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# **C**HANGED

## **By His Power**

*There is a vast power in the church when the energies of the members are under the control of the Spirit, gathering good from every source, educating, training, and disciplining self. Thus is presented to God a powerful organization, through which He can work for the conversion of sinners. Thus heaven and earth are connected, and all divine agencies cooperate with human instrumentalities. My Life Today, p. 39*

### **What will cause the status quo in our lives and the life of the church to change?**

The church must arouse to action. The Spirit of God can never come in until she prepares the way. There should be earnest searching of heart. There should be united, persevering prayer and through faith a claiming of the promises of God. There should be . . . deep humiliation of soul. *1 Selected Messages, p. 126*

### **When can we expect this to happen?**

The descent of the Holy Spirit upon the church is looked forward to as in the future; but it is the privilege of the church to have it now. *Evangelism, p. 701*

### **What is hindering Christ's return?**

It is the unbelief, the worldliness, unconsecration, and strife among the Lord's professed people that have kept us in this world of sin and sorrow so many years. *Manuscript 4, 1883*

### **What is God looking for in His church?**

Notice that it was after the disciples had come into perfect unity, when they were no longer striving for the highest place, that the Spirit was poured out. They were of one accord. All differences had been put away. . . Then it was that the Holy Spirit was poured out, and thousands were converted in a day. *Evangelism, p. 698, 699*

The reason that the Lord does not manifest His power more decidedly is because there is so little spirituality among those who claim to believe the truth. *Testimonies to Ministers, p. 424*

### **What will bring about a change?**

We need the softening, subduing, refining influence of the Holy Spirit every hour of the day. . . We need to be on guard

*The cover is a painting especially commissioned to depict the Adventist Church's objective for 1993, "Seeking His Spirit for Service." The flame depicts the power of the Holy Spirit which comes from outside one's self. It comes through prayer (hands) to unshackle us from ties that bind us to things that are earthly and empowers us for service.*

# **C**HANGE...

## **How Does It Come About?**

If you'd known him before he came to Christ, you too would marvel at the difference God has made in his life. As a young man Amos Russell was nicknamed Moose, because he was so big and strong. Along with that he had a hot temper and would flare at the slightest provocation. And he'd use his Golden Glove boxing skills to take care of the problem. Moose belonged to a band that played hot jazz, he drank heavily, took drugs and was intolerant of those who got in his way.

"That's how he was when I first met him," says Mary, his wife. "He was angry at the world, angry at the system and angry at the Whites because of the way he and his people, the Muskogee Creek Indians, had been treated through the years. Growing up in an Indian reservation, he knew a lot about depravation, intolerance, discrimination and stereotyping. He had experienced them all. His grandmother was one who had survived the 'Trail of Tears,' and he'd heard those sad stories many times. Love, kindness and equality were not part of his vocabulary."

In 1973 Amos became very ill and had surgery. Mary, alarmed at his deteriorating condition, looked around for someone who could pray for him. She recalled a verse she had learned in Sabbath school as a child which said that "the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much."

"Because I had not prayed to God for many years, I felt He would not hear me," Mary said. "Fortunately I found a Christian man who was willing to pray for Amos."

When Mary returned to his hospital room a little later she realized there had been a change, not only in his physical condition, but in his attitude.

"God has put me on my feet," Amos said. "I could feel myself getting better as that Christian man was praying. I know God did it!"

Both Amos and Mary began attending church. They visited many, looking for the right one. Amos knew no scripture except one Bible verse, John 3:16. He had

*Take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares*

Luke 21:34



continually lest we manifest the spirit of overbearing, criticism, and condemnation. . . We are to work as did Christ—to draw, to build up, not to tear down. It is natural for some to be sharp and dictatorial, to lord it over God's heritage; and because of the manifestation of these attributes, precious souls have been lost to the cause. The reason that men have manifested these unpleasant characteristics is because they have not been connected with God. *Testimonies to Ministers*, p. 223

### **What should we personally be doing?**

Seek for it, pray for it, believe for it. We must have it, and heaven is waiting to bestow it. *Evangelism*, p. 701

### **Is there a select group who will receive the Holy Spirit?**

The Spirit is poured out upon all who will yield to its prompting, and, casting off all man's machinery, his binding rules and cautious methods, they will declare the truth with the might of the Spirit's power. *Review & Herald*, July 23, 1895

The reason why God can do so little for us is that we forget that living virtue in the Holy Spirit is to combine with the human agent. . . Under the Holy Spirit's power we could become living channels of light. We could then approach the mercy seat; . . . kneel with contrite hearts, and seek the kingdom of heaven with a spiritual violence that would bring its own reward. We would take it by force, as did Jacob. Then our message would be the power of God unto salvation. Our supplications would be full of earnestness, full of sense of our great need; and we would not be denied. *Sons and Daughters*, p. 30

### **What is the biggest obstacle to the outpouring of the Holy Spirit?**

When we have entire whole-hearted consecration to the service of Christ, God will recognize the fact by an outpouring of His spirit without measure, but this will not be while the largest portion of the church are not laborers together with God. *Review & Herald*, July 21, 1896.

### **What are the conditions for becoming empowered with the Holy Spirit?**

The measure of the Holy Spirit we receive will be proportionate to the measure of our desire and the faith exercised for it, and the use we shall make of the light and knowledge that shall be given to us. We shall be entrusted with the Holy Spirit according to our capacity to receive and our ability to impart it to others. *Review & Herald*, May 5, 1896

### **What will happen when we are empowered by the Holy Spirit?**

The Holy Spirit is the breath of spiritual life in the soul. The impartation of the Spirit is the impartation of the life of Christ. It imbues the receiver with the attributes of Christ. Only those who are thus taught of God, those who possess the inward working of the Spirit, and in whose life the Christ-life is manifested, are to stand as representative men, to minister in behalf of the church. *Desire of Ages*, p. 805

learned this as a boy on the reservation, because a Christian lady who came with cookies would insist that each child recite it before she'd give them a cookie.

People began to notice a change in Amos. "What has happened?" they would say. "Amos is different. He's no longer angry, he's more approachable, and he's more gentle."

It's true; that hospital stay and the encounter with a God who hears and answers prayers was causing Amos to take a close look at his life. Inwardly he was struggling with his background in spirit worship and this real encounter with the God of heaven.

Both Mary and Amos spent a lot of time praying and fasting. They were looking for that which was missing in their lives. They went from church to church seeking that "something." Finally they found a little Indian church where they felt comfortable and where they'd sometimes spend a whole night in prayer.

One night while they were praying in the church, Amos became quite emotional. A man of few words, he had difficulty expressing his feelings. Mary suggested he go and stand behind the

pulpit. As he stood there he began to weep saying, "I can't do it, I can't do it!" And then, after a time of silence, he began to preach to this empty church. Finally he turned to Mary and said, "Mary, I must become a minister."

And that's how it was that, at age 55, with little schooling and no biblical background, Amos prepared for the ministry. It was a struggle to learn so much, but the Lord helped him get through.

For six years Mary and Amos volunteered their Sundays and Thursday nights at the American Alcohol and Drug Rehabilitation Center in Fort Worth, and it was during this time that Kenneth Cox, a well-known Adventist evangelist, came to town. Mary had known him years before while she was an active church member, so one night, on her own, she went to his meeting. The next night she invited Amos to go with her.

"From then on Amos didn't miss a study. When Thursday night came around and he told me he had found a substitute to work for him at the Rehab center, I knew he was serious about attending the meetings," said Mary. "Each night he'd bring the evening's study home and go over it in his office. I was amazed at how much he remembered of each meeting!"

Sometime during the meetings when Cox visited in their home, Amos turned to Mary and said, "I have to become a Seventh-day Adventist, Mary. I don't know how you'll feel about this, but that is my decision."





# The Year 1993...

**Will it be the year that  
marks the beginning of  
end time?**

**The year when all believers  
go all out for Christ?**

"You know," Mary replied, "the minute I walked into that first meeting, I said to myself, 'Now I've come home!' All the years I was out of the church, I still knew deep down in my heart what was truth. Amos, I went with you to all those other churches knowing that I could never join any of them, for there is only one true church and that's the Seventh-day Adventist Church."

After studying and becoming firmly grounded in the church, Amos and Mary decided to sell their home and move to Waterflow, New Mexico, to work for the Indians living there. After only one year, however, Amos had a heart attack which forced them to move back to Fort Worth. The doctors discovered Amos also had the beginnings of Alzheimers and Parkinson's disease. His health began to deteriorate quite rapidly. Mary was warned that he would probably not live long.

"Well, I can't do much anymore," Amos told his pastor, Norman Yeager, "but I can pray for others." And so it was that people began coming to Amos to lift their names in prayer. Many people were encouraged through this ministry.

Then Amos prayed for himself, "If you have anything else I can do for You, please lift this cloud from my mind," and immediately he felt a change in his body. He was able once more to think clearly and to function normally.

