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God's Gift to Man





THE FAMILY

Its blueprint originated in Eden

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As we prepared recently to move to our new duties in Shreveport, the last of our four children moved out of our home into an apartment in Arlington. My wife reminded me that after 35 years of married life with our children at home, we would now be just us two at home. Of course, our four children and two grandchildren are still part of our family, but they are now establishing their own homes apart from us, hopefully following the pattern we have tried to set for them.

Society today seems bent on destroying the family. There are those who say that the traditional family no longer plays an important part in society; others say the family is in transition or experiencing adaptation and changes.

Is the family unit really important? The pen of inspiration tells us just how vital it really is. "The well-being of society, the success of the church, the prosperity of the nation, depend upon home influences," *Ministry of Healing*, page 349. So, if we are to turn the tide of decline that we see in society, in the church and in the nation, our homes must have our full attention. We will not have a strong church without strong homes! Our nation cannot be strong when our homes are crumbling!

The first few books of the Bible have more to say about the family than perhaps all the rest of the Bible put together. Think about it! Beginning with Genesis we see the formation of the first family: the father and mother. God created them as "complements" to each other. Eve was created as an "opposite" or "parallel" but still "equal to" Adam. However, a "complement" does not mean a "duplicate." Adam and Eve were created equal but different with different roles.

A little farther on, God makes clear the meaning He attaches to the marriage when He declares "they are to become one flesh." This occurs when two people separate themselves from their previous family connections and make a new family of their own. It seems to me that what God has set up is a recurring process whereby each individual can achieve wholeness through unity with their "complement" or marriage partner.

My father used to say, "You cannot pull the plow alone." This is true of marriage. I need to pull in "parallel" or in cooperation with my complement or equal. "Pulling in parallel" is the solution to success in the marriage and the family and in our spiritual lives.

The Genesis story goes on to expand its meaning of "pulling together" in telling how Adam and Eve chose to venture away from each other, and in so doing, they broke the parallelism between each other and between them and their God. When that "pulling" test came, they failed, and today that is still the problem.

At the end of the final verse of Genesis 2 it says, "They shall be one flesh." Then comes the phrase, "The two of them were naked, the man and his wife, but they felt no shame." This is true, for perfect parallelism causes no tension or shame between husband and wife.

However, when sin entered that pulling together was destroyed. The element of tension came when the parallelism was broken. Now they perceived their nakedness, or their differences, and they became afraid. Notice how Adam responded to God: "I was afraid because I was naked, so I hid."

The next step when that parallelism is broken is tension within the family. It produces the action of "hiding." We want to escape. We do not want to face the issues, those hard problems, and we begin to lose that sense of equality and trust. We lose the sense of wholeness for ourselves and as husband and wife, mother and father.

The next few verses tell of the ultimate outcome of living in hiding or denial when that parallelism is no longer working. It is a sad, stark analogy, one that must cause every parent to stop in their tracks and ponder the present level of tension or "parallelism" in their family. As you all know, the struggle in Adam and Eve's family culminated in Cain taking Abel's life.

So, what we see in this story is a simply-told, but profound truth regarding the origin of the family and the influence it has had on other families through the centuries. Can we turn around this steady erosion our families are experiencing? Yes we can, but it must begin where the

story about the first family began, with God's presence and with the parents living in harmony and "parallelism."

Mothers and fathers, the solution resides with us as parents. It is not kids who "go bad;" it is we parents who, like Adam and Eve, allow the shame or tension between us to affect the relationship that must be the "glue" that keeps the family together. The result of this glue "dilution" is always family disintegration.

So, what we must do, with God's help, is to inspect and to correct, not hide, from our shame or tension. I believe that God can heal and turn even the most dysfunctional family around today. I challenge you to read and re-read the first "family manual," those first few chapters of Genesis. Read them slowly and contemplatively. Read on about Noah and how his family was saved and yet how problems developed after the flood. Read about Lot and his poor choices that caused the destruction of his family. Read about Ishmael and Isaac; think about the tensions that often occur between siblings, or of Jacob and Esau, and how children struggle for separate identities, a sense of who they are.

Then move on to the stories of the two sisters, Leah and Rachel, and Joseph and the tension with his brothers. As you read, make notes in your mind or on paper as to how these models speak to you and your family. Remember, it is God speaking. It is His way of reminding us that it is His presence that keeps the parallelism working. "The first work to be done in a Christian home is to see that the Spirit of Christ abides there, that every member of the household may be able to take His cross and follow where Jesus leads the way." *E. G. White Manuscript 17, 1891.*

The challenge we face as marriage partners and as families is to keep the "parallelism" working. It takes time, effort, prayer and perseverance. May God give us the victory and may He give us strong Christian families!

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E.G. WHITE MANUSCRIPT 17, 1891

COVER: Two family photos feature Gregg and Diane Baker, with their children, Kara and Andrew and the Mancillas, Martha and Samuel, with their children, Sammy, Melissa, Carol and Martha.



Families

**They're not an
afterthought –**

**They're a part of God's
plan to perpetuate
Christian graces on
earth**

**THE WELL-BEING
OF SOCIETY,**

**THE SUCCESS OF
THE CHURCH,**

**THE PROSPERITY
OF THE NATION,
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HOME
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IN EDEN, God placed creation under the supervision of the human race. But human beings had direct accountability to God. God created Adam and Eve in His own image. That image was of the three persons of the Godhead in close relationship with one another. When father and mother form loving relationships with each other, the image of God is nurtured and shared. Even when much of the image of God was destroyed by sin, the plan of salvation worked toward the restoration of God's image.

God designed that the father be held accountable as the keeper and teacher of God's image in the way he related to the wife and mother. The family altar he erected became the centerpiece upon which the Lamb was sacrificed. The birthright and blessing of family leadership he carried, he passed on from generations of fathers to generations of sons. These traditions were more than just ceremony. They emphasized the need for the nurturing of children by two parents. And this principle is immortalized in the commandment which states, "Honor thy father and thy mother . . ."

We need to look at the models we are presenting to our children. According to the dictionary, *parent* is a neuter word. It applies to both males and females. In the two-parent home, fathers, it is imperative that you take your place as nurturer, not just disciplinarian or provider. Mothers, it requires encouragement and relinquishment to allow the man of the house to become a true parent! If you look at all the references in the Scriptures of God, in whose image we are created, you find that He is depicted as a tender Shepherd, a loving, compassionate Father. What a privilege it is for the man of the house to portray that image before his wife and children.

