tax-paying business conglomerate. The companies involved in that venture — La Loma Foods and Bakery, Brandom Manufacturing, the Village Service Center, Southwestern ColorGraphics, and the real estate division — last year grossed over \$17 million, and employed over 400 people.

Discussed at the meeting were goals and tasks for the entrepreneurship school. "The major goal, of course, is to increase the number of Southwestern graduates who become successful managers/owners," says Hal Wright, college vice president for academic affairs.

"One way to do this is to more fully use Southwestern Diversified Industries, as well as other local and regional companies, for student observation and internships," Wright notes.

Wayne Palmer, a retired Fort Worth oilman, is chairman of the council. Other members include Rex Callicott, retired president of the Baton Rouge-based Jack's Cookies; Ray Dickerson, a Fort Worth entrepreneur; David Hartman of El Paso, president of Hartco,



Inc., a long-distance postal trucking service;

Mayor George Marti of Cleburne, president of Marti Electronics; Ellsworth McKee, president of McKee Baking of Collegedale, Tennessee, maker of Little Debbie snack products; Densil McNeilus, president of McNeilus Truck and Manufacturing, Inc., of Dodge Center, Minnesota;

Al Micallef, president of Fort Worth's Jamak, Inc., maker of silicone products; Ray Nichols, president of the First State Bank of Keene; James and Robert Price, oilmen and ranchers from Duncan, Oklahoma;

Gary Stanhiser, a Riverside, California, real estate developer; and Duane Tucker of Keene, president of Texas Health Care Facilities, a chain of nursing homes.

Plans for the next meeting, scheduled for early February, call for presentation of a study on entrepreneurship schools at other colleges, and for budget and personnel considerations.

SAC's Oldest Alumna Honored

Southwestern Adventist College's oldest living alumna, Willa Lambeth Taylor Grube was named to "Keene People" for the month of November by the Alumni Association. Mrs. Grube graduated in 1901.

Born in Clarksville, Texas, she graduated from SAC when it was still Keene Academy. She lives in Mentone, California.

Mrs. Willa Lambeth Taylor Grube smiles during a Southwestern Adventist College alumni meeting at Loma Linda, California.

(Photo by Mary Ann Hadley)



After attending Keene Academy, she married Ernest Taylor, who founded the first broom factory in Keene. She has one daughter, Ernestine Janzen, who is retired and also lives in Mentone.

At the age of 102, Mrs. Grube still does almost all of her own cooking and cleaning; she receives a little help on Friday afternoons.

Mrs. Grube has been very active in her church over the years, having held positions as deaconess and Sabbath School teacher/superintendent. She has also had several poems published in periodicals and books, such as *On the Horizon*, *Fruit of the Valley*, and the *Adventist Review*.

She writes that some of her best memories of SAC are of picnics she took with friends at a nearby lake. She

also remembers receiving a very unexpected award for excellence in mathematics. During graduation ceremonies, the principal of the academy announced that a medal in the form of a Greek cross would be awarded to the student with the best math grades. "To my overwhelming surprise, he gave it to me!

"I have always been thankful that I had the opportunity to go to what was then Keene Academy. Some of my happiest memories are of my school days there. We had devoted teachers, and what I learned at Keene confirmed my faith, which I have never doubted."

SAC Homecoming Announced

Graduates and former students of Southwestern Adventist College — nee Keene Industrial Academy, Southwestern Junior College, Southwestern Union College — are cordially invited to renew their Southwestern spirit at the college's 91st homecoming, set for April 11 to 14.

A weekend highlight will be the Friday evening vespers, "SAC Student and Career Missionaries," with speaker Elder Bob Jacobs (Class of 1952), associate secretary of the General Conference. Honor classes include those of 1915, 1925, 1935, 1945, 1955, 1960, 1965 and 1975. Alumni of the year and hall of fame appointees will be honored at the homecoming banquet April 11.

Arkansas-Louisiana

DON SCHNEIDER, Correspondent

Community Services Work Noted

Peggy Boyce is the Community Service Leader at the Little Rock Arkansas Seventh-day Adventist Church. Her enviable record for dependability, reliability, dedication to duty, compassion, expertise in her field, and attention to sharpening her skills has been established in the medical community during the 22 years she has been a full-time nurse at the Veterans Administration Medical Center. Peggy and Odis Boyce are modest, unassuming church members, doing what they are asked to do and doing it well.

Peggy has led out in the scheduling, supervision, and provision of educational and inspirational literature for blood pressure screening in Central



Peggy Boyce, RN, takes another blood pressure.

Arkansas the past eight years. Neither Peggy nor the other professionals in the blood pressure screening program of the church make any attempt to diagnose or prescribe. They calmly present the form on which the blood pressure reading has been tabulated, reminding the patient that blood pressure does fluctuate, and that the doctor's recommendation and prescription should be followed. The screening is carried on in grocery stores during the winter, but may be held in the parking lot in the spring and fall if weather is favorable. Natalie Tomlinson, Janet Sadler, and Connie Tan are professionals on whom Peggy depends to keep regularly scheduled assignments.

The owner of one of the grocery stores used in the blood pressure program remarked that she certainly deserved recognition for her provision of free services to the community. She was able to show him her Certificate of Recognition from the Governor of Arkansas.

A photographer from the *Arkansas Gazette* recently took a picture of Peggy checking the blood pressure of one of her regular participants. The picture was used in an Ingathering story, *Missions of Mercy Adventists' Outreach*.

Lucy Love is retired, but that hasn't slowed her down all that much. She played the piano in children's Sabbath School departments for years, but when the need arose for the help of somebody who could play the piano, write skits, direct plays, and generate enthusiasm for activities in the nutrition sites for the elderly in Central Arkansas, Lucy was right there, giving the program her best. She has received recognition at the

Lucy Love shows Pastor Hallett her Certificate of Recognition.





Grocer Al Hardin reads the Certificate of Recognition awarded to Peggy Boyce by the Governor of Arkansas.

nutrition sites and on television. The Arkansas Gerontological Society presented her the organization's Certificate of Recognition.

Pastor Marwood Hallett is active in the community, too. He meets with local ministerial groups, health groups, and others involved with improving the quality of life in the community. But he still has time to meet with the retired people in his own church. He was nominated for Life Membership in the Arkansas Gerontological Society in recognition of his seminars for the elderly on the subjects of nutrition, wills and trusts, gardening, consumer protection, and home safety.

Mary Margaret Richey,
Communication Coordinator.