"I couldn't believe the change that took place in his voice," Mary explained. "God performed another miracle on his behalf. And now for three years he has been working for others. We've been back to Monument Valley a number of times where Amos has spoken at the Native American camp meetings. He's had the joy of seeing 23 young people take their stand for Christ, and he's met our first Native American minister who has come to work for his own people in Waterflow. God has blessed us over and over again. He has performed so many miracles on our behalf."

By the working of God's spirit and by His grace, Amos, the fighter, the jazz player, the angry one, has been changed into a soft, gentle giant for God. And now, as his health is deteriorating once more, he is ready, once again to submit to God's will. "It's in God's hands," says Mary. "We'll accept whatever comes our way, knowing that we have followed our God as faithfully as we know how."

*The wind is heard among the branches of the trees. . . So with the work of the Holy Spirit upon the heart. It can no more be explained than can the movements of the wind. A person may not be able to tell the exact time or place, or to trace all the circumstances in the process of conversion; but this does not prove him to be unconverted. By an agency as unseen as the wind, Christ is constantly working upon the heart. Little by little. . . impressions are made that tend to draw the soul to Christ. These may be received through meditating upon Him, through reading the Scriptures, or through hearing the word from the living preacher. Suddenly, as the Spirit comes with more direct appeal, the soul gladly surrenders itself to Jesus. By many this is called sudden conversion; but it is the result of a long wooing by the Spirit of God—a patient, protracted process.* Desire of Ages, p. 172

Sensing the urgency of the times and the need for the church to prepare for Christ's coming, the North American Division, under the leadership of President A.C. McClure, urged all delegates to the NAD year-end meeting to take the initiative and to encourage their respective constituencies to bond together in a most earnest prayer offensive for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Using the theme of "Seeking His Spirit for Service" a whole morning was devoted to a time of prayer and planning for 1993.

## Union and conference leaders were challenged to

1. Focus on the truth that Prayer Works—that God will send the Holy Spirit to those who pray for it.
2. Determine by their own example and influence to make "Seeking His Spirit for Service" as an urgent priority.
3. Develop plans at the union, conference and local church levels to encourage a prayer offensive for 1993.
4. Appoint a layperson from each conference who would take leadership in sponsoring prayer groups throughout the conference churches.
5. Conference leadership and pastors consider the advantages of appointing women to lead out in some of the prayer groups.
6. Band together in the greatest prayer endeavor in which this church has ever participated, with all persons and entities being invited to focus on the truth that Prayer Works.

## Some of these proposals are already under way in conferences throughout the Southwest.

• **Arkansas Louisiana Conference** has a prayer base of more than 750 individuals who are following the 6:15 Morning Prayer Watch. These members have signed a commitment to pray daily for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Each of these families has a "table tent" and a 6:15 Prayer Watch bookmark for their Bibles to remind them of this appointment with God.

• **Oklahoma** is a pilot conference preparing for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. For the past three years leadership has been praying and studying with its ministers at workers meetings

Conference President William Woodruff holds the prayer commitment list of over 750 names.







Oklahoma Conference officers, (L) Don Stricker, treasurer; Rodney Grove, secretary; and Robert D. Rider, president; discuss their plans for spiritual renewal.

ings and in small groups. Their top priority has not been the number of baptisms, but rather a deep personal relationship with their Lord. Now in preparation for the renewed emphasis on prayer, these ministers, with key lay people, many of them young men and women between the ages of 30 and 40 selected from the local churches, will be working together to bring renewal to their churches. They are being prepared to become prayer warriors and to lead out in evangelism and the reclaiming of inactive members.

"This is not a program," comments Robert Rider, conference president, "but rather it is a ministry. These lay people will be empowered to minister to their local congregations in such a way that there will be spiritual renewal and growth. We are excited about the possibilities, and with God's blessing we know it will bring reformation to our congregations.

• **Southwest Region** pastors in the Houston area meet regularly to intercede on behalf of their evangelistic outreach programs. In preparation for the March-April Target Houston reaping series to be conducted in the eight regional churches, a massive Bible study enrollment thrust will commence this month. Further evangelistic plans include another summer offensive to be held by Jerry Lee, conference evangelist.

• **Texas Conference** plans are well organized for the Target Houston evangelistic outreach and area pastors are meeting regularly to fine-tune their approach and to pray for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Conference personnel each have assignments and are working in concert with the area pastors in this massive campaign to bring the three angels' messages to all sections of the great city of Houston.

• **Praying Mothers**—Sensing the urgent need for parents to intercede on behalf of their children, the mothers of students at Keene Adventist Elementary School meet the second Tuesday of each month for a Prayer Luncheon.

"We have been made to realize," says Teresa Beem, "that our children and our schools are under Satan's attack. There are so many evil influences being hurled at our young people that we have to make a strong stand against these subversive forces. As James Dobson puts it, we have to become warriors to protect and intervene on our children's behalf."

These concerned mothers have a specific goal to which they are working. "We realize that our children will have to withstand great pressures against evil. We want them to grow up knowing how to make right decisions," continues Teresa. "They are the leaders of tomorrow and we need to help them know how to stand for truth. The world is coming to an end and we all need to be prepared, whether it's during our time or that of our children."

The first luncheon was tastefully done with fresh flowers on the tables, a donation from Hearts and Flowers florist, and catering was done by a skilled cook. Ladies at each table were encouraged to share and pray together.

"We found this luncheon to be a great blessing. It has helped us make new friends and to realize that we can all work together for the salvation of our children," Teresa concludes.

## AFFIRMATION THROUGH PRAYER

One of the most affirming experiences is to know that someone is praying for you every day. We all have our private prayer list that includes our loved-ones, relatives, and close friends or neighbors. Why not expand this to include some who are not well-known to us. Why not start affirming each other in the church or community by forming a prayer fellowship?

## HOW TO START A PRAYER FELLOWSHIP

Share the concept with your church or group that, as 1 Timothy 2:1 LB says, "Pray much for others; plead for God's mercy upon them; give thanks for all He is going to do for them." Share an illustration of where God has answered prayers and invite all who wish to become a part of the prayer group to meet at an appointed time.

## CONCEPTS THAT ARE USED

- "...and pray for one another..." is what James admonishes us to do in James 5:16.
- Ask God to lead in the choice of your prayer partners.
- Then ask one person to be your partner and wait for someone else to ask you to be their partner, so each person will have two or more partners.
- Covenant to pray for each other every day.
- Confidentiality is a must when you share another's burdens, unless they wish to share with a larger group.
- When something special comes up that you want to share, call your partners and tell of your joys or sorrows. Ask them to join in your thanksgiving or concern.
- At a time of crisis you can ask your partners to share with their partners so you have the entire prayer fellowship uniting in your prayer concern.

## A VARIETY OF PRAYER GROUPS CAN BE FORMED

**Mom's Circle of Love** - Mothers of preschoolers share with each other to uplift, encourage and promote the extraordinary challenge and art of mothering.

**Heart to Heart** - Older women mentoring younger women using the principle in Titus 2:3-5 which talks about teaching and discipling younger women upon mature, godly women. This is a ministry of encouragement, promoting friendship for support, counsel and guidance and should include married and single women.

**Dads and/or Moms in Touch** - Parents praying for each other and for their children.

**Widows and Widowers** - Only those who have lost a spouse really know how deeply they are effected by their loss. They will know best how to minister to each other.

**IMAP** - acronym for I Married A Possibility, for those who are married to someone who does not share their faith. IMAP provides both support and ideas for coping with those unique problems. It focuses on the positive by looking at those spouses, not as "unbelievers," but rather as "possibilities," as they are in God's eyes.

**Men and Men** - Older men mentoring and praying with younger men and boys.

**The Circle of Healing** - Provides non-judgmental support during the divorce process. There are often spiritual, financial, social and emotional needs.



## Resources:

### FROM PACIFIC PRESS:

**Prayer High Country** - Dorothy Watts

**Communion With God** - Ellen G. White

**The Answer is Prayer** - Morris Venden

**Your Friend the Holy Spirit** - Morris Venden

**Faith and Prayer** - Ellen G. White

### FROM REVIEW & HERALD:

**Prevailing Prayer** - Taylor C. Bunch (out of print but will reprint upon demand)

**Practical Pointers to Personal Prayer** - Carol J. Shewmake

**Sanctuary Secrets to Personal Prayer** - Carol J. Shewmake

**The Power of the Spirit** - Neal Wilson & George Rice

**Incredible Answers to Prayer** - Roger Morneau

### FROM HART RESEARCH CENTER:

**The Jesus Generation** - Dwight K. Nelson

**Focus on Prayer** - Charles E. Bradford

**Whatever It Takes Praying** - Joe Engelkemier

**A New Way to Pray** - Dwight K. Nelson

**Prayer Works Study Lessons** - Kurt Johnson

**Prayer Warriors** - Ron Halvorsen  
**Holy Spirit Study Guides** - Dave Wolkwitz

### ADDITIONAL MATERIALS FROM OTHER PUBLISHERS:

**Power Through Prayer** - E.M. Bounds

**Purpose In Prayer** - E.M. Bounds

**Principles of Prayer** - Charles G. Finney

**The Kneeling Christian** - an Unknown Christian

**The Prayer Ministry of the Church** - Watchman Nee

**Too Busy Not to Pray** - Bill Hybels

# Southwestern Union

## Southwestern Union Salutes Two Veteran Couples for their Many Years of Service



**W.C. Jones, Vice President and his wife, Doris**

The gospel ministry of Elder W. C. Jones began in June of 1949 at an evangelistic crusade in Dallas, Texas. Fresh out of Oakwood College, Jones was eager to start the missionary work he so longed for. Who would have ever guessed how far that young man's zeal and determination would take him.