We see this practiced in the home of Jesus. Joseph taught Jesus a trade, but he also taught

Him respect for God, His mother, and the community. Joseph taught Jesus to be spiritually both strong and gentle, subtle and bold, submissive and commanding, sensitive and discerning, self-determining and interdependent. These lessons were so deeply implanted in His mind that even as Jesus hung dying on the cross, He instructed John to care for His mother.

At every age, a child needs to see himself or herself in the framework of relationships that are developmentally appropriate with both gender and temperament. Without both the mother and the father intentionally modeling Christian marriage and parenting, the birthright and blessing "seed" for the next generation fails to take root.

The vision of parents leading the homes which anchor our churches as a powerful reformatory movement arises from the "Elijah Message" found in Malachi 4:5-6: "See, I will send you the prophet Elijah before that great and dreadful day of the Lord comes. He will turn the hearts of the fathers to their children, and the hearts of the children to their fathers . . ." With spiritual vision we can see mothers and fathers crafting their family altars with stones formed from the principles of parenting that are revealed in God's word.

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Society is composed of families, and is what the heads of families make it. Out of the heart are "the issues of life;" and the heart of the community, of the church, and of the nation is the household.²

FAMILIES

They're God's idea of sharing a little bit of heaven here on earth

"The first time we met was when, as a guest, I played basketball at Andrews University in Michigan. We had such fun laughing and joking together that we went out for pizza after the game. And that's when I knew that Diane was the one for me," Gregg recalls. This marked the beginning of a four-year romance which culminated in marriage in September of 1983.

Gregg who grew up in Niles, Michigan, received a business



Diane and Gregg Baker

degree from Western Michigan University while Diane completed her degree in medical technology at Andrews University. For a time Gregg worked at a car dealership in South Bend, Indiana, but Diane couldn't find work. When a friend told them about openings for medical professionals in Dallas, Diane went there in search of work. She received four job offers in the first week. So in February of 1984 the couple moved to Dallas, settling in Irving.

Diane worked at Parkland Hospital while Gregg found a job in the telecommunications industry. Not long afterward, Gregg received an invitation to work as an accountant for the Southwest Region Conference and then as associate treasurer at the Southwestern Union office. Diane now works as a customer service representative for Abbot Labs in Irving, Texas, and they live in DeSoto, Texas.

Gregg and Diane Baker are

committed parents. They want their two children, Andrew (6) and Kara (3), to grow up with the steady influence of a strong family background. "We came from good Adventist homes, and we know what an influence it has had in the decisions we have made through life. We want the same for our children.

"It's interesting how, when babies are born, both parents take care of them," Gregg continues. "But as the children grow, while they love both parents, they tend to gravitate toward one or the other. Both children love me very much and would go with me anywhere. But little Kara appears to have attached herself to me, while Andrew seems closer to his mother. We feel parenting is the most rewarding work, and by God's grace we want our children to grow up with the same values we had as we were growing up."

Besides being good parents to their children, both Gregg and Diane are active in their local church where Gregg is church treasurer, and Diane is Sabbath school coordinator for the lower divisions at the 1,100 member Grace Temple church in Fort Worth.

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The family tie is the closest, the most tender and sacred, of any on earth. It was designed to be a blessing to mankind . . . Every home should be a place of love, a place where the angels of God abide, working with softening, subduing influence upon the hearts of parents and children.³

FAMILIES

They're for sharing what's nearest and dearest

Intimacy. What is it? Ask a man and he might respond with a smile and a blush. He is probably thinking about *physical* intimacy. Ask a woman and you might catch a sparkle in her eyes or a thoughtful, reminiscent sigh as she recalls a romantic evening. She is thinking about *emotional* intimacy. This word is not easily defined.

Intimacy derives its meaning from a Latin word connoting *expression of the innermost*. In English, we might use the phrase "the essence of one's being" to capture the idea. It literally means sharing whatever comes up from within you with another.

For some, this can be a very frightening thought. Men in our society have been taught not to express their feelings. In fact, they have learned to hide them. Thus, men are confronted with the question, "How can I learn to experience true intimacy?" Women, on the other hand, in touch with their own emotions, remain crushed and bewildered by men's continued insensitivity to their feelings. Although this is obviously not the case in every home, I would venture to say, based on ministerial experience alone, it is the "norm." So what do the children learn? And what is the true spiritual condition of the home plagued with these problems? Children simply perpetuate the problems, and homes continue to disintegrate.

This article briefly focuses on two very important aspects of familial interaction and two benefits rendered by learning to practice healthy family intimacy. Please keep in mind that, first, parents must learn what true intimacy is and is not; and secondly, parents must learn to experience true intimacy between themselves as partners *before* they can teach it to their children. These principles teach the use of appropriate boundaries in familial expressions.

First, all thoughts and feelings are completely individual-

ized and cannot be controlled by another. Each person's thoughts and feelings are their own personal, private property, belonging to no one else. In order to share these feelings with another person, the thoughts must be seen as being okay. A safe emotional environment must be established in order for feelings to be expressed.



Alan Williams

Secondly, the expression of thoughts and feelings must be monitored or guided. The presupposition is that all private emotions are all right and must be shared in an appropriate manner. However, monitoring the expression of feelings involves guidelines.

No physical, emotional, verbal, mental, or sexual abuse

should be used by either partner. This would violate the partner's boundaries by attempting to change or control their feelings. Telling your partner you are extremely angry in a loud voice is fine; attacking their character is not. Sharing tearfully how your partner's words have deeply hurt you is appropriate; name-calling or physically attacking them is not. Unfortunately, the latter is taking place in too many homes today.

In other words, the entire range of angry emotions, from mild irritation to rage are acceptable as long as no action is taken on the emotion. See Ephesians 4:26. Similarly the emotion of joy, from being slightly pleased to being in ecstasy, is appropriate, provided it is privately owned and responsibly expressed without damaging another.

Equal partners do not need to manipulate each other in order

to have their needs met. They are able to discuss their feelings or needs openly with their partners. True intimacy can not be experienced until this honest exchange can take place. One partner cannot be afraid of, nor intolerant of, the emotions of the other. Intolerance is a deterrent to intimacy. Acceptance, on the other hand, while experiencing the broad range of emotions, is the foundation on which intimacy is built. It is a safety net.