Students Learn By Doing

Lake Charles church school students are improving the grounds of their church and school. They want their church to be a witness in the neighborhood.

Under the direction of the teacher, Roy Mortimer, the boys of the practical arts class have cleaned the fence row behind the school and several other areas on the church and school lot. They have pruned shrubbery and cleaned out some unwanted trees and shrubs. They enjoyed it so much that some asked if they could go on working at recess time.

Several of the students have been making trails in a large wooded lot adjacent to the school. They have found several kinds of ferns and other plants. These trails will be used for science class search for insects and plants — enjoying God's other book, Nature. It might even prove enjoyable for lunch occasionally.

While the boys have worked outside, the girls have been baking in the kitchen with Beverly Mortimer. Even the first and third graders helped with mixing and measuring.

"It's great to come in after working hard and find delicious baked treats," exclaimed one of the boys.

Roy Mortimer,
Teacher.

PRAYER SEMINAR

Conducted by Diana Hartfield

February 22-23, 1985

Arkansas-Louisiana

Conference Office

7025 Greenwood Road

Shreveport, Louisiana 71119

\$7.00 per person

For full details see announcement in the January 31 issue of the RECORD. To register, contact Mrs. Albert Smith, 5040 Revere St., Shreveport, Louisiana 71109, 318/635-2217.

LEGAL NOTICES

Arkansas-Louisiana Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

Notice is hereby given that the twenty-fifth regular session of the Arkansas-Louisiana Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held Sunday, March 10, 1985, at the Shreveport First Seventh-day Adventist Church, located at 6475 Westport Road, Shreveport, Louisiana. The first meeting will convene at 10:00 a.m.

The purpose of this meeting is to elect officers and departmental directors for the ensuing term and to transact such other business as may properly come before the Session. Each church is entitled to one delegate for the organization and one additional delegate for each 25 members or major fraction thereof.

Don C. Schneider, President
Marshall L. Chase, Secretary

Arkansas Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists

Notice is hereby given that the constituency meeting of the Arkansas Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in connection with the Triennial Conference Session at Shreveport, Louisiana, March 10, 1985. The first meeting will convene at 10:00 a.m.

The purpose of this meeting is to elect a Board of Trustees for the ensuing triennial term and to transact such other business as may properly come before the Association. Delegates to the Arkansas-Louisiana Conference Session are also delegates to the Association constituency meeting.

Don C. Schneider, President
Marshall L. Chase, Secretary

Louisiana Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists

Notice is hereby given that the constituency meeting of the Louisiana Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in connection with the Triennial Conference Session at Shreveport, Louisiana, March 10, 1985. The first meeting will convene at 10:00 a.m.

The purpose of this meeting is to elect a Board of Trustees for the ensuing triennial term and to transact such other business as may properly come before the Association. Delegates to the Arkansas-Louisiana Conference Session are also delegates to the Association constituency meeting.

Don C. Schneider, President
Marshall L. Chase, Secretary

The **Search** telecast is now airing on KARK-TV, Channel 4, every Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m.



North Little Rock students, parents, and teacher with Arkansas governor, Bill Clinton (back, right) in the Governor's Room at the State Capitol. The teacher, Elaine Sell is in the center of the back row.

North Little Rock Students Present Play

Students of the North Little Rock Adventist School recently presented a play for both the North Little Rock and the Little Rock churches. The play, written by Pastor Gary Herr, was about two families in Battle Creek in 1863 when J. N. Andrews secured conscientious objector status for the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

All nine of the students in this two-year-old school performed very well. Their teacher, Elaine Sell, was the narrator.

At the open house of the state capitol during the Christmas season, the students met and were photographed with Arkansas Governor Bill Clinton.

Irene Herr,
Communication Secretary.

Correction

Nora Wolfe, pictured in a recent issue of the *Record*, is 90 years old, and has been a member of the church for 58 years, rather than 92 years old with 60 years of service, a formerly stated.

Tom Kopko, Pastor,
New Orleans Metairie Church.

1985 Camp Yorktown Bay Schedule

DATES	CAMP	AGES
June 9-16	Club Camp	7-10
June 10-13	Canoe Trip	16-66
June 16-23	Junior Camp I	10-12
June 16-20	Florida Keys Scuba Trip	All Ages
June 16-20	Florida Keys Snorkle Trip	All Ages
June 23-30	Junior Camp II	10-12
June 30-July 7	Teen Camp I	13-17
June 30-July 5	General Conference Day Camp-New Orleans	10-15
July 7-14	Teen Camp II	13-17
July 14-19	Friendship Camp	9-15
July 21	CYB Half Marathon	All Ages
July 21-28	Blind Camp	All Ages
July 28-Aug. 4	Family Camp I	All Ages
July 28-Aug. 4	Specialty Camp	9-17
Aug. 2-4	Family Camp II	All Ages
Aug. 4-9	Diabetic Camp	All Ages

For a free brochure please write: Camp Yorktown Bay, Arkansas-Louisiana Conference, P.O. Box 31,000, Shreveport, LA 71130.

Oklahoma

BEAMAN SENEAL, JR., Correspondent



Ministers Meet at Wewoka Woods

Elder Robert Smith, vice-president of the Review & Herald Publishing Association, presented the devotional and promoted the Religious Liberty emphasis at the Wewoka Woods Ministers' Meeting on January 13, 1985.



Elder Jan Johnson of Cumberland, Maryland, presented a workshop on participative management.



Hubert Cisneros, Tulsa pastor, receives a plaque for the largest net gain in membership.



Arlen Holerud (right) reports the Ingathering total for the Southern Hills district to the conference treasurer, Deryl Knutson.



Robert Rider (right) presents Claudio Consuegra, Oklahoma City Spanish pastor, with the plaque for outstanding soul-winning.

Caring Church Rallies

- March 2** Shattuck Church
6th and Santa Fe Streets
- March 9** Okeene Church
Hwy. 51 West and Hickory
- March 16** Muskogee Church
1501 E. Broadway Street
- March 23** Oklahoma City Central Church
4747 N.W. 63rd Street
- March 30** Tulsa Church
920 S. New Haven Street
- 9:00 a.m.** MODEL Sabbath School
- 11:00 a.m.** Worship Hour — Doubling Your Evangelistic Potential
- 12:00 noon** Fellowship Dinner (bring food for sharing and table service)
- 2:00-4:30 p.m.** CARING CHURCH MINISTRIES
by Conference Departmental Directors

THREEFOLD OBJECTIVE OF THE CARING CHURCH:

Outreach Ministries to win souls to Christ
Nurturing Ministries to mature new converts

Stewardship Ministries — time, talent, and means

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FINE FELLOWSHIP . . .
MOTIVATING MUSIC . . .
CAPTIVATING CARING MINISTRIES . . .