After that evangelistic meeting in Dallas, Jones joined the colporteur internship plan. After completion of the internship in 1950, he was called to Lubbock, Texas, to begin the colporteur work there. Not only did Jones fulfill his missionary call, but he also pastored the church in Lubbock while their pastor was away.

Jones pastored in Lubbock, Fort Worth, Tyler, and San Antonio, Texas, until 1962. From 1962 until 1969, he served as a departmental secretary.

In 1969, a call from the Northeastern Conference carried Jones to the big Bethel Church in Brooklyn, New York. During his service in New York, he helped to establish three new congregations in Brooklyn. His church also led the Atlantic Union in soul-winning from 1971 through 1975.

From 1976 to 1986, Jones was the president of the Southwest Region Conference. He helped to increase membership, tithe, and evangelist efforts in that conference.

In 1986, he was voted a vice president of the Southwestern Union Conference.

Since then, he has continued to travel and spread the word of God. His mission even took him across the ocean to conduct a four-week evangelistic series in Rwanda, Africa.

Jones returned from that trip to Africa in June of 1989, exactly 40 years after his work had begun.

Forty-three years is quite a long time to be in God's service, but it adds up to an eternity for the souls who were touched along the way.



**Clayton Pritchett, Secretary, and his wife, Jessie**

In the course of nearly 44 years of service to the Seventh-day Adventist Church, Elder Clayton Pritchett has traveled all over the world. He has visited all 50 of the United States, as well as 33 countries in North America, South America, Europe, Africa, and the near East.

Pritchett's years of service include 29 years as a pastor, four years in departmental work, and six and one-half years as Southwestern Union Conference Secretary.

He is especially thankful for all the people who helped encourage him along the way. "I want to thank the present and previous administrations, staffs and executive committees of the Southwestern Union who called me to the work in which I've been engaged over the past decade and with whom it has been my privilege to serve. I also appreciate the local conference administrators, other workers, and the churches who have helped make our work so pleasant and fulfilling," said Pritchett.

During all those years, from comparative obscurity in a small country town where he accepted God's call, to his present executive position, Pritchett says he has always followed God's providential leading.

Pritchett and his wife Jessie, married for 39 years, enjoyed a team ministry that helped to build up the work everywhere they served—from the Pacific Union to the Great Southwest—where they have worked to build congregations and encourage followers for the past 11 years.

Reflecting on his many years in God's service, Pritchett said, "Most importantly, to God be the glory, for He has kept His word."





## Two Incredible Mysteries!

### Mysteries of God and Time!

The close of one year and the beginning of another always draws our attention to the matter of time.

Time, like God, is beyond our understanding, yet we seek more information and comprehension.

### God and Time inseparable

"Without controversy great is the mystery of godliness." 1 Timothy 3:16.

"In the beginning was the Word... and the Word was God." John 1:1.

Time doesn't measure God! Without God there is no time.

### God, Creation and Time!

"For by him were all things created, ... And he is before all things, and by Him all things consist." Colossians 1:16,17.

"In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth." Genesis 1:1.

God was on the other side of "the beginning," and "before all things." For us, time began with creation and birth. Not so with God!

### Our Internal Clocks

The dominant time cycle of the body is called the circadian rhythm. It's like an internal clock and is located in the brain's hypothalamus just above the roof of the mouth.

Two fascinating time cycles exist within our bodies. One cycle is daily. The other is weekly.

Together they regulate changes in body chemicals, the immune system, heart beats, blood pressure, body temperature, etc.

### We Need the Sabbath Time!

Some chronobiologists believe these internal clocks explain the seven day weekly cycle as a unique unit of time.

They believe the weekly cycle is the only unit of time that does not have its origins in astronomy.

As Christians we believe our internal clocks were placed within us by the Creator of life and time!

Take a new look at Sabbath time. Realize anew "The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath. Therefore the Son of man is Lord also of the Sabbath." Mark 2:27,28.

**Love Finds a Way** for God to be Lord of our lives and time. Remember the Sabbath! It's part of His plan for a full and eternal life!

Paul G. Smith  
Stewardship and  
Development

# Conference Development!

**Members and churches working together for conference-wide progress**



Our world church financial plan ties us all together for successful gospel sharing. It keeps local churches and conferences strong while supporting global missions. Here's what it suggests we try to do with God's help:

	Suggested % of income	OR	Suggested % of total offering
Tithe.....	10%		
Local Church Funds.....	5%	or	50%
Conference Development.....	2%	or	20%
World Missions Outreach.....	2%	or	20%
Special Projects & Offerings.....	1%	or	10%

- ☐ Let's aim to average 1% of income for Development in each conference.
- ☐ With God and each other, we can do it!

**Arkansas-Louisiana  
Oklahoma  
Southwest Region  
Texas  
Texico**

**— ArkLa Advance & Freedom 92!  
— Onward Oklahoma!  
— SWR Dev. and Camp Meeting Evangelism!  
— Texas Partners, Avenues of Advance, etc.  
— Texico Expansion!**

- ☐ Watch this space for progress reports!

*It's true! All Development funds stay in your conference to strengthen plans for youth, families, churches, schools, debt elimination, etc.*

**Development includes all funds raised conference-wide and used for constituency benefit.**

## I Don't Need Any More Income

Most people in their retirement years could use a little more income. As trust officer for our local conference association, I was reviewing the file for Sister Mason (not her real name), one of our faithful members. Her file indicated that she would benefit substantially by obtaining a Charitable Gift Annuity.

When I contacted her at her home sometime later, I explained the benefits of an annuity, and how she could increase her monthly income while lowering her income taxes. Her immediate response was: "I don't need any more income!" She went on to explain how the Lord had been good to her. All of her needs were being supplied under the blessing of God.

When she heard that she could make an outright gift of \$40,000 to God's work and still have as much income as she had been receiving, she decided within the next few days to make the gift. She also entered into a Gift Annuity for \$40,000 with her conference association, which provided her with about double what she had been receiving at her bank. As a result, she was happy to have been able to make a significant gift to the Lord during her

life while she would see the results, and yet continue to receive as much income each month as she had before!

Sister Mason died recently, leaving another gift to the Lord she loved. When I heard about her death, I couldn't help remembering the day she told me: "I don't need any more income!"

There are a number of benefits available by the use of a Gift Annuity. With interest rates so low, you may need more income. Why not investigate for yourself the possibilities provided by this well recognized method of receiving a fixed income at an attractive rate for life? Just contact your conference association for their free booklet entitled, the Charitable Gift Annuity.

Theron Collins  
SWU Trust Services

Seeking His Spirit  
for Service





## God Bless America, the Land of the Free

The past three decades—the 60's, the 70's and the 80's—have witnessed an unparalleled striving for freedom throughout the world. Events in the late 80's and the 90's have focused the attention of Adventists and other Christians on religious liberty. Totalitarian governments and a whole empire have been toppled, and doors have been opened to the preaching of the gospel.

In America, to the contrary, there is a growing movement to change the historic principle of separation of church and state which has been considered basic to our religious freedom

in the past.

*Liberty* magazine is published to fill the perceived need to educate our own people and the thought leaders of our communities and nation concerning the issues that are so vital to the preservation of religious freedom.

We know that the Bible has foretold that our liberties to worship will be taken away, or grossly circumscribed, in the last days, but we are warned not to sit idly by and let nature take its course.

Plan now to give your best offering possible on January 15, 1993, in the Religious Liberty offering so that *Liberty* magazine can continue to be widely circulated. Clayton R. Pritchett

*SWU Religious Liberty Director*

## Phone-a-thon Brings in \$47,350

The Southwestern Adventist College 1992 Alumni Annual Fund Phone-a-thon ended on October 29, 1992, with \$47,350 in pledges toward student aid. This year 267 individuals donated money to SAC for the first time and 1005 alumni pledged their support for students. This figure represents an increase of 163 pledges over last year's 842 pledges.

During the two-week campaign, students called alumni all over the country. The funds raised become part of the Alumni Annual Fund, which provides for unrestricted student aid and gives many students the opportunity to go to college regardless of their financial situation.

"I'm very pleased with the number of pledges we received. We received over 160 more pledges than last year," says Scotty Jones, Alumni Annual Fund Director. "This was all made possible because of student callers who worked so hard."

Glenn Guarin  
*SAC Advancement*

## Southwestern Adventist College

JENELL RUSK, CORRESPONDENT

### Keene Camerata Fall Concert

The Keene Camerata held its 1992 annual Fall Concert on Saturday, November 7, in Evans Hall Auditorium. The concert included a wide variety of music from classical to country.

