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No work entrusted to human beings involves greater or more far-reaching results than does the work of fathers and mothers. SEE FEATURES, pages 2-8



(Above) The Johnson family of Perkins, Oklahoma, at play.
(Below) The Reed family of Fredericksburg, Texas, having family worship.

Is the Traditional Family Dead ?

P icking blueberries down the row next to ours on a berry farm in upstate New York were two women professors from a nearby prestigious university who were discussing their philosophies on marriage so loudly they could be heard quite a distance away.

"We're living in the post-marriage era," one said. "No longer do I have to be bothered by a husband. I don't know where he is nor do I care. I have only myself to care for, so I'm free to come and go as I please."

"Great," the other woman agreed. "It's the same with me. I'm free to do whatever I want. I can immerse myself

in my books and not have to be bothered by anyone."

So sad that such self-serving talk comes from

such well-educated people—people who are shaping the minds of the leaders of the future—but that is the prevailing philosophy in today's world. Look at most magazine or newspaper articles about the home or the family and you read, "The traditional family is dead," or "Marriage is an outdated institution," but is that really so?

It's true that although cohabitating adults constitute a small percentage of all households, it is the fastest growing household arrangement. The number of households headed by unmarried people living together has quadrupled since 1970. However, statistics show that people who cohabitate before marriage are even more likely than others to get divorced. Current statistics show that one out of four households are made up of a single parent with one or more children. If this trend continues the projection is that of all children born in 1990, six out of ten will live in single parent homes for some period of their lives. Where is our nation headed?

The church has the answer to the family dilemma for, "Despite our seemingly difficult experiences with, and negative attitudes toward marriage and family," says Christian researcher, George Barna, in his book *The Frog in the Kettle*, "survey after survey reports that people's greatest source of happiness in life is family. This has consistently been true over the last 30 years."¹

And we were told, about 100 years ago, by our wise guide and counselor Ellen White, that "the family tie is the closest, the most tender and sacred, of any on earth. It was designed to be a

blessing to mankind. And it is a blessing wherever the marriage covenant is entered into intelligently, in the fear of God, and with due consideration for its responsibilities."²

In talking about marriage in America in the year 2000 Barna states, "The desire for companionship and a fulfilling family life will cause people to continue marrying...over and over again. While Americans may be prone to discarding traditional conventions, marriage will not be one which is dissolved."³

Barna concludes his chapter on the family by saying, "We must define the Church's role as one of educating people about the benefits of permanent monogamy and of intense family relationships. If we truly believe that God has ordained marriage and family according to the traditional understanding of those unions, then we must mount a new and aggressive campaign to shift the course of America's attitudes and behavior. Part of that campaign must be to celebrate those families and marriages which are making it. . . ."

"The church ought to consider a consistent celebration of marriage, too—not simply wailing about the demise of relationships, but publicly treasuring the successful marriages in our midst. Americans learn best by behavioral modeling. Knowing that marriage does work, and being sensitive to the volume of marriages that work successfully, would enhance our ability to persuade people to rethink the place of divorce and 'serial monogamy' in their lives."⁴

"Though difficulties, perplexities, and discouragements may arise let neither husband nor wife harbor the thought that their union is a mistake or a disappointment. Determine to be all that it is possible to be to each other. Continue the early attentions. In every way encourage each other in fighting the battles of life."⁵

And that's what we are doing in this issue of the *Record*. We're celebrating families and marriages that work. With God's help and the help of spiritual leaders and writers our families can be role models to the world.

Jean Thomas
Managing Editor

¹*The Frog in the Kettle*, George Barna, p. 68

²*Ministry of Healing*, Ellen G. White, p. 356

³*The Frog in the Kettle*, George Barna, p. 71

⁴*Ibid.*, p. 77

⁵*Ministry of Healing*, Ellen G. White, p. 360.

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What a Wonderful Family

If you need advice or if you need comforting; if you need help; if you're stranded and without transportation; if you need Bible studies; if you are sick (and the list is endless); call Virginia or Arthur. They'll be over right away to lend a helping hand.

Virginia and Arthur—their lives are a daily testimony to God's love and goodness. They are involved in other people's lives. Their Christian vibrance touches the lives of everyone who needs help.

Arthur, currently the president of the Northwest Arkansas Federation of Community Services, says "I first became involved in community services when, at the age of 12, I helped look for the 120 people missing after a tornado struck Nebraska. All through the years I have had an interest in community services because this is one of the best ways to help others the way Christ did."

Most of his adult life, Arthur has been a literature evangelist. Virginia has had the supportive ministry of giving Bible studies. Both have been and are active in the local church program, especially with the younger age group, the Pathfinders and junior and earliten Sabbath schools.

Their five children, three sons and two daughters, call them "blessed." They love and honor their parents. All five, with their families, are involved in the church and one son, Richard, is president of the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference.

What did they do, Virginia and Ar-



Arthur and Virginia Hallock celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on February 1. They have three sons, two daughters and seven grandchildren.

thur, to help their children bridge the generation gap? What did they do to make their home such a happy place where everyone loved the Lord? "We were brought up by God fearing parents," says Arthur, "and we tried to follow in their footsteps."

"From when our children were small," says Virginia, "we had worship every morning and evening. We read the Bible stories to them. Our children all grew up knowing that we loved the Lord. In everything we did we tried to be consistent, loving and considerate."

"One of the first things I think of when I think of my mother," says Richard, "is the way she concentrated so heavily on character development while raising us children. I remember the many, many times she talked to us about the Lord and building a presence of faith in our young lives. I remember the bedtime stories and how we would never go to bed without praying. That

meant a lot."

"Dad wasn't as much of a talker as Mom," Larry adds, "but he taught all of us kids how to work hard. He taught us to be responsible and organized. He taught us how to build, how to mend things that got broken, how to work on automobiles. I also think of Dad as the guy who put together some really fun things for us to do as a family, even though we had little money."

"When I think of our family," Rosalie continues, "it's real family. We had love, Christian guidance, understanding

In January of 1960 I was called to be pastor of the Wichita, Kansas church. It was my privilege to associate with many wonderful people. Among them was the family of Arthur and Virginia Hallock. They had been blessed with five children who were given the opportunities that go along with a Christian education. The Hallocks believed strongly in the work done by our schools. This, along with a very faithful motherhood on Virginia's part in particular, helped in forming the children's characters. I remember Virginia as a true "Mother in Israel."

*Paul M. Matice
Berrien Springs, Michigan*

The Hallock family beginning at top left: Richard, Darlene, Larry, Rosalie and Calvin. Virginia and Arthur are seated at the front.



and acceptance. Our parents were consistent in everything they did. Whenever I would call home from nursing school to say I was too dumb to learn, they would encourage me and say 'you can do it.' Never did I feel put down or inferior."

What has been the secret of this long, happy marriage? Why, when so many couples are abandoning their marriage vows and breaking up homes, are some couples, like Arthur and Virginia Hallock, able to make a success and stay together through hard times and good?

"We relied very heavily on the Lord," is father Hallock's comment. We used the Bible, *Adventist Home*

and *Child Guidance* as our text books. We recognized our responsibility to our children and trusted God to help us do our best."

"I have felt blessed in having parents who did so much for us," concludes Larry. "You have given us so many happy memories. No one else who lives around me here in Chicago can relate to that. As a family we feel

greatly blessed."

"Thanks for the many, many good memories, Mom and Dad," adds Calvin. And last but not least comes Darlene with her comments of "do you know what it's like being the youngest in this big and wonderful family? Just wonderful!"

Compiled from notes received from the family.



Virginia Saylor Dunn (1889-1977), mother of Evangeline Dunn Richman.

Parents may lay for their children the foundation for a healthy, happy life. They may send them forth from their homes with moral stamina to resist temptation, and courage and strength to wrestle successfully with life's problems. They may inspire in them the purpose and develop the power to make their lives an honor to God and a blessing to the world. Ministry of Healing, p. 352.

What I Learned From My Mother

Often I lift my thoughts in gratitude to my Heavenly Father for what I learned from my mother (and father). My earliest memories are of a caring family where the motto was: "Home is where each lives for the other and all live for God."

I had two brothers older than I and a sister younger. There is no greater blessing than a happy home—be it ever so humble. We were taught to seek happiness for each other. Mom was a shining example in this area, putting the welfare of her family ahead of her own interests. By example she taught me to:

- **love the Lord**, and His remnant church

Evangeline Dunn Richman with two of her four great-grandchildren.



- **share and be kind** and courteous
- **economize** and stay out of debt
- **be a good steward** in managing the Lord's business
- **love homemaking**
- **cook and bake bread** (She excelled far above what I've managed to do!)
- **enjoy cleanliness**; (She did laundry almost every day on a rub board!)
- **sew clothes** (I have three daughters!)
- **love the outdoors**, grow a flower and vegetable garden and share the results
- **have self worth** because we are created in the image of God.

My mother had her share of human weaknesses and failures, but her love for us overshadowed these. I always applied Proverbs 31:10 to my mother: "Who can find a virtuous woman? Her price is far above rubies." I thank God for her memory. *Evangeline Richman*

The article below by Ann Gearhart about her mother, Evangeline Dunn Richman, who in turn wrote about her mother, is a powerful illustration of how values are passed from one generation to the next.

My Mother, A Godly Example

God has blessed my mother, Evangeline Dunn Richman, with fourscore years, and she is still present almost every Sabbath morning, often arriving early to greet visitors and members alike. She is loved by all the children and rarely ever misses her hug for the day from any of them.

She joined the Midland Seventh-day

Adventist church in 1935 as a charter member and has been faithful in attendance and willing service all through the years. She has held almost every office at one time or other, even having the sermon on occasion in her younger years.

In more recent times she has written articles for the Southwestern Union *Record* and the local newspaper, and has participated in an extensive card ministry as part of her outreach.

Some of the most important things I learned from my mother were:

- **commitment** - first of all to God; next to her husband and family; and then to her church. Her life was built around the activities of the church
- **promptness** - always to be on time. She really rushed us around, as teenagers to get to Sabbath school on time, but we got there, even when my teenage brother was learning to drive!
- **obedience** to the laws of the land except when they would go against the law of God.
- **service and caring for others** - By her example she guided us to do what was needed in the church and community. She continues to help and encourage others, especially those in whom others see no promise.
- **good stewardship and self-sacrifice** - Hospitality and fellowship were a part of her stewardship, and she never hesitated to share what she had. By her thrift and economy, she always had gifts for God's cause as well as for the needs of her family.

Even though our father was never a member of the church, through the influence of her godly life, he gave generously to many church projects and supported Christian education by financing all four of us children through Adventist schools. Consequently, through our parents' example and sacrifice we are all active members of the Adventist church today.

Our precious mother has truly been a genuine "Mother in Israel" for "lo, these many years."

Ann Gearhart

The well-being of society, the success of the church, the prosperity of the nation, depend upon home influences. Ministry of Healing, p. 349.

Is Your Daddy a Good Cook?

"Mmmm, yes," was the answer Amanda, Douglas, Nathan and Johnathon Johnson gave when they were asked whether their daddy was a good cook.

Added to Daddy Doug's cooking duties are laundry, housecleaning, chauffeuring, helping with homework and yes, even mending the children's clothes. Doug is a single parent who lives with his four children, ages 13, 11, 8 and 5, in Perkins, Oklahoma. He has had this dual role since Johnathon, the youngest, was three months old.

"I'm totally dependent on the Lord to see me through the difficult times," he says, "and I'm thankful to my Perkins church family for standing with me and giving me help in so many ways.

"As a single parent I have to work hard to keep everything fitting together. I miss having someone to discuss things with and to help make decisions," Doug continues, "but this just keeps me leaning on the Lord more and more and trusting I don't make too many mistakes. He is my strength."

The Johnson family worship time is guarded. For morning worship they study the Bible. A song opens worship, and "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus" always closes worship. For evening worship the kids enjoy having Doug read from the *Bible Stories*.

At one point when the schedule got tight and worship was being neglected, eight-year-old Nathan was the one to bring its importance back into focus.

"Time is short," Doug feels, "so I must do everything possible to help my children know Jesus as a personal Friend who will always help them make right choices, a Friend they will never want to forsake." Doug's spiritual training includes taking time to answer the children's "why" questions and to help them establish good values. "I feel it is doubly important that I role-model what it means to be a Christian," Doug says, "and I have to guard against getting upset when the

My Mom Loves Me

My mom has done many wonderful things for me. Even though I'm growing up, my mom gives me lots of love, and that's more than some unfortunate children get. Every child needs a mother to help them through the difficulties of growing up. I am very happy with my mother. I love her and thank God every night when I pray that whenever I get hurt, or feel unhappy, all I have to do is turn around and Mom is there to say, "Are you okay?" or "I love you!"

Gold and silver are nothing compared to the love my mother gives me.

Melissa Lachica (12 years old)
Abilene, Texas

kids don't cooperate."

The children have chores like keeping their own rooms clean. Discipline is usually in the form of restricting activities. Like all families, sometimes there are disagreements. "Daddy tells us to 'walk away' when it seems there's going to be a fight," explains Douglas, "and he tells us always to be willing to say sorry.

Added to the support system the church gives is the church school sponsored by the Perkins and Stillwater churches. Connie Hartzog, the teacher, has an attractive schoolroom at the back of the Perkins church where three of Doug's children help make up the enrollment of five students. The youngest, Johnathon, is doing the kindergarten curriculum from the General Conference education department with the help of Peggy Baker.