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OKLAHOMANS YOU SHOULD KNOW

Fred and Gertrude Bufkin made a decision while living in Keene, Texas, that took them down the road of several miracles involving acquiring land and a building to house a new church. They decided to move to an area with few or no Adventists in order to raise up a church. Settling near Hugo, Oklahoma, in 1979, they began speaking with the pastor about starting a branch Sabbath school in Antlers, a small town near Hugo. This was started on May 2, 1980, and the Bufkins began actively looking for a small building and land.

What seemed to be the perfect location was discovered, but when Fred approached the real estate agent he learned that the property had been sold. He expressed the thought that perhaps the Lord had something else in mind for the church, and the agent's response was that this statement of faith was an attitude that impressed her and made her think again about the true meaning of divine intervention.



The members continued looking for suitable property with a building; however, a place that had all the desirable qualities of the first house and land could not be found. One day, by chance, Fred drove past the land and found that the for sale sign was back up on the property. The Bufkins were told that the first sale had fallen through and that an offer would be accepted.

The asking price for the house and land was \$20,000. Several church members suggested offering \$16,000. Fred felt that this was too low and there was no chance of purchasing the home of the future church at this price. However, when the agent presented the offer, the owners said they would consider it and not more than an hour later they called an approval, stating that they planned on living nearby and that the Adventists would make good neighbors. Fred says, "I feel as if the Lord let us witness in two ways in acquiring the church. First, we were allowed to demonstrate that we believe in divine leading, through prayer, and secondly, through the opportunity to show that an Adventist church in the community does make for good neighbors."

Since the purchase of the land and the building, many members have donated money and time to the remodeling and improvement of the property. The Lord has provided a series of miracles throughout, such as the purchase of a beautiful piano at an unbelievably low price. Recently, Fred completed a solid wood coat rack for the church.

The Bufkins are not young, he is 91, and she is 80, but they are young in heart. They had a dream that has become reality. Would there now be a "lighthouse" for the Lord in Antlers had they not been willing to pioneer the work there? Why do they radiate such happiness and confidence in the Lord? The answer is obvious.

Senior Citizens Honored

A full hour before the Choctaw, Oklahoma, Senior Citizens Banquet was to begin almost half of the 100 guests had already arrived. "I came early to make sure I have time to visit with old friends," said Lucille Randall who has attended the banquet for the last four years.

"I keep coming back because of the great fellowship and, of course, I enjoy the dinner," says Eva Minner. "This will be my eighth year. I don't intend to miss out." The oldest to attend was a man 99 years old.

The idea of a banquet to honor senior citizens originated with Ernest and Vera Wolfe who are senior citizens themselves. Both are well known in the community for their work in assisting those who suffer disaster or loss. "Over half of those living in this area are widowed," commented Vera. "We wanted to do something special for them. So many older folks just don't have a chance to become involved in activities away from their home or local church." "The senior citizens I call to invite always accept with eagerness," says Ernest Wolfe. "They are so often put 'on the shelf' and my heart goes out to them."

That first banquet, ten years ago, included 35 guests. Vera and Ernest spent several days peeling potatoes, baking pies, arranging and decorating



Vera Wolfe checks the potatoes for tenderness as she prepares the meal for the Senior Citizens Banquet.

One of the young volunteers, Shirley Lapham, serves punch to two of the many guests.



ONWARD...OKLAHOMA...PROGRESS...INDICATORS "The Caring Church"

"Christ's methods alone will give true success in reaching the people. The Saviour mingled with men as one who desired their good. He showed His sympathy for them, ministered to their needs, and won their confidence. Then He bade them 'Follow Me.'" *Ministry of Healing*, p. 143.

"The Caring Church views the church and its community as a whole. It determines how to reach people by responding to their felt needs. It makes it easy and natural for people to get well acquainted with its people and its ministries. It leads people to faith in Christ and to trust in His sacrifice for their salvation. It eagerly adopts such people into its own life and mission and makes them needed and cared for." *Dynamics of Church Growth*, p. 2.

In the Oklahoma Conference we are interested in meeting the felt needs of people. The great public awareness today of the hazards of cigarette smoking offers a tremendous opportunity to meet this need through the Adventist Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking. Vegetarianism is being tied to the prevention of cancer and heart disease — what an excellent opportunity for our vegetarian cooking classes. The public is interested in a lifestyle that will keep them physically fit. Our health fairs and screening programs offer information and help in this area. All these programs are confidence builders. We become acquainted with people through meeting immediate needs in their lives and then we involve them in "pathway events" such as Operation Andrew which eventually leads them into soul-winning programs like the Revelation Seminar. We must also provide nurturing programs to mature them in the faith. Elder Dan Caslow's *Profiles of Faith* is a wonderful plan for nurturing.

The Oklahoma departmental directors are working together under the "Caring Church" umbrella to help carry out the above objectives. The following ministries are being developed:

SABBATH SCHOOL — The Sabbath school class as a unit for a twofold ministry (needs of the class members and outreach projects).

PUBLISHING — Small book sales used as an entering wedge into homes and as a method of fund raising for projects such as Revelation Seminars.

PERSONAL MINISTRIES — Training in the Operation Andrew program; valuable help in obtaining decisions from Revelation Seminars.

TREASURY, STEWARDSHIP AND TRUST SERVICES — How stewardship affects the entire life; family finance; church budgeting.

YOUTH MINISTRY — Outreach possibilities through Pathfinder Clubs.

EDUCATION — Outreach programs for our schools; parenting classes.

COMMUNITY SERVICES — Development of disaster relief teams; upgrading of Community Service Centers (in areas of counseling); follow-through of activities in Community Services work.

An overview of these ministries will be presented to our laymen and pastors in five CARING CHURCH RALLIES during the month of March: March 2 — Shattuck Church; March 9 — Okeene Church; March 16 — Muskogee Church; March 23 — Oklahoma City Central Church; March 30 — Tulsa Church.

We have approximately four months before the 1000 Days of Reaping will end. The challenge in the Oklahoma Conference is to hold 200 lay Revelation Seminars, January to June. In 1984 the Lord blessed with 299 baptisms through Revelation Seminars. We are working with intensity to surpass that number during the first six months of 1985. To do this we must follow Jesus' example and be out mingling with people, ministering to their needs through our many outreach programs, making contacts through Operation Andrew, with invitations to attend Revelation Seminars which will lead to baptisms. And using strong nurturing programs we will help to close the "backdoor" of the church to apostasies.