Several new pieces, arranged by conductor Mugur Doroftei, were featured at the concert. Some of these included the theme song from "Beauty and the Beast" and the ballad "Unchained Melody," by North.

The concert was marked by a few surprises. At the end of the program and encores, a young member of the audience requested that "Beauty and the Beast" be played again, to which Doroftei readily complied. Another surprise came when the conductor donned a cowboy hat for the second encore, "Orange Blossom Special."

Following the concert, a reception, hosted by friends and parents, was held to honor the accomplishments of the Keene Camerata.

Holly Clark  
*SAC Advancement*

### Notice of Non-discrimination

Southwestern Adventist College does not discriminate on the basis of sex, handicap, race or religion. Dr. Marvin Anderson, president of the college, is responsible for compliance.

### Symphony Hosts SAC Music Department

The Morton H. Meyerson Symphony Center in Dallas will be the site for Southwestern Adventist College's spring concert and will mark the inauguration of the college's centennial year. The concert will be held on Saturday, April 3, at 8:00 p.m. and feature the Mizpah Choraliers, SAC Concert Band, Keene Camerata, Southwestern Singers and SAC Brass Ensemble.

More information regarding the concert will be available at a later date, and tickets will be available beginning in February, 1993.

Holly Clark  
*SAC Advancement*

### LEGAL NOTICE Southwestern Adventist College Constituency Meeting

Notice is hereby given that Southwestern Adventist College will hold its Constituency meeting Friday, April 30, 1993, in the Wharton Auditorium of the Mabey Center located on the campus of Southwestern Adventist College in Keene, Texas. The first meeting is called for 10:00 a.m. The purpose of this meeting is to elect a Board of Trustees for the ensuing term and to transact such other business as may properly come before the session.

Cyril Miller, *Chairman*  
Marvin Anderson, *Secretary*

**THE SENIOR CLASS OF 1993 OFFICERS** (back row, from left) Vice President, Scotty Jones; Treasurer, Diana Palino; Secretary, Julie Thompson; Public Relations Director, Esther Chavez; President, Jea Hyun Lee; (front row, from left) Sponsor, Dr. Roland Hill; Class Pastor, Rise Colson; Sponsor, Art White. (Photo: Eli Vangordon)





# Healthcare

## Hospital and Church Team Up for Health Run/Walk

Metroplex Hospital and the Killeen Seventh-day Adventist Church teamed up on Sunday, November 8, to sponsor their seventh annual Silver Classic 5K Run/Walk. This year 131 walkers and runners had a fun-filled day as they competed for silver coins.

Virginia Covington, Killeen church member and coordinator of the church responsibilities for the walk, felt extremely appreciated by this year's participants. "We were able to offer a greater variety of health information and screening than in previous years and the racers really appreciated that," said Covington.

For the first time this year several church members prepared vegetarian food samples for the participants to taste after the event. Fruit salad, breads, muffins, preserves, loaf, quiche, and other food samples filled two tables. A special edition of *Vibrant Life* titled "Going Meatless" was also handed out to all who wanted one.

Isabella Guillen, one of the coordinators of the vegetarian table, remarked that "We intentionally left out the meat analogs as we wanted to share with people that vegetarian food can be prepared from foods bought at their local supermarket."

Metroplex president, Ernie Sadau, remarked that the entire event had been a good project for the church and hospital to team up on. "Providing good healthy fun for the entire family is a



*Jean Petr was named volunteer/auxiliary coordinator at Huguley Memorial Medical Center. She is responsible for training and orienting new volunteers, preparing work schedules, and supervising all functions of the volunteers. "I'm delighted to be working with such a fine group of volunteers," declares Petr. "They make my job such a joy." In 1991, Huguley's volunteers contributed nearly 35,000 hours of work to the hospital.*



*Walkers are off at a fast pace to start this year's 7th annual Silver Classic 5K Walk/Run sponsored by Metroplex Hospital and Killeen Adventist church.*

*United Service Association for Health Care Foundation awarded Huguley Memorial Medical Center a grant for \$10,000 for Spanish health education at a recent Huguley Advisory Council meeting. Huguley was one of 21 hospitals nationwide which received a grant from the foundation.*



vital part of what we should be offering the community we serve," Sadau commented. "The race was a good way to emphasize our health message."

## Twins Peak at Huguley

Statistically, twins occur once in about every 99 births, but at Huguley Memorial Medical Center, that statistic was proved wrong.

During the month of October, five sets of twins were born within a nine-day period. Normally, Huguley delivers several sets of twins a year, but to have welcomed that many in little more than a week had the staff excited.

"All the staff in labor and delivery and the nursery are thrilled to have participated in such an unusual occurrence," declares Artis Polson, R.N., director of women's services.

The explosion of twins began on October 7 when Christopher and Christal Hanks of Alvarado delivered their twin daughters, Brittany Alexis and Samantha Brooke. The next set arrived on October 8 when Tamara Wimberly and Clinton Bullard of Cleburne gave birth to Stetson Lee and Dustin Kenneth.

The third set was born to Janice and Mark Seifert of Burleson on October 14. Two days later two sets arrived on the scene. Stacy Rosco and Gary Geeslin of Arlington and Wendy and Joseph Rydzik, Jr. of Joshua all became parents of twins.

According to Polson, the boom is not over yet. Two more sets of twins are expected in the next month.

Mary Whitehead  
Office of Public Relations



## Spiritual Emphasis Week an Uplifting Experience

Huguley Memorial Medical Center's second annual Spiritual Emphasis Week was held October 26 through October 30. Hospital Chaplain Mike Tucker moderated the twice-daily, 30-minute programs offered to employees and visitors to the hospital.

Special guest speaker was Frank Tochtermann, Secretary of Ministerial Services of the Texas Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. Tochtermann covered many aspects of hospital min-

istry and in particular pain and suffering.

Music was provided by the Huguley-men Choir, Lois Serns, Karen Weber, Catherine Hainey and Merlin and Bryan Aalborg. In addition, several hospital employees accompanied the singers on piano.

Spiritual values are an important element in Huguley's mission. This week-long reminder helps all employees and volunteers to keep in perspective these values that are important for Christian hospital ministry.

Mary Whitehead  
Office of Public Relations



Frank Tochtermann

## Arkansas-Louisiana

PETER A. KOSTENKO, CORRESPONDENT

### New Treasurer Elected

Art Nelson has been elected to the position of conference treasurer. He replaces Mike Jamieson who has accepted a call to serve as the secretary-treasurer of the Indiana Conference.

Nelson and his wife Esther are from the Wisconsin Conference where he has been secretary-treasurer since 1981. He has a bachelor's degree in business administration and a master's degree in education.

Esther, who managed the Wisconsin Adventist Book Center, will work with Arkansas-Louisiana ABC manager Ken Jameson.

The Nelsons have two children, a son working at Broadview Academy, and a daughter who lives in Pleasant Plains, Illinois.



Art and Esther Nelson

among the ladies of the church. Each month they would meet for a potluck supper and exchange gifts with the secret companion. The club worked well as an opportunity for fellowship and fun, but the ladies felt that they could also benefit their church and their community. They adopted an aim: "We Share Because We Care" and began to help others.

Each month, the group collects a free-will offering to fund their projects. They also raised money from two garage sales.

The club has given needy families gift certificates for food. At Christmas, they find people who need help and provide them with clothing and food. They have also distributed boxes with food and toys for children.

Each fall, as students leave for academy, the ladies provide them with items that they may need. The students also receive care packages from the club.

Senior ladies in the Hot Springs church are honored each Mother's Day with a special dinner.

The ladies of the Hot Springs church

### Booneville Church Dedication

It was a high day on Sabbath, October 24, when the members of the Booneville, Arkansas, church celebrated the dedication of their building on Mario Del Pero Road. Visitors from the Fort Smith and Ozark churches came to help celebrate the occasion.

Laymen began a branch Sabbath school in Booneville in 1948. By 1977 it became apparent that a larger facility was needed. That is when the present building came into being.

*Participants at the Booneville church dedication are (from left) Delmer Cook, former pastor; Ray Daniel, conference secretary; William Woodruff, conference president; Burham Rand, current pastor; Jean Stimac, church treasurer; and Kenneth Matthews, head elder.*

### Secret Sisters Promote Fellowship, Community Service

The Secret Sister club in the Hot Springs church was founded a few years ago to encourage fellowship







Professionals and volunteers from the New Orleans Spanish church offered mobile medical van services to the community on July 22. They administered tests for high blood pressure, glaucoma, cholesterol, and glucose levels.

have found that a Secret Sister club can do so much for church and community. If you are interested in starting a club like theirs, contact: Ardith Truby, 455 Broadway, Hot Springs, Arkansas 71901.

Nola Horne

Women's Ministries

## Women God Can Use

Arkansas-Louisiana Conference Women's Ministries hosted its first retreat for women at the Majestic Resort in Hot Springs, Arkansas, October 23-25. Over 100 women attended the conference, which featured Elizabeth Sterndale and Dr. Rosa Banks of the North American Division.