Doug does not underestimate the positive influence of both Connie and Peggy and an Adventist school curriculum. He appreciates the extra help they get on a one-on-one basis and he likes the emphasis on Bible classes.

Connie and Peggy are quick to say what a joy it is to have the Johnson children in their classrooms. "They are polite, obedient, and helpful kids, and they are never a problem in the school," Connie states. "It is obvious

that Doug is interested in his children's physical and spiritual well-being. He encourages them in their school work and cooperates closely with me when they need extra help."

There's a lot of love in the Johnson family. "Each child is anxious to be the first to hug Dad when he arrives to pick them up from school," says Peggy, "and there is friendly competition about who gets to sit closest to Doug during church."

And there's a lot of love for Jesus in the Johnson family. Listen to the three older children's comments when asked for their reactions at their baptisms:

Nathan - "I was telling Jesus that I love Him."

Dougie - "I was letting Jesus know that I am His and that I want to do only what He wants me to do."

Amanda - "I was dedicating my life to Jesus, asking Him to come in and always live within me."

Doug was a Southern Baptist before becoming an Adventist in 1976. He is a theology graduate of Southwestern Adventist College. At the Perkins church he serves as an elder and Sabbath school teacher. The pastor, Don Baker, describes him as his number one helper.

Hattie Lee Rider
Oklahoma Conference

Douglas Johnson teaching the Sabbath school lesson.



Morning Bible study in the Johnson home. Beginning at left: Amanda, Douglas, Daddy Doug, Johnathon and Nathan.



The home on earth is to be a symbol of and a preparation for the home in heaven. Life is a training school, from which parents and children are to be graduated to the higher school in the mansions of God. Ministry of Healing, p. 363.

Our Family . . . A Little Bit of Heaven

Sean is nine years old, a sincere young Christian who is studying piano. He plays the guitar and enjoys his pets. He operates his own Hill Country Bakery and sells the bread around town. He does everything from buying the ingredients, mixing it, to baking, slicing, packaging and selling it. He even keeps his own books.

His older brother, Brian (11 years), is baptized, loves the Lord and enjoys church activities. He's enthusiastic about Pathfinders, is mechanical and loves outdoor activities. He is studying piano.

Summer, their 13 year-old sister, is about to graduate from the 8th grade this year. She is baptized, is very active in the church and enjoys a close relationship with the Lord. She plays piano and the flute, teaches in Cradle Roll, is active in Vacation Bible School and Pathfinders, sews and does lots of missionary work.

Together with mom and dad they enjoy country living, including gardening, chopping wood, hiking and the wildlife around them. They all do the chores around the house, have worship, go to prayer meeting, travel and go camping from time to time. To begin each day they each have a personal "quiet time" with God and this reflects in everything they do.

What kind of mom and dad do they have? Debbie, the mother, was raised a Catholic and attended Catholic elementary and high school in California. Her degree in Physical Education was from Long Beach State University where she

was a star volleyball player. Her father became an Adventist during her college years, but it was only after her sister's traumatic experience with drug overdose and her father's fasting and praying that she came to realize there was a personal God.

George was also raised a Catholic in Long Beach, was an altar boy and even contemplated being a priest, but by the 9th grade he had drifted away from religion. His great interest was sports, and like Debbie, he got a degree in Physical Education at Long Beach State and was a star volleyball player.

Debbie and George were married after her junior year and both were baptized soon after that. They moved to Booneville, Arkansas, where George found work in a furniture store. However, this job gave little meaning to life, so he began further studies to qualify for the teaching profession. Soon after completing his training, opportunity came for him to fill the position of principal and upper grade teacher at the Fort Smith church school, where he taught for two years. Then the family moved to Slidell, Louisiana, where he taught for another two years.

Now George and his family are in Fredericksburg, Texas, where "he has one of the best schools in Texas, with high academic achievement and strong support from the students, parents and churches," says Ed Stacey, pastor. "Under his leadership the school is very active in outreach activities to the community. They do such things as highway clean-up, painting city park benches, assisting the elderly in their homes, and they've even cleaned up a small private cemetery," the pastor con-



The Reed family, from the left: Debbie, Brian, George, Sean, Summer.



Sean Reed operating his Hill Country Bakery.

cludes.

George has served the church as Sabbath school superintendent, deacon, elder, has held 5-day Plans and Revelation Seminars. He gives Bible studies, preaches and leads out in Pathfinders. Debbie is also active in the church, holding cooking schools, weight control seminars and Vacation Bible Schools. She has led out in the community service activities and has done secretarial work for the church and school. She has also taught sewing, cooking, breadmaking, and quilting at the school.

What a valuable contribution this family is making to the future! What a tribute a Christian upbringing, and what a joyous occasion it will be when they all get to meet their heavenly Father! Edward Stacey, *Church Pastor*

It is by the youth and children of today that the future of society is to be determined, and what these youth and children shall be depends upon the home. To the lack of right home training may be traced the larger share of the disease and misery and crime that curse humanity." Ministry of Healing, p. 351.

Family Mission Involvement Gives New Meaning to Life

What was the motivating factor in the eagerness of the Whitney family to

return for a second year to help in the spring mission program to Mexico?

"We, that is my wife, daughter and I," said Marvin Whitney, pastor of the Harlingen, Texas, church, "found so much joy and satisfaction in working for the Mexican people last year, that

we were ready to go again this year. It gives a new spark to my ministry, and I know that teaching English to the Mexican children has helped my daughter, Carrie, decide to become a teacher. My wife likes to go with us to help do the cooking and the Vacation Bible

Schools. This is one of our family projects that make life meaningful."

The "Valley Team" just returned from 10 days in Mexico where they helped build a church, conducted three separate Vacation Bible Schools a day, taught English for six hours each day in the public school, and held evangelistic meetings each evening.

Valley Grande Academy students, along with the Whitney family, were joined by the eighth-graders from the Harlingen Adventist School, students and sponsors from Minnesota, a family of five from Virginia, a man from Mississippi, plus two students from Southwestern Adventist College.

The days went by unbelievably fast. Students agreed with Dan Serns, mission trips coordinator, that "You have just been through a year's worth of experiences in one week."

If they'd not been on the trip, Eber Zaceta, senior at VGA, wouldn't have the memory of preaching evangelistic sermons every evening; Lori Wade, also a VGA senior, wouldn't have suffered from sore muscles or had the satisfaction of laying block for the first time; Jairo Castor, a sophomore, would not have shared his talent of guitar playing or of helping distribute literature. (The group handed out 3,000 *El Centinela* magazines!)

Carrie Whitney, also a sophomore, would not have memories of the children. "It was a good week together and everyone got to love each other so much!" Carrie encouraged the local pastor to begin a branch Sabbath school to follow through with the interest of the children.

Each evening two Vacation Bible Schools were held. While Eber preached in the church, a VBS in the same location enthralled the children. A second VBS held at the 'hotel' where we stayed and pulled in a big crowd.

An afternoon VBS caught the most attention. The center of the town square became the stage for that VBS! Over 50 children attended daily. Adults always clustered around, listening.

English language classes provided opportunity to get better acquainted with the elementary age children. Al-

Carrie Whitney hugs two crying children just before departure. Carrie is a VGA sophomore.



though the student teachers weren't allowed to talk about Christianity, they were permitted to pass out invitations to the VBS that met in the square.

Of course, construction occupied a lot of time. The team helped raise walls for the second story of the church. The local congregation had outgrown the existing facility and the only way was up!

Friday, the "day off," provided opportunity to shop at Mexican markets or to explore a ghost town which had flourished in the 1700s and 1800s situated on the side of the 9,000 foot mountain whose snowy peaks towered above the valley.

Once the trailer was loaded on Sunday, it was difficult to leave. With the village children clinging to the academy kids, crying and not wanting them to go, it was hard to pull away. The teens were in tears, leaders began to weep and even the local pastor's eyes were wet. But they were tears of joy



The local pastor at Matehuala and his family. Pastor Castelano ministers to 18 churches!

and not of sorrow, tears of joy knowing that the love for the Mexican people would continue even though separated by many miles.

Corrie Whitney
VGA Public Relations

Family Times: New Family Outreach Tool

Babyboomers—one of the hardest to reach but easiest to win population groups is now being targeted by a new outreach tool developed by Family Matters. The publication is an 11 by 17 inch quarterly newspaper called *Family Times*.

"The response to *Family Times* has been incredible," says Dr. Kay Kuzma, president of Family Matters, a Cleveland, Tennessee based organization affiliated with the Georgia-Cumberland Conference. The mission of Family Matters is to help churches be more effective in reaching families in their community. *Family Times* was sent out for the first time at the beginning of the year and within days the Family Matter's office was flooded with calls and letters from individuals requesting a subscription to this timely, entertaining and informational publication for families. "I never imagined there would be such an interest," states Kuzma. "Families are searching for good quality family life information, and I think they've found it in *Family Times*."

"The reason for its incredible response is that there is nothing like it on the market," comments Dave Gemmell, vice-president for marketing and broadcasting at Family Matters.

Gemmell, who joined the Family Matters staff in July to be Dr. Kuzma's radio co-host, pioneered this concept while serving as a pastor. "In Milpitas,

California, I saw a church of a few members grow into one with over 400 members. The only means of outreach the church offered was a quarterly newspaper that provided information about the services of the church." Taking this concept with him to Maui, Gemmell, produced a similar paper. With it he established a new church on the island, started and filled the church, operated day care center, and doubled the church school enrollment.

The unique aspect of *Family Times* is that it can be localized by a church for distribution in the community with very little effort on the part of church leaders.

A local church can use as many of the *Family Times* articles as they choose, and on the remaining pages write their own articles about the services their church is offering. They can pay for the publication by selling advertising space to local church members or businesses. Copy is submitted to the Family Matters office, designed and typeset and the finished newspapers are sent back to the church to be either inserted in the local newspaper or mailed out to various zip codes.

"We're here to serve families," states John Tucker, Family Matters administrator. "Our first major production in this area was the Welcome Baby Program, with a greeting card to be sent to parents of newborns and 12 monthly newsletters to be delivered by church

members. Now with *Family Times* we are offering churches two major products that will make it easier for them to reach the young families in their community. It wasn't easy for me to leave *The Quiet Hour*, but when I realized what *Family Matters* could do to help families in and outside the church, I knew I had to be a part of this work."

Free *Family Times* publication kits and Welcome Baby sample packs are available to churches by contacting Dave Gemmell at *Family Matters*, P.O. Box 7000, Cleveland, TN or by calling 615-339-1144. Free individual *Family Times* subscriptions are being offered to church members upon request.

Fred Knopper, *Director, Public Relations*

Marriage Commitment Seminar

"We gained a deeper understanding of each other and renewed our commitment to stay in touch with each other's feelings and needs," was a comment made by one of the couples who attended a Marriage Commitment seminar held by the Oklahoma City Central Church. Comments from others were, "We learned new ways to communicate." "This was like returning to the basics. We needed the time to recount exactly what we have in our marriage and how we can enhance our relationship." And "Now we are able to understand and help each other more."

Marriage Commitment seminars are designed for growing marriages, and to develop and enrich the relationship. Friday evening and all day Sabbath are used in a variety of ways to enhance and affirm marriage. Within the weekend there is time for romance, communication, spiritual growth, love building, goal setting and recommitment.

Central Church will hold another Marriage Commitment seminar the weekend of May 22 and 23. Anyone interested may get more information from Vialo or Esther Weis at the Central Church.



Seven couples who participated in the Marriage Commitment seminar sponsored by the Oklahoma City Central Church, February 28-29, 1992.

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Conference	Feb, 1991	Feb. 1992
Arkansas-Louisiana.....	7,730	7,653
Oklahoma.....	5,845	5,720
Southwest Region.....	13,579	14,112
Texas.....	22,947	23,333
Texico.....	4,797	4,865
Union.....	54,898	55,683



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AVERAGE WEEKLY CHURCH ATTENDANCE

Conference	Feb, 1991	Feb. 1992
Arkansas-Louisiana.....	4,499	4,436
Oklahoma.....	3,527	3,413
Southwest Region.....	no report	no report
Texas.....	17,285	17,421
Texico.....	3,256	3,109
Union.....	28,567	28,379

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- are people of faith!

FAITH HAS ITS REWARDS!

"And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him." Hebrews 11:6 NIV.

WHERE DOES FAITH COME FROM?

Faith is like going into the unknown with God. The more faith you have the further you go. Most people do not trust God to the point where He can reward their faith. "Faith is the gift of God, but the power to exercise it is ours." PP p.431. "Faith will greatly increase by exercise." 6T. p 471.

Will God find Faith on Earth? Jesus asked, "Nevertheless when the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?" Luke 18:8.

God will find faith on the earth because people like you and I will remain loyal to "the faith" spoken of in 2 Cor. 13:5. "Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves."

Tithing is a Testing Truth with which we "examine" ourselves and test our relationship to Jesus. "We are to have an educated faith that will not hesitate to follow His instructions in the most difficult experiences." CS p. 277. Let's all be people of faith!