Let us unitedly choose to follow Christ's methods and example in working for souls and He will surely bless His church with an abundant harvest.

Robert D. Rider,
President.



tables, and preparing a program. They used the Community Service room at the Choctaw Adventist Church.

It now takes the cooperation of many others to arrange the tables and prepare the food needed. This year five young people volunteered to serve the guests at the various tables.

"The senior citizens are always anxious to help," Vera commented. "When I call to invite them, they always offer to

bake a pie or help in some way. I tell them, no! This is on us."

When asked if they planned to do it again next year, Vera and Ernest said, "Sure! We aren't much on giving lots of gifts, but this is our way to share. We think it makes Christmas special." The smiles on the faces of the senior citizens who come year after year indicate that they agree.

Sally Streib,
Choctaw Communication Secretary.



Norman church people launching anniversary balloons.

Norman Observes Anniversary

On December 1 the Norman Church celebrated 30 years in their church home with a Share-abration. Favorite texts were attached to helium-filled bal-

loons and released into the sky. Members shared special musical selections and Viola Korgan presented a brief history of the local church. A potluck lunch was held afterward.

Debbie Lackey,
Communication Secretary.

Southwest Region

W. C. JONES, Correspondent

Publishing Department Celebrates

Seven years have passed since the beginning of the FHES Incentive Meeting in Florida. The Southwest is excited to be a part of this program and participate in this ministry, and for the past four years we have watched the enormous growth. Thursday, December 27-31 the Seminar began with spiritual devotions, recreation and wholesome fellowship.

The banquet culminated the activities of the retreat, where all nine conferences gathered in the spacious banquet



J. Ragnauth talks with J. Marshall at the ABC in Dallas.

hall of the Holiday Inn to dine and report the year's happenings listed below:

DISTRICTS

Ben Lewis—Ft. Worth, TX	125,000
Nathaniel Jackson— New Orleans, LA	80,000
James Ragnauth— Little Rock, AR	75,000
Julian Sylvester— Houston, TX	34,960

TOP SALES

Ezekiel Wilson	40,000
Carrie Marshall	36,000
Earline Jackson	21,000
Amelia Baker	18,000
Paul Bryant	13,000
M. L. Holmes	10,000

James Marshall and his associates led the literature evangelists to a year's total of \$334,370.53, which puts the Southwest Region in 5th place among the Black conferences. Baptisms for James Ragnauth 10, Earline Jackson 21, Julian Sylvester 34, and Ben Lewis 35 totaled 100. After the conferences had all reported, they totaled over \$4,000,000, which is a record for the Black Conferences across North America.

Doris Jones, Reporter.



Delores Ruff, student from Oakwood College presents music at the United Youth Federation.

United Youth Federation Held

The United Youth Federation was held in Hannah Hall, at Texas Southern University, October 26-28, 1984. The Keynote speaker was Joseph Grider, Pastor of the Berean Church, Jackson, Mississippi and the meeting began Friday evening.

C. D. Joseph, president of the Lake Region Conference delivered powerful and soul-stirring messages on Sabbath at divine worship hour and Sunday devotional hour. Other activities included a Pathfinder Parade with drill techniques, and Bible Bowl. The winner for the Bible Bowl was the Mansfield, Louisiana Church team, and this team represented the conference in the Bible Bowl championship in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Bill Wright, Youth Director, reports this to be one of the highlights of the Youth Department for 1984.

Doris Jones, Reporter.

LEGAL NOTICES

Fifth Triennial Session Southwest Region Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

Notice is hereby given that the regular Triennial Session of the Southwest Region Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held at the Leisque-Pulgar Gymnasium of Southwestern Adventist College, Keene, Texas, on March 24, 1985.

The meeting for the Session is called for 9:00 a.m. The purpose of the meeting is to receive reports for the triennial period then ending, to elect officers for the ensuing term, and to transact such other business as may properly come before the Session. Each church is entitled to one delegate to represent the church at the Session of the Conference, and one additional delegate for each 20 members or the major fraction thereof.

W. C. Jones, President
M. M. Young, Secretary
H. L. Turner, Treasurer

Fifth Triennial Session Southwest Region Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists

Notice is hereby given that the Southwest Region Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists will hold its constituency meeting at the Leisque-Pulgar Gymnasium of Southwestern Adventist College, Keene, Texas, on March 24, 1985.

The meeting is called for 9:00 a.m. The purpose of this meeting is to elect a Board of Trustees for the ensuing triennial term and to transact such other business as may properly come before the Association. Delegates to the Southwest Region Conference Session are also delegates to the Association.

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Texas

JOE RAY, Correspondent

Texas Reaches Silver Vanguard

George Schram, Ingathering coordinator for the Texas Conference, reports that Texas churches turned in \$471,180.00 for Ingathering which makes Texas a silver vanguard conference.



Walter Toews and George Schram rejoice over Ingathering total from Texas churches.

He Has Ingathered For 60 Years

Norman Polk, Texas Lay Advisory member from the Elkhart church has been ingathering in the Palestine-Elkhart area for 60 years.

Norman did his first Ingathering with a singing band going from house to house. He courted a young woman while Ingathering in their early years. They married 52 years ago, and Norman says, "we've been Ingathering ever since."

After becoming a businessman, Norman through the years has solicited his fellow business friends and county officials in the courthouse. He says sometime during the 1940's an Elder Butler from the General Conference, who accompanied him on his contacts said, "I have made Ingathering contacts all over the world, but I've never seen it go this easy."



Elder George Schram says "thank you" to Norman Polk for 60 years of Ingathering.

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(December 18-22, 1984, 5,300 youth from 47 nations gathered in Mexico City for the Pan-American Youth Congress. Forty-five delegates from 22 churches represented Texas, and following is an account of that congress from a delegate's view.)

"Don't drink the water."

"Hold on tight to everything you value."

"Don't go anywhere alone."

With these and other such instructions fresh on my mind I flew into Mexico City for the first time, not quite knowing what to expect. I was ready to learn, though, and that's what I did.

There was the astonishing noise and confusion found on the streets of any large city, but I could also find the quiet orderliness of gardens, and almost everywhere I could hear the playful chatter of children.

Two Texas delegates (in cowboy hats) represent North America during the colorful South American division program.