Phyllis Bailey, Sharon Estrada, Dr. Rheeta Stecker, Wilma Kirk-Lee, Dr. Carolyn Smith, and Sharron Crooms each held a workshop. The workshops, covering topics from God's promises to personal health, were designed to be spiritually encouraging as well as practical.

Phyllis Bailey, Dr. Rheeta Stecker, and Shirley Van Vliet were selected as Women of the Year. The awards were given on the basis of outstanding achievement and contribution.

*The Heralds Quartet will perform in Shreveport, Louisiana, at the Shreveport South church on Tuesday, January 12.*



# Oklahoma

JERRY BEEM, CORRESPONDENT

## Ingathering the "Oklahoma Way"

This marks the 29th consecutive year for the Oklahoma Conference to reach the Silver Vanguard (\$25 per member) Ingathering goal. The fact that Oklahoma is the only conference in the Southwestern Union to reach that goal makes it especially significant.

Typical of the "Oklahoma Ingathering spirit" is the way the Jay church approaches reaching its goal year after year. Jay is a very small town. "This can be an advantage," states Jay church pastor, John Pancerzewski. "In a small town your church and your members are well known," he continued, "and I found raising the goal in Jay a delightful experience."

Jay members, Dr. Rollin Bland and Carl Rowe, are well acquainted in Jay and Grove. In less than half a day Bland and Pancerzewski raised \$1,000

in Grove. Business contacts and personal giving of the members covered Jay's goal, but that did not end the commitment of the members to the Ingathering program. Next came five nights of caroling in order to cover the larger portion of the homes in Jay. Every year a nice book is given those contacted. The weather did not cooperate this year, but the carolers were out anyway, in snow and bitter-cold conditions. The community services work in Jay will benefit from the more than \$500 the church raised in overflow. This great spirit of going the "second mile" in support of Ingathering is found in many Oklahoma churches.

Oklahomans look past the negatives of Ingathering—large goals, small towns, and a depressed economy—and to the positives. They concentrate on the willing church members and the joy that is spread to those they meet. Many feel that this is the reason that they have reached their goal this year.



A group of inmates in Lexington, Oklahoma, who were helped by a five-day stop-smoking seminar held by local Adventists.

## Stop-Smoking Clinic Helps Inmates

A five-day stop-smoking seminar held in a prison in Lexington, Oklahoma, helped 22 inmates to give up cigarettes.

The seminar, held at the Joseph Harp Correctional Center by Leonard and Carol Tucker of Guthrie, Oklahoma, Alan Bohanon of Harrah, and Elder Ed McCoun of Perry, started with nearly 70 signed up, but only 42 attended the first session.

McCoun, a health educator and the seminar's main therapist, feels that the group was very receptive to the seminar.

"Frankly, I have learned so much, and these last five days have changed my life dramatically," said one of the inmates after completion of the program.

The same inmate has been attending prison evangelistic seminars for nearly a year now.

The group who held the seminar say that other inmates are interested in the program and are looking forward to another session.

Barbara Rowley  
Communications Secretary  
and Sherry Sinclair  
Assistant Communication Secretary

**A Weekend Retreat  
for Oklahoma Women  
April 23-25, 1993  
WEWOKA WOODS  
ADVENTIST CENTER  
(mark your calendar)**





Wilburton members and friends on the day the church was officially organized as a church.

## Wilburton Church Organized

On October 3, 1992, the dream of Adventists living in the Wilburton area of Oklahoma came true with the official organization of the Wilburton church. Twenty-six signed as charter members.

Members in the area first started meeting as a Sabbath school in 1989. On May 18, 1991, the group was organized as a company. An evangelistic meeting provided new members and a strong program was carried on, especially with youth activities. The conference executive committee voted on April 16, 1992, that the time had come for organization.

Future plans call for the purchase of the representative church facility the group is now renting.

It is interesting to note that in the early 1900s there was a very active church in Wilburton and it is with gratefulness to God that, once again, the Adventist church can make an impact in this part of the Oklahoma Conference.



BENJIE LEACH spoke to more than 60 young people from the Oklahoma City area gathered at the Metro Area Youth Rally on November 13 and 14.

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This new 16-foot sign allows the Enid Seventh-day Adventist church to witness to the thousands of people who pass by each day. The sign is located on the site where the new church will be built.



# Southwest Region

BILLY WRIGHT, CORRESPONDENT

## BIG Outreach Plans

At the Sharon Seventh-day Adventist Church in Tyler, Texas, the term "BIG" isn't just an adjective. BIG is an acronym for Bible Instructors Guild, a seminar designed to help church workers better understand Christian witnessing.

Lois McGee and Verdia Tucker of the Southwest Region Conference conducted the seminar on September 11-13. They covered topics that related to the powerful uses of personal testimony, effective Bible study techniques, and making Christ the center of study.

"These seminars were insightful, and our members can better share their faith with confidence," says Gilbert Williams, pastor of the Sharon Church.

The 27 people who completed the course organized a local Bible Study Guild. The Guild plans to meet regularly to discuss outreach plans to share God's word with others in their community.

## San Antonio Ephesus Church Celebrates its 70th Anniversary

The members of the Ephesus Seventh-day Adventist church in San Antonio, Texas, celebrated their 70th anniversary on Sabbath and Sunday, July 18 and 19.

The theme "Seventy Years in our March Toward Zion" was used for the occasion. Former members, pastors and friends were invited to attend the two-day celebration.

W.C. Jones, Southwestern Union Conference vice president and former pastor of the Ephesus Church, spoke for the Sabbath service. On Sunday evening, Pearl Runnels and Milton Immanuel presented a recital, followed by a reception.

The church was organized by M.G. Nunez in 1922. Only one of more than 100 members of the original congregation survives—Marion Runnels, Sr.

The anniversary committee was composed of descendants of the charter members of the church.



Verdia Tucker and Lois McGee

## Tent Crusade in Palestine, Texas

The New Life Seventh-day Adventist Mission in Palestine, Texas, along with the Southwest Region Conference, held a tent crusade that welcomed as many as 50 people a night.

Gilbert Williams, pastor, emphasized preparation for Christ's second coming as the theme for the evangelistic crusade. He stressed that pastors and laity should join hands together and minister as a team. Local elders also helped as pulpit evangelists during the crusade.

Many people opened their homes for Bible studies as the crusade continued, and 10 were baptized at the close of the meetings.

## A New Life in Christ

There were times in my life when I didn't attend church. I worked all the time to hide the emptiness I felt inside. I would drink, smoke, hang out until midnight, but that emptiness was always there.

Now that I have joined the church my life is so different. Jesus is my personal Savior and I don't need a crutch to lean on any more. It's such a wonderful feeling to know that Jesus really cares for me. I'm very involved in the church. I'm a member of the choir, a board member, usher, and personal ministries secretary, and I love it. No longer do I have that empty feeling. My heart is overflowing with the love Jesus has given me.

Evelyn Dianne Franks  
*Nacogdoches-Cariker Street Church*



The tent where Palestine church members held their "Thus Saith the Lord" tent meetings, bringing in 30-50 visitors per night.



## Annual Thanksgiving Youth Retreat

For the 18th consecutive year, youth from the various areas of the Southwest Region Conference came together at Lone Star Camp for the Thanksgiving weekend retreat. When answering the roll call, each group called out proudly (and loudly), "We're here." Young people came in cars and busses and vans from San Antonio, New Orleans, Tyler, Houston, Little Rock and many other parts of the conference, making a total of 250.

One group from Houston was made up of 56 young people from the inner city who were not Adventists. They came from non-functional homes and some from off the streets. They are some of the older youth who receive nurture and help from Carol Porter's Kid Care program. This trip was made possible for them by a donation of \$1000 from K-Mart.

"I used to come here when I was a young person," commented one adult, "And now that I'm married, I still come every year. It's part of my Thanksgiving tradition. Our young people all want to be here over Thanksgiving."

The weekend began Wednesday night with a "Get Acquainted" evening of games and singing. Seminars began Thursday morning and continued through the weekend, culminating on Sabbath. The eleven o'clock Sabbath service was taken by Arthur L. Andrews, a motivational speaker from Huntsville, Alabama, who challenged the young people to make Christ real in their lives. Several asked for baptism.

"We want our young people to live their beliefs," says James Black, Southwest Region Conference youth leader. "When they come together like this each year, they realize there are others like themselves who have to struggle with temptation, but who can have victory through Christ. We always try to make this a very inspirational weekend and we want every young person to go home knowing they can be victorious through Christ."

Arthur L. Andrews presented two workshops entitled "Feeling Good About Yourself" at the youth retreat. His emphasis was that a belief and trust in God gives the confidence that is needed to fight the battles of life.



Carol Porter with a group of her "kids" from Houston whose weekend at the youth retreat was paid for by a donation from K-Mart.