The most important component of a very good friendship is the freedom to be oneself and to express oneself without fear of recrimination or of being rejected. It is paramount to a peaceful relationship and gives life to the friendship.

Once married couples become friends, listening to each other without trying to change the other, they begin understand their mate better. This in turn helps them use these same communication skills with their children. Verbal expressions such as tearful outcries, anguish, robust laughter, tender embraces, and needful requests all have their expression in the home where true friendship resides. It is the joy of home.

In the home where true intimacy exists, two important benefits occur. First, family members know they are loved. Each one is valued for who they are and for their unique contributions. The absence of this basic human need, the need to be valued, is at the root of most drug addiction and teen pregnancy. When true intimacy exists, marital partners and their children do not need to seek fulfillment outside the home. Healthy families are aware of this need and graciously provide it for each other.

Second, home becomes a very enjoyable place, where members look forward to taking an active part. The family becomes a haven of refuge from the pain and suffering of the world, a place of nurturing and recovery, a school of learning to understand and appreciate life and develop respect for others. Children love to come home to a warm, open, accepting environment. It affirms their presence.

Learning intimacy skills is not easy or quickly achieved. As with all fine qualities in life, it requires

time, patience, practice, failure, forgiveness, stick-to-it-iveness, compassion, honesty, love, a much-neglected art in many instances. It needs to be modeled.

In the case where a family needs healing, a national and state licensed, qualified family therapist who has walked in your shoes, experienced your pain, and who has implemented meaningful changes in their own family's life is invaluable. They can provide modeled responses for you and help to free up unproductive, tangled exchanges which produce family turmoil. They help to define appropriate boundaries, give family unit support, and lay ground work for future family goals.

Family healing which produces family intimacy is not a do-it-yourself program. It requires sound, factual, loving principles which we can all learn. This is how God is healing my family, and I'm sure He wants to help your family too.

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IN FAMILIES

We help each other heavenward by

- ◆ Striving to have positive, healthy relationships in our home and in the community.
- ◆ Treating each other with respect and dignity as God designed.
- ◆ Using soft words and kind deeds to express ourselves.
- ◆ Accepting each other's uniqueness as a special person, recognizing that everyone is different with different needs.
- ◆ Working through problems and conflicts and looking for solutions rather than blaming.
- ◆ Focusing on each other's strong points and looking for the good.
- ◆ Exercising responsibilities through sacrificial love, remembering that actions speak louder than words.
- ◆ Helping to fulfill each other's spiritual potential and outreach.
- ◆ Taking time together for Bible study, prayer and sharing.
- ◆ Lifting up the cross and Christ's sacrifice and accepting the grace and assurance He gives every family member who accepts the invitation to come to Him.



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[Home] should be a little heaven upon earth, a place where the affections are cultivated instead of being studiously repressed. Our happiness depends upon this cultivation of love, sympathy, and true courtesy to one another. The sweetest type of heaven is a home where the spirit of the Lord presides. If the will of God is fulfilled, the husband and wife will respect each other and cultivate love and confidence.⁴



Samuel and Martha Mancilla with their children, Sammy, Melissa, Martha and Carol.

FAMILIES

They can be a positive influence in the home and in the church

For five years I've watched Samuel and Martha Mancilla bring their children to church. There's Martha, 9, Carol, 8, Sammy, 5, and Melissa, 3. They're just the right age to be very wiggly in church. But I noticed from the very beginning that there's something special about this family. It's true, they speak with an accent because they come from Columbia, South America. But that's not what distinguishes them.

What makes them unique and you can't help noticing is the way they walk into the sanctuary. They all have a certain something—a quiet, reverent dignity as they walk into God's house. And their faces radiate the joy that's in their hearts. The children have it as well as the parents. They all sit in the same pew and seem to have a healthy respect for each other.

The Mancillas came to the United States eight-and-a-half years ago. Samuel is currently employed by a reforestation company in Louisiana. In the winter he plants trees with a seven-man crew, of which he is the foreman, and in the summer he does various forestry services. In his spare time he is busy with missionary work. He brings guests to church and teaches a Spanish Sabbath

school class. He also gives Bible studies with a film projector. In addition, he finds time to spend with his children.

Ask the older girls, "What is the most fun thing you do together?" Without hesitation they answer, "The Bible guessing game."

Then too, discipline is not outmoded in this family. I asked five-year-old Sammy if he needed spanking once in a while. He said "yes," and that he'd rather

have daddy's spanking than mother's, no reason given. His mother always asks the question, "Did your action make Jesus happy or sad?"

In visiting the family, I found that the children are respected as individuals in their own right and that they relate to the adults respectfully and intelligently.

Perhaps the ancient advice is still viable: *"And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: and thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up."* (Deuteronomy 6:5-7) *Alan Williams, Pastor Lake Charles and DeRidder, Louisiana*

The atmosphere surrounding the fathers and mothers fills the whole house . . . to a large extent parents create the atmosphere of the home . . . make your home atmosphere fragrant with tender thoughtfulness.⁵

THE FAMILY

It passes on its spiritual values

One summer evening in 1941, the Zappula family heard a sermon that changed their lives forever. It was not possible at that time to imagine the positive impact that has affected several generations. Looking back, it can be clearly seen how the Lord works in mysterious ways to save our families.

Gene Dell'Anno, a Seventh-day Adventist pastor from the New Orleans First Church, visited the Zappulas in Hammond at the request of a church member. He discussed biblical truths with them under the oak tree in their yard which made a deep impression on their minds.

Josie, Gasper Zappula's wife, could see that what the pastor talked about contradicted her Catholic views, so she decided she would study the Bible herself to learn the truths of God's word. Gasper, too, felt swayed by the message, and he soon began to study as well.

After two or three months of Bible studies every weekend with the pastor, and by now several family members and friends had joined them, it became clear that the pastor taught the truth. On June 21, 1941, 15 people were baptized as a direct result of these weekly Bible studies. Twelve of these came from Gasper Zappula's family, including his parents and three of his sisters.

Within a few years the rest of Gasper Zappula's brothers and sisters, along with their spouses and children, joined the Adventist family. Through the years the number of family members who have become Seventh-day Adventists has grown to over a hundred.

