

# SOUTHWESTERN UNION **Record**

AUGUST 26, 1988

**Hosta Buttes, North of  
Thoreau, New Mexico.**

(photo by Charles R. Beeler)

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**Process of Change in  
Christian Education**



Cyril Miller

## PRESIDENT'S BULLETIN BOARD

### What About Our Harvest 90 DOables... Are They Still DOable Today?

What has happened? Is Harvest 90 still on track?  
Are we achieving our Harvest 90 DOables? Here is a brief report.

#### Double Baptisms

To date, the Southwestern Union has the highest percent of baptisms in ratio to membership in North America. This is very good, but is it good enough? Can we double the number of baptisms achieved during the 1,000 Days of Reaping? Here is the record to date:

	Baptisms 1,000 Days	Harvest 90 To Date	Additional to Double by '90
Ark-La	1,318	1,014	( 1,662)
Okla	1,030	712	( 1,348)
SW Region	2,531	2,507	( 2,555)
Texas	5,434	5,735	( 5,133)
Texico	857	819	( 895)
<b>Totals</b>	<b>11,170</b>	<b>10,787</b>	<b>(11,553)</b>

Obviously, we must baptize 11,553 additional people if we are to *double our baptisms* by June 30, 1990. This is possible if all pastors and laymen accept the challenge to reach our neighbors with evangelistic crusades, Revelation Seminars, Bible Studies and Sabbath morning "Christ our Foundation" sermons. Yes, 22,340 baptisms are possible when you consider Pentecost!

#### Double Attendance

Another Harvest 90 DOable is to *double Sabbath attendance*. All Southwestern Union conferences are working to achieve this Harvest 90 objective. Here is the record to date:

	Attendance At Beginning	Attendance June 30, '88	Additional to Double by '90
Ark-La	4,889	4,894	( 4,884)
Okla	3,245	3,407	( 3,083)
SW Region	3,462	7,810	886
Texas	15,462	16,157	(14,767)
Texico	3,285	3,196	( 3,374)
<b>Totals</b>	<b>30,343</b>	<b>35,464</b>	<b>(25,222)</b>

It is encouraging to note that we have 5,000 more attending church on Sabbath than at the beginning of Harvest 90. Obviously, we must have 25,222 new people attending on Sabbath morning if we are to double Sabbath attendance by June 30, 1990.

Yes, a grand total of 60,686 attending our 484 churches on Sabbath is possible when you consider Pentecost.

#### Come Holy Spirit

Like Elisha of old, we need a double portion of God's Holy Spirit, then double baptisms and double Sabbath attendance will happen and more. Where is the member who could not spend less time with TV and more time in Bible study and prayer? Where is the family who cannot give more time to God in missionary outreach? God has promised to give the power of His Spirit in the last days. Let us join our hearts in concert seeking a double portion of God's Holy Spirit.

"We should pray as earnestly for the descent of the Holy Spirit as the disciples prayed on the day of Pentecost." — *Testimonies*, vol. 5, p. 158.

Remember it's, "Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord of hosts." Zech. 4:6.

Cyril Miller, *President*

## Childhood Years Spent in Beirut— An SAC Student's Story

by Christine Weis

"It's not at all unusual for paperboys to stick a gun in your face and say 'Buy newspaper.'" The beautiful young woman speaking imitates the appropriate response to such a situation by gulping and smiling the most cooperative of smiles. "You say, 'English? English newspaper?' Of course they don't have any, so they shrug, put the gun away and walk off."

As astonishing as that would be to most of us, Kim Neufeld faced incredible situations like this on several occasions at the tender age of nine. Kim, a resident of Keene and a senior at Southwestern Adventist College, spent 1975 and 1976 in Beirut. Her father, Dr. Ber-

ney Neufeld, former Developmental Vice President at SAC, taught biology at Middle East College in Beirut, Lebanon.

"One graduation night, the Christians and Moslems broke the ceasefire and started shooting at the refugee camp that was on the other side of us," Kim recalls. "We were hit by all sorts of stray rockets and shrapnel. All our windows were knocked out and some steps on one of the campus buildings were completely blown away."

A smile breaks across her face as she remembers the aftermath of the shellings. "That was the time I found this huge piece of shrapnel. I mean it was beautiful! All the other

kids tried to trade bullets for it. 'I'll give you all these bullets for it,' Kim grins as she mimics the eager, childish voices. "But I said, 'No way! Man, I wasn't giving that piece of shrapnel up for anything! I was so proud.'"

You learned to walk with your head down. That was what Mom (Jean Neufeld) would tell you when you went out to play, 'Keep your head down!' Kim describes the treehouse she and the eight other children had in a wooded valley. There was a Moslem lookout on one ridge overlooking the valley. "We'd sit in the treehouse for hours playing with our cards. All the cards had flowers on them, and you had

to match them up so that your hand had all the flowers from a flower family. Then the Moslems would shoot over our heads through the trees. We made a game out of seeing who could hit the ground first after we heard the bullets go overhead." She says this without batting an eyelash or giving any indication that this was anything different than what Wally or Beav would do in their backyard on any warm, sleepy afternoon.

A game? Who could get to the ground first after hearing the bullets go through the trees? "Yes. As soon as you heard Zing! Zing! Zing! Blat! you jumped to the ground as quick as you could," Kim explains, again without blinking an eye. "We got quite good at it, even to the point of being able to identify the weapon by the sound the ammunition made."

Occasionally it would come home to her and the other children that it wasn't always a big game. Once when they were playing out on the lawn of a large home on the top of a hill, the sounds of uncomfortably close machine gun fire broke through the air. A mother came running out and hustled them into the house. "We thought it was pretty fun," Kim says. The mother put the children in the hall closet. Each shelf was wide enough to hold two children, so they were laid there, stacked along four or five shelves like so many bath towels.