(Photo by Marlene DeLeon, delegate from McAllen, Texas.)

Although I enjoyed seeing a culture different from my own, I wasn't in Mexico to sightsee. I went for the Youth Congress, and was rewarded.

It is hard to describe the feelings I had after viewing the program put on by the South American Division. I saw people together on the platform, united by Christian love, who in their own countries were taught to hate each other. They reported tremendous progress in conversions in their countries, much of it done by the youth, and their enthusiasm was obvious.

It is even more difficult to describe the emotion felt when the Cuban delegates arrived on Sabbath morning. They came on the last day of the meetings because of delay in obtaining necessary permits. They brought a lighted torch which had been taken across Cuba, east to west. A token from the Seventh-day Adventists of Cuba that their love still burns strongly.

I have many memories of the few days I spent in Mexico, but the one that highlights them all is that of the closing ceremonies.

At the start of the closing program, Pathfinders passed small candles to everyone, but we were given no instructions for their use. During that meeting the last few days of Christ's life were recreated in drama and song. At the conclusion, the youth playing the role of Christ lighted the candles of his disciples, who in turn lighted others. In a surprisingly short time the auditorium was filled with almost 10,000 tiny lights.

My candle did very little good by itself, but when combined with the others, lighted the entire auditorium. When we all worked to light the candles around us, it didn't take long before we were surrounded with light. Perhaps the most important lessons are to be learned from that simple parable.

Charlene Burton.

*Junior Communication Major,
Southwestern Adventist College.*





Myron Voegele (left) introduces Sergio Moctezuma from Inter-America.

Texas Ministers Meet at NVR

Texas had its winter workers meeting at Nameless Valley Ranch, January 6-9. It was reported that the Texas Conference was well ahead of its projected goals for the 1,000 Days of Reaping.

Speakers included Roland Hegstad from the General Conference; Sergio Moctezuma from Inter-America; and Ben Leach and Max Martinez from the Southwestern Union. Gary Grimes represented the Pacific Press; and Royce Williams, *It Is Written*. K. S. Wiggins from the Texas Conference also spoke.

Texas LE's Reach \$1,790,638 in 1984

Denton James, Texas publishing leader reports that Texas literature evangelists delivered \$1,790,638 worth of literature during 1984. This makes Texas No. 1 in Review & Herald territory. Elder James expects Texas to go over the \$2,000,000 mark in 1985.



Elder Denton James and office secretary, Wanda Young.

JAA Choir Presents Christmas Program

"Christmas by Candlelight" was presented by the Music Department of Jefferson Adventist Academy. The academy student choir and chorale carried lighted candles down the aisle as they sang, *O Come, O Come Immanuel*. They placed their lighted candles in the tiered candleholder on the communion table to give soft light in the church.

Louise Hoover directed the choir and chorale as they sang the traditional

Christmas carols. Crystal Wheeler sang *Away In A Manger*, and Donald Eason played a trumpet solo. The woodwind ensemble played the *Conventry Carol*. All the numbers were accompanied by Iva Ruth Connell and Julie Jenkins.

TEXAS NEWSNOTES

- Laurie Barsdate recently reported of her tour of the Holy Land with the Ken Cox evangelistic team to the Gainesville Sabbath School. She described her visit to Galilee, Jerusalem, a refugee camp, and told of the baptism of 14 people in the Jordan River. She has now joined the "ministry of the 120," a volunteer organization to help support and broaden the ministry of the Ken Cox Evangelistic Association.

- The Highland Lakes church of 35 members ended the year by reaching three times their Ingathering goal. They gave away 15 large Christmas food baskets to needy families. Members have placed missionary books in the rooms of four local motels.

- Recent changes in the Texas Conference working force include:

Myron Voegele to be the new Director of the Revelation Seminar.

Herman Griffin will continue to be office manager and in charge of operations.

Randy Roberts to pastor Austin South and Austin Spanish.

Ernie Dobkins from Minnesota to pastor Copperas Cove and Killeen.

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Rafael Canizales to Alice/Kingsville.

- The Voice of Prophecy daily broadcast is now aired Monday through Friday on KTFA-92.1 in Bridge City, Texas at 11:45 a.m. Bridge City is in the Beaumont, Port Arthur, Orange area.

- Ken Cox will hold a crusade in Keene during March.

- The total tithe for 1984 is \$9,705,961 which is the highest ever. The Mission giving per capita showed a good gain.

- The Jefferson Central Christian Carolers float was named best float in the annual Jefferson, Texas, Christmas parade. Not only did they receive a trophy for first place, but the float was called "the best ever in any past parade."

- Dr. Agatha Thrash, well-known lecturer in preventive medicine, will present a program of health topics at the following locations:

Killeen Church — Feb. 21

Keene Church — Feb. 22-24

Fort Worth First — March 3-4

Rusk Church — March 6-7

Austin Church — March 8-10



These Pathfinders report huge Ingathering success. From left: Rachel Brinegar raised \$642.85; Carrie Boucher, \$515.10; Maggie Welsh, \$1,227.72; Tracee Boucher, \$489.78; and Valinda Welsh, \$1,083.08. Carrie and Tracee are not Seventh-day Adventists.

Pathfinders Raise Big Overflow

Otis Parish, pastor, reports the Warren Church, with an Ingathering goal of \$1,000, reached a total of \$5,012. Five Pathfinders raised \$3,958.53.

The Warren Church is in a very small town, and their Ingathering territory consists of country homes and small town communities.

BIESDA's Prayers Answered

BIESDA prayed for help. BIESDA is an evangelistic project operated by the Texas Conference in the Rio Grande Valley to help people learn to speak English or Spanish. In addition to learning a second language, the people learn about Jesus' love for them through Bible classes, temperance programs, and church activities.

BIESDA leadership claimed the promise, "If we will move forward in faith, believing in the all-sufficient power of God, abundant resources will open before us." The resources needed were human resources — volunteers to teach English classes for the January-February term.

Three answers came: Running Bear, a Navajo Indian from San Antonio, Carolyn Eley from Union College, and Ignacio Ortiz, from Mexico City (to teach Spanish).

There is still need for a Spanish teacher and an English teacher to begin February 25, and more teachers on June 26. If you are a native English or a native Spanish speaker, single (because of lodging facilities), 18 or older, and would like to volunteer for six months to one year, call or write: Jeff Brown, BIESDA Language Programs, 225 E. Eleventh St., Brownsville, Texas 78520. 512/546-8558.