How did this all begin? The Lord used a humble black family who worked on the Zappula's farm to interest them in the truth. Gasper and Josie recall that the Ricks family were good, hardworking Christians who often praised the Lord. Josie remembers how, on several occasions, Sister Ricks would tell her

about her unique beliefs. On one occasion Sister Ricks held up an envelope with money in it saying, "This is not for me; this is for Jesus." "What does Jesus need money for?" Josie asked. Then Sister Ricks explained: "No, honey chile, someday you'll understand. This money goes to the conference to pay the ministers to go reach the people."

Another time, Josie remembers, Sister Ricks came by to visit. When Josie offered her some pork and beans, she said, "No, thank you." Josie asked her why she would not eat them. She



Pam Spalitta

kindly responded, "I eat beans, but I don't eat the pork that's with them." So she ate some bread and water instead. This incident helped the Holy Spirit to convict Josie's heart of truth later on.

Sister Ricks asked the New Orleans pastor to visit them, and before long the truth spread throughout their family circle. To this day the Zappulas are grateful for Adventists who shared their faith and for the answered prayers. Over half a century has passed since Gasper and Josie were baptized, but they still witness eagerly to family and friends. They believe Jesus is coming soon. *Pam Spalitta*

Pam is married to a descendant of the Zappula family.

Every Christian home should have rules; and parents should, in their words and deportment toward each other, give to the children a precious, living example of what they desire them to be. Purity of speech and true Christian courtesy should be constantly practiced.⁶

FAMILY

It's one of Satan's prime targets

No one knows the heartache of the millions who have ended their marriages in the courts. Divorce causes the loss of family, the loss of friends, and the loss of financial security. Divorce often leads to the loss of a person's job, the loss of the home, and the loss of most of the things the family has worked so hard to obtain through the years. It may even cause the loss of the soul.

Divorce is one of Satan's most effective weapons against the church. Every effort should be put forth to prevent it at all costs. If our dispositions are in disharmony, then instead of switching spouses, why not let Jesus transform our temperaments?

When both partners are willing to work toward unity and happiness, success is almost guaranteed. Even where only one spouse is willing to sacrifice self for the cause of harmony, that person can sometimes win back the estranged partner by love and understanding. A pastor friend told me this story:

"Early in my ministry I became so eager to succeed in the pastoral program that I worked for the church from 14 to 18 hours a day, seven days a week. I seldom ate with my family or spent any time with them except at church functions. I saw my daughter in the morning when I sent her off to school. I pecked my wife on the cheek as I left for some church responsibility. And I often came home late at night after the rest of the family had gone to bed.

"Then one horrible day I realized that my wife hadn't told me she loved me for a long time. I asked her why. She told me, quite frankly, 'Because I don't.' That came as a shock to me, because I thought we had a good marriage based on love. So why didn't my spouse love me anymore?

"During the next few days I began to realize that I had been the guilty culprit. I had driven away my wife's love by my lack of attention, my ceaseless work,

and my selfish grasp for the goodwill of the church and the conference. I'd spent so much time with my work that I didn't even know her anymore and it was just as obvious that she no longer knew me. What should I do? I still loved her. I didn't want to lose her!

"About that time I received a call to pastor a district in another conference. The ministerial secretary had been a close friend of the family whom I had known for many years. One day I told him: 'I've got a problem with my marriage. My wife says she doesn't love me any more. I think I need to spend some time working this out.'

"That's all right with me,' he said. 'Whatever time it takes, you should spend it.'

"And so I began spending about half of my time with my wife, doing things with her we'd always enjoyed. We worked together, shopped together, played games together, assembled picture puzzles together, went out to eat together. All during this time I didn't know if I was reaching her heart, if she was growing to love me again.

"And then one glorious day she came and said, 'I love you'—for the first time in over two years. I'll never forget the relief that flooded my heart and my thankfulness to God for bringing us together in love once more.

"I decided right then that, God help me, I'd never again allow our love to become estranged. And so today I spend a lot of time with my wife and children, time well spent on nurturing our family life. I know what it's like to lose the love of someone I treasure very dearly, and I don't want that to ever happen again."

Throughout most of Earth's history, individuals have had little to say about who they wanted to marry. Parents usually made this choice for their children. And in most cases the couples worked together and eventually grew to love each other. This dynamic which has been at work through thousands of years can still work today—even in marriages where love has grown cold. By working together and spending time to-



T. C. Petty, Jr.

gether, husbands and wives can learn to love each other once more.

The key to a happy marriage is to *treat your spouse in a loving way*. Your thoughtful actions will have a two-pronged effect: They will create a love-response within the heart of your spouse, and they will develop within your own heart a deep and abiding love for your spouse.

Love is as love does. And where love does, love grows.

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Troubles may invade, but these are the lot of humanity. Let patience, gratitude, and love keep sunshine in the heart though the day may be ever so cloudy . . . Administer the rules of the home in wisdom and love, not with a rod of iron. Children will respond with willing obedience to the rule of love.⁷



Cornel Melacon and his wife, Wanda, on their 27th anniversary, December 22, 1994.

hung in the air like thick fog. Cornel Melacon had been in the hospital for almost six weeks, since before Christmas. Though in otherwise good health, a massive heart attack some years back had left his heart severely damaged. Now it was giving out, and his only hope for survival lay in a heart transplant.

When word first came that a suitable donor heart had been found, relatives and friends gathered at the hospital to support the family. Now, over an hour late, technicians finally arrived carrying the vital organ toward the operating room. What a reception they received, with halls lined with family and friends cheering them on their way.

As the heart team disappeared into the operating room, family and friends gathered in the C.C.U. waiting room. Forming a large circle, they prayed for Cornel and for the success of the operation.

Cornel had not been raised a Seventh-day Adventist, but he married into a large family of Adventists when he wed Wanda Hyde. The Hydies came from the Bay Islands in Honduras. Five brothers and two sisters migrated to the United States about 50 years ago, and though their descendants have dispersed, more than a dozen remain in the New Orleans area as members of several Adventist churches. That night in the C.C.U. waiting room, sons, daughters, cousins, nieces, and nephews gathered with representatives of Cornel's larger family, the family of God.