Paul G. Smith

Southwestern Adventist College

JENELL RUSK, CORRESPONDENT

New Faculty and Staff Join the SAC Team

The faculty and staff of Southwestern Adventist College are joined by three new members this school year. SAC Advancement welcomes two new staff members, and the Social Service department expands its capabilities with the addition of a new assistant professor.

Rene D. Drumm becomes part of the Social Service department as an assistant professor of social work. Her addition to the department doubles the teaching capabilities and ensures the accreditation of the department. She is also responsible for the coordination of student placement in social service agencies.

Jenell Rusk joins SAC Advancement as College Relations News Director. Rusk is responsible for the college's public and media relations needs. For the past eight years she has written freelance material for the college, in addition to full-time parenting and part-time dental hygiene.



Beginning at left: Rene D. Drumm, Charles O'Dell, Jr., and Jenell Rusk.

Also joining SAC Advancement is Charles F. O'Dell, Jr. He serves as Associate Advancement Vice-president. O'Dell, a 1945 graduate of Southwestern Junior College, is actively involved in fund raising for the college. He is also the department's specialist in deferred giving programs.

Jeremy Martin/Jenelle Rusk

Nursing Department Chairperson Named

Dr. Peggy White was named chairperson of the nursing department at Southwestern Adventist College beginning with the 1992-93 school year. She will replace Dr. Theresa Kennedy who plans to retire at the end of this school year.

"Dr. White was selected for the position because of her vast teaching and administrative experience in nursing programs. She is well acquainted with accreditation procedures and requirements, and her experience with programs at the undergraduate and graduate levels recommends her as being well qualified for the position," says Dr. Angel Rodriguez, academic vice-president. "She enjoys the full support and respect of the nursing faculty and of the college administration."

Dr. White has served on the nursing faculty of SAC since August, 1991, and holds the faculty rank of professor of nursing. She came to SAC from Northwestern Oklahoma State University. There she was director of the B.S. nursing program, which she led from its inception in 1981.



Dr. Peggy White, professor of nursing, has been named chairperson of the nursing department at Southwestern Adventist College, beginning next school year.

Dr. White, who received her doctorate in education from Oklahoma State University, has taught nursing for 34 years. She began her teaching career at Columbia Union College, where she taught theory and clinical nursing and developed curriculum materials.

Jeremy Martin/Jenell Rusk

Keene Camerata Celebrates Tenth Anniversary

The Keene Camerata celebrated their tenth anniversary as a string orchestra during their annual Spring Concert, Saturday evening, February 29. The concert featured several of the Camerata's favorite pieces from the past as well as two new arrangements by Murg Doroftei, the director of the group: "Adagio" by Dimitri Shostakovich and

Students from academies all over the Southwestern Union participated in the 1992 Music Festival at Southwestern Adventist College, February 19-22.



Franz Schubert's "Concert Waltz."

The 36-member string orchestra, founded by and under the direction of Doroftei, has changed significantly since its creation in the autumn of 1981.

The present day Camerata is the result of Doroftei's dream. He hoped to create an ensemble that would perform the music he had composed in his homeland of Romania. After emigrating to the United States and settling in Keene, he undertook the responsibility of building a full orchestra complete with wind, percussion and stringed instruments, but two years later, Doroftei decided that he wasn't getting the results he wanted. He subsequently dismissed the percussion and wind sections, retained the strings and formed the nucleus of the group that is today's Keene Camerata.

In their ten years together the orchestra's experiences have ranged from



Mugur Doroftei, conductor of the Keene Camerata.

being interviewed for a classical music radio station to sitting in the parliament of Jamaica during their 1988 tour. The orchestra performs a variety of musical selections from many composers, but the majority of their music is composed or arranged by Doroftei.

Today's orchestra consists of students from Southwestern Adventist College, Chisholm Trail Academy, Keene Adventist Elementary School, as well as musicians from Keene and the surrounding communities. The present 36-member orchestra composed of 23 violins, four violas, five cellos, two string basses, and two pianists is a major change from the 50-60 member full orchestra of the very beginning and the interim 13-member string orchestra.

Some of the future plans of the orchestra include a joint operatic performance of Beethoven's "Little 9th Symphony" with choir and piano, Saturday afternoon classical music concerts, and a concert composed solely of "gypsy" music.

Glenn Guarin/Jenell Rusk



SAC Student Association officers for the 1992-93 school year will begin their duties this summer. From left back row: Wayne Fernando, senator-at-large, Keene, TX; Roger Cabansag, Mizpah editor, Keene, TX; Kari Parrott, Mugshots editor, Parker, CO; Julie Simmons, social vice-president, Gentry, AR; Jerry Richards, religious vice-president, Dallas, TX; Mark Miosi, executive vice-president, Keene, TX; Front row: Jamie Swingle III, president, Amarillo, TX; Jeremy Martin, The Southwesterner editor, Panola, TX; Bonnie Sanders, executive secretary, Gentry, AR; James Parrish, senator-at-large, Stoneham, MA; Scott Jones, financial vice-president, Shreveport, LA.

Concert Benefits SAC Nursing Department

A benefit concert March 7 by the "Ein Kleines Quintet" raised over \$300 for the nursing department of Southwestern Adventist College. According to Dr. Theresa Kennedy, professor of nursing and department chairperson, the money will be used toward computer software specifically designed for nursing instruction.

"We were pleased with the attendance at the concert," said Dr. Kennedy. "The computer software is expensive and this will help us toward purchasing the programs we need."

During their stay in the Keene area, the quintet performed numerous times. They provided an early morning concert at the Keene church, music for both church services and the evening concert featuring works by Mozart, Vivaldi, Bach and Kreisler.

The quintet members range in age



The "Ein Kleines Quintet" from Collegedale, Tennessee.

from 13-19 years and each is an accomplished soloist. Several members of the ensemble have won statewide competition for their age level in their home state of Tennessee. The group has toured throughout the East Coast, the Caribbean Islands and Puerto Rico.

Jenell Rusk

Healthcare

New Marketing Specialist Named at Huguley

Barry Phillips, a magna cum laude graduate of Texas Christian University, has been appointed to the position of marketing specialist and creative director at Huguley Memorial Medical Center by Keith T. Dobbs, executive director of Development, Marketing and Volunteer



Services.

Phillips will be responsible for graphic design and layout, video films, billboard creatives and other advertising venues. He brings a varied and creative background. He holds a masters in design from East Texas State University and has taught communication arts and advertising design at Southern Methodist University. He is a television, film and print art director, illustrator and designer, working primarily out of the Texas, New York and Los Angeles markets. A partial list of illustration credits include Coca-Cola, Braniff Airlines, Pepsi-Cola, Dr. Pepper, Phillips 66, National Football

League and many more. He also holds a number of film, television and video credits.

Phillips is a Burleson native. He restored and now resides in the Renfro-Clark home, Burleson's only historical landmark home.

Dobbs says of Phillips, "He's got so much talent and experience to offer to Huguley; we're excited to have him on board!"

Mary Whitehead
Office of Public Relations

Huguley Elects Women Board Members

Huguley Memorial Medical Center announces the appointment of Judith J. Carrier, Ph.D., and Sondra Bowser, M.D., to its board of directors effective March 3 and 5 respectively. They are the first women appointed to the board in the 15-year history of Huguley Hospital.

Dr. Carrier is Dean of Instruction and Student Development Services at Tarrant County Junior College district. She previously served as chairman of the Department of Student Services and Professor of Psychology at Tarrant County Junior College.

Dr. Carrier earned a doctorate of education at the University of North Texas, a master of education in counseling at UNT and a bachelor of science in journalism at the University of Houston.

She is chairman of the board of directors of the Junior College Student Personnel Association of Texas and serves on the special task force on research, Membership Committee of the National Association of Women Deans, Administrators and Counselors.

Dr. Carrier has recently been elected to the board of directors of the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce and has been appointed to the board of directors of the University of North Texas Foundation, Inc.

The list of her civic responsibilities and service is long and numerous: Boy Scouts of America, Camp Carter, YMCA, Circle T Girl Scout Council, Forum Fort Worth, United Way of Tarrant County, Leadership Fort Worth, Texas Conference of Libraries and Information Services State Conference, White House Conference on Libraries and Information Services are just a few.

Dr. Carrier was selected two years ago to serve on Huguley's Advisory Council. "That was an inspired selection," says Keith Dobbs, executive director of development at Huguley. "Dr. Carrier has been a wonderful addition to our advisory group."

"I'm very honored to be elected to Huguley's board," says Dr. Carrier. "From my association with Huguley, I've observed the dedicated attitude of



Judith J. Carrier, Ph.D.



Sondra Bowser, M.D.

the entire staff—they put caring into practice!"

Dr. Bowser is board-certified in internal medicine and a diplomate of the National Board of Medical Examiners. She received her medical degree from Loma Linda University School of Medicine in Loma Linda, California, and served her internship and residency there as well. She earned her bachelor of science degree from Walla Walla College in College Place, Washington.

She was an assistant professor of medicine at Loma Linda University School of Medicine for seven years as well as director of the primary care clinic and director of home care at Loma Linda University Medical Center.

Dr. Bowser has been on staff at Huguley Hospital since 1987. She has also served as medical director of Huguley Hospice Care and Home Health since 1987. In addition, she is medical director of the hospital's Skilled Nursing Unit. She has served as chairman of the Utilization Review since 1987.

Dr. Bowser is a member of the American College of Physicians, Tarrant County Medical Society, Texas Medical Society and the American College of Hospice Physicians.

"Dr. Bowser is one of Huguley's most dedicated supporters," says Donald W. Welch, president of Huguley. "We are indeed fortunate to have her on our board," he adds.

With the continuing expansion of the facilities at Huguley, the leadership abilities of Dr. Carrier and Dr. Bowser will enhance the board's perspectives as they continue to plan for the future.

Mary Whitehead
Office of Public Relations

Work Hardening Program Comes to Huguley

The Huguley Spinal Rehabilitation Institute Work Hardening Program opened on Monday, March 18. It is located in Huguley's New Image Health and Racquetball Club. Program director is Jodi Blackerby and medical director is Arthur Terry, M.D. The program addresses subacute and chronic episodic injuries.

This multi-disciplinary approach to rehabilitation for back and neck injuries

uses conditioning tasks that are graded in order to progressively improve the person's overall physical condition, along with simulated functional work activities. It is a structured, goal-oriented treatment program designed to maximize the person's ability to return to work.

The work hardening program is intensive and is professionally supervised; it maximizes the treatment time during the day and week, while minimizing the total length of time spent in the program. It is cost-effective, is designed to encourage faster progress and decrease time off work.

Increased flexibility and mobility is a major goal of the program which is achieved through stretching exercises. Strengthening and endurance are an important part of the program, especially in the damaged area. Simultaneously, the patient is trained aerobically to increase cardiovascular endurance.

"It has been demonstrated that through aerobic conditioning, the body's natural pain relievers in the form of endorphins increase in response to the conditioning," states Dr. Terry. "This is an additional benefit for patients who are suffering from chronic pain and dysfunctional back pain," he concluded.

Mary Whitehead
Office of Public Relations

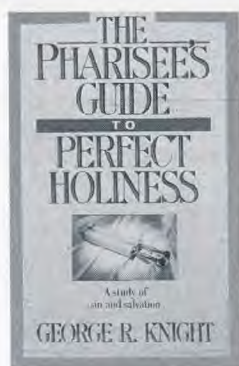
Metroplex Physicians Attend Conferences

Frank E. Gemma, M.D., F.A.C.S., a specialist in general surgery at the Metroplex Hospital, Killeen, Texas, attended the annual meeting of the south Texas chapter of the American College of Surgeons. Dr. Gemma received nine continuing medical education credits for attending the four sessions dealing with abdominal surgical techniques. Dr. Gemma is board certified with the American Board of Surgeons.

J. Barry Siebenlist, M.D., attended the Alumni Postgraduate Convention of Loma Linda University held in Loma Linda, California. Dr. Siebenlist specializes in obstetrics and gynecology and is specifically concerned with Fetal Care in the 1990s. Topics addressed at the convention dealt with developments in fetal chromosome testing, drug and chemical risks to the fetus, and vaginal birth after cesarean section. By attending this convention, Dr. Siebenlist received six hours of continuing medical education credits in the American Medical Association. Dr. Siebenlist is board certified with the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

Both physicians are located in the Metroplex Medical Plaza Building, Killeen, Texas. Rickey Seiler
Director, Marketing/Development

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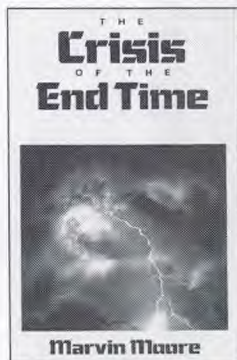
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Arkansas-Louisiana

PETER A. KOSTENKO, CORRESPONDENT

Arkansas-Louisiana Conference's 60th Birthday

This year, 1992, marks the 60th year since the merger of the Arkansas and Louisiana conferences. Since 1932 many interesting and historic events have taken place in the growth and progress of the conference.

Poised in the wings, awaiting its debut, is the *60th Anniversary History Book*. Historian Charles Beeler is completing a work that will be a treasured souvenir. Among the special features of this book is a reserved section for memorials and honors. Anyone wishing to memorialize a deceased relative, friend, a former member or worker, may do so.

The conference now has 7708 members, 81 churches, 40 ordained ministers, 65 teachers and 12 literature evangelists. Arkansas began as a single state conference in 1888.