"We laughed and giggled and played our flower game. It was kind of hard to do since we had the shelves separating us, but we reached around with the cards and we managed to carry on our flower game despite the inconvenience of this shelling. My mom, who was down the hill, was on the phone with the lady at the house and they were both freaking out. We had to stay in the closet for a long time," she says. "We kept waiting for the shooting and all to die down, but instead it just got worse. We were bored. One of the girls got out of the closet to go get something. She was crawling around on her hands and knees in her room under an open window when a rocket hit the outside of the house right next to the window.

"All we heard was a big BOOM! Then she came crawling back and got into the closet and wouldn't come out or move. When the shooting finally stopped, the rest of us moved cautiously out of the closet,"



*Kim Neufeld, a senior at Southwestern Adventist College and an employee of Cleburne Eye Clinic, holds the bullets and shrapnel that she collected while she lived in Beirut, Lebanon as a youngster. Some of the featured bullets were shot at her as she played in her tree house.*

*(photo by Earle Cabansag)*

Kim says. "We went outside to look at where the rocket had hit the house. The walls were so thick, the damage wasn't tremendous, but if it had hit three inches higher, it would have gone right into the house!" All the windows had been shot out. An artillery shell and an anti-aircraft bullet had penetrated the 12-inch-thick walls of the house. Almost comically, the only damage, other than to the walls, was to a large potted plant blown to smithereens. "That was the scariest time," she says.

"Once, we were in Cyprus at a friend's house. It was so beautiful and peaceful. We were out on the patio having sundown worship. Way, way off in the distance, we could hear gunfire. Something had happened, I don't know what. There was a man who was shooting into the air yelling, 'Praise Allah!' or something. Everybody was really happy about something and to celebrate, the people in the house next to us decided to throw a hand grenade into the yard. Needless to say, I was the first one through the door. You think you are safe, and then somebody throws a hand grenade. You are scared. I can remember just lying there shaking and shaking, after they dragged me out from under the bed."

"I'll tell you what, when we got back to the States, every time a car

would backfire, I'd duck." Kim shakes her head and her face gets very serious. "I don't like war movies. I saw enough of it in person. I wouldn't go see *Platoon*. No way. The boys on campus in Beirut were all of draft age. When they'd get drafted, they would come and show me their brand new uniforms with the shiny buttons and their shiny guns, and they'd be so proud and eager. A few weeks later you'd hear that they'd been shot and killed."

Kim shrugs off questions about the safety issue and says she can understand why many Americans are still in Beirut despite the hostage scares. "It is a very beautiful area. It is gorgeous and the climate is great. Sure there are kidnappings, but they're only one in a thousand. When you consider how many foreigners there are in Beirut compared to the number of kidnappings, it's not so bad. They always play up the kidnappings to get attention. Always the bad news."

Kim says she benefitted from her time in Beirut. She says it gave her proof that God exists. "I'm still here! I didn't get hit and I didn't get blown up. It teaches you a lesson. You never go to bed without saying your prayers at night because who knows if your house isn't going to be blown down around your ears in the night. I wouldn't be scared if we suddenly started having problems like this in America. If we were invaded or something, I wouldn't be afraid because I know God would be watching over me. He took care of me in Beirut. He'd take care of me again."

It is not every child who has grown up in Beirut, but Kim believes she still had a normal childhood, although she "saw more than the average nine-year-old." To her, it was not such a big deal to have been in Beirut.

"You didn't think about it while you were there. You adjusted. When a bomb knocked out the electricity, you hot-footed it down to the grocery store before the ice cream melted. They gave away ice cream when the electricity got blown out because it would just melt. There's a bombing, you get ice cream. You adjust."

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# Southwestern Union Launches Project Affirmation

## On Marketing Christian Education

I see a **hired** marketing manager in each conference. **Not** a minister, promoted into the position, but a person with marketing and promotional credentials.

He will serve the educational system from kindergarten to college. I see him—

- Moving from the already available funds into the area of establishing endowments and trusts.
- Teaching the teachers and local ministers how to effectively use marketing skills in the local setting.
- Meeting with ministers and teachers for feedback, both on accomplishments and failures—in case of failure, redirecting the energies; in success, reinforcing.

I see parents getting a new vision on Christian education, standing firm for a strong program.

I see more dedication in the teaching staff when they know they have a strong backing and that fund-raising is not just one more disagreeable duty.

I find our people willing to support a program they understand. This will be the job of the marketing manager.  
Betty Lewins

Note: This report was an outgrowth of the workshop on marketing Christian education.

A special education taskforce commissioned by the Southwestern Union Conference Executive Committee convened on July 27, at the Southwest Adventist Headquarters. Its assignment was Project Affirmation, a study program of the North American Division focusing upon increasing enrollment in Adventist church schools and seeking adequate financing for Christian education. Pursuing these goals in the Southwestern Union was the objective of this taskforce.

The program for the day was under the direction of Tom Smith of the General Conference, Project Affirmation director for the North American Division.

Earlier this year, joint boards of education for the North American Division launched a planned change process within the Seventh-day Adventist Church to create a shared vision of mission of Adventist education and a renewed spirit for achieving the mission.

The Southwestern Union taskforce workshop focused on the Seltzer-Daley report, an in-depth survey of the opinions and attitudes of Adventist church

members regarding the present status of the church's education program. Careful attention was given to a list of factors, both pleasing and disappointing within the Seltzer-Daley report.

The church's four goals for Christian education are:

- Youth concerns and spiritual values
- Quality education & valued educators
- Marketing and advocacy
- Financial strategies and alternatives.