The transplant was successful, and Cornel seems to be doing well. His doctors say he was

Like Cornel Melacon, sometimes families also need a heart transplant

Cornel's new heart should have arrived at 8:00 p.m. But after 9:00 more than three dozen people still lingered in the Cardiac Care Unit (C.C.U.) waiting room at Ochsner Memorial Hospital in New Orleans. Suspense

on the verge of another massive heart attack when the new heart arrived just in time.

Besides the practical considerations of the love and fore-



William McCall

sight of someone willing to donate their organs, this experience paints a parable of the gospel. Someone had to die so that Cornel could receive a new heart.

We all need heart transplants, for ours are choked with sin—dying. Our families need heart transplants, for they are choked with sin—dying. Our churches need heart transplants, for they are also choked up with sin and dying. Christ offers each of us a heart transplant. He died to make a new heart available for each of us. He will take our sinful hearts and replace them with His vibrant new one. This is a matter of life and death.

And all around us, encouraging us and praying for us, stands the family of God, waiting for us to come alive after that heart transplant.

*William McCall, Pastor
New Orleans First Church*

Eli did not manage his household according to God's rules for family government. He followed his own judgement . . . many are now making a similar mistake. The influence of an ill-regulated family is widespread and disastrous to all society. It accumulates in a tide of evil that affects families, communities and governments.⁸

FAMILIES

They provide opportunities for ministry

Many homes are not blessed with both a father and a mother. To these families, the church and school can become a resource for raising the children.

We should not speak disparagingly to those whose circumstances place them in the role of single-parenthood. Spirit-gifted two-parent families should be available to support and share resources of male/female nurture and leadership with single-parent homes. Older men and women like deacons and deaconesses, whose children are grown and living independently, should make themselves available to younger single-parent families to help pass on the "birthright."

Ministry programs at church such as Pathfinders, Adventurers, Family Life, Adventist Youth, and Sabbath school groups should provide the organizational structure and settings for this kind of contact and nurture. These activities can provide a tremendous opportunity for ministry to single-parent families through both inreach and outreach. In addition, men of the church who have mechanical knowledge could offer a car clinic one Sunday a month at the church to repair and service the vehicles of single mothers.

The scarcity of time is what prevents members from providing many of these nurturing activities. There never seems to be enough time to develop, nurture and sustain relationships. We have to make a living, be successful, and be a good church worker. And God requires that we come to His kingdom with someone else, our families first, then our neighbors, and then others from our community. Since nothing God does is haphazard or careless, He planned at creation for the time we need to do much of our ministry—the Sabbath.

The Sabbath has been set aside by God for worship and

for being a blessing to others. It is a day when we can plan time, first for our own families, and then to focus on ministering to others such as our single-parent families who lack a committed, Christian male or female role model. Include them in family-oriented activities which will give them a sense of belonging and support them in caring for their families.

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FAMILIES

They're meant to stay together

The cover story of the February 27 issue of *Time* magazine is entitled "Should This Marriage Be Saved?" and the subtitle



Jean Thomas

reads, "Many Americans are trying to make marriages more permanent—and divorce more difficult."

Research being done on children of divorce is highlighting the fact that divorce has long-term damaging effects on them. As one researcher puts it, "Over half of the [now grown] children I have been studying have psychological problems they attribute to divorce." Twenty-five years before, when this same individual, Judith Wallerstein, wrote about the "radical changes in family life silently altering the social fabric of the entire society," she was laughed at. But today much of her material is being used in the marriage-preservation movement which is sweeping the country.

Church and community groups, schools and even some divorce attorneys are taking measures to bring healing to dysfunctional families and coun-

cil those contemplating marriage. "We're seeing a trend in the past couple of years toward couples doing more work to preserve and strengthen relationships," says Froma Walsh, co-director of the Center for Family Health at the University of Chicago.

Marital therapy has become big business with 4.6 million couples a year visiting 50,000 licensed family therapists. People are often poorly trained for marriage. Findings indicate that much more pre-marital counseling needs to be done to help couples learn how to talk and work through their differences before marriage.

Many couples are taking compatibility tests before marriage and some, shocked to find out how incompatible they are, break their engagements, recognizing it is much less painful than divorcing with kids.

In God's plan, He did not envisage broken homes. Satan has come along and tried his best to destroy what God has created. The church is struggling under the heavy burden of broken or dysfunctional homes. It's time to mend this brokenness. Why allow the world to set the lead in restoring God's plan? As Bible-believing Seventh-day Adventists, cognizant of the sanctity of marriage and the importance of the home, we need to take advantage of every opportunity to bring healing to our broken relationships, to guide our young people in their choices and to turn our homes into a little bit of heaven.

Jean Thomas, Editor

It was Satan's studied effort [in the antediluvian age] to prevent the marriage institution, to weaken its obligations and lessen its sacredness; for in no surer way could he deface the image of God in man and open the door to misery and vice.⁹

When something goes wrong . . . There still is life after divorce

Perhaps the most traumatic event in anyone's life is when marriage goes "sour" and comes to an end. When those vows are exchanged with the thought of living "happily ever after," there is no thought that it will end in divorce. Love for each other is going to last forever, and sharing life together is the goal. But then, somehow something changes. The "happily ever after" is over and life suddenly becomes bleak.

For many persons, facing the reality of divorce is very difficult. Especially is this true for Adventists. As one Adventist woman who attended a divorce recovery seminar said, "I've been divorced for 25 years, and for 22 of those years I could not even talk about my divorce. In the process I ruined my life and my children."

Unfortunately, her story is the experience of many people in our church who, having experienced divorce, are unable to face or resolve the issues of their marriage breakup. Having conducted 84 divorce recovery seminars in the past 12 years, I have observed that Seventh-day Adventists have greater difficulty going through a divorce than non-Adventists. I say this not to discourage, but rather with a desire that the feelings and attitudes relating to divorce be confronted and resolved. The purpose of this article is to help those confronting divorce to go on with life and become successful, happy and fulfilled Christians.

Why divorce may be more difficult for Seventh-day Adventists:

1. Adventists maintain a strong belief in the sanctity of marriage. We base this on Matthew 19:6 where Jesus reminds us, "What God hath joined together, let not man put asunder." There is a strong connection between our personal dreams and desires for a happy, fulfilling life, a lasting marriage, and the church's expectation that Christians should be able to keep their marriages together. Anything less than a perfectly happy family may lead one to ask, "What is wrong with me?"
2. The Seventh-day Adventist Church is very much a couples and family-oriented church. In practice, the programs of the church, religious and social, center around our members being part of a nuclear family. A church member who is divorced can easily feel disenfranchised—an excluded member of God's family.
3. With a goal to be ready for Christ's coming and His command to "be ye perfect," some divorcees feel they cannot be ready for that day because of the load of guilt and failure they carry.