Pete Kostenko

Pastor Receives New Keys to Church Door

Sixty-nine young people and adults from the Arkansas-Louisiana Conference joined with groups from Texas, New Mexico, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin to help build churches in Mexico. The young people chose to spend their spring break in a mission endeavor in a land with a different culture.

This mission program, usually held over the Christmas holidays or spring break, provides opportunity for church members to help in underdeveloped neighboring countries.

When a church building is planned it is customary for the local people to put in the foundation and then have the mission team build the walls and roof and complete the rest of the church.

The group from Arkansas-Louisiana worked on two church sites, Rogriguez and Cumbre, both in the Reynosa, Mexico, area. They stayed at the "mother church" for the project in Cumbre, but read on—there is more to the story.

Upon their arrival the mission team was welcomed and shown where they would stay. This included a lovely fenced courtyard with bathrooms and cold showers. For those who had been

on previous mission trips these facilities looked much better than those at most other sites. There were also two basketball goals that the young people used to great advantage during free time.

Some of the men stayed in the mother's room and foyer of the church. On the very first night the wind blew the "locked" door open. The church had been broken into so many times that the striker plates and door post area were damaged beyond repair. There was no place to fasten a new striker plate. "We should fix that door," commented Jim Swena.

One of the mission team's objectives is to leave a church in better condition than the way it was found, so with this in mind, several things were done to upgrade the church facilities. Nets for basketball goals were purchased, as were new seats for toilets. New shower curtains were put in place. Partitions were built in front of the bathroom doors which opened directly into the courtyard.

Then there was the matter of the lock. It seemed everyone was too busy to go and find a new lock set and the materials with which to rebuild the door post. Finally on Thursday morning, Joe Watts, mission team director, crossed the border in McAllen, Texas, and bought the needed supplies. That evening, Mike Salzman, Shreveport, Louisiana, and Jim Swena, Fort Smith, Arkansas, spent time fixing the doors.

Because the next morning the group was leaving, the pastor and his wife joined the mission team for worship. At worship the pastor was given a donation to help with some building needs and another donation to help the church with added utilities. This was in appreciation for allowing the team to stay in the church.

Then Pastor Joe was presented with a set of new keys for the repaired

The pastor of the Reynosa, Mexico church, unlocking the repaired doors. Looking on are Mike Salzman (left), and Jim Swena.



church door. He was so surprised and pleased. He told of the opposition he had encountered from the church board when they had discussed having the mission team stay at their facility. Their reservation was due to some previous experiences when mission teams did not take care of the church property. It was at the pastor's insistence that the mission team was allowed to stay there.

The pastor went on to say that the lock on the front door was a source of concern for the church, but they could not figure out how to replace it. The only way, they felt, was to buy a whole new door and that they could not afford. Of all that we did for them, fixing that door was the thing that helped them most!

As we travel on these mission trips we always pray that the Lord will impress us with the best way to help His work go forward, and He always shows us what to do.

Beth Jones

Prisons Requesting SDA Literature

Several prisons in Arkansas are asking for Adventist literature for their inmates. The Shreveport youth paid for a set of commentaries which have been mailed to the prison at Cummins, Arkansas.

Since then other books including *Desire of Ages*, *Great Controversy*, and *Hurt, Healing and Happy Again*, have been sent. Recently a prison chaplain wrote to Ken Jameson, ARKLA ABC manager, saying that "Eleven men have followed Jesus in baptism and I feel sure it was your assistance in the ministry here that is partially responsible. We praise the Lord and thank you!"

Jameson maintains a Free Literature Fund for prisons which is supplied by freewill gifts from ARKLA constituents.

Pete Kostenko



General Conference President Speaks About Independent Ministries

BY ROBERT S. FOLKENBERG

DEAR FELLOW BELIEVERS: I want to share a concern with you that lies close to my heart. Many of you have written or called me asking about independent ministries, and I want you to know where I stand. Is it true that the General Conference is out to destroy independent ministries? The answer is no!

I have been told there are several hundred entities not integrally connected with the church. Almost all of these make a significant, positive contribution to the mission of the church. Many of these are affiliated with Adventist-Laymen's Services and Industries (ASI) and provide a wide variety of services to fellow Adventists and the public, including vegetarian restaurants, educational institutions, healthcare, publishing, religious radio and TV broadcasts, and orphanages. These prefer to be known as *supporting ministries* of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

One ministry supports a cadre of evangelists who are made available to church organizations around the world. Another, Maranatha Volunteers International, having overseen the construction of hundreds if not thousands of buildings for the church around the world, recently completed its largest single project ever—in the Dominican Republic, where more than 1,200 volunteers built 25 churches in 70 days!

BY THEIR FRUITS YE SHALL . . .

Organizations demonstrating by their fruit a commitment to the mission of the church merit both the descriptives *supporting* and *ministry* as well as the appreciation and backing of church members and leaders. For these, "organizational independence" is only a matter of function and legal status, not mission. Their loyalty to the church and zeal for proclaiming present truth are indistinguishable from that of the church itself.

I recently read two compilations of Ellen White's writings dealing with "self-supporting" work and noted two characteristics: 1. "Self-supporting" is normally linked to the concept of "missionary." Independence from the church was born of the financial necessity to send families to unentered areas as missionaries, not by a mission different from that of the church. 2. "Self support" is presented in the context of unity with the church. "The work of God in the earth can never be finished until the men and women comprising our church membership rally to the work, and unite their efforts with those of ministers and church officers" (*Testimonies*, vol. 9, p. 117).



The concept of an active laity and supporting ministry of the church is not only encouraged by Ellen White, but found in the example of the apostle Paul, who, by his own labor, supported himself and others as they spread the good news.

MOST ARE SUPPORTIVE

While the vast majority of these ministries truly are supportive and declare their loyalty to the church, a few private organizations, calling themselves "independent ministries," do not meet this standard. These point out what they see as deficiencies in the church, its members, and its leaders. Tragically, while subtly attributing these failings of a few to the church in general, they set themselves up as the guardians of historic truth and as the only trustworthy expositors of God's Word.

On this foundation of distrust they build an organization that is not accountable to any wide constituency; foments doubt, distrust, and disunity (impediments to the latter rain); diverts millions of dollars that might better have been used for gospel proclamation among the vast populations of the world that have never heard the name of Jesus; and at times even drives members from the church! (See "Poison in the Mail," *Adventist Review*, Mar. 12, 1992.)

Are there problems in the church? If so, do these failures justify the attacks by private organizations against the church?

To the first question the servant of the Lord answers, "There are evils existing in the church, and will be until the end of the world" (*Review and Herald*, Sept. 5, 1893). It's sad but true, for I am reminded every day that the evil one is hard at work within God's remnant church.

CONTINUED STUDY NEEDED

To achieve personal spiritual growth and a deeper understanding of God's message to us, we must continually study the Word and the Spirit of Prophecy. But the exaggerated individualism that characterizes today's culture must not fragment the unity needed in God's final movement.

The vast majority of our teachers, pastors, editors, elders, and other leaders are firmly committed to the messages of the three angels of Revelation 14 and the fundamental beliefs that we hold dear.

Sadly, there are a few who, following modern trends, doubt the accuracy and/or authority of Scripture, reject

one or more of these fundamental beliefs (the sanctuary and related truths are among the most frequent casualties), yet insist they have the "right" to remain in positions of responsibility. To these I appeal, fall on your knees and, with Scriptures in hand, search and pray until you have peace with God. If you find you are in harmony with the fundamental beliefs of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, we will rejoice with you. If not, simple honesty and ethics require that you resign any appointed, elected, or employed position until you can embrace that which our church upholds as truth.

A more common weakness in the church, however, is not rejection of the truth, but rather neglect of prayer and study of the Word. In harmony with the Perth Declaration (see *Adventist Review*, Nov. 7, 1991), I plead with teachers, pastors, editors, and other leaders to preach the Word and feed the flock. Enough of salvation by psychology! We need a deeper understanding of the sinfulness of the human heart leading to repentance. Let us uplift Jesus and the cross, thus providing the sinner peace of mind, assurance of salvation in Christ, and connection to Him who is able to "keep you from falling and to present you faultless" (Jude 24).

Let me assure you I am not calling for uniformity. There is ample room for diversity in searching the Scriptures for truth, even while demonstrating a firm faith in the fundamentals.

ATTACKS ON THE CHURCH

Do the failures of the church justify the attacks by private organizations against the church?

No! While there are problems in the church that must be resolved, these must be settled by those loyal to the church who are entrusted with responsibility at every level of church administration, beginning at the local congregation. Self-appointed critics, whose fiscal survival depends on their ability to shift members' loyalties from the church to themselves, have conflicting interests and therefore are untrustworthy counselors to the church. Their very survival appears to depend on the mix their leaders choose between piety and doctrine on the one hand and criticism of the church on the other.

The approaches of destructive critics vary widely. One group features the sensational, shrill, tabloid approach whose attacks stimulate a sharklike feeding frenzy against the church, albeit among a narrow audience. One of these, for example, recently reported falsely that I visited the pope twice this past year! The author never even called to check the "facts." One cannot help wondering why such an erroneous report was printed. The truth is that, I have never seen, met, or talked with the pope and have no reason or plan to

do so. Neither has he asked for an appointment to see me!

A FALSE LITMUS TEST OF ORTHODOXY

The mix of piety and criticism among others is more subtle. Their publications include a far higher proportion of that which is spiritual or doctrinal in nature, including reprinting of major segments of the Spirit of Prophecy. By proclaiming their convictions on a narrow list of topics, not accepted by the body as a whole as vital to our message, they, in effect, turn acceptance of their position on these issues into a litmus test of orthodoxy. Thus they draw a pious line in the sand by leading their readers/listeners to choose whom they will trust, the church or their private organization.

Some ministries in the name of piety and preaching the straight testimony

present quotations of Ellen White that encourage independent, self-supporting missionaries. At the same time they ignore the quotations calling for unity and the yielding of individual wisdom to the body of believers (*Historical Sketches*, pp. 122-125). Such behavior misrepresents spiritual counsel and gives the appearance of intellectual dishonesty. Tragically, the gullible are their lawful prey.

About these private organizations the servant of the Lord wrote: "Those who start up to proclaim a message on their own individual responsibility, who, while claiming to be taught and led of God, still make it their special work to tear down that which God has been for years building up, are not doing the will of God. Be it known that these men are on the side of the great deceiver. Believe them not. They are allying themselves with the enemies of God and the truth. They will deride the order of the ministry as a system of priestcraft. From such turn away, have no fellowship with their message, however much they may quote the *Testimonies* and seek to entrench themselves behind them. Receive them not, for God has not given them this work to do. The result of such work will be unbelief in the *Testimonies*, and, as far as possible, they will make of none effect the work that I have for years been doing. . . . Those who thus bring the work of God into disrepute will have to answer before God for the work they are doing" (*Testimonies to Ministers*, pp. 51, 52).

ATTACKS FROM WITHIN

The church is being attacked from within by people on two extremes. One extreme undermines the authority of Scripture, our fundamental beliefs, and our distinctive end-time message. The other extreme, under the subtle guise of piety, attacks the structure, authority, and therefore the mission of the church. The church has, all too often, failed to address both attacks adequately.

**The approaches of
destructive critics vary
widely — from the
sensational and shrill to the
subtle and shrewd.**

Both extremes are destructive to God's expectations of His church. Both bring about disunity, an obstacle to the latter rain, and divert resources from our Lord's mission to His church. "There is a great work to be done in the world, a great work to be done in foreign lands. . . . With all the responsibility upon us to go and preach the gospel to every creature, there is a great need of men and means, and Satan is at work in every conceivable way to tie up means. . . . The money that should be used in doing the good work of building houses of worship, of establishing schools. . . , is diverted from a channel of usefulness and blessing into a channel of evil and cursing" (*ibid.*, p. 43).

Jesus knew that the evil one would try to bring about disunity. Our Lord described the consequences of disunity when He said, "Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation, and every city or house divided against itself will not stand" (Matt. 12:25, NKJV). The apostolic record confirms the early church's struggle for unity.

JESUS' PLAN FOR UNITY

Jesus' divine plan to resolve differences, as described in Matthew 18:15-17, is too often ignored or forgotten. As your president, I ask your forgiveness for times when I may have skipped over any of the steps outlined in God's plan. Please pray that God will grant wisdom to those who must deal with those organizations whose activities tend to undermine either truth or mission. All church initiatives must be compassionate yet sustain the integrity of the church body.

I appeal to each pastor, Bible teacher, administrator, church board member, and leader to uphold God's Word and the teachings of God's remnant church and, following these biblical steps, under the guidance of the Spirit, work together to keep our church unified. To all, laity and employees alike, let us cease the derogatory remarks about others and follow Jesus' plan in dealing with wrong.

If the plan described in Matthew 18 doesn't seem to fit the problem you see, consider that it may not be a problem God has given you to resolve. Trust that God, who is in charge of all things, will use those He has delegated to "right the ship." On the other hand, if a problem is within your area of responsibility, pray that God will give you the wisdom and courage to carry out your responsibility.

I wish each could share the burden of opportunities waiting for action. For example, the doors into one of the largest Muslim countries in the world have been flung open. Also, today we can send a large number of workers to China and the countries of the former U.S.S.R., yet sufficient resources are not available to respond to these opportunities.