The Southwestern Union is very fortunate to have a rich heritage in Christian education from kindergarten through college. We have a quality product and we are very proud of our past achievements. However, we are not satisfied. We will not be satisfied until each child and young person has the opportunity for Christian education.

This is a major challenge confronting the church today. We have established two blue-ribbon taskforce committees. Their objectives are to increase enrollment and secure funding. (See the membership list of these committees elsewhere on this page.)  
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Memorial Hospital is chairman of the enrollment committee, and Bill White of Monroe, Louisiana, a professor at Gramling University, is vice chairman. The finance committee is chaired by Andrew Leonie, pastor of the Corpus Christi church, with Bob Edwards of Keene, Texas, as vice chairman.

The steering committee, composed of these four chairmen, Frances Clark and Richard Bendall, director and associate director of education for the Southwestern Union, and the Union administrators, met on August 15.

The participants of the workshops in the July 27 meeting gave thorough attention to evaluating our present education system and envisioning its future. The meeting closed with a sense of satisfaction that we are moving in the right direction with these studies. We are anxious to see the change process take place for the betterment of Christian education in the Southwestern Union. Pray for the Holy Spirit's direction for each individual serving on these most important committees of the Project Affirmation.

Cyril Miller, President

**PHOTOS BELOW:**

1. Frances Clark, director of education for the Southwestern Union, calls the meeting to order.
2. Marvin Anderson, Larry Vigil, James Ford, and Victor Brown talk during the lunch hour.
3. Lucas Diaz of New Orleans editing report.
4. Harold Premdas, Joe Booth, and Richard Barron, president of the Southwest Region Conference, talk about financing Christian education.
5. Angel Rodriguez, of Southwestern Adventist College's religion department, gives his report.
6. Christina Vargas, of Harlingen, TX, reads her group's report.
7. Cyril Miller, Tom Smith and others talk about education strategies.
8. Tom Smith discussing the Seltzer-Daley Report.
9. Harold Premdas, treasurer of the Southwest Region Conference, gives his report.
10. Ethel Whitacre, Billie Peckham, Don Sullivan, Mike Loewen, Marcus Payne, Lyle Hansen, and Ed Wines sharing experiences of the past.
11. Bill White, of Monroe, Louisiana, shares his report with the committee.
12. Betty Lewins, of Little Rock, Arkansas, giving her report. See her suggestions for marketing at left.
13. Finance and enrollment committees, busy formulating plans for the future.
14. Marian Miller, Betty Heinrich, Kristi Amaran, and Mildred Garner serve the noon meal to the committee.

<p><b>Marketing and Enrollment Committee</b></p> <p>Des Cummings, Chairman              Bill White, Vice-chairman              Frances Clark, Secretary              Dorice Allen              Dee Anderson              Ramon Astacio              John Baker              Richard Barron              Richard Bernal              Ann Blake              Victor Brown              Jack Bynum              Kenrick Davis              Lucas Diaz              Dennis Dunkins              Gene Edlebach              James Ford              Laurence Gayao              Bill Hald              Arsenio Hernandez              H. D. Lawson              Mike Loewen              Joada McGehee              John McKinney              Onesimo Mejia              Billie Peckham              Beverly Rhodes              Paul Rouse              Melvin Singleton              Patricia Stock              Don Sullivan              Betty Trevino              Hal Wright              Juan C. Valdez</p>	<p><b>Finance Committee</b></p> <p>Andrew Leonie, Chairman              Bob Edwards, Vice-chairman              Richard Bendall, Secretary              Don Aalborg              Gary Affolter              Marvin Anderson              Joe Booth              Wentworth Carter              Claudia Coggin              Henry Delgado              Keith Dobbs              Ernest Fisher              Randy Gilliam              Lyle Hansen              David Hope              Deryl Knutson              Dale Kongorski              Betty Lewins              Max Martinez              Sue Mathieu              Harold Premdas              Marcus Payne              Robert Rider              Angel Rodriguez              Lloyd Ruff              Ed Stacey              Marvel Sundin              Max Trevino              Arlene Tucker              Christina Vargas              Larry Vigil              Douglas Walker              Ethel Whitacre              Ed Wines              William Woodruff</p>
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# The Second Coming and the Caring Church

By George R. Knight

Perhaps the major contribution of A. T. Jones and E. J. Waggoner at the 1888 General Conference session was to unite the law and the gospel in the context of the third angel's message of Revelation 14. With Jones preaching on the topic of the national Sunday bill that was to come before Congress in a few weeks and Waggoner emphasizing the righteousness of Christ, it was only natural that those two great halves of the Seventh-day Adventist message should be joined together at Minneapolis.

Ellen White, in commenting on Waggoner's messages on "justification by faith and the righteousness of Christ in relation to the law," pointed out that this was not "new light." Rather, "it was old light placed where it should be in the third angel's message." "What is the burden of that message?" she asked. "Jesus sees a people. He says, 'Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.' Rev. 14:12." Those people, she notes, are those on the earth just before the second coming of Jesus (MS 24, 1888, emphasis supplied). These are undoubtedly the "spotless" ones who are a part of the 144,000 of Revelation 14:1-5.

Mrs. White was excited about Jones and Waggoner's combining "the proclamation of the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus Christ" in the third angel's message. "the commandments of God," she pointed out, "have been proclaimed, but the faith of Jesus Christ has not been proclaimed by Seventh-day Adventists as of equal importance, the law and the gospel going hand in hand." (*Ibid*).

It is little wonder that she would say in another connection that justification by faith "is the third angel's message in verity [truth]." *Selected Messages*, Book 1, p. 372. The gospel in relation to the law and the end-time "mark of the beast" (Rev. 14:9-

11) rounded out and completed the third angel's message. Thus it opened the way to prepare a people for the great second coming harvest of Revelation 14:14-20.