Texico

DON SULLIVAN, Correspondent

Albuquerque Central Dedicates Church

A happy weekend for the members of the Albuquerque Central Church on December 14 and 15 included a service of consecration Friday evening, a special Sabbath school and church service Sabbath morning, and a service of dedication Sabbath afternoon. The joy even overflowed into a musical concert before the afternoon service, with a



Conference President Don Sullivan told the children's story Sabbath morning and presented the dedicatory sermon for the church.



(Left) Elder Dan Neergaard led the act of dedication. (Center) Frances Meyers read the history of the church. (Right) Elder Ken McFarland presented the sermon at the service of dedication on Friday night. He is a former pastor of the church.

M. L. Dunkin, Acy Broughton and Frances Myers participated in the ritual of burning the mortgage.



Elder Bill May presented the sermon Sabbath morning.

large variety of presentations.

The first workers came to Albuquerque in 1901, and a church of 25 members was organized in 1902. J. A. Leeland held the first meetings in the home of Pilar Perea. Through the years the members met at various locations until it was voted in 1979 to relocate to a more spacious building.

In the words of Pastor Dan Neergaard, "The challenge that now faces us is the challenge to use this beautiful church to God's honor and glory; to reach out and touch the lives of the countless throng that passes by our doors each day."



Ribbons stretched along the church aisles provided a place for clipping the morning offering. The strands were then draped as love garlands on the Christmas tree.



Abilene Members Work for School

The Projects Committee of the Abilene Seventh-day Adventist Church is made up of concerned, hard-working mothers who want to help improve and update their church school facilities to meet the growing educational and recreational needs of their school children. It is the committee's task to organize, direct, and carry out a variety of money-making projects during the school year. The ongoing success of these various projects can be attributed to the combined efforts of the Abilene Junior Academy students; the teachers, Edythe and Chuck Araujo; and the contributions and support of the entire congregation.

The first project of the school year (actually planned three months in advance by Laura Moores) was the sale of delicious Oregon frozen berries from Bithell Farms. The strawberries, blueberries, blackberries, and raspberries came in 12-14-pound buckets, and thanks to the Abilene church members who bought them, the Projects Committee saw their first profit of \$111!

With this profit the committee ordered 100 packages of Christmas gift wrap for \$1.00 each, and the school children, under the direction of their teachers, quickly sold all 100 packages, making another \$100 profit. The committee capitalized on the energetic group of sales personnel and reordered gift wrap, ending in December with \$225 profit.

Meanwhile, the students were busy collecting cans and newspapers for recycling. Kathy Abbott graciously picked up these materials, stored them and turned in over \$20 in profit. Meanwhile, Patti Flowers ordered Royal American Foods' health food dinners, sold them to church families, and donated the proceeds of over \$30 to the project.

In October Mrs. Moores sponsored a Discovery Toys demonstration party for Home and School. Discovery Toys are educational toys, and with the help of the students' urgings and the parents' money, our church school earned over \$140 worth of free Discovery Toys for the school. After the demonstration refreshments were served, and from the sale of Mrs. Flowers' delicious homemade wheat bread, another \$20 was added to the Project Committee's tally.

Other projects included a hikeathon conducted by the Abilene Junior Academy, which brought in \$316. And in November AJA held a garage sale and made \$30.

The icing on the cake came in

December with the wonderful contributions of everything from homemade crochet work, cabbage-patch dolls, and silk flower arrangements, to a fantastic bake sale. These contributions and many others were all put together for our Christmas Bazaar, and from this sale the Projects Committee gained another \$250!

As of January, 1985, the Abilene Junior Academy Projects Committee is in the black by over \$1,000. Now comes the next test . . . From contributions of all the great cooks in the church (men and women alike), a vegetarian cookbook was compiled, containing over 250 tried-and-true family recipes. A supply of 300 of these has been ordered, which may double the profits for the school. With the continued support and hard work of our students, teachers, and congregation, they hope to be able to buy a much needed copy machine, book shelves, computer hardware and software, an encyclopedia set, and playground equipment for our school.

Sherry Hrinda,
Communication Secretary.

Church School Leads to Baptisms

In August of 1983, Jennifer Suit began her studies in the first grade of the Amarillo church school. Her family were members of one of the large Baptist churches in Amarillo. They were not just nominal Baptists, but were extremely active in their church. The contact with our church resulted in a series of Bible studies held twice each week in the Suit home.

Every Friday evening, Walt Denny, one of the church deacons, and his wife, Eloyce, gave studies with a Dukane projector and every Monday night the pastor studied with this family from the Scriptures.

On a recent Sabbath, Jennifer's mother, her grandmother and grandfather, and her great-grandmother all became members of the Amarillo church. Four generations of this family now are members of the remnant church because a little girl was enrolled as a student in the church school.

Harold Bohr, Pastor.

Lee Marcile and Willard Suit; Jennifer; Mrs. Gertrude Froust and Mickey Suit.



EL PASO STUDENTS VISIT MUSEUM — The students from the middle grades of El Paso Junior Academy visited the Americana Museum to see the Peter Hurd exhibit entitled "The Early Years." Teacher Nobert Sammer reports that they were able to view over 80 of the earliest paintings, drawings and lithographs of this Southwest artist.

Announcements Reunions

Upcoming programs and events that may be of interest to *Record* readers are announced here in brief. Additional information is available as indicated in each item.

A BIBLICAL ARCHAEOLOGY CONFERENCE will be held on the campus of Andrews University from July 8 to 11, 1985, sponsored by the Institute of Archaeology. Guest speakers will include William Shea, Kenneth L. Vine, Larry G. Herr, Keith Schoville, Abraham Terian, James K. Hoffmeier, Siegfried Horn, E. R. Thiele, W. John Hackwell and Lawrence T. Geraty. For reservation information, write to W. John Hackwell, the Institute of Archaeology, Andrews University, Berrien Springs, MI 49104, or call him at 616/471-3273.

HARTLAND INSTITUTE is conducting its third Firm Foundation Conference, March 22-27, 1985 in the Ontario, California, Adventist Church. The conference theme is The Sanctuary Message. Speakers include: A. Leroy Moore, Maurice Lewis, Ron Spear, Austin Cooke, Colin Standish, David Grams, Robert Taylor, Warren Peters, Dennis Blum, Jim Wolter, and others. For information and program, write: Hal Mayer, P.O. Box 1, Rapidan, VA 22733, or call 703/672-3100.