COLLECTIVE SELFISHNESS OR SACRIFICE?

There are many reasons for this, such as collective *selfishness* instead of collective *sacrifice*. Many of us expect the church to meet so many of our felt needs, without the balancing Macedonian call from the unentered areas of the world, that we do good things to an excess! Too often resources needed to reach others with the gospel are consumed by those who already have received the good news. Another reason is diverted resources. The dollars diverted to the few private organizations whose activities lead to disunity and shifted loyalties are resources Mrs. White said would be better used for gospel proclamation.

It is indispensable that each of us, prayerfully guided by the Holy Spirit, evaluate each private organization. Those whose loyalty to the message and mission of the church

are above reproach, whose fruit gives evidence of new souls for the kingdom, deserve our prayers and support. On the other hand, those who cause the reader or viewer, whether subtly or directly, to choose between them and the church demonstrate that they are not inspired of God.

I admit to increasing frustration in dealing with this situation. Last summer, just before standing to preach a Sabbath sermon at a Canadian camp meeting, I was handed a sheaf of bulletins from another shrilly critical editor. I shared with the congregation my frustration with these destructive critics of the church. In retrospect, I wish I had shared my convictions with more tears in my voice and the pain in my heart rather than just the frustration. This is just evidence that God is not finished with me yet.

I love this church. I believe our fundamental beliefs with all my heart. I believe the Lord's gospel commission was not a suggestion but a mandate. I believe Jesus is coming, and soon, sooner than most of us expect!

Are independent ministries of value? An organization's independence does not make it bad or good, holy or unholy! All, members, leaders, and organizations (church operated or independent) that contribute to hastening our Lord's return should be reinforced and supported, while those weakening the church and distracting from heaven's mission must be properly dealt with according to God's plan.

It hurts to see division in our churches and members deceived by attack and innuendo, when what we need is to fall at the cross with broken hearts, more concerned with sharing the good news of salvation than imposing our personal agenda and convictions on the church.

I appeal to all to "press together, press together, press together." I ask you to join hands with me in seeking the Lord and finishing the work.

Let us cease the derogatory remarks about others and follow Jesus' plan in dealing with wrong.



Cyril Miller

President's Bulletin Board

Young Families in Old Churches

The Bible raises a very practical question about the problems produced by placing new wine in old bottles. "Neither do men put new wine into old bottles: else the bottles break, and the wine runneth out, and the bottles perish: but they put new wine into new bottles, and both are preserved." Matthew 9:17. I raise a similar question: How does a young Adventist family relate to an old Adventist church without producing the same results?

The basic problem is a matter of changing generations and their changing cultures. Try to remember your family life style and your family priorities of 50, 30 or even 20 years ago. Have they changed? Most of you will say, Yes!

The advent of VCR's, CD's, PC's and a whole list of other things such as microwaves, cellular phones, fax machines, disposables, recyclables, etc., have greatly altered our lives, our attitudes and our entire thinking about life in general.

So, is it any wonder that our fast track or information age young adults think and act differently than we do? But are they any more different than our parents and grandparents who abandoned the horse and buggy and railroad age for today's advanced automobile and aeronautical transportation and adapting to the 20th century culture?

With a little retrospect it becomes easier to understand why some of our younger families today find it somewhat difficult to relate to our nostalgic or "good old days" mentality, just as some of us find it very difficult to relate to the mind-set of our modern "crazy days."

You may say, Okay, I see your point, so, what next? Get set for change! Not necessarily in Christian conduct nor in Biblical doctrine, but in the manner we assimilate, arrange, package and disseminate God's truths for today and tomorrow's world.

Those who travel around the globe visiting our church organizations usually experience some "culture shock" at the different customs within the church. However, our Seventh-day Adventist mes-

sage is the same, and our mission to transform lives through the grace of Christ is the same. Truly we have an unchanging message for the rapidly changing world in which we live and we must give this special message a certain sound in these uncertain times. That is exactly what we see as we visit God's people around the circle of the earth.

I believe we must also avoid being judgmental. You see, there are two opposite extremes we should avoid when generations look at each other. It is easy to confuse our Adventist life style with conversion, or equate Christian conversion with our Adventist culture. They may sound identical, but there is a difference. Think about it for a while.

So, stand back and make room for the young Adventist families of the future. They may appear to be different, but that does not mean they are not true Seventh-day Adventists if they believe our Christ-centered message and fulfill our God-given mission. These young families need our prayers and our support.

If it makes them feel more at home, we should allow them to bring cultural, relational and functional changes into the church. In so doing, we can bond our young families firmly into the church and save them for the future.

I believe the day will soon come when their zeal and commitment will far outdistance ours. I believe they, working together with their preceding generation, will carry the church to its ultimate pinnacle, the home in Heaven, the Kingdom of God.

Going back to our opening statement about new wine in old bottles, this is why we need Young Adult Sabbath schools in all our churches. Both the old and new generations are good and true. They simply do not mix without stress and strain. But, when we place new wine in new bottles both are preserved.

Cyril Miller

Southwestern Union Conference President



Ozark Adventist Academy's presentation of the cantata "I Am". Students pictured are Jim Cheeks, Mark Herber, Bruce Boggess, and Mark Hoover.

OAA Students Enjoy a Different Approach to Week of Prayer

Speakers for the chapel services for this year's Student Week of Prayer at Ozark Adventist Academy were the students themselves. "It was nice to hear our peers speak," commented one student. "It was easy to relate to what they were saying."

Speakers included Beth Schelske, Bruce Boggess, Christi Mitchell, David Hicks, Julie Clapp, Eric Griffith, Carmalita Green and Michelle McConnell. Other students helped with the scripture reading, prayer and special music. Carmalita Green and Darlene Wightman gave the Sabbath morning sermon in the Gentry church.

Vespers in the church on Friday night was a student production of the cantata "I Am". This portrayed the last hours of Christ's life. Martha Kuykendall of Fort Smith (mother of stu-

dent Brandee Kuykendall, who played Mary) oversaw the production.

Musical director was Pam Roberts of Siloam Springs, whose son Jeremy played Pilate. Other performers were Bruce Boggess as Jesus; Gerald Jones and Mark Philpott as disciples; Jim Cheeks, Mark Herber and Mark Hoover as Roman soldiers. Students, faculty and parents made up the choir.

"The program required an enormous amount of practice," said Pam Roberts. "They really worked under a heavy schedule. For a group of teenagers, they did a very mature piece."

Recalling the actual performance, Pam spoke with emotion. "I could not help but feel the presence of the angels, and the presence of the Lord all seemed so real."

This was a Week of Prayer the students will long remember.

Maxine Abernathy
Communication Secretary

Oklahoma

JERRY BEEM, CORRESPONDENT

Oklahoma Pastors Will Be Evangelists During April and May

Oklahoma pastors met in Oklahoma City on March 11 for one purpose—to focus on spring evangelism. First there



Oklahoma pastors appreciated the presentations highlighting evangelism by (beginning at left) Gary Grimes, SIGNS Ministries director; Cyril Miller, Southwestern Union president; and Walter L. Wright, ministerial director of the Allegheny West Conference at their Ministerial Fellowship in March.

was united and intense prayer for the Lord's guidance and blessing. Following that plans were discussed and help was given to cover several specific areas.

The devotional message by Gary

Grimes, from Pacific Press Publishing Association, along with his emphasis of SIGNS evangelism; Southwestern Union President, Cyril Miller's demonstration on the use of the "Amazing Discoveries" series; and Allegheny West Conference Ministerial Director, Walter Wright's presentation on how to make effective appeals that lead to decisions, gave the pastors ideas on how to make their evangelism outreach more effective.

Dates and locations were set for 43 different sets of meetings. Four series are being held by guest evangelists, one of which has already been concluded.

Parkview Academy Celebrates History

"Freedom! As the time of the end nears, this word will take on new meaning for those who will be persecuted for Christ's sake." This was the statement that provided the theme for Parkview Adventist Academy's program celebrating the history of the United States.

Entitled "A Proud Nation," the program, filled with exciting drama about the first flag, and an interview with Abe Lincoln which led to the recitation

of the Gettysburg Address, inspired loyalty in the listeners. Songs, quotes and fun were also part of the program.

But how can a program of this nature be produced without recognizing Christ as the ultimate freedom-giver? The song, "Statue of Liberty" touched a chord of gentleness and pride and caused many to remember that Christ is the Christian's "Statue of Liberty."

Annette Park



Annie Hetterle, Katie Riggsby, Jennifer Litchfield, Dana Williams and Kristin Knutson as they helped present "The Making of the American Flag" at Parkview Academy.

Oklahoma Camp Meeting July 17-25, 1992

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"Faith of Our Fathers"
Congregation

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"It Is Well with My
Soul"
David Dersch

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Ellen G. White: Judy Abbott
Narration: David and Marilyn Dersch
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Adult Day Care Center Named in Honor of Ernest Wolfe

Ground breaking ceremonies for the construction of a new adult day care center in connection with the Eastern Oklahoma County Area Vocational Center, were held on March 5. The center will be named the Ernest Wolfe Adult Day Care Center, recognizing the support of Ernest for vocational education and his many years of service as a board member.

Vera, his wife, is a member of the advisory board that has guided the planning of the new center.

The Wolfes are well known and respected in the Choctaw-Jones-Harrah area. They are also well known by the Oklahoma Conference members for their support of Adventist education



Ernest and Vera Wolfe, third and fourth from the left, join with Eastern Oklahoma Vocational Center board members and advisory board members for the ground breaking ceremony for the new Ernest Wolfe Adult Day Care Center.

Ernest is currently a member of the Board of Trustees of Southwestern Adventist College and has served many years on the board of Parkview Adventist Academy. Their three daughters and eight grandchildren are products of Christian education. Their interest in the welfare of their fellow men has also extended to senior members through the donation of the land on which the Oklahoma Conference's Summit Ridge Retirement Center is built.

Investment at the Cincinnati Hills Church

The 17 member Cincinnati Hills church averaged over \$150 each for the 1991 Sabbath school Investment pro-

gram. Bertha Hill, Investment leader, inspired each one to have some type of project. A total of \$2,567.30 was reached for the year.

This year, 1992, began with a new poster picturing Jesus and the angels much closer to our earth than the previous year's poster. Children of the world, angels, and stars go on the device weekly to represent dollar contributions. Already the amount is up to \$517.

The church members feel that although they cannot go to mission lands, they can support the mission program, and they feel blessed doing so.

Mildred Murphy
Communication Secretary



Jack and Judy Stout on the left with Pat Milligan, church pastor, and Paula Lancaster and Eddy McBride following their January baptism. They learned the message through "Christian Home Videos", an outreach program of the Muskogee church.

Students Inspire church Members and Military with Music

The 31 members of the Royallaires and Handbells of Ozark Adventist Academy brought music, joy and inspiration to the members of the Lawton church and the Fort Sill military community when they visited Oklahoma recently under the direction of Tom Breece.

The Sabbath morning worship service featuring the choir, men's chorale, quintet and handbell choir brought inspiration to a full house. Narration was done by Erica Suttle, and the featured Royallaires soloist was Adrienne Elkins.

Arrangements for the students' visit were made by Fort Sill's Chaplain, Bob Davidson, who is also an elder of the Lawton church. After lunch he guided the group on a tour of Fort Sill and its facilities and to the Wichita Mountains to the nation's oldest Easter Pageant site on the grounds of the "Holy City."

A concert was given that evening to about 160 uniformed men in basic training who were enthusiastic in their applause. Several secular numbers were sung at the end, one of which was "Where Are all the Boys Gone?" This was given a standing ovation.

Sunday morning at the 9:30 and 11:00 o'clock services at the New Post Chapel allowed nearly 250 worshippers to be blessed by the Royallaires and Handbells. The acoustical architecture



The Royallaires of Ozark Adventist Academy as they performed at Lawton church.

of the chapel made their performance sound the very best.

The Royallaires won first place last May in Division One category at the Mid-West competition in Kansas City.

Trevor W. Thompson
Lawton Church Pastor

Boys Assume Hugo District Leadership

The 21 years William E. Boyd and his wife Susan, have given to the literature ministry provide a background of experience which should lead to a successful pastoral ministry. For 19 years Boyd was in a leadership position.

The district churches, Hugo, Durant, Idabel and Antlers expect to show growth and members will be enriched by the Boyd's leadership.

William and Susie Boyd's most recent service was in the Chesapeake

Conference. They have also worked in Southeastern California, New York and Pennsylvania Conferences. The family includes five sons, all of whom have been educated in Adventist schools and are active in Adventist churches.

Robert D. Rider, *President*



The new pastoral family at Hugo, Durant, Idabel and Antlers, William E. and Susan Boyd.

Southwest Region

ROBERT LISTER, CORRESPONDENT

LEGAL NOTICE:

Special Session Southwest Region Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

Notice is hereby given that a "Special Session" of the Southwest Region Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held at the Lone Star Camp, Athens, Texas, on June 21, 1992.

Registration for the Session is scheduled to begin at 8:30 p.m. on June 20, 1992. The purpose of the Session is to discuss, evaluate, and make revisions to the Constitution and By-Laws, and to transact other business as may properly come before the Session.

Each church is entitled to one delegate to represent the Church at the Session, and one additional delegate for each 35 members or the major fraction thereof.