It is impossible to overestimate the importance of Revelation 14 in Adventist history. Beginning in the 1840's with the proclamation that "the hour of God's judgment" had begun on October 22, 1844, Revelation 14 had been central to Adventist thought. The final link in that threefold message was explicated by Waggoner in connection with Jones at the 1888 General Conference session. Subsequently, with the Ten Commandment law being seen as a "sin detector" (rather than as something to win God's favor) and as a pointer that led men and women to Christ, Ellen White saw Adventists with a rounded out theological package, a package that emphasized the union of law and grace within the end-time, great controversy context of Revelation 14.

With this full-orbed message in mind, and with Sunday legislation on every hand, Ellen White could write in 1892 that "the time of test is just upon us, for the loud cry of the third angel has already begun in the revelation of the righteousness of Christ, the sin-pardoning Redeemer. This is the beginning of the light of the angel whose glory shall fill the whole earth." (*Selected Messages*, Book 1, p. 363.)

In this statement she was obviously pointing back to the message of 1888. It is not surprising that A. T. Jones and others picked up that statement, and, in the Sunday-law excitement of the times, intimated that the fullness of the latter rain would be poured out at the 1893 General Conference session and that Christ would soon come. One result was that there was a great deal of eschatological excitement at the 1893 meetings. (For a fuller discussion of the great revival of 1893, see *From 1888 to Apostasy*, pp. 75-103.)

As we all know, however, Jesus never came in 1893, despite the

expectations of some. In connection with "the failure of 1893," there are several points that should be mentioned. First, Ellen White never fixated her thought on the failure of the denomination in either 1893 or 1888. Second, she noted in other places that the Spirit was being poured out. In 1908, for example, she wrote that "this is the time of the latter rain" (Letter 230, 1908).

Third, and most importantly, in 1883 Ellen White had penned that Christ could have come soon after 1844 if the Millerite Adventists had remained faithful to their calling. She pointed out that "the angels of God in their messages to men represent time as very short... It should be remembered that the promises and threatenings of God are alike conditional." She also claimed that "it is the unbelief, the worldliness, unconsecration, and strife among the Lord's professed people that have kept us in this world of sin and sorrow so many years" (*Selected Messages* Book 1, pp. 67-69, emphasis supplied).

At least two things should be noted about the above statement. One is that Christ could have come long before 1888 — that is, before Jones and Waggoner ever preached their interpretation of the gospel. For that reason it is not helpful to build too much on the basis of their distinctive theology. It is not their message or the particular interpretation that they placed upon the gospel that is important, but the gospel message itself.

A second thing to note is that God's promises regarding the second coming are conditional, and that His people had failed to meet the conditions up through 1883. Given our continuing presence upon the earth, it can safely be surmised that His people have still failed to meet the conditions. That thought brings us to the all-important issue of Christian "perfection" and the caring church in relation to the second coming — a topic we will examine in the next installment in this series of articles on the message of 1888.

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# Southwestern Adventist College

SHARON LEACH, CORRESPONDENT



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## Hall of Fame Member Gives Scholarship

In 1988, Lessie Culpepper Hagen, professor emeritus of the University of Denver and Southwestern Adventist College Alumni Hall of Fame member, published a book for national support groups of Alzheimer families, and is completing, at the request of the Jefferson Historical Society, a history of the 1914 *Founding of the Seventh-day Adventist Community* near Jefferson, Texas.

She also decided to live up to a 1984 *University News* article about her that ended with the statement: "Thus the giver keeps on giving." The Alumni Hall of Fame member has just given \$10,000 to SAC to set up a named scholarship for women students seeking English degrees. Recipient will be known as Hagen Scholars.

A native Texan, Dr. Hagen finished her studies at Southwestern Junior College in 1927, and in 1929 graduated from Union College, where she returned to teach from 1943 to 1946. She received her master's degree

from the University of Nebraska, Lincoln, in 1946 and earned her doctorate in education in 1950 while teaching at the University of Denver, where she remained until her retirement in 1972.

During her varied career she taught at Broadview Academy, La Fox, Illinois; Atlantic Union College, South Lancaster, Massachusetts; and Union College; she also studied and taught for a year in Europe. She was chairman of the department of English at South Lancaster Academy and dean of girls at Maplewood Academy, Hutchinson, Minnesota.

While teaching at the University in Denver, she held evening classes for the armed forces and received a Citation for Teaching Excellence. After retirement, she taught for five years at the Center for Experimental Studies at Metropolitan State College, Denver. Dr. Hagen estimates she has studied with 10,000 young people.

Dr. Hagen owes her teachers' creed to Miss Laura Patterson, SWJC English instructor, who taught it to her by example: that, for teachers, "Time to talk and time to listen rank along with time to instruct." She says, "Years ago, Miss Patterson saw a nonpromising freshman and gave her time."

Dr. Hagen has been listed in *Who's Who of American Women* and *Who's Who in the West*, and has been an active member of the American Association of University Women,



*Lessie Culpepper Hagen, professor emeritus of the University of Denver and Southwestern Adventist College Alumni Hall of Fame member, has given SAC \$10,000 to set up a named scholarship for women students seeking English degrees.*

the Women's Library Association and the Denver Civic Committee. But she says her most pleasant memories are those of the time spent with students, in and out of the classroom, sharing their dreams and meaningful goals.

Now living at Jefferson, where her parents resided from 1921 to the mid-60's, Dr. Hagen no longer prepares textbooks, but keeps busy in her home filled with mementos of family and travel. She and her husband Russell, also a graduate of the University of Denver, have spent their adult lives in various states studying with young people, from the brightest, who needed little but encouragement, to those who could neither read nor write. Now in retirement, the Hagens divide their time between Jefferson and their mountain home in Buena Vista, Colorado.