SAN DIEGO ACADEMY ALUMNI HOMECOMING WEEKEND is March 9, 10, 1985. Graduating classes to be especially honored are 1935, 1945, 1955, 1960, 1965, 1975, 1985. For more information write: San Diego Academy Alumni, 2700 E. 4th St., National City, CA 92050.

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Remember **Jefferson Academy Homecoming**, April 19 and 20, 1985. Registration will begin Friday evening at 7:00 p.m. in the church. Honor classes are '60, '65, and '75. Come meet with friends and classmates and see the progress of your school.

Max Hill,
Alumni President.

Plans are being made for a 40th-year reunion of the **Auburn (Washington) Adventist Academy** class of 1945 at the time of the Alumni Weekend, March 15-16. The class will have the church service.

Please bring memorabilia. For further information contact: Jeanette Schwartz-Edgerton 23603 NE Glisan, Troutdale, OR 97060.

Weddings

Erney Underwood and **Steve Poenitz** were united in marriage Dec. 30 at the McDonald Roac Church, McDonald, Tenn. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Underwood of Ooltewah, Tenn. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Nowald Poenitz, Arlington, TX. Morten Juberg, Portland, OR, performed the ceremony. The couple are making their home in Kansas City, Kansas where Poenitz is pastor of the Chapel Oaks Church.

At Rest

CRAVENS, Pearl Young, was born July 16, 1898 in Concordia, MO, and died Dec. 12, 1984, at Honey Grove, TX. She was a member of the Paris, TX church. Survivors: husband, Odell of Honey Grove; son, Roy Swartzrock of Sherman, TX; daughter, Faye Street of Honey Grove; brother, Harry Young of Portland, OR; and sister, Leona Brewer of San Antonio, TX. Burial was at Honey Grove.

Allan Priest.

FREDERICKSON, Edwin (Freddie), was born in Sioux City, IA, Feb. 2, 1909, and died July 9, 1984, in Lead Hill, AR.

As a young man he spent several years as a literature evangelist. He worked several years at the Iowa Sanitarium in Nevada, Iowa.

Survivors: wife, Nava; daughter, La Dean Birkhead of Sterling Heights, MI; brother Otis; 2 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Burial was in Lead Hill, AR.

HARRISON, Dorothy Willmore, was born Jan. 18, 1909, in Nashville, TN, and died Dec. 23, 1984, in Oklahoma City, OK. She served as a secretary



for 26 years in the Southwestern Union Conference office, followed by 15 years in the Oklahoma Conference office. Survivors: aunt, Elizabeth Ingle of Battle Creek, MI; cousins, Kathryn Vickerman of Oklahoma City, and Maxine Hall of Crescent City, CA. Burial was in Oklahoma City.

Alfred C. Schnell.

JONES, Philip Henry, was born Aug. 20, 1907, at Ava, AR, and died Dec. 15, 1984, at Alva, OK. Survivors include: his wife, Edith; a daughter, Jo Nell Money of Canyon, TX; sisters, Sylvia Voth of Okeene, OK, and Mabel Willman of Oklahoma City; brothers, James W. Jones of Waco, TX, and Oscar Jones of Muskogee, OK. Burial was at Alva. Services by Dan Jensen and Robert Rider.

KELLOGG, Chester E., 92, of Derry, NH, died Nov. 19, 1984, in Stoneham, MA. Kellogg was president of Southwestern Junior College from 1928-1935, a difficult period because of the Great Depression. He entered denominational service at Lodi Academy, Lodi, CA. He also served as principal of Ozark Academy, Gentry, AR; South Lancaster Academy, South Lancaster, MA; and Arizona Academy, Phoenix, AR. He was also business manager of Atlantic Union College for several years. After his retirement, he was pastor of Adventist churches in the Manchester, NH, area.

Survivors: wife, Clara; son, Everett of Three Rivers, CA; daughters, Flora Kellogg of Takoma Park, MD, Phyllis Winkler of Derry, NH, Karen Stephen of Warminster, PA, Winona Aastrup of Bolton, MA, and Eloise Thomas of San Antonio, TX; brothers, Merle Kellogg of Yucaipa, CA, Lloyd Kellogg of South Gate, CA, and Miles Kellogg of Douglasville, GA; sisters, Edith Tyrell and Vera Hocking, both of Cleveland, TX, Irma Kreinkamp of Placerville, CA, and Dorothy Dunn of Pope Valley, CA; 20 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren. Burial was in Lancaster, MA.

LAUE, Betty Jean, was born Oct. 24, 1922, in Dennison, TX, and died Jan. 5, 1985, in Ft. Worth, TX, after a long and severe illness. Daughter of Elder and Mrs. Vance J. Maloney Sr., she spent her childhood in China. She graduated from Southwestern Junior College and from Loma Linda School of Nursing. She was married to Clarence Laue in 1943. After his military service and further schooling, they began denominational service at Newbury Park Academy in California, where she was school nurse. After later service at La Sierra College, they were called to mission service in South America, where they served over four years. Next came a period of service in the Southern Union, where Clarence was auditor. From 1973 to 1977, they returned to South America, where Clarence served as treasurer of the South America Division. Since 1977 they have lived in Keene, TX, where Clarence is director of the General Conference Auditing Service. Betty has worked as a nurse wherever they have been located.

Survivors: husband, Clarence; mother, Bessie Belle Maloney of Keene; sons, Wayne Leroy of Canyon Lake, TX, and Edward Arthur of Glendale, CA; brother, Vance J. Maloney Jr., of Corpus Christi; and two grandsons. Burial was at Acton, TX.

MEADOR, Ruth Sweeney, was born Oct. 19, 1907 in Pasadena, CA and died Dec. 24, 1984 at Gentry, AR. She was married to Curtis Meador in 1939, and several years later became a Seventh-day Adventist in Baldwin, CA. In 1948 she and her husband moved to Gentry, AR and engaged in farming until retirement.

Survivors: husband, Curtis Meador; sister, Helen Ross of Catalina Island, CA; and brother, Warren Sweeney of Landers, CA. Services were conducted by Frank Ashby and burial was in Gentry.

Charles J. Griffin.

SAMMARTINO, Mary Kathleen, was born Oct. 11, 1922 in Youngstown, OH, and died after a long illness Dec. 30, 1984, at Siloam Springs, AR. She joined the Seventh-day Adventist church in Youngstown, OH in 1947. At the time of her death she was a member of the Gentry church.

She was married to Armando Sammartino in

1948 and moved to Takoma Park, Maryland until her move to Arkansas.