## Texas

FRANK TOCHTERMAN, CORRESPONDENT

### Young Adults are Active in Dallas First Church

We, the young adults of the Dallas First Church, really know we belong because we are involved in many of the church functions. We are greeters, Sabbath school song leaders and superintendents, deacons and deaconesses. Some of us lead out in the younger departments as well. Some of us are Pathfinder leaders and help with Vacation Bible School, while others help at the junior academy. One of us is even on the church board. We take charge of almost all the Sabbath evening vesper programs.

Every Sabbath afternoon about an hour before sundown, a group of us, usually between 12 and 20, meet at the church for prayer. We spend about half the time praising and thanking God and the other half praying and asking for things. We pray for our group, our pastor, our church, the Holy Spirit, revival, our families and friends, and many other things.

Our young adult group are also very active in outreach activities. Every Sabbath afternoon we prepare between 100 and 150 sack lunches that go to feed the homeless. Some of our group painted apartments that belong to the church so that the renters would feel better about where they are living. Plans also include holding a Revelation seminar or some other organized Bible study activity.

In April our group enjoyed a weekend campout at Nameless Valley Ranch which was a real spiritual feast and included a very special baptism—the baptism of Jorge Rojas who was featured in the September issue of the Southwestern Union *Record* and was, more recently, on the Thanks Living TV program aired in Dallas in December.

After sundown the second Sabbath of every month we have a birthday

celebration for those who have had birthdays during the month and we have games and fun in the gym. Every third Sabbath is a potluck lunch. A monthly newsletter helps us keep in touch with everyone.

June was a special month because two of our members, Eddie Small, our young adult president, and Laura Moya were married. The new president for



The Agape Supper held by the Dallas First church Adventist Youth Association.

Teachers of the San Marcos kindergarten division are putting forth extra effort to make the Bible come to life for their children. From left: Michael Selivanoff, Danny Brown, Sara Whalen and Robert Lucas depicting the characters of Aaron, Joshua, Gabriel and Moses.







*The Cherokee Champs Pathfinder Club*

## Cherokee Champs Inducted

The Cherokee Champs held their induction ceremony on October 10, 1992, as a celebration of their newly organized Pathfinder Club. Mary Dillings, the director and her husband, Russell, the Adventurer Club director, lead out in this club formed by the Denton and Sanger Adventist churches.

Mary and Russell tell us there are over 30 members including the leaders. Several neighbors' and friends' children are attending as well.

The Champs have recently been given permission to use an old empty house for meetings. They have cleaned it up and prepared it for future use.

The pastors of the Denton and Sanger churches give credit to Mary and Russell for their belief that a club could be formed. It has taken two years to interest other volunteers to give of their time, and although progress was slow, the club is now functioning very well.

The new five-year-old Eager Beavers group will soon be included in the clubs plans.

Gainesville Pathfinder directors, Marsha and Eugene Reiter, with son, Chad, attended the induction ceremony to offer their encouragement and blessing on the venture.

## New Church School in Lewisville

Miller Adventist School in Lewisville, Texas, held its first open house on October 10, 1992. The guest speaker was Dr. Lyle Hansen who talked about the miracle of how empty land was now providing a Christian education for the children of our church and community.

Only a short while ago this school was just a dream on a drawing board, but with the strength and grace of God, construction, begun on July 19, 1992, was completed and school opened on August 31. Our dream had become a reality.

The building crew were the church members, many of whom are carpenters by trade, while others quickly learned how to help with the project. The young people played a key part in the labor as well. Because parents and children were involved in this building they have a sense of pride about their church/school facility.

Ronald Levell  
*Communication Secretary*

*Dallas First Church and Junior Academy put on a Country Fair to raise funds for the school. The junior academy choir, pictured below, sang several numbers and led the audience in a sing-along. Other activities included a picnic basket auction, face painting, a vege-hot dog stand and crafts.*



## Arlington Spanish Church Growing Rapidly

The Arlington Spanish Church is experiencing an increase in both membership and Sabbath morning attendance. The church has also increased the number of its children receiving Christian education.

Between March and September of 1992, membership has grown from 80 to just over 130 members, and attendance has jumped from 60 to 170. During the 1991 school year, the church had only six children enrolled at Burton Academy; now there are 23 attending.

Members attribute this growth and renewed interest to the dynamic church leaders and programs they have implemented.

Church leaders have invited guest speakers from as far away as the Pacific Union Conference to hold seminars for members on stewardship, officer training, and family life.

Another factor many credit is the use of a small group program by the elders and deacons. The group concept gives responsibility for one group of families to a team of one elder and one deacon. These group leaders work with their group in church outreaches.

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## New Members Overcome Trials to Join Congregation

Larry and Cindi Nance, new members of the Tyler Seventh-day Adventist Church, have an incredible story to tell about the day they were to join their new church.

As the couple was preparing for church on the day they were to be accepted by profession of faith into their new church family, several obstacles were thrown their way.

Just before they were to leave their home to go to church, an argument erupted in the street outside their home. A woman, being beaten by a man, was screaming for help. Lawrence rushed toward them and pulled the man away from her. He then held the man back while Cindi called the police and soothed the injured woman.

When the police arrived and took control of the situation, the Nances relaxed, only to remember another sadness in their lives. They had made the decision earlier in the week to put their old dog to sleep and end its suffering.

But the Lord strengthened their hearts, and they made it to church that day and were accepted into the church. The Nances started attending the Tyler Church after realizing that they wanted to keep the Sabbath.

Lisa Watson-White  
*Communication Secretary*



Cindi and Larry Nance (left) being welcomed into the Tyler congregation by Pastor Jim Ferguson.



Crystal Steffensen and Heather Williams

## A Letter to God from Crystal

Eight year old Crystal Steffensen had never been to church before, but when her friend Heather Williams asked her to attend the Tyler Seventh-day Adventist Church, she decided to go. During that very first visit to church, Crystal wrote a letter. It wasn't just any letter; it was a letter to God.

## Sanger Church Is Organized

On Sabbath morning, November 7, 1992, the Sanger company was organized into a church. More than 40 founding members signed their names in the official church register, thus making them the initial group to hold membership there.

Bob Wood, conference president, and Jim Petersen, the pastor, both had a part in the ceremony. It was difficult for the congregation to restrain their joy at this momentous event which felt almost like a birth or baptism.

Two new church elders, Wayne Poe and James Powe, were ordained after the organization ceremony.

Allen G. Kirtley  
*Head Elder*

Group who signed the register as founding members of the Sanger church.



I miss you very much. This is  
simple for love. Heather, to  
me, grandma, grandpa,  
Your kid  
Crystal

Letter to God from Crystal.

## VGA Journalism and Marketing Classes Find a Home

Valley Grande Academy's journalism and marketing classes, orphaned for the first twelve weeks of the school year, finally moved into their renovated offices on November 12.

The suite accommodates the VGA marketing office, as well as journalism, marketing and desk-top publishing classes.

The marketing office will be located in the downstairs area and will be the receiving point for community and church marketing projects. The academy hopes to make marketing a school industry, attracting marketing contracts from across the state. This industry could provide students practical experience in marketing, journalism, and desk-top publishing.

The classroom and laboratory area, located upstairs, house a nearly completed darkroom and two new work stations equipped with desk-top publishing software.

Corrie Whitney  
*Marketing Director*



## Church Booth at New Mexico State Fair

When the New Mexico State Fair came to town, the Albuquerque Heights church made sure the Adventist church was there too. The booth, complete with Smoking Sam and other health features, was seen by the 1.5 million who attended the fair.

Volunteers from the church worked in the booth each day for 16 days, distributing literature and answering questions.

A total of 398 people registered for the Five-day Plan to Stop Smoking, and another 143 registered for a cooking school to be held at the Heights church.

### Post script:

For five Monday nights an average of 60 people gathered in the fellowship building of the Heights church to learn how to cook without animal products. Persons who attended had previously registered their interest at the state fair or had read an ad in the local newspaper, or heard it announced on Family Life radio. Others were given a personal invitation by members.

The textbook/cookbook for the series was *Natural Lifestyle Cooking* by Mark and Ernestine Finley. Each person who registered and paid a fee was given a copy. Birgitta Neff organized and directed the presentations.

Lectures and instruction were given by Dr. Gerald Montgomery, Nina Dahlberg, and Jephthah Choate. Demonstrations were given by John Neff, the pastor, Deborah Morrato, and Margaret

Volunteers Tricia Geery and Birgitta Neff at the New Mexico State Fair booth.



John Neff, pastor of Albuquerque Heights church shows how to make bread.

Hardy, assisted by Carol Champion.

Door prizes were given after each session. At the end of each session the group was invited to taste the food that had been prepared.

Johnie Margaret Bailey  
Communication Secretary

## North Valley Pathfinders Keep Busy

The Pathfinders of the North Valley Spanish church in Albuquerque, New Mexico, find that the best way to keep busy and have fun too is to help others. In the past three months, this Pathfinder club has been involved in com-



One of over 150 homeless people fed by Project Share in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

munity outreach programs, as well as activities within their church.