## Arkansas-Louisiana

WILLIAM L. WOODRUFF, CORRESPONDENT

### Gentry Church Sponsors Day Camp

The Gentry church held a day camp June 27 to July 1 for children in grades one through six. Sixty-five children attended, including 16 from non-Adventist families.

Camp director was Rick Aldridge, associate pastor. A staff of more than 20, wearing identical T-shirts, helped make the camp a success. A wide range of counselors from teenagers to grandmothers assisted with daily activities.

The day began at 9:00 a.m. each morning with a devotional in the city park. Then there was a special fea-

ture by an expert in health or safety. Next the children learned about dogs as they worked for the AJY honor.

The program also included games, smaller group activities, stories, and films. Day camp dismissed at 2:00 p.m. each week day.

About 100 people attended the Friday night closing ceremony at the city park. The children demonstrated favorite camp activities, sang songs, and recited Bible verses. The dog honor was presented to 38 of the children who earned it during the day camp.

## Dallas Member Receives Award

Tomasia Leatherwood was presented with the Secretary's Special Service Award by the Department of Health and Human Services. She received a plaque in recognition for her exemplary service for the Child Support Enforcement agency, where she works in Dallas.



*Tomasia Leatherwood receives the Secretary's Special Service Award during a July ceremony in Washington, D.C.*

Mrs. Leatherwood developed a system to streamline the process of answering the many inquiries about the child support program. She also initiated a monthly report which did away with any backlog in the southwestern area. She has been in government work in Dallas for 16 years and has worked in the Civil Rights and Social and Rehabilitation Service offices.

She is a graduate of Southwestern Adventist College, and has lived in Dallas all her life. She is a member of the Dallas First Church.

## My Reflections of a Mission Trip

What an experience! Leading a mission team to Mexico and Belize was the most fascinating experience of my life. Groups of nine to fifteen went through a boot camp obstacle course and took long hikes.

We went to Veracruz, Mexico, for two weeks and learned the fine art of making cement blocks and attempted Spanish. Our trip concluded in Belmopan, Belize, laying concrete block and building trusses for the roof of the new church. In Belize we enjoyed indoor plumbing and the English language.

Living and working in another culture is challenging. We experienced resistance from some of the people we came to help. We got on each others nerves. But more importantly, we learned patience and flexibility. We developed blisters and human relations skills.

I challenge each young person to consider joining one of next year's



*The mission team sings a song in Spanish for the church in Veracruz.*

mission teams. There is no better way to spend a summer than in mission service for our God.

Lynette Anderson  
Austin Church



*Jason Perkins filling concrete blocks for reinforcement.*

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Christian Fathering

**Film 4: October 22 and 29**

Preparing for Adolescence: The Origins of Self-Doubt

**Film 5: November 5 and 12**

Preparing for Adolescence: Peer Pressure and Sexuality

**Film 6: November 19 and 26**

What Wives Wish Their Husbands Knew About Women:  
The Lonely Housewife

**Film 7: December 3 and 10**

What Wives Wish Their Husbands Knew About Women:  
Money, Sex, and Children







*Jerry Gauthier instructed the cadets in first aid.*



*At a recent training session at Southwestern Adventist College, 37 cadets attended.*

## Medical Cadets Still Active

During the war the Medical Cadet Corps was established to train young Adventist men as medics so they would not have to bear arms when drafted. After the war the program died out in the states, but it has continued in many other countries. The Corps is again being established in the north Texas area.

The Medical Cadet Corps is open to men and women ages 16 and up and offers something for young people to do after Pathfinders. In the training sessions they are taught basic and advanced first aid, CPR, self-help, and survival skills, and physical fitness is stressed. Arrangements are being made to start an Emergency Medical Technician program.

The group has been invited by Jerry Gauthier to watch an army

rescue drill at Ft. Hood. Jerry trains medics at Ft. Hood and also helps with the Corps. Lt. Col. Bob Turner oversees the Medical Cadet organizations in the north central Texas area.

Clubs have been organized in Pleasant Grove, Mesquite, and Cleburne. The Garland and Oak Cliff Spanish churches are interested in joining. If you would like more information, call Dan Serns at the conference office, or Bob Turner at 214/686-8622.

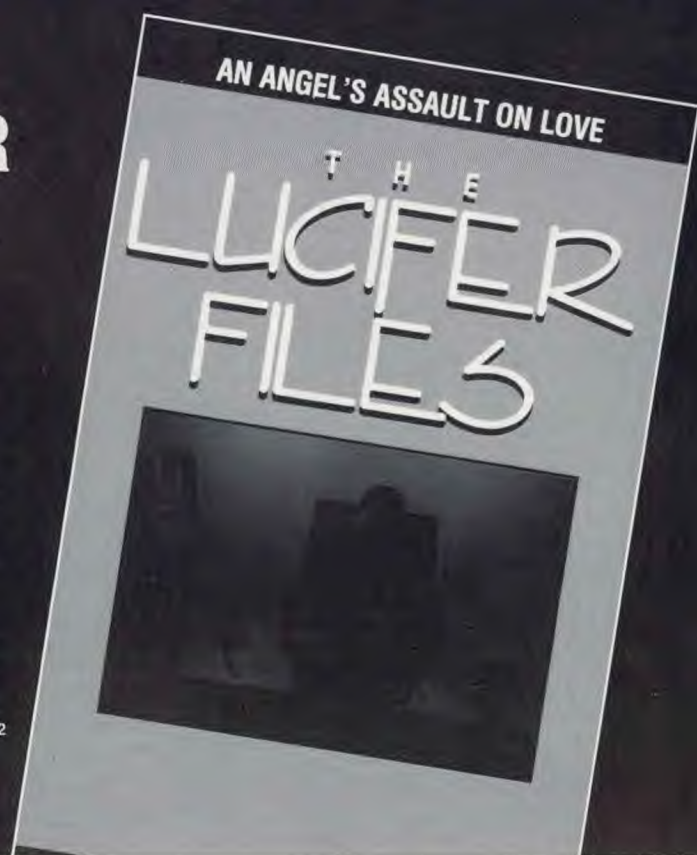
**DON'T MISS THE BRAND NEW BOOKS AND THE GREAT BARGAINS AT THE**

## Sunday, September 11 ADVENTIST BOOK CENTER OPEN HOUSE

Next to camp meeting, this is probably the most exciting time in the entire year for your Adventist Book Center. Special plans have been made for introducing the new books. The bargain tables have been heaped high just waiting for you.