How to bring about resolution:

1. God created us with feelings. He gave us tear ducts to release the tears when we cry. Allow yourself to get in touch with your feelings. Confront those feelings of anger, fear, sorrow or guilt. Often Christians are afraid of anger. However, the Bible does not say anger is a sin—it is the wrong use of anger that causes sin. Rather, use the emotion of anger to provide motivation to accomplish positive goals.

The emotion of guilt needs to be addressed. When a divorce occurs, the most-asked

question is, "Who is the guilty party?" Too frequently the church and the divorcing persons try to prove they are innocent, that they are the victim, while they blame their spouse for being in the wrong.

Determining who is guilty and the process of blaming leads to the problem of accepting one's basic emotional feelings of anger, loneliness, guilt, failure, low self-worth and rejection. The solution is to put into practice the biblical principles of confession, forgiveness and cleansing. Divorced people need to be able to forgive their ex-spouse for their inadequacies as well as to forgive themselves for mistakes they have made. To fully address the religious and spiritual issues of divorce, the emotional aspects must be addressed. The guidance of a pastor or Christian counselor is invaluable.

2. Put the past behind you. In Philippians 3:13, Paul writes, "... forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forth unto those things which are before..." This is excellent counsel. Put the painful events and thoughts behind and reach forward to all the wonderful promises and opportunities God has for today.
3. Give God your problems. Take Peter's admonition where he says, "Cast all your care upon Him for He careth for you," 1 Peter 5:7. When burdened with life's perplexities, Jesus invites us to "Come unto me," Matthew 11:28. Tell Him about your pain and sorrow. He cannot be wearied by our burdens and heartaches.
4. Know that God loves and accepts you. Jesus said, "All that the Father giveth me shall

come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out." This means that God does not reject you. Though your spouse may have rejected you, God has not and never will reject you when you come to Him. God has promised that He will walk THROUGH the valley with you.

5. Determine that you will succeed in getting beyond the pain and hurt of your divorce. Paul reminds us in Philippians 4:13 that "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." Your future does not have to be bleak. By God's grace and the power of the Holy Spirit you may attain new goals and reach the potential Christ intends for you.

Conclusion

In your grieving process, find a friend who understands your pain, one in whom you can confide and receive hope and encouragement. Seek out a competent Christian counsellor who can help you work through unresolved issues. Attend a divorce recovery seminar which will also help you address the many issues involved in the divorce process. Though your marriage may have failed, you CAN experience a new life in Christ.

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¹ *Adventist Home*, White, E.G., page 15

² *Ibid.*

³ *Ibid.*, page 19

⁴ *Ibid.*, page 15

⁵ *Ibid.*, page 16

⁶ *Ibid.*

⁷ *Ibid.*, page 18

⁸ *Patriarchs and Prophets*, White, E. G. page 568, 579.

⁹ *Adventist Home*, White, E.G., page 326



David White

Southwestern Union



Rally in Fort Worth, Texas

April 22, 1995

Does evangelism work??? Other religions think so. During recent months, what could be an unprecedented wave of evangelistic fervor is taking place among various religions. Thousands are accepting Christ. **Thousands more are embracing Islam (4 million in U.S.), Hinduism, Buddhism,** and other major and obscure religions. The eastern religions are making inroads into cities all across America.

What is the message??? The message is clear. There is a great spiritual THIRST in America today. What is the Seventh-day Adventist Church going to do about this spiritual vacuum?

HANDS ACROSS THE WORLD

The goal of Hands Across the World is to establish 2,000 new congregations by the year 2,000.

But Hands Across the World is not about bricks and mortar. Houses are built by human hands, but homes are built by human hearts. Hands Across the World stands on this principle.

Elder Folkenberg is urging the Seventh-day Adventists in the Southwest to come together April 22 at Fort Worth, Texas. God's people are encouraged to:

- ◆ Arrive early (9:00 a.m.) at Wilkerson-Greines Activity Center.
- ◆ Worship in a spirit of unity as on the day of Pentecost.
- ◆ See the rapid advancement of God's work worldwide.
- ◆ Feel the presence of God in His mighty work.
- ◆ Enjoy lunch together. **(Be sure to bring a sack lunch).**
- ◆ Hear the choirs from across the Union praise Jesus in music.
- ◆ Spend the day at this mini General Conference.
- ◆ **Charter buses, car caravans, bring the entire congregation.**



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Southwest Estate Services Reaches a New High

The month of November in 1994 was an intensive and admittedly a stressful month for Southwest Estate Services, Inc., the Southwestern Union's trust services department (SES). In September, Ellen Nixon, chief trust auditor for the General Conference, called with the request to conduct a training audit. An annual audit is conducted regularly to examine the union trust department's total operation.

Ellen Nixon, CPA and Rick Caldwell, attorney, representing the General Conference Office of General Counsel, came to work at our office, bringing six CPAs in training to become certified trust auditors. This group of trainees spent four and one-half weeks examining the financial operations, files, and administrative functions, to assure that the audit left no stone unturned. During and after the audit the

trust services staff worked diligently to respond to each recommendation the auditors brought to the director's and treasurer's attention.

On February 23, 1995, the certification committee of the General Conference met in Silver Spring, Maryland, and voted to grant Southwest Estate Services, Inc. level "A" certification which is the highest certification that can be earned by a Trust Department in North America.

The success of this audit is directly attributed to the very fine work done by the office staff which includes the secretaries, Janet Miller, Muriel Allred and Lily Gonzalez, as well as the treasurer, Joel Wallace, CPA.

With SES certification now over, our goals are to move forward as follows:

1. To maintain continuous certification and high quality in future years.
2. To assist the conferences in the Southwestern Union in

reaching certification in their own trust programs.

3. To provide the training for our conference personnel so that a high degree of professionalism and leadership may be maintained.
4. To become a professional resource center for our conference trust departments.
5. To assist our Conferences in providing the best possible service for our members who desire estate planning for their families and the Lord's Church.