In November the Pathfinders took part in Project Share in Albuquerque. Twenty-two members of the club, along with Community Services, helped to feed 153 homeless people. Many of the homeless people enjoyed the food so much that they asked for as many as two extra helpings.

The Pathfinders spent October 14-18 at the Southwestern Union Conference Camporee at Nameless Valley Ranch. All 50 members of the club traveled 17 hours each way to participate in the gathering of Pathfinders from all over the union.



Participants in the North Valley Spanish church in Albuquerque, New Mexico, Vacation Bible School, held August 3-8, display crafts they made.

## Albuquerque Heights Member Celebrates 90th Birthday

Harry Peaster, an honorary elder of the Heights church, celebrated his 90th birthday on August 20, 1992. He and his wife, Dorothy, are charter members of the Albuquerque Heights church. To celebrate the occasion, 75 of his relatives gathered to wish him well at a family reunion in Greensburg, Kansas, hosted by his niece, Lois Koehn.

Johnie Margaret Bailey  
Heights Communication Secretary





# General News

The February 13 offering benefits *It Is Written* and its two sister TV ministries, *Faith for Today* and *Breath of Life*. Major media events like "Discover Jesus" are only possible because of this generous annual infusion of financial support, followed up by faithful member contributions to our Adventist TV ministries throughout the year. Please remember the Adventist TV Ministries offering on February 13.

## Where Do Women Fit in the Adventist Church?

A new book just released by the North American Division Office of Human Relations and published by the Review and Herald Publishing Association, *A Woman's Place: Seventh-day Adventist Women in Church and Society*, is authored by 14 well-known Adventist scholars and writers. The book's ten essays examine theology, history and current church practice in a sweeping look at Adventist women and their role as members.

"This is a serious book, but one that is highly readable and meaningful for every thoughtful member of our church," says Rosa T. Banks, director of the NAD Office of Human Relations and general editor of the book. "It's not just for women. The entire church—men and women—will benefit from these compelling essays. It's a must reading in our academic communities and in the leadership offices of our church in North America and around the world," Banks says.

*A Woman's Place* is available at Adventist Book Centers or may be ordered by telephone, toll-free from 1-800-765-6955.



Penny Wheeler, Review & Herald acquisition editor (left), with Rosa Banks, NAD Office of Human Relations director, and Elizabeth Stern-dale, NAD Women's Ministries.

## Discover Jesus TV Ministries

"Born in 4 B.C. Birthplace: Nazareth. Died a violent death in 31 A.D. Occupation: Savior of mankind."

For seven weeks in early 1993, TV sets across North America and Europe will witness the full force of that one simple resume. *It Is Written* ministries, *Discover Jesus*, will reach a worldwide audience exceeding one million viewers during the first phase of a major soul-winning strategy.

Filmed entirely on location in Jordan and Israel, Mark Finley's seven-part media presentation will take non-believers and Christians alike behind the scenes as he reveals the true Jesus Christ. The key doctrines of Adventism—especially the Second Coming and the Sabbath—will be highlighted, both in the telecasts and in the accompanying Pacific Press gift book, *Discover Jesus*, and videocassette package.

"I sense that this *It Is Written* series can give men and women a whole new perspective on who Jesus Christ really is," says new IIV speaker Mark Finley. "And we have worked closely with our new evangelistic association and the denomination to design a start-to-finish plan for bringing viewers into full Adventist fellowship."

Step one is the series itself, hitting U.S. and European airwaves beginning January 17, 1993. During and immediately following the seven-week air schedule, viewers in selected major cities will be invited to attend a ten-hour *Discover Jesus* seminar. Initial presentations by Mark Finley will then be continued by teams of local Adventist pastors.

The third phase in the strategy will be *Discover Jesus* evangelistic meetings, where viewers and seminar attendees can study the full Seventh-day Adventist message. "If the seed-sowing power of Adventist television is reaped as God intends it to, we could be rejoicing in the baptism of thousands of new believers whose first glimpse of Jesus was provided by these broadcasts," says Lloyd Wyman, director of the evangelistic association.

A powerful Nathan Greene portrait of Jesus will be the centerpiece of a large-scale advertising campaign prior to the premiere of the TV series. Ads in *TV Guide* will attract a large secular audience; full-page color advertisements in magazines like *Christianity Today* and *Signs* will target Christians of many faiths to view the series' first half-hour segment on January 17.

Promotion materials are also being provided to each local Adventist church to

## CALLING ALL FIFTH & SIXTH GRADERS

### Pacific Press Announces Detective Zack Essay Contest

Pacific Press is sponsoring a Detective Zack Essay Contest for fifth and sixth grade students in North America SDA elementary schools.



The contest will run from January 25 to March 3, 1993.

"Detective Zack" books, for 7-12 year-olds were first introduced by Pacific Press last fall. The series is designed to build faith in the Bible while capturing the imaginations of young minds that crave adventure.

The essay contest is built around the same themes as the first Zack adventure, *The Secret of Noah's Flood*, the search for scientific evidence that the Flood really happened. Students entering the contest will write a three-page essay on "Why I believe the story of Noah's flood is true."

"We hope that this will be a valuable learning experience for the students," says Russell Holt, editorial vice-president at Pacific Press. "Too often, in our society, evolution is presented as fact while scientific facts that support the Bible story are not mentioned."

Using encyclopedias, science books, and textbooks, along with *Detective Zack* and *The Secret of Noah's Flood*, students will be able to strengthen their own faith in the Bible and share that faith with others.

Winning essays will be chosen at each school, and those essays will be sent to Pacific Press to compete for the grand prize—one week free at the winner's local conference summer camp! Second and third prizes, \$50 and \$25 gift certificates good at Adventist Book Centers, will be awarded as well.

Fifth and sixth graders should look for the Essay Contest poster in their classrooms and ask their teachers for details.

Virginia Sherman  
Advertising Coordinator

share with community friends. "I'm eager for this to be an experience of tremendous unity for our whole church," says Finley, "as we labor together in helping people discover Jesus in our Adventist message."

David B. Smith



## Youth in Service for Christ

The office of Adventist Youth Service (AYS) was expanded to include the Youth Service for Christ program (YSC) during the 1992 General Conference Annual Council session. The action was taken to provide the youth of the Adventist church with the opportunity to serve in the volunteer missionary program in the country and project of their choice.

Youth in Service for Christ is for Adventist youth, 18-30 years old, who want to share the enthusiasm and spiritual blessings of a spiritual life with people in the mission field.

Any interested volunteers should contact their local conference youth ministry office to get more information about positions and places of service that are available. Volunteers should be prepared to finance their own travel to and from their position. The receiving organization will provide all room, board, and insurance while the volunteer is in service there.

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## Voice of Prophecy Plans

Lonnie Melashenko becomes director-speaker of the Voice of Prophecy on January 1. H.M.S. Richards Jr. will have the title of speaker emeritus. Both will work together and share radio broadcast responsibilities. For the present, each will give about half the messages.

Plans are being laid for both speakers, along with the 1962 quartet, to be in Brazil in late August and early September, 1993. This is shaping up to be the largest evangelistic thrust ever planned by the Adventist church. As part of the Brazilian VOP's 50th anniversary, the North American team will join the Brazilian team in holding evangelistic rallies and reaping meetings in nearly a dozen locations. The expected total attendance is estimated at 500,000 persons. It is anticipated that 50,000 Bible school students will

receive diplomas and 15,000 will be baptized.

Before the campaigns begin, 10 North American SDA college students will spend two months in the city of Salvador, working with Brazilian students to prepare interests for the crusade to be held there.

Eldyn Karr  
Public Relations



### Position Available

#### Chair of Archives & Special Collections for the Del E. Webb Memorial Library and Director of the Ellen G. White Estate Branch Office

Loma Linda University and the Ellen G. White Estate are launching a search process to fill this position.

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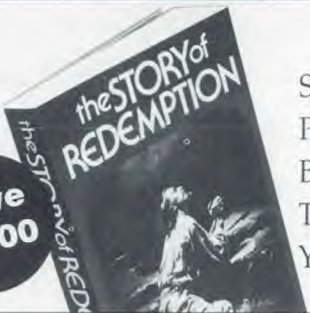
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### Adventist Winter Ski Festival

The 4th annual event will be held March 1-12 in Breckenridge, Colorado. For information call or write Rocky Mountain Conference of SDA, Youth Dept., 2520 S. Downing, Denver, CO 80210, 303/733-3771.

### Adelphian Academy Plans 40-Year Reunion

The class of 1953 is planning a 40-year reunion June 11-13, 1993, at the old campus in Holly, MI. If you know the address of any member of the classes of 1952, 1953 or 1954, please send to: Beverly Rhodes-MacDonald, 7254 Golfcrest Dr., San Diego, CA 92119.

### Singles Day at Arlington Church

Sabbath, February 13, is singles day at the Arlington, TX, church. Guests include Jim Gilley, Mike Tucker, and Blake Hall. For information contact Alice Ray, 214/253-8577 or Cecilia Miley, 817/692-9329.