And this is when the book of the year for 1989 is released. This year's book, *The Lucifer Files: An Angel's Assault on Love*, from Pacific Press is priced at just US\$1.95 per copy. Just the right price and size for sharing.

Watch your mailboxes and church bulletins, or call the Adventist Book Center for exact hours and specials.





Camp meeting in the tent at Hopewell, New Mexico.

## Camp Meeting Presents Landmarks

The Northern New Mexico Spanish Camp Meeting was held at beautiful Lake Hopewell, July 22-24. Theme for the weekend was on Landmarks of Adventism.

Challenging messages were presented on how God had led in the past and how wonderful it is to be a part

of God's family. Speakers were Onesimo Mejia, Texas Conference secretary, and Max Martinez, vice president for the Southwestern Union.



(Left) Max Martinez presents Chico Gomez who is working among the Navajos. He may be working in Gallup soon. (Right) Onesimo Mejia, is guest speaker at the Northern New Mexico camp meeting.

Professor Jorge Clemente and Orelia Garcia sing several duets at the sacred concert in the afternoon.



## Rodeo Church Completes VBS

The Rodeo, New Mexico, church held their vacation Bible school July 4 to 15, with almost as many non-Adventist children attending as Adventist children.

VBS teachers and students won first place in the float division of the Rodeo annual Fourth of July parade.

Because of the lack of teachers, Tania Williams, a junior from Sandia View Academy was sent to assist as pianist, primary teacher and overall helper.

Graduation was held at the end of the week with a picnic for all the children's families on the following Sunday. The teachers and students also had an overnight campout with hiking, swimming, campfire stories and singing for those with perfect attendance at Vacation Bible School.

Marjorie Crutcher  
Rodeo VBS Director



Vacation Bible school float in the fourth of July parade in Rodeo.



Sheila Snyder teaching her kindergarten class.



Tammy and Tina Awtrey with their teacher, Tania Williams.

**Maranatha Flights Works  
On SVA Cafeteria and  
Campus Projects**



*Not only did Maranatha help in the building of the cafeteria, but they painted and repaired other buildings on the Sandia View grounds.*



*Thanks to Maranatha Flights, work on the Sandia View Academy campus, June 21 to July 6, the new cafeteria is nearly completed.*



*The ladies as they put up the insulation.*



*Arabella Williams helps on the grounds and cleaning up at the academy. She has worked on many projects with Maranatha.*



*Texico Expansion funds are helping finance Harvest 90/Texico 3000. Won't you dedicate 2% of your income for the winning of souls?*



**LUBBOCK, TEXAS, INVESTITURE.** Church school students and Pathfinders invested in the various Adventist Junior Youth classes in a ceremony directed by Kevin Miller, principal, and Bob Wood, Southwestern Union church ministries director.



**TEENAGE BIBLE CLASS.** Pastor Peter Weber, with leaders and young people of the Teenage Bible Class in Abilene, Texas. Seven young people have been baptized as a result of this class.

# General News

## Reach the Unreached Through Mission Gifts

There are still people groups within North American boundaries who are unreached with the saving message of the gospel. Two such groups that need the church's immediate attention are the French speaking Quebecois-Acadiens of Canada and New England, and the Native Americans.

Over the last four years, 400 of the 500 Adventists in French Canada were baptized. The vast majority of Canadian Adventists are from the English speaking population.

The Quebecois-Acadiens are showing an interest in the Adventist message. Baptisms are on the rise. Camp meetings, home visitation, follow-up of responses from television, literature evangelists and various seminars have all been important ministries in reaching this group.

Native Americans are another unreached group. The Adventist church has developed a number of ministries for them. It takes dedicated efforts over a long period of time for this type of outreach to be successful.

One way to reach Native Americans is through education. Holbrook Indian School, in Arizona, is meeting this challenge. Half of their small budget comes from the Pacific Union



*A pottery student at the Holbrook Indian Adventist School displays one of her works of art. This school offers both academic and industrial arts training thus giving students the option of either entering the work force at the end of high school or of going on to college.*

*(photo by Photo Sound)*

and Arizona Conferences. Donations make up the balance. Because of lack of funds the school plant is in poor shape. Some buildings have been condemned.

A major goal of the North American Division is to accelerate the discipling of these groups. Adequate funding is the only hinderance.

The Mission Extension Offering, to be received in churches throughout North America on September 10, will provide an opportunity for these missions to grow. Thirty-five percent of the Mission Extension offering will specifically go for the Quebecois-Acadien Mission Project and Holbrook Indian School. If you would like to designate your entire gift to one or both of these projects, mark your offering envelope in this way.

## An 18-Year Journey Home

Vern Colvin slumped over the kitchen table in his mobile home in Idaho. Before him were items used many times over the years — hypodermic needle, cotton, and a gram of the purest cocaine he could buy.