We wish to thank all who have made use of Southwest Estate Services, Inc. If you have never talked with your conference or union trust services personnel, give us a call and we will be most happy to assist you with your needs. Your daily prayers are solicited in our behalf, that God will continue to bless in the future as we help prepare good and faithful stewards for Christ's second coming.

Harvey J. Byram
Trust Services Director

General Alert

This is to notify members of the Seventh-day Adventist Church that material published by Larry Wilson of the "Wake Up America Seminars, Inc.," including his Day Star newsletter, books, tapes and videos, does not represent the Seventh-day Adventist views on the prophecies found in the book of Revelation. The interpretations are not only misleading, but have also divided some churches. Do not waste your time reading this material. In addition, the Jean Thomas to which Wilson refers in his advertisement flyer is not the editor of the *Record* but the wife of Hagar Thomas, pastor of the Round Rock, Texas, church.

Cyril Miller, President,
Southwestern Union
Conference



Harvey J. Byram, Southwestern Union trust services director; Carlos Riveiro, accountant, Texas Conference; Karl Doerner, Texas Conference trust director; Joel Wallace, Southwestern Union trust treasurer; David Johnston, G.C. associate director; Linda Galland, Oklahoma Conference trust officer; Frank Dean, Arkansas-Louisiana Conference trust treasurer; Susan Deen, Arkansas-Louisiana Conference trust officer; Ted Brown, Southwest Region Conference trust treasurer; Tom Carter, G.C. trust director.

Pen Pal Requests

◆ "I am 20 years old and have been married for two and a half years. I have a five-month old son. I am a housewife and do not have many friends my age. I would enjoy corresponding with other young people who share my Seventh-day Adventist beliefs." Write to me, Cindy Heap at 163 Madrona, Kerrville, TX 78028.

◆ "If anyone cares to write to me about Adventist Singles, I'll gladly write to them." Dorothy Boyles, RR 4, Box 107 F, Sherman, TX 75090.

Soul winning is the supreme mission of the church. In fact Jesus organized the church for no other purpose except to seek and save the lost. We are excited about our soul-winning plans for 1995. Here is a special listing of our spring and summer crusades. There are thousands on the verge of the kingdom just waiting to be gathered in. Let us pray for each of these evangelistic crusades in our daily devotions.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Type of Meeting</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Pastor/Speaker</u>
Jan - Mar	Revelation Seminar	Las Vegas, NM	David Rose
Jan -June	Sab. AM Evang.	New Iberia, LA	David Copsey
Feb. 2-Mar 30	Crusade	Big Spring, TX	Jose Luque
Feb. 3-July 14	Revelation Seminar	North Valley, NM	Peter Weber
Feb. 3-APR 13	Revelation Seminar	Las Ulnas, NM	Paul Lutz
Feb. 4-Mar 8	Crusade	Lovington, NM	Steve Bohr
Feb. 18-Mar.25	Net '95	Gentry, AR	Mark Finley
"	Net '95	Baton Rouge, LA	Mark Finley
"	Net '95	Zachary, AR	Mark Finley
"	Net '95	Shreveport South, LA	Mark Finley
"	Net '95	Shreveport 1st, LA	Mark Finley
"	Net '95	Houma, LA	Mark Finley
"	Net '95	St. Bernard, LA	Mark Finley
"	Net '95	Springdale, AR	Mark Finley
"	Net '95	Harrison, AR	Mark Finley
"	Net '95	Alexandria, LA	Mark Finley
"	Net '95	Tucumcari, NM	Mark Finley
"	Net '95	North Houston, TX	Mark Finley
"	Net '95	Keene, TX	Mark Finley
"	Net '95	Arlington	Mark Finley
"	Net '95	Pharr, TX	Mark Finley
"	Net '95	Rusk, TX	Mark Finley
"	Net '95	Lufkin, TX	Mark Finley
"	Net '95	Richardson, TX	Mark Finley
"	Net '95	Jackson, TX	Mark Finley
"	Net '95	Jefferson Academy, TX	Mark Finley
"	Net '95	SA Laurel Heights, TX	Mark Finley
"	Net '95	SA East Terrace, TX	Mark Finley
"	Net '95	Austin, TX	Mark Finley
Feb 25-Apr 22	Prophecy Seminar	Batesville, AR	Bud Schermerhorn
Feb	Amazing Facts Crusade	Annaville, TX	Bob Thrower
Feb	Seminar	Greenville, TX	J LaPorte
Feb	Video Crusade	Dallas First, TX	T Lemon
Mar 1-Apr 14	Crusade	Bonnerdale Dist., AR	Reggie Phillips
Mar-May	Sab. AM Evang.	Lafayette, LA -	David Copsey
Mar 4-Aug 12	Sab. AM Evang	Lubbock/Plainview, TX	Tom Whitsett
Mar 6-Apr 30	Prophecy Seminar	Alamogordo, NM	Daniel Vaughn
Mar 11-Apr 1	3 wk meeting	DeQueen, AR	Glen Farnsworth
Mar 12-May 6	Revelation Seminar	El Paso, TX	Neftali Quintero
Mar 18-May 6	Sab AM Evang	Clayton, NM	Louie Torrez
Mar 18-May 6	Sab PM Evang	San Angelo Span, TX	Jose Luque
Mar 22-June 28	Cox Video	Grants, NM	Peter Weber
Mar 25-May 13	Sab AM Evang	Hobbs, NM	Ken Davis
Mar	Seminar	Houston Filipino, TX	I. Garsula