### Missing Students Sought by Takoma Academy Class

The class of 1943 of Takoma Academy is looking for the following people: Doris Bishop, Ruthe Walker Carson, Doris Corbitt, Amelia Arzoo Prince, Robert Quackenbush, Evelyn Rafferty, Camilla Shacka, and Theodore Stadell. If anyone knows the whereabouts of any of these individuals, please write to Naoma Leach Metcalfe, 9727 Mt. Pisgah Road, Suite #1204, Silver Spring, MD 20903, or call 301/439-1188 or 301/649-3855 (Curt Ross).

## Anniversaries



DALE AND EULAH HASTEY, members of the Okmulgee Seventh-day Adventist church, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with their church on September 5, 1992. Eulah was baptized 32 years ago and Dale followed two years later.

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## Obituaries

**ALLEN, Jr., Walter**, was born Mar. 11, 1931, and died Feb. 23, 1991. He was a member of the Alpha SDA Church in Austin, TX. Survivors: wife, Sammie, of Austin; daughters, Bettie Mitchell, Dorothy Hunter, Brenda Allen, and Jacquelyn Scott, all of Austin; and sons, Ernest, Melvin, and Joseph, all of Austin. Sammie Allen

**CHRISTENSEN, Norman W.**, was born Feb. 19, 1922, in Minneapolis, MN, and died Feb. 7, 1991, in Dallas, TX. He was a member of the Dallas First church. Survivors: wife, Charline, of Dallas; sons, Herbert, Carrolton, TX, and Christopher, Dallas; brothers, Victor, Adelphi, MD, and Elwyn, Fresno, CA; and 3 grandchildren. Tomasia Leatherwood

**GARCIA, Edmund G.**, was born June 28, 1918, in Laredo, TX, and died April 10, 1991, in Corpus Christi, TX. Survivors: wife, Carmen, Corpus Christi; sons, Roland, Edmund Jr., and Richard, all of Corpus Christi; 8 grandchildren; and 5 great grandchildren.

**HOLMAN, James W.**, was born Jan. 6, 1907, in Lambert, MT, and died Sept. 24, 1992, in Mena, AR. Survivors: sons, Donald, Theodore, and Phillip, all of Seattle, WA; daughters, Janice Ramsieir, Mena, Marian Katz and Elizabeth Martin, both of Palm Desert, CA; 13 grandchildren; and 6 great grandchildren.

**HUCKABAY, Margaret J.**, was born Mar. 1, 1906, in Mangum, OK, and died Nov. 20, 1992, in Stillwater, OK. She was a member of the Perkins, OK, church. Survivors: sons, Al Robinson, Agra, OK, Carl Huckabay, Brewster, WA, Odus and John Huckabay, both of Ripley, OK, and Wayne Huckabay, Stockton, CA; daughters, Ruby Manuel and Marie Fritsche, both of Stockton, and Juanita Cooksey, Cushing, OK; brother, James Lumpkin, Oklahoma City, OK; 40 grandchildren; 80 great grandchildren; and 6 great, great grandchildren. LaVerne Lynsky

**LOISEL, Dorothy Clay**, was born Mar. 7, 1909, in Illinois, and died Oct. 10, 1992, in Metairie, LA. She was a member of the Slidell, LA, church. Survivors: husband, Henry, Metairie; daughter, Joan Cromwell, Fayetteville, AR; and son, Lynn Loisel, Metairie.

**MAY, Cecil Roy**, was born Jan. 6, 1903, in Kenney, IL, and died Nov. 7, 1992, in Keene, TX. He was a literature evangelist in the Texas Conference for 15 years and later managed a branch of the Arkansas-Louisiana Conference Adventist Book Center in Baton Rouge. Survivors: wife, Alma, Keene; son, Bill, Fort Worth, TX; daughter, Iris Mason, Cleburne, TX; brothers, Oscar, Illinois, and Ted, Bryan, TX; sisters, Viona, Jessie, and Naomi, all of Illinois; 6 grandchildren; and 10 great grandchildren. W. R. May

**MEIER, Alice Juanita**, was born April 24, 1910, near Alva, OK, and died Oct. 14, 1992, in Okeene, OK. Survivors: husband, Isaac, Okeene; son, Jerry, Weatherford, OK; and daughter, Yvonne Dickerson, Salem, OR. Services were conducted by Dan Jensen and Alvin Blehm.

**ROBISON, William Samuel**, was born Sept. 3, 1900, in Downs, KS, and died Oct. 9, 1992, in Guthrie, OK. He was the eldest member of the Guthrie church. Survivors: wife, Reada, Crescent, OK; sons, Allen, Owasso, OK, Bill, Crescent, and Gary, Richardson, TX; daughters, Rita Ann Hardy, Mesquite, TX, and Sylvia Watkins, Oklahoma City, OK.

**VANBENTHUYSEN, Anna Helen**, was born Jan. 4, 1918, in Galveston, TX, and died Oct. 21, 1992, in Fort Worth, TX. She was a member of the Fort Worth First Church. Survivors: daughters, Phyllis Stone, Denver, CO, and Lynn Franek, Fort Worth; and 3 grandchildren.

Kay Jamieson

**YOUNG, William Robert**, age 92, died Oct. 10, 1992, in Fort Worth, TX. Survivors: son, James Albert Young, Houston, TX; brother, Monroe Wilson, Teague, TX; 1 grandson; and 1 great grandson. Kay Jamieson

**ZICKUHR, Donald L.**, was born Dec. 10, 1944, in Ovid, CO, and died Oct. 31, 1992, in Dallas, TX. He was a member of the Lewisville, TX, church. Survivors include his mother, Myrtle Zickuhr, and sister, Karen Zickuhr. Services were conducted by Marvin Mathews.

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**March 6, 13, 20 and 27** ..... **January 15**  
**April 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31** ..... **February 12**  
**May 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29** ..... **March 16**

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## Sunset Calendar

	Jan 8	Jan 15	Jan 22	Jan 29	Feb 5	Feb 12
Abilene, Texas.....	5:50	5:56	6:03	6:09	6:16	6:22
Amarillo, Texas.....	5:52	5:58	6:05	6:13	6:20	6:27
Brownsville, Texas.....	5:55	6:00	6:06	6:11	6:16	6:21
Dallas, Texas.....	5:37	5:43	5:50	5:56	6:03	6:09
El Paso, Texas.....	5:18	5:24	5:31	5:37	5:43	5:50
Fort Worth/Keene, Texas.....	5:39	5:45	5:52	5:58	6:05	6:11
Galveston/Houston, Texas.....	5:37	5:43	5:49	5:55	6:01	6:06
Gentry, Arkansas.....	5:21	5:27	5:34	5:42	5:49	5:56
Little Rock, Arkansas.....	5:15	5:22	5:28	5:35	5:42	5:49
Muskogee, Oklahoma.....	5:25	5:31	5:38	5:46	5:55	6:00
New Orleans, Louisiana.....	5:17	5:22	5:28	5:35	5:41	5:46
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.....	5:31	5:40	5:47	5:55	6:02	6:09
San Antonio, Texas.....	5:52	5:57	6:03	6:10	6:16	6:21
Santa Fe, New Mexico.....	5:06	5:13	5:20	5:28	5:35	5:42
Shreveport, Louisiana.....	5:26	5:32	5:39	5:45	5:51	5:58
Tulsa, Oklahoma.....	5:27	5:33	5:40	5:48	5:55	6:02



# Target HOUSTON



## Plans for 41 Evangelistic Crusades!



Cyril Miller



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*Houston, the largest city in the South, also fifth in the nation, is a target for 41 evangelistic crusades, March 6 to April 3, 1993.*

Both the Southwest Region and the Texas Conference are coordinating their congregations, pastors and guest speakers to reach nearly four million citizens of all races and cultures which are 50 percent White, 20 percent Black, 20 percent Hispanic and 10 percent all others.

Extensive plans are underway to involve all 5,735 Greater Houston area Seventh-day Adventists in prayer circles and pre-campaign action units in preparation for successful meetings for maximum attendance and harvest, with baptismal services scheduled in all 41 churches during April and May.

Conference presidents, Robert Lister and Robert Wood, and most of their headquarters staff are currently involved in pre-campaign planning and will participate in crusade preaching for Target Houston. Also, Union Conference President, Cyril Miller, and several other union personnel plus some retired ministers will be teaming up with Houston pastors.

We solicit your prayers and support for the largest single evangelistic outreach in our entire Southwestern Union history.

### **January 9 —**

City-wide Rally/Day of Fasting and Prayer

### **January 9-16 —**

Week of Prayer/Pulpit Exchange

### **February 13 — Launch Mini-crusades**

### **February 14-20 — Territorial Assignment**

### **March 6 —**

Launch Crusades — 4 full weeks/5 nights each week  
PLUS ALL Sabbath mornings

### **April 3 — First Baptismal Sabbath**

### **April 4-May 1 —**

Follow-up by Pastors. 3 meetings each week/4 weeks

### **May 1 & 29 — Baptismal Sabbaths**

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