This time Vern didn't plan on getting high. He would use the drugs to die. Drugs had been slowly killing



*Eager to make church life attractive to the youth of Quebec, plans are being developed to organize Pathfinder Clubs in strategic areas throughout the field. Pictured above is a group in Montreal working on plans for their Pathfinder Club.*

*(photo by Norm Middag)*



*The Quebecois-Acadien people welcome home visits especially by fellow citizens. Jean Guy Tremblay, who works full time as a literature evangelist, finds ready acceptance in homes and is active in giving Bible studies. A number of his contacts have joined the church. Two more will be baptized soon.*

*(photo by Norm Middag)*



*With dormitory space at a premium, students at the Holbrook Indian Adventist School crowd four into one small room. The younger students live in the homes with the faculty.*

*(photo by Photo Sound)*

him for nearly two decades. He once was a singing evangelist, but had drifted away from God.

Vern reached for the needle, but his hand stopped and fell back to the table. "What if Dan Matthews, his friend from Faith For Today, and the Seventh-day Adventists were right about death?" he thought. Overdosing wouldn't end his misery. In only a moment, he would awaken and face the consequences of his life in God's judgment.

In the midst of the struggle, Vern's attention was drawn to a book that Christian friends had placed in his

hands that very afternoon. Its title arrested him now—*The Greatest Miracle in the World*. He picked it up and started to read.

By the time he got to chapter nine, Vern was tuning in to a still small voice speaking inside him. "I started to cry," he recalls. "I got on my knees and prayed, 'I know you're there God. Let's end this battle.'" Peace and calm flowed through him; peace like he hadn't known for 18 years. He fell into bed and slept.

Dan baptized Vern in May. Vern had come home to the Lord.



Vern Colvin gives his testimony prior to his baptism.



Dan Matthews of Faith For Today (right) baptized Vern Colvin, in May.

## Announcements

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.

### Heritage Singers Coming to Albuquerque

Heritage Singers will present a concert in Albuquerque, New Mexico, August 30, 6:30 p.m., in the Sandia Baptist Church, 9429 Constitution Northeast.

### Evangelistic Series in Parsons, Kansas

The Parsons, Kansas, church will have an evangelistic series September 25 through October 15. David Merling of the Andrews University archaeology department will be speaker. Anyone with friends or family in the area, please send their name and address to Blaine Fults, 401 N. 16th, Parsons, KS 67357.

## New Releases

### Share Your Faith With The Gift of a Book

The Growing Christian's Library set is a new witnessing tool from the Review. The books are designed to be given as gifts to new believers. Seasoned Adventists may also find something to add a little sparkle to their own experience.

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*A Love Song for the Sabbath*, explores the Sabbath's biblical meaning and the vital roll it plays for God's people.

Look for the Growing Christian's Library set at your Adventist Book Center.

## Obituaries

**BARBER, Alice H.**, was born March 14, 1926, in Bradshaw, NE, and died July 4, 1988, in Las Cruces, NM. Was a member of the Las Cruces Central church. Survivors: husband, Ted, Las Cruces; sons, Jay Hunt and Ted Barber, both of Las Cruces, Tony, Charleston, SC; daughter, Jennette Boehm, Las Cruces. Burial was in Las Cruces.

**BERRY, Josie**, was born May 15, 1919, and died June 29, 1988, in Mansfield, LA. Was a member of the Mansfield church. Survivors: husband, Oscar, Logansport, LA; sons, Paul, Loretta, WI, Hubert, Logansport; daughters, Virginia Martin, San Clemente, CA, Donna Marcantel, LaFayette, LA, Betty Benoit, Logansport. Burial was in Logansport.

Jerry Oster

## Reunions

### Sunnydale Academy Announces Homecoming

Sunnydale Academy Homecoming will be held on the campus, October 14-15, 1988. Honor classes are 1949, 1958, 1963, 1968 and 1978. Information will be mailed to all alumni this month. If we do not have your address, please contact Pat Anderson, SDA, Rt. 2, Box 144, Centralia, MO 65240. 514/682-2164.

### Student Missionary and Sponsor Reunion

A reunion for student missionaries and sponsors of the Francis Serpi Mission in Nicaragua will be held at Southern College, October 28, 1988, in conjunction with the annual Alumni Homecoming.

Please write or call for more information. John Duricheck, Southern College, Collegedale, TN 37315. 615/238-2860 or 615/236-4148.

### Great Lakes Academy Welcomes Alumni

Great Lakes Adventist Academy welcomes alumni and faculty from Cedar Lake Academy, Adelpian Academy, and Grand Ledge Academy to Alumni Weekend, October 7-8, 1988. Honor classes are 1978, 1963, and 1938. We need current addresses for alumni from all three academies. Free copy of GLAA newspaper in exchange for current address. Send to GLAA, P.O. Box 68, Cedar Lake, MI 48812. *Be There!*

**BUCK, George**, was born Dec. 7, 1929, and died July 10, 1988, in Temple, TX. Was a member of the Corsicana, TX church. Survivors: wife, Hazel Purdon, TX; sons, George, Jr., Mexia, TX, Richie, Ft. Worth, TX; daughters, Chris Hines, Corsicana, Debra Green, Fairfield, TX, Jenine Fitch, Sealy, TX; mother, Janie, Corsicana, brother, Johnny, Corsicana; sister, Dorothy McCulloch, Corsicana; and 7 grandchildren. Services conducted by Ray Osborne, Trevor Thompson, and Ken Scott. Burial was in Corsicana.