R.L. Lister, *President*
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30th Anniversary Reunion Tour of 1962 King's Heralds Quartet

The 1962 King's Heralds quartet is together again for a reunion tour this summer. Traveling with Lonnie Melashenko and either H.M.S. Richards Jr. or Kenneth Richards, they will perform at camp meetings from California to Massachusetts, and from Florida to British Columbia.

The quartet—Bob Edwards, John Thurber, Wayne Hooper, and Jerry Dill—toured the North and South America during 1961-62, singing in English, Spanish, and Portuguese. After 30 years they are together again for a tour of the United States and Canada.

An album of their songs, recorded in 1961-62, is being released under the title, "Campmeeting Memories," and will be available at Adventist Book Centers.

Bob Edwards, first tenor in the King's Heralds for 24 years and then a VOP broadcast writer and producer for another 19 years, retired in 1990. He continues to do free-lance writing from Malibu, California, and enjoys giving Bible studies.

John Thurber, second tenor for six years, has been pastor, singing evangelist, and conference administrator, and is now a field representative for the Voice of Prophecy.

Wayne Hooper, baritone for 18



The Voice of Prophecy team, from left: H.M.S. Richards Jr., director-speaker; E. Lonnie Melashenko, associate director-speaker; the 1962 King's Heralds quartet today, beginning at left: Bob Edwards, Jerry Dill, Wayne Hooper and John Thurber.

years, continued as VOP music director and trust officer for 17 more years, retiring in 1980. He composes and publishes music at Thousand Oaks, California.

Jerry Dill, bass for 15 years, worked as pastor and singing evangelist in Hawaii and California. Since his retirement in 1989 he tends an almond ranch in Denair, California, and does guest preaching and singing.

Besides appearing at 12 camp meetings this summer, the King's Heralds of 1962 will perform in June at the national SDA retirees' meeting in Collegedale, Tennessee, and for a program in November that celebrates the 50th anniversary of the VOP Bible School.

The King's Heralds will be featured at the Texas Camp Meeting, June 12 and 13.

Texas Camp Meeting in Keene

"Open Door in 1992" will be the theme of the nine-day Texas Camp Meeting to be held on the campus of Southwestern Adventist College, June 5-13. Services begin Friday evening, 7:00 p.m. in the Leiske-Pultar Gymnasium with Dr. Calvin Rock, general vice-president of the General Conference, as speaker.

Dr. Rock, known as a master preacher, served as president of Oakwood College for many years. He will deliver the first Sabbath morning sermon as well as the evening messages, starting at 7:00 p.m. nightly.

Guests for the second Sabbath will be H.M.S. Richards Jr., Lonnie Melashenko, and the 1962 King's Heralds quartet. Elders Zhukaluk and Neikurs from the Ukraine will also be featured on June 13 during Sabbath school and the afternoon service.

Other special features of the Camp Meeting include daily devotional messages by Dr. C. Mervyn Maxwell; daily health lectures by Drs. Agatha Thrash and Sandi Wood; the Chuck Fulmore Trio; a Golden Sweetheart Banquet; a report from Royce Williams of It Is Written; a giant book sale on Sunday, June 7, at 10:00 a.m. and a selection of daily afternoon workshops Sunday through Friday.

San Marcos Students Sing for Homeless

The seven students in grades 1-5 of the San Marcos Junior Academy, under the direction of Carol Santee, sang and recited scripture at the Southside Community Center's Shelter for the Homeless in San Marcos.

Immediately following this, they presented the same program to a group of retired, out of state volunteers, who stopped over in San Marcos on their way home from a mission trip.

These seven students have also presented programs for the residents of the Hays Nursing Center and the elderly at the Springtown Villa Apartments in San Marcos.

Jack Santee
Teacher



San Marcos students, front row, left: Phoebe Izzo, Stephanie Brown, Joey Gaitan. Back row: Sarah Izzo, Steven Sowersby, Joshua Brown and Daniel Edmiston.

LEGAL NOTICES

Texas Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Session of the Texas Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held at Nameless Valley Ranch near Leander, Texas, on Sunday, May 17, 1992. The purpose of this meeting is to review the business of the Conference for the past year, to consider amendments to the constitution and by-laws, and to transact such other business as may properly come before the Conference.

The meeting is called for Sunday, 9:00 a.m. Each church is entitled to two regular delegates without regard to membership plus one regular delegate for each 40 members.

Robert H. Wood, President
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LEGAL NOTICES (Continued)

Texas Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists

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The meeting is called for Sunday, 9:00 a.m. Delegates of the Texas Conference of Seventh-day Adventists are also delegates to the Texas Conference Association.

Robert H. Wood, *President*
Cecil May, *Secretary*

Valley Grande Manor Association

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Session of the Texas Conference Valley Grande Manor Association will be held at Nameless Valley Ranch near Leander, Texas, on Sunday, May 17, 1992. The purpose of this meeting is to review the business of the Association for the past year, to consider amendments to the constitution and by-laws, and to transact such other business as may properly come before the Association.

The meeting is called for Sunday, 9:00 a.m. Delegates of the Texas Conference of Seventh-day Adventists are also delegates to the Valley Grande Manor Association.

Robert H. Wood, *President*
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DALLAS FIRST SDA CHURCH
40TH HOMECOMING

When: May 29 & 30, 1992

Where: Dallas First SDA Church and Dallas Junior Academy
4009 N. Central Expressway, Dallas, Texas

Speaker: Elder John Loo, President
Indiana Conference of Seventh-day Adventist
Former Pastor of Dallas First

Theme: Climbing the Pathway to Heaven

All current and former members of the Dallas First Church are invited to attend the Homecoming, Friday evening and Sabbath, May 29 & 30.

All former students of Dallas Junior Academy and Greater Dallas Academy are invited to attend and be a part of the Academy Alumni Association which will be formed that weekend. You will not want to miss this opportunity.

Potluck will follow the Sabbath morning service.

Former Pastors, Elders, Teachers and Friends mark your calendars to attend.

Contact Persons are Pastor Tom Lemon, (214) 528-1111 and Tomasla Leatherwood, (214) 826-9197.

New Church in Sanger

The Sanger Seventh-day Adventist church is a new name in the Texas



Founding members and visitors of Sanger SDA church. Front row beginning at left: Al Kirtley, first elder, James Petersen, lay pastor; second row: Amanda Duman, Daniel Linn; third row: Marion Kinney, Vernice Tarrer, Jerry Linn, Treva Petersen, Faye and Mel Duman; fourth row: Ed Morrow, Lydia Morrow (seated), Spencer Weber, Chris Martie, Bob Townsend, Charles and Marion Gaines, Debbie Linn, Wayne and Brenda Poe and Steve Schmidkofer.

Conference. Twenty-one members and visitors met together for the first time on February 1, 1992.

James Petersen, lay pastor, had been impressed for several months that he should begin a church in Sanger. The congregation testifies to having already received many blessings from beginning this new venture. The new company has been holding services at the Blue Mound Methodist Church.

Major officers have been elected and plans are in place to begin a Prophecy Seminar soon at the nearby YMCA in Denton. The other district area churches will join in this seminar program.

This new Sanger Company has a goal of doing God's will in evangelism and invites your prayers and assistance in this endeavor.

Allen Kirtley
Head Elder

Texico

GEORGE LLOYD, CORRESPONDENT

Alamogordo Church Keeps Active

The Alamogordo church has begun a small group ministry among its members. It has been found that integrating new believers into small groups within the church family is one of the best ways to attract and keep their interest. It is anticipated that the Prophecy Seminar currently being held will bring new people to the church. A personal witnessing class has also been started to help members know better how to witness to others. Regularly attending members are excited at the possibilities these programs will bring to them.

Over the past few months the church has been busy with a variety of activities. In November the church school students, assisted by adults, collected close to 100 sacks of food which made up 34 Thanksgiving baskets.

December was Ingathering month and again the school children helped with an Ingathering field day that raised nearly \$180 towards the goal. This is significant since the school has only eight students and half are under

Ben and Rachel Artiaga with Dan Schiffbauer, Jr., pastor of Alamogordo church.

the age of 10! This was the first time in six years the church had reached its goal.

In February two new members, Ben and Rachel Artiaga, joined the church through baptism. When their daughter and son-in-law were baptized two years ago, Ben and Rachel were angry and vowed they would never join the Adventist church. However, through the power of the Holy Spirit and the faithful efforts of church laymen, their hearts were softened and they changed their minds. They now believe the SDA church has the truth for this time.

It is with confidence and the joy of anticipation that the Alamogordo church members face the future knowing that God is guiding and blessing their efforts to further His kingdom.

Dan Schiffbauer, Jr.
Alamogordo Pastor

Midland Youth Inspire Congregation

Midland youth were on duty to greet worshipers from Odessa and Big Spring as well as Midland church on Youth Day. The timely theme for the all-day services presented by the young people was "End-time Events."

Well in advance of this day the youth and their sponsors (Denise Mattos and the youth department) had laid plans. Each participant knew what part they would play.

A banner asking "Are you ready for the Crisis of the Ages?" was displayed

across the platform. Three other banners put the Three Angels' Messages in the spotlight. Again and again the question was asked, "Are you ready for the tremendous events just ahead of us?"

Listeners were reminded of the inspired statement from *Education*, page 271: "With such an army of workers as our youth, rightly trained, might furnish, how soon the message of the crucified, risen and soon-coming Savior might be carried to the whole world."

The youth presented skits depicting individuals being tried for their faith during the time when they'll not be able to buy or sell without a card upholding Sunday laws. One young man was portrayed as being offered a better job with higher wages if he would renounce his faith. His biblical answer was, "What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul?" and he stood firm as he was dismissed with rudeness and

Members of the Adventist Youth Society in Midland who presented the program on Youth Day. From left: Verna Keener, Ro-an Pugao, Eric Mattos, Melanie Rusk, Adriana Baeza, Reo Pugao, Jim Wilson, Brittany Littlejohn, Carmen Calle.



threats. Some however, were depicted, sadly, as leaving the ranks of Sabbath-keepers and joining the enemy forces. The skits emphasized that there would be only two groups when believers reach that point in time.

Members and visitors realized that they should expect their faith to be sorely tried when all earthly support is withdrawn, that their earthliness must

be consumed and the image of Christ be "perfectly reflected" in them, *Great Controversy*, p 621.

After a fellowship meal the group shared their faith by distributing the book, *America in Prophecy*. The AYS program was followed by supper and an evening of social activities.

Evangeline Richman
Communication Secretary

a promising future.

In over 15 villages throughout Zaire, ADRA brings more than a daily supplement of milk for the children. Within a few months of arriving ADRA builds a school for about 200 students and arranges for the first teachers. Without these schools most of these children would never have the opportunity to go to school. For half the day the children are taught traditional subjects such as reading writing, math, and geography.

During the other half of the day they are taught how to grow their own grains, fruits, and vegetables. They are required to maintain their own garden, and frequently take home some of the produce.

The children are not the only ones given the chance to learn. Agriculture classes are held for adults, teaching them how to grow their own crops and which crops will be most beneficial in supporting their family.

ADRA also works with the people to develop a good clean source of water since the village water is usually contaminated. This usually means digging a well or building a supply line from a spring several miles away. This same water is used to irrigate the new gardens in the community.

Constructing a clinic and training village workers are also critically important. In the clinic preventive health classes are taught, immunizations are given and accidents and disease are treated.

ADRA's goal is to break the cycle of poverty and hunger that the people of Zaire have been experiencing for generations. Through each of these programs the people not only receive relief for their immediate needs but are given a chance to learn a better way of life.

On May 9, 1992, in Seventh-day Adventist churches throughout North America, the annual ADRA Disaster and Famine Relief offering will be taken. The offering will be used for projects like those implemented in Mwema's village as well as thousands of other relief and development projects. ADRA is working hard to make a difference in today's world, but we can't do it alone. Every gift of love you give on May 9 will bring a smile to the sad face of a small, hungry child like Mwema. Every gift will bring fresh water to villages where women have walked miles for fresh water daily, and every gift makes it possible for ADRA to provide vaccinations and medicines to children dying of preventable diseases and lack of basic vitamins.

By giving to the Disaster and Famine Relief Offering on May 9, you can give other children like Mwema a better life and a promising future.

Jodi McKellip, ADRA

General News

Volunteer for Adventure

Maranatha Volunteers International provides people of all ages the opportunity to serve Christ around the world and in the United States in the construction of urgently needed buildings. Skilled and unskilled workers are always welcome. Look over the list of future projects below and if you see one you would like to join or know more about contact Maranatha Volunteers International, 5240 Garfield Avenue, Sacramento, California 95841; (916) 344-4300.

Location	Project	Dates
Portland, Oregon	African/American Training Center	May 4-15
Union College Lincoln, Nebraska	Student Center & Campus Renovations	June 8-18
Union College Lincoln, Nebraska	Maranatha's 16th Annual Convention	June 18-20
Kamloops & Barriere B.C., Canada	Church addition and new church	July 6-23
The Ultimate workout	Church/Sabbath School	July 22-August 3
Bremerton, Washington	Bremerton SDA Church	August 2-16
Coquille, Oregon	Coquille SDA Church	September 6-26

Mwema's Tin Can

Dust swirls around Mwema's bare feet as she scoops dirt into her tin can and pretends to prepare a meal for her family just as her mother would do. This tin can is rarely out of Mwema's sight and is one of her most treasured possessions. Her two other toys consist of a small, handmade doll and a few stones in a plastic juice container, which she uses to play the version of jacks common in Zaire.