Survivors: husband, Armando; mother, Ruth Hill; brothers, Wendell Hill of Silver Spring, MD, Ted Hill of Takoma Park, MD, and Glen Hill of Grand Ledge, MI; sister, Jean L. Wagar of Gentry, AR. Burial was at Highfill, AR.

Charles J. Griffin.

SKIDMORE, Douglas Mack, was born Nov. 24, 1945, at Mt. Vernon, TX, and died Dec. 17, 1984 at Crockett, TX, from a hunting accident. Survivors: wife, Shirley; sons, Donald of Farmersville, TX, Dennis, and Steven of Greenville, TX; parents, Alvis and Sally Skidmore of Wagoner, TX; and three grandsons. Burial was at Purley, TX.

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	Feb. 15	Feb. 22	Mar. 1	Mar. 8
Abilene, Texas	6:25	6:31	6:37	6:42
Amarillo, Texas	6:30	6:36	6:43	6:49
Brownsville, Texas	6:23	6:27	6:31	6:35
Dallas, Texas	6:12	6:18	6:24	6:29
El Paso, Texas	5:52	5:58	6:04	6:09
Fort Worth/Keene, Texas	6:14	6:20	6:26	6:31
Houston/Galveston, Texas	6:09	6:14	6:19	6:23
Gentry, Arkansas	5:59	6:06	6:13	6:20
Little Rock, Arkansas	5:51	5:58	6:05	6:11
Muskogee, Oklahoma	6:03	6:10	6:17	6:23
New Orleans, Louisiana	5:49	5:54	5:59	6:04
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	6:12	6:19	6:26	6:32
San Antonio, Texas	6:24	6:30	6:34	6:38
Santa Fe, New Mexico	5:45	5:52	5:59	6:05
Shreveport, Louisiana	6:00	6:06	6:12	6:17
Tulsa, Oklahoma	6:05	6:12	6:19	6:25

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

Hang Tough (Conclusion)

Attitudes in the church toward divorced people can best be seen in the attitudes the divorced have toward each other. A divorcee remarked to a friend, "I used to worship the ground he slithered on." Someone has said, "Divorce occurs when two lovebirds discover the trill is gone." — Not only is the "trill" gone, in too many cases all fairness, all respect and Christianity are totally obliterated. It is sometimes hard for divorced people to be objective when they are so emotionally involved. But the church should always be not only objective and fair, they must be thoroughly "born-again Christian" in their attitudes.

How should the church treat divorced people? First, the church should deal with dignity — remembering the Golden Rule, Do unto others as you would have them do unto you. Irrespective of the extent of proven guilt, it is rarely necessary to give publicity to the unsavory facts to the detriment of those involved. The spirit of the Master should motivate all investigations, counseling, and remedial measures that are taken. Church boards and committees that may be set up to deal with divorce should ever remember that they, too, are susceptible to sin and mistakes. It is always sinners dealing with sinners. The milk of human kindness and understanding must be felt. If you are one of those serving as a board member, remember John Wesley's words, "But for the grace of God, there go I." Some might even let the thought pass through their minds, "Had my mate not been so kind and forgiving, this could be me." And never forget that the basic work of the church is to restore.

To church members I would say, remember that to forgive sin is not to condone sin. Forgiving is to approve Jesus. The guilty and the innocent alike need to have the healing forgiving touch of the Master and the love of His children, the church members, who represent Him on earth. A truly converted person, even though a known transgressor who may have brought reproach on the church and his family, can be forgiven. Such a one will humbly submit to the discipline of God and His church and will do all in his power to undo the wrong he has done.

Since divorce is against God's plan and certainly against the best interests of the church, many church members have strong opinions about it and express them. Too often they gossip or whisper instead of doing something helpful and constructive. Church members can help by godly words and example, and by forgiving. Leslie Weatherhead in *Religion in Life* said, "The forgiveness of God, in my opinion, is the most powerful therapeutic (healing) idea in the world. Thousands of people are ill through repressed guilt; and to analyze the repression and make it conscious, then to say only, 'Don't do it again.' or 'Other people have done far worse things,' is not to give a person the help to which he has a right. What a wonderful ministry the church has in being able to offer the cleansing forgiveness of God!"

Although Ellen White did not hesitate to call sin by its right

name, she wanted all to know that they had hope for salvation. It was her intention, she said, that nothing from her pen be used as a law or a rule in dealing with questions of marriage, divorce, remarriage and adultery. She directed her readers to the Bible. There is enough in the Scriptures to guide those who seek the Lord honestly and humbly. She had no other advice than that given in the Bible.

In speaking to the church members regarding their attitude toward those who had been disfellowshipped because of divorce, she had this to say: "If the erring one repents and submits to Christ's discipline, he is to be given another trial. And even if he does not repent, even if he stands outside the church, God's servants still have a work to do for him. They are to seek earnestly to win him to repentance. And, however aggravated may have been his offense, if he yields to the striving of the Holy Spirit and, by confession and forsaking his sin, gives evidence of repentance, he is to be forgiven and welcomed to the fold again. His brethren are to encourage him in the right way, treating him as they would wish to be treated were they in his place, considering themselves lest they also be tempted." *Testimonies*, Vol. 7, p. 263.

Those in the church who feel judgmental or are shunning divorced people because they don't want to appear to condone sin, may overestimate their motives. They just might be feeling a little self-righteous because their own marriage is together, even though underneath, their marriage may not be even close to the ideal God would have it to be. One writer said, "At the heart of unforgiveness is pride! To forgive, one must humble *himself*, which is difficult." We are all sinners and "If ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you; but if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses." — Jesus. (Matthew 6:14-15)

God is Holy, yet completely realistic. God accepts what is. Wonder of wonders, He accepts me. He does not approve of my sin, but through His beautiful saving grace, He accepts me and He accepts you. God's way is to accept and to forgive.

What do I say to a friend who is divorced? The same things I was saying before the divorce — but with added compassion. I may say nothing — just listen — let him (or her) get it off his chest, knowing he is talking to a friend. I make no judgments. God can take care of that. I tell him what Christ would have him know: that He will never desert or forsake and, in my way, I become like Christ to my friend. I never desert nor forsake. I forgive.

Yours for a heart filled with Christ's love
for the divorced,

B. E. Leach

INSPIRED . . .

"All who are followers of Christ should deal with one another exactly as we wish the Lord to deal with us in our errors and weaknesses, for we are all erring and need His pity and forgiveness." *Testimonies*, Vol. 3, p. 93.

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