**KELLER, Rose May**, was born June 22, 1918, in Midland, AR, and died April 11, 1988, in DeQueen, AR. Was a member of the DeQueen church. Survivors: husband, Curtis, DeQueen; sons, Ira, Clifford, and Donald Linney, all of Rockport, TX; daughters, Melba Owens, Keene, TX, Helen Allen,

Jacksonville, FL; brothers, Samuel Hartzell, Suisun City, CA, Jim Hartzell, Big Spring, TX, Paul Hartzell, Cleburne, TX; sisters, Violet Davis, Riviera, TX, Myrtle Pennington, Keene, and Pansy Knighten, DeQueen, AR. Burial was in DeQueen. Glenn Farinola

**LAMBERT, Josephine**, died June 21, 1988, in Beaumont, TX. Was a member of the Bonnerdale, AR, church. Survivor: brother, Allan Dillard, Bonnerdale.

**McCLURE, Edith M. Bird**, was born Oct. 8, 1909, in St. Petersburg, FL, and died June 8, 1988, in Loma Linda, CA. Married Alfred V. McClure and they ministered 43 years in Indiana, Iowa, Florida, Kentucky-Tennessee, and Texas conferences. Her husband was president of the Missouri Conference for 12 years. Survivors: husband, Alfred; son, Alfred C., Stone

Mountain, GA; daughter, Carol Hart, Redondo Beach, CA; 1 brother; 4 sisters; 3 grandchildren; and 2 great-grandchildren.

**McGINLEY, Terrance Marvin**, was born Jan. 23, 1922, in Colby, KS, and died April 6, 1988, in Aurora, CO. He was a member of the Denver South church. In 1950 he married Evelyn Stevenson, of Fort Worth, TX. Survivors: wife, Evelyn; sons, Gerald, Larry; brother, Robert; and 1 niece.

Steve Hadley

**NAZARIO, Andres Almadover**, was born Nov. 30, 1898, in LaJas, Puerto Rico, and died March 29, 1988, in Arroyo Grande, CA. Was a member of the Arroyo Grande church. Married Susana Collado in 1915. Survivors: wife, Susana, Arroyo Grande; sons, Paul, Santa Maria, CA, Pete, Lubbock, TX, Andres Jr., Tyler, TX; daughters, Mary Griffin, Teaneck, NJ, Julia Kirkham, Durango, CO; 19 grandchildren; and many great-grandchildren.

**NUTT, Opal Peacock**, was born Oct. 10, 1910, in Newport, AR, and died June 13, 1988, in Jacksonville, AR. Was a member of the North Little Rock AR, church. Survivors: sons, Jim and Joe Peacock, both of Jacksonville; daughter, Nancy Sevier, Durham, NC; sister, Lovis Corley Lammers, Maumelle, AR; 9 grandchildren; and 2 great-grandchildren. Burial was in Jacksonville, AR. James Knobel

**ROBISON, Rachel Goldie**, was born Oct. 27, 1904, near Watonga, OK, and died June 24, 1988, in Okeene, OK. Was a member of the Canton, OK church. Survivors: sons, Elmer, Watonga, OK, Wendell, Canton, OK, Melvin, Littleton, CO; and sisters, Esther, Longdale, OK, Juanita Reeves, Riverside, CA. Services conducted by Dan Jensen, Paul Proctor, and Salomo Bill. Burial was east of Canton.

**SCOTT, Nina**, was born August 15, 1907, in Bugtussell, OK, and died June 29, 1988, in McAlester, OK. Survivors: son, Howard, Las Vegas, NV; daughters, Loretta Sanches, Las Vegas, Shirley Shores, Oklahoma City, OK; brother, Billy Smith, Moorehead, MN; sister, Beulah O'Neal, CA; step-brother, Max Singhurst, Tulsa, OK; and 2 grandchildren. Service conducted by J. D. King. Burial was in McAlester.

**SMITH, Bonnie E.**, was born April 4, 1930, in Panama, and died Nov. 15, 1987, in Denver, CO. Was a member of the El Paso, TX, Central church. Survivors: husband, Robert, El Paso; sons, Charles, Seattle, WA, Fred, El Paso; daughters, Cynthia Day, Caldwell, ID, and Suzanne Bowron, Keene, TX; 2 brothers; 2 sisters; and 10 grandchildren. Burial was in El Paso.

**SPIKES, Madge Ballard**, was born Nov. 5, 1893, in Hill County, TX, and died June 4, 1988, in Wheaton, IL. She was a member of the Terrell, TX, church. Survivors: son, John C., Daylestown, PA; step-daughter, Marguerite Alexander, Santa Rosa, CA; 5 grandchildren; and 2 great-grandchildren. Burial was in Grand Prairie, TX.

Jerry Davidson

**STROTHER, Lemuel M.**, was born June 20, 1918, in Glenmora, LA, and died June 25, 1988, in Baton Rouge, LA. Was a member of the Denham Springs, LA church. Survivors: wife, Audrey; son, M. J.; daughters, Anabelle Jones, Elaine Tate; sister, Esther Ware, all of Denham Springs; 9 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren. Services conducted by R. H. Wood and M. L. Tomlinson. Burial was in Denham Springs.

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Amarillo, Texas	8:22	8:13	8:03	7:53
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Dallas, Texas	8:00	7:51	7:42	7:32
El Paso, Texas	7:38	7:29	7:20	7:11
Fort Worth/Keene, Texas	8:02	7:53	7:44	7:34
Galveston/Houston, Texas	7:48	7:40	7:32	7:24
Gentry, Arkansas	7:54	7:45	7:34	7:23
Little Rock, Arkansas	7:44	7:35	7:25	7:15
Muskogee, Oklahoma	7:56	7:47	7:37	7:27
New Orleans, Louisiana	7:30	7:22	7:13	7:07
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	8:05	7:56	7:46	7:36
San Antonio, Texas	8:03	7:55	7:47	7:38
Santa Fe, New Mexico	7:40	7:31	7:21	7:10
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