Unfortunately, neither this imaginary meal Mwema prepares or the one daily meal she eats are enough to provide her with the nourishment she needs.

Although both her mother and father work long days, their wages are less than \$100 a year and, like most families in rural Zaire, they are unable to buy adequate amounts of food for their family.

Fortunately, once a day Mwema's little tin can is turned into a cup and

filled by ADRA with as much milk as Mwema can drink. This daily nourishment has saved Mwema's life and begun her return to health. This, however, is not a long term solution. Much more needs to be done to ensure that Mwema will grow up healthy and have

Mwema clutches one of her most precious toys, a tin can which ADRA daily fills with milk.



The Makings of a Philanthropic Fundraiser

Adventist institutions and the philanthropic work of the church and its leaders are the focus of a new book released in late February by Jossey-Bass Publishers.

The San Francisco-based firm unveiled *The Makings of a Philanthropic Fundraiser: the Instructive Example of Milton Murray* at the annual convention of the National Society of Fund Raising Executives (NSFRE) held March 8-11 in San Francisco.

"We were very pleased that a firm as highly respected and influential in the academic and business world as Jossey-Bass was eager to do this book," said Debbie P Case, director of marketing for Maranatha Volunteers International and a board member of the Milton Murray Foundation for Philanthropy. "When we submitted the manuscript to four publishers in January, 1991, Jossey-Bass said 'yes' within 24 hours."

Milton Murray has been director of Philanthropic Service for Institutions since founding that department at the General Conference in 1973. The book examines the qualities and characteristics to which Murray's admirers, inside and outside the church, attribute his success and professional renown. Among them are leadership, creativity, anonymity, mentoring, calling, persistence, the common touch, and loyalty and commitment.

The Makings of a Philanthropic Fundraiser was written by Ronald Alan Knott, an editorial consultant for ADRA. The 230-page, hard-back book, with dust jacket, is available through the Potomac Adventist Book Center, 8400 Carroll Avenue, Takoma Park MD 20912 or directly from the publisher: Jossey-Bass, Inc., Publishers, 350 Sansome Street, San Francisco, CA 94104, tel, (415) 433-1767.

Family Farm Initiative

The formation of the Family Farm Initiative was announced recently by John Gavin, president of the North American Division Association of Community Services directors.

According to Gavin, who is helping to coordinate this unique initiative, "the Family Farm Initiative will focus on informing our leadership and church members of the crisis facing family farmers here in the United States. It will offer practical ways for individuals and local churches to become educated and involved. The family farm situation is not only a personal crisis for our

brothers and sisters who are farmers, but it portends a crisis of pure food for our nation's tables."

"Issues of family farmers strike close to home for Adventists," states Monte Sahlin, North American Division community services coordinator. "Adventist heritage is rooted in farms and farming communities. Healthy living, which is a unique focus of Adventism, centers around pure food, fresh air and exercise. Healthy family farms ensure a continued supply of pure food and an approach to small scale sustainable agriculture that respects the environment," Sahlin concludes.

For more information about the Family Farm Initiative or to receive a free "Support Kit" outlining practical efforts you or your church can take to help keep pure food on our tables and family farmers on their land, write or call: Adventist Community Services Family Farm Initiative/ Attn. John Gavin, 502 Sligo Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301) 585-6556.

Steps to Christ to be Printed in Albanian

For the first time, *Steps to Christ*, will be printed in the Albania language with the General Conference approval

of a subsidy to help fund the project which will print 20,000 copies of the 134-page book.

Although *Steps to Christ*, the most translated of Ellen G. White's books, has been printed in 145 languages and dialects, the Albania language is not closely related to any other European language.

Early efforts to establish an Adventist presence in Albania were unsuccessful until 1938 when D.C. Lewis, an Albania, returned to his homeland after hearing the Adventist message in America. Once in Albania, Lewis shared his faith; as a result four people accepted his message.

Contact with Albania Adventists was lost during World War II and communist partisans took control of the country in 1944. From 1967 to 1990, Albania outlawed public worship and closed all religious institutions. Prior to 1974, the church knew of only one faithful Adventist in the country.

Radio broadcasts in Albania began March 5, 1991, on Radio Pristina in neighboring Yugoslavia, and in July, 1991, ADRA representatives signed a contract allowing ADRA to provide humanitarian aid to Albania.

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Mr. and Mrs. Joe B. Pate recently celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary with a reception at the home of their children, Joe and Sandy Pate. Co-hosts were their other children, Dr. and Mrs. Roy Matthews of Sacramento, California, and Oleta Pate of Newport Beach, California. Joe Pate and the former Doris Sullivan were married in Lubbock on January 22, 1927. They have 13 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.



EDMUND AND SOPHIE KLUTE celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary March 10. Edmund is a retired minister who served 27 years in Europe and 37 years in the United States. He still responds to occasional requests for speaking appointments. The Klutes live in Gentry, Arkansas.

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"Mr. and Mrs. Floyd C. Sell celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception at Little Rock Adventist Academy . . .", began the story carried in both state papers published in Little Rock, Arkansas, September 1, 1991.

Floyd and Dorothy Sell have been members of the Seventh-day Adventist church long enough to have assisted in the building of both the "old" and the "new" sanctuary, Floyd was the chairman of the building committee on the last structure.

The Sells have served their church actively both before and after retirement. "Miss Dorothy" is remembered for the Sabbath School class teaching she did for 20 years beginning with the children and progressing to the youth.

Dorothy and Floyd are kind, unselfish folks who expect no recognition or fame for their good works. Like that Man 2,000 years ago, they go about doing good.

Mary Margaret Richey
Communication Secretary



A 50th wedding anniversary reception was hosted by family members honoring Margaret Lee and P. Jerry Austin, members of the Woodward, Oklahoma, church. The Austins were married August 28, 1941, in Little Rock.

Following over 41 years of denominational service, the Austins returned to the Austin family homestead for retirement years. They are strong supporters of the Woodward church, holding a number of major offices.

For six years they were missionaries at the Malamulo Hospital in Malawi, Africa. They recently gave two months of volunteer service in Malawi. For 15 years they served at Loma Linda University in the medical technology and nursing fields. Other years of service included the New England Memorial Hospital, White Memorial Medical Center and Central Texas Medical Center in San Marcos, Texas.

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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.

SECOND INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS ON ADVENTIST NUTRITION, June 25-28, 1992, at General Conference headquarters in Silver Spring, MD. Cost, \$120 (or \$110 if pre-registered before May 22, 1992). Outstanding lectures. For

information/registration contact NAD Health and Temperance Dept., 12501 Old Columbia Pike, Silver Spring, MD 20904, or call 800/253-3000. 5-1t

ATTENTION SINGLES. Spring into summer May 15-17 at Mammoth Springs, AR, with the Arkansas chapter of Adventist Singles Ministries and special guest, Gene Anderson, national president. Visit scenic parks on the Arkansas-Missouri border. Canoeing Spring River optional. Cost without canoe: member, \$30; non-member, \$35; child, \$15. For registration or information call Taresa Cochran, 501/966-4614. 5-1t

SINGLES DAY, July 4, 1992, at the Joplin, MO, SDA church. For complete information call Patty Putnam, 417/623-1570. 5-1t

GLENDALE ADVENTIST ACADEMY ALUMNI. Please make plans now to attend alumni homecoming weekend and May festival May 2 & 3, 1992. A full weekend of activities is planned. Honor classes include: 1942, 1952, 1962, 1972, and 1982. All graduates and former staff are encouraged to send current addresses and phone numbers to: Alumni Records, Glendale Adventist Academy, 700 Kimlin

Dr., Glendale, CA 91026 or call 818/244-8671. 5-1t

HOMECOMING FOR ADELPHIAN ACADEMY, HOLLY CHAPTER. Attention graduates, former students and faculty. This year's annual alumni homecoming will be held June 12-13 at Adelpian Junior Academy, Holly, MI. Honor classes will be 1922, 1932, 1942, 1952, 1962, 1967, 1972, and 1982. Sabbath potluck dinner will follow church service. For more information contact Connie Day at 517/693-6003. 5-1t

OUR ADVENTIST HERITAGE SEMINAR, June 15-21, 1992, sponsored by Andrews University, offers opportunities for fellowship

and additional insights into the heritage of our church. Spend a week this summer learning more about the issues you are interested in. Call 616/471-3360 or contact Elder Onesimo Mejia at the Southwestern Union Conference office, 817/295-0476. 5-1t

ATTENTION ALL SENIOR WORKERS. The 11th Annual Convocation of Retired Workers convenes at Southern College, College-dale, TN, June 10-15, 1992. There is still room in the dormitories. For information/registration write: D. A. Delafield, Coordinator of Retiree Affairs, General Conference of SDA, 12501 Old Columbia Pike, Silver Spring, MD 20904 or phone 301/680-6816. 5-1t



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Obituaries

ABSTON, Elbert H., was born May 22, 1922, in Ravencroft, TN, and died Feb. 27, 1992, in Oklahoma City, OK. He was a member of the Oklahoma City Southern Hills church. After his early retirement he worked for two years as a lay assistant to the Oklahoma Conference evangelist. Survivors: wife, Veda, Harrah, OK; daughter, Donita Lawless, Harrah; son, Philip, Oklahoma City; and 3 grandchildren.

AKENS, John T., was born Dec. 19, 1914, in Warren, AR, and died Dec. 28, 1991, in Sibley, LA. He was a member of the Texarkana church. Survivors: wife, Morris, Sibley; son, Mickey, Sibley; sister, Marg Baker, Malvern, AR; Mike Tomlinson

Benton; sister, Julia Starks, Keene, TX; 9 grandchildren; and 3 great grandchildren. Clarence Hoag

BEAN, Gertrude Martha, was born Dec. 19, 1908, in Hemlock, MI, and died Jan. 21, 1992, in Harrah, OK. She was a member of the Summit Ridge church in Harrah. Survivors: husband, Haskell, Harrah; sons, William, Cut-in-Shoot, TX, and James, Layton, UT; 6 grandchildren; and 7 great grandchildren. Vernell Gordon

BENDER, Esther Jane, was born April 14, 1910, in Shattuck, OK, and died Jan. 21, 1992, in Grants Pass, OR. Survivors: brother, David Bender, Shattuck; sisters, Hilda Kretz and Evelyn Bender, both of Higgins, TX; Mary Lou Pote, Modesto, CA; Genevieve Exell, Bovina, TX; and several nieces and nephews. Virginia Burton

BRYANT, Marie Kinder, was born Dec. 14, 1908, in Harper County, OK, and died Jan. 3, 1992, in Oklahoma City, OK. She was a member of the Oklahoma City Central church. Survivors: husband, Elwood, Oklahoma City; daughters, Sylvia Hanks, Oklahoma City, Doris Gordon, Mustang, OK, Dorothy Williams, Luther, OK, Barbara LeBlanc, Mena, AR, and Mary Frances Smith, Tulsa, OK; and son, Clyde Kinder, Washington, D.C. Mary Ann Matthews

CALDWELL, Elwin Merrill, was born April 2, 1911, in Larnard, KS, and died Feb. 3, 1992, in Tulsa, OK. He was a member of the Tulsa church. Survivors: wife, Lera, Tulsa; sons, Donald, Tulsa, Harold, Sand Springs, OK, Ronnie, Lake Charles, LA, and Lloyd, Prattville, OK; daughters, Elvena Lee, Yale, OK, Nelda Faye LaBlanc, Sand Springs, OK, Laverle Root, San Jose, CA, and Judy Neal, San Jose, CA; 36 grandchildren; and 33 great grandchildren. John Moyer

COBB, Alice Maxine, a member of the Oklahoma City, OK, Central church, died Dec. 12, 1991, in Guthrie, OK. Mary Ann Matthews

DENNIS, Charles A., was born Nov. 20, 1914, in Avinger, TX, and died Dec. 31, 1991, in Conway, AR. He was a member of the Little

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ANDRICHAK, Oneta, was born Oct. 22, 1904, in Canton, MO, and died Jan. 14, 1992, in Oklahoma City, OK. She was a member of the Oklahoma City Central church. Survivors: stepsons, John Andrichak, Alexander, VA, Michael Andrichak, Stone Mountain, GA, and William Andrichak, NJ; and sister, Margaret Mann, Whittier, CA. Mary Ann Matthews

BAKER, Sibyl Marie, was born Sept. 16, 1907, in Alma, AR, and died Jan. 12, 1992, in Bristow, OK. She was a member of the Bristow church. Survivors: husband, Cly, Bristow; sons, Johnny and Russell "Buddy", both of Bristow; 6 grandchildren; and 11 great grandchildren. Ertis Johnson

BARDON, Mary, was born April 21, 1892, in Holstein, Russia, and died Dec. 29, 1991, in Elk City, OK. She was a member of the Shattuck, OK, church. Survivors: daughters, Irene Herber, Shattuck, Betty Lou Forss, College Place, WA, and Eva Lee Hunter, Elk City; 5 grandchildren; 7 great grandchildren; and 2 great, great grandchildren. Virginia Burton

BEAM, Edward, was born May 27, 1914, in Pearcy, AR, and died Mar. 13, 1992, in Little Rock, AR. He was a member of the Benton church. Survivors: wife, Ruth, Benton; sons, Jesse, Supply, NC, and Bobby, Benton, AR; daughters, Phyllis Rickard, Paron, AR, Shirley Vargo and Sherry Rone, both of

Rock, AR, church. Survivors: wife, Dorothy, Little Rock; sons, John, Dallas, TX, and Coy Vance, North Little Rock, AR; daughters, Ella Purkis and Bonnie Wesson, both of Little Rock; brothers, Cecil and Leon, both of Oklahoma; sisters, Faye Dibbler and Maye Stephenson, both of Oklahoma; 5 grandchildren; and 1 great grand-children.

Stephen Orian

DIEHL, Matilda, was born Feb. 22, 1911, in Ellensdale, ND, and died Dec. 23, 1991, in Hot Springs, AR. She was a member of the Hot Springs church. Survivors include two brothers, Herbert and Fred Mattheis, both of North Dakota.

Robert Forbes

DUNGAN, Lovena, was born May 17, 1907, in Pine Island, MN, and died Nov. 20, 1991, in Palestine, TX. She was a member of the Rusk, TX, church. Survivors: son, Larry, Jacksonville, FL; sister, Norma Hodde, Simonton, TX; and several grand-children. Martha Hudnall

FULBRIGHT, Joseph W., was born Feb. 1, 1912, in Mt. Pleasant, AR, and died Feb. 26, 1992, in Fayetteville, AR. He was a member of the Gentry church. Survivors: wife, Marie, Gentry, AR; son, Rodney, Apopka, FL; brothers, Harry Fulbright, Little Rock, AR, and Corlis Sherrill, Tulsa, OK; sister, Lorraine Robeson, Batesville, AR; and 4 grandchildren. Glenn Hill

FURRA, Vivianne, was born Mar. 6, 1905, in Thorsby, AL, and died Dec. 7, 1991, in Jacksonville, TX. She was a member of the Rusk, TX, church. Survivors: daughters, Peggy Ann Stewart, Tallahassee, FL, and Wanda Jean Elkins, Odessa, FL; sister, Muriel Furia, Cushing, TX; 5 grandchildren; and 7 great grandchildren. Martha Hudnall

HAUGHEY, Faye, was born May 24, 1904, in Arcadia, LA, and died Jan. 13, 1992, in Hot Springs, AR. Survivors: daughter, Betty Lou Thomas, Hot Springs; brothers, Jack Colvin, Alexandria, LA, and Dallas Colvin, Jefferson, TX; and sisters, Dela Rader and Lennis Bohart, both of Palestine, TX.

Robert Forbes

HENDERSON, Maurine, was born July 17, 1918, in Amarillo, TX, and died Feb. 13, 1992, in Alpine, CA. Burial was in Shreveport, LA. Survivors: husband, John, Alpine; daughters, Barbara Carner, Alpine, and Dorothy Hamlin, Orlando, FL; sister, Jeanice Griffin, Longview, TX; and 1 granddaughter.

Herman Griffin

JOHANN, Robert Kenneth, was born May 1, 1913, in Broughton, IL, and died Feb. 26, 1992, in Keene, TX. He was a member of the Keene church. Survivors: wife, Nola,

Keene; daughters, Phyllis Hayes, Grapevine, TX, and Lela Ruth Brown, North Canton, OH; and 2 grandchildren.

JOHNSON, Esther Lorraine, was born Jan. 13, 1920, in Big Sandy, TN, and died Jan. 17, 1992, in Belton, TX. She and her husband were actively involved with Maranatha Missions International and Mission Projects, Inc. Survivors: husband, Arnold, Belton; sons, Eustace, Tucson, AZ, and Thomas, Colorado Springs, CO; and 4 grandchildren. Arnold Johnson

JUSTIN, Begum, was born Oct. 15, 1910, in Pakistan, and died Dec. 30, 1991, in Weslaco, TX. With her late husband, Elder M. R. Justin, she served the SDA church for many years in Pakistan. Survivors: daughters, Akhtar Anwar, New York, and Maxine Dean and Beulah Moses, both of Houston, TX; sons, Melvin, Weslaco, Maxwell, Houston, and Bromwell, New York; 2 sisters; 2 brothers; 15 grandchildren; and 1 great grandchild. Harold White

LAMB, Willis Garland, was born April 19, 1926, in Sallisaw, OK, and died Feb. 27, 1992, in Tulsa, OK. He was a member of the Tulsa church. Survivors: wife, Elsie, Tulsa; sons, Willis, Jr., Sallisaw, and Charles, Branson, MO; daughter, Carla Duncan, Tulsa; stepdaughter, Pat McKinley, Tulsa; sister, Naomi Stewart, Maricopa, AZ; 10 grandchildren; and 6 great grandchildren.

LEE, Elsie May, was born Feb. 9, 1921, in Hodgeman County, KS, and died Jan. 20, 1992, in Siloam Springs, AR. She was a member of the Siloam Springs church. Survivors: husband, Marion, Gentry, AR; 13 children; 8 brothers and sisters; 42 grandchildren; and 25 great grandchildren. Ken Simpson

MEISSINGER, Olinda, was born Dec. 5, 1920, in Lahoma, OK, and died Dec. 16, 1991, in Oklahoma City, OK. She was a member of the Okeene, OK, church. Survivors: son, Jerry, Oklahoma City; daughter, Lillian Halverson, Oklahoma City; and 5 grandchildren.

MCCRAY, Wilma H., was born June 26, 1912, in Wynn, AR, and died Dec. 18, 1991, in Forrest City, AR. Survivors: daughter, Carolyn Scott, Marvel, AR; and sons, William, Salt Lake City, UT, and Henry, Conway, AR. Brian Danese

MILLER, Eula Maye, was born Aug. 11, 1908, in Hollis, OK, and died Feb. 9, 1992, in Tyler, TX. She was a member of the Lewisville, TX, church. Survivors: husband, Charles Henry, Lewisville; daughter, Kathy Davis, Tyler; and 1 grandson. Burial was in Dallas, TX.

Richelle Rigatti

MURRAY, Nolie Mae, was born April 27, 1912, in Bellwood, LA, and died Mar. 6, 1992, in Alexandria, LA. She was a member of the Alexandria church. Survivors: sisters, Laura Thibodeaux and Thelma Goolsby, both of Sulphur, LA, and Theda Melcher, Tioga, LA; brother Jesse Murray, Mobile, AL; and several nieces and nephews.

PAENITZ, Herman, was born April 19, 1902, and died Feb. 9, 1992, in McDade, TX. Survivors: sons, Nolan, Gainsville, TX, Delbert, Elgin, TX, and Melvin, Nacogdoches, TX; brothers, Helmut, LaVernia, TX, and Nowald, Arlington, TX; sisters, Hulda Brietske, San Antonio, TX, and Nelda Dunkses, Arlington; 9 grandchildren; and 7 great grandchildren. Services were conducted in Elgin by George Harsha. Irene Herr

PERDUE, Jack, was born April 28, 1928, in Slayton, TX, and died Jan. 10, 1992, in Tom Bean, TX. He was a member of the Olsen Park church in Amarillo, TX. Survivors: wife, Maurine, Amarillo; son, James, Amarillo; daughters, Pamela Leigh, Lubbock, TX, and Diane Gray, OK; mother, Dana Perdue, Tom Bean; sister, Wilma Adams, Tom Bean; and 8 grandchildren. Anna Swingle

PERRY, Dorothy Johanna, was born Mar. 18, 1904, in Winone, MN, and died Jan. 31, 1992, in Fort Smith, AR. Survivors: husband, Roy, Fort Smith; daughters, Marge Collins and Patricia Plymale, both of Charleston, AR; sons, Dick, Fort Smith, and Bud, Houston, TX; sisters, Ruth Londo and Myrtle Enger, both of Minneapolis, MN; and brothers, Floyd and Kenny Harris, both of Minneapolis.

Harold Wightman

ROGERS, Vera Pendley, Mar. 6, 1900, in Marlow, OK, and died Nov. 4, 1991, in Oklahoma City, OK. Survivors: son, Darrell, Rush Springs, OK; daughters, Gwen Benton, Hixson, TN, and Ramona Swenor and Koleta Rogers, both of Oklahoma City.

Mary Ann Matthews

SCHNEIDER, Elma, was born June 21, 1903, in Rush County, KS, and died May 28, 1991, in Harrah, OK. She was a member of the Summit Ridge church in Harrah. Survivors include several nieces and nephews. Vernell Gordon

SPRING, Glenn E., was born June 2, 1908, in Hot Springs, AR, and died Feb. 26, 1992, in Fort Worth, TX. He was a member of the Arlington, TX, church. Survivors: wife, Ellen, Fort Worth; daughter, Carolyn Dickinson, Walla Walla, WA; sons, Glenn, Jr., Walla Walla, and Harry, Arlington; and 8 grandchildren.

STEWART, Evelyn M., was born Dec. 22, 1912, in Afton, OK, and died Feb. 26, 1992, in Adair, OK. She was a member of the Miami, OK, church. Survivors: stepson, Marvin Clyde Stewart, Wichita, KS; brothers, Glen and Charles Kinzer, both of Miami, OK, and Robert Henry Kinzer, Claremore, OK; sisters, Lucille Edwards and Gelelah Dowell, both of Miami, OK, and Helen Whitesell and Nora Davis, both of Adair, OK.

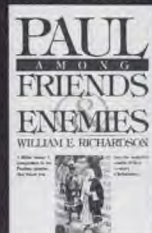
TULL, Sue, was born Aug. 25, 1941, in Hobart, OK, and died Dec. 21, 1991, in Tulsa, OK. Survivors: husband, Irvin, Tulsa; and daughters, Terri Banes, Broken Arrow, OK, and Lori Shue, Tulsa. John Moyer

WAGAR, Harold Kenneth, was born July 7, 1908, in Watertown, NY, and died Jan. 31, 1992, in Springdale, AR. He was a member of the Gentry, AR, church. Survivors: wife, Jean, Gentry; son, Clayton Sahly, Langley, BC; daughters, Orrene Smith, Fullerton, CA, Sylvia Mackoshy, Ottawa, Ontario, and Jeannine Wagar, St. Paul, MN; 7 grandchildren; and 1 great grandchild. Glenn Hill

WALKER, Hazel, was born Feb. 11, 1914, in Kaufman County, TX, and died Feb. 4, 1992, in Grand Prairie, TX. Survivors: son, Gary, Grand Prairie; daughter, Janis Mayfield, Jefferson, TX; brother, L. N. Whitsel, Cedar Creek Lake, TX; 4 grandchildren; and 4 great grandchildren. Joyce Whitcomb

WISE, Mabel, was born April 20, 1888, in Franklin, IN, and died Mar. 6, 1992, in Conroe, TX. She was a member of the Conroe church. Survivors: daughter, Doris Darnell, Willis, TX; son, James Wise, Houston, TX; 4 grandchildren; 7 great grandchildren; 4 great, great grandchildren; and 2 great, great grandchildren. Don McAnally

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Amarillo, Texas	8:32	8:38	8:43	8:49	8:54	8:59
Brownsville, Texas	8:01	8:05	8:08	8:12	8:16	8:19
Dallas, Texas	8:09	8:14	8:19	8:24	8:28	8:32
El Paso, Texas	7:46	7:51	7:56	8:01	8:05	8:09
Fort Worth/Keene, Texas	8:11	8:16	8:21	8:26	8:30	8:34
Galveston/Houston, Texas	7:55	8:00	8:04	8:08	8:12	8:16
Gentry, Arkansas	8:04	8:10	8:16	8:21	8:26	8:31
Little Rock, Arkansas	7:53	7:59	8:04	8:10	8:15	8:19
Muskogee, Oklahoma	8:07	8:13	8:19	8:24	8:29	8:34
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Shreveport, Louisiana	7:56	8:01	8:06	8:11	8:16	8:20
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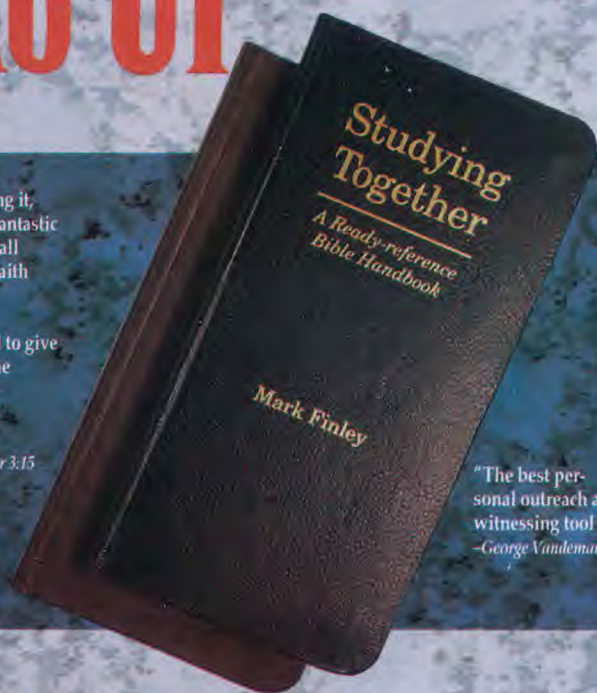
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