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Mar	Video Crusade	Ho International, TX	D. Gleason
Mar	Crusade	Beeville, TX	J. Boswell
Mar	Seminar	Mercedes, TX	R. Hollenbeck
Mar	Crusade	Brownsville, TX	H. Kornegay
Mar	Crusade	San Benito, TX	H. Kornegay
Mar	Crusades	Sulphur Springs, TX	T Seay
Mar	Video Crusade	Jefferson Central, TX	L Spiva
Apr 1-May 20	Sab AM Evang	North Valley, NM	Peter Weber
Apr 1-May 20	Sab AM Evang	San Angelo, TX	Rodel Liwanag
Apr 8-May 27	Sab AM Evang	Midland Spanish, TX	Jose Luque
Apr 8-May 27	Sab AM Evang	Santa Fe Spanish, NM	Walter Vyhmeister
Apr 8-May 6	Revelation Seminar	Clint, NM	Neftali Quintero
Apr 8-30	Evang Meeting	Rio Grande Span, NM	Moises Ponce
Apr 8-May 6	Prophecy Seminar	Belen, NM	Moises Ponce
Apr 7-22	3 wk meeting	N.O. Spanish, LA	Fidel Merchan
Apr 21-May 20	4 wk meeting	Springdale Spanish, AR	Milton Quijano
Apr 22-June 2	6 wk meeting	Gonzales, LA	Peter Bragg
Apr 22-May 13	Countdown 2000	NE El Paso, TX	Bill Davis
Apr	Seminar	Ho Korean, TX	Benjamin Soh
Apr	Seminar	Bowie, TX	S. Hope
Apr	Crusades	Mid-Cities, TX	L Holley
Apr	Seminar	Terrell, TX	A. Adams
Apr	Crusade	Elkhart, TX	L DeWitt
Apr	Seminar	Dallas Korean, TX	D Im
Apr	Seminar	Garland, TX	J LaPorte
Apr	Seminar	Longview, TX	R Robinson
Apr	Crusade	Tyler, TX	T Toms
May 5-20	3 wk meeting	Metairie Spanish, LA	Fidel Merchan
May 6-28	Evang Crusade	Valencia, NM	Paul Lutz
May 7-June 3	Crusade	Hammond, LA	A. Ogiste
May	Crusade	Galveston, TX	R. Eubanks
May	Seminar	Northwest FW, TX	J. Gresham
May	Crusade	Graham, TX	D. McAnally
May	Crusade	Ft Worth Korean, TX	Pastor Um
May	Amazing Facts Crusade	Kingsville, TX	J. Boswell
May	Crusade	Harlingen, TX	H. Kornegay
May	Crusade	Mesquite, TX	A. Adams
May	Seminar	Hemphill, TX	L Shockey
May	Video Crusade	Atlanta, TX	L Spiva
May	Crusade	S.A. Korean, TX	I Park
June 4-July 8	Crusade	Monroe, LA	S. Lewis
June 11-July 22	Crusade	Midland/Odessa, TX	J. Payne
June	Crusade	Ho Gulfhaven, TX	R. Eubanks
July 8-Aug 5	Crusade	Shreveport, LA	R. O. Robinson
July 9-Aug 19	Crusade	Dallas, TX	C. Watkins
July 16-Aug 26	Crusade	Houston, TX	W. McKnight
July 16-Aug 26	Crusade	Houston, TX	W. Scales
July 16-Aug 26	Crusade	Little Rock, AR	A. Jules
July 16-Aug 26	Crusade	Houston, TX	Tim Lewis
July 16-Aug 26	Crusade	Fort Worth, TX	E. Peeler
July 23-Sept 2	Crusade	NO Caffin/East, LA	T. A. McNealy
July	Crusade	Wichita Falls, TX	S. Hope

Oklahoma

JACK FRANCISCO, CORRESPONDENT

Elk City Welcomes New Members

Four new members were added to the family of God on October 29. Young Jared Higley, son of Jeannie McCarter and stepson of Richard Schmidt, was baptized after several months of Bible studies and years of encouragement from his parents. Ron and Liana Clowson were also baptized. Ron had studied the Bible at a Revelation Seminar with Wayne Adams of the Elk City church.

Liana had been a member of the Adventist church before, but she had lost her first love. But now, thanks to God, she has returned with her newly baptized husband. Richard Schmidt, who

has been a committed Christian all his life and has joined by profession of faith, was led to the Advent truth through personal study and discussion with his wife, Jeannie McCarter, who was raised an Adventist. Since joining both have been very active in the Elk City church.

Ardmore Holds an Ingathering/Valentine Banquet

Patty Norton, Ardmore Ingathering coordinator, Margaret Just and Edna Payne, coordinators of the Ardmore district planning and decorations committee, turned the Ardmore fellowship hall into a banquet room for the Ingathering victory and Valentine banquet. Hearts suspended in mid-air, hearts on the tables, and hearts on the wall made up the decorations for this festive occasion.

Members from the Madill and Davis churches joined in the celebration, for their district also went over the top of

their 1994 Ingathering goal.

Music for the banquet was provided by Ferman Mock, Paula Wolfe, and Mike Furr. Conference president Rodney Grove was the guest speaker for the evening. At the conclusion of the '94 Ingathering campaign, Ardmore had reached 103% of its goal, Madill 113%, and Davis a fantastic 162% of its goal! Indeed a reason for warm hearts!

Elk City Church Sponsors a Family Crisis Workshop

The Elk City church sponsored a Family Crisis Workshop, held at the Elk City library, the weekend of November 6-8. Workshop leaders, Richard D. Schmidt, M.A. and Jeannie L. McCarter, M.S., are both practicing therapists in the Elk City and Sayre communities, and both are members of the Elk City SDA Church. Because this workshop proved beneficial, another workshop is being planned for sometime in the spring.

Cincinnati Hills Reaches Two of Its Goals

Although our membership is small, we have much spirit, and our members are active. We came

to church on Sabbath, December 31, 1994 with a wonderful feeling in our hearts, for we had just reached two of our main goals for the year.

By working hard on our Investment projects, we were able to help advance God's mission work by donating a total of \$3007.38 for our Investment offering. Bertha Hill, Investment leader, works hard herself as well as encouraging other members in this program.

Another reason for rejoicing was that we had gone over our Ingathering goal as well.

We are thinking more of Christ, and we pray that we will be given strength from the Lord so that our 1995 efforts will be blessed also.

Mildred Murphy
Communication Secretary
Cincinnati Hills, Tulsa,
Oklahoma

Muskogee Celebrates Ingathering Victory

Members from the Muskogee Seventh-day Adventist Church gathered together on Saturday night, January 7, 1995, to celebrate victory in reaching their 1994 Ingathering goal. God not only blessed these dedicated



Elk City church welcomes four new members, from left, Richard D. Schmidt, Jared Higley, and Ron and Liana Clowson, with their pastor, Jose Gonzales, standing behind Jared.



Members of the Ardmore church at their Ingathering/Valentine banquet.

church members with a responsive public and wonderful weather, but they also finished their campaign on time with a nice overflow!

Ira Gilliam, a member of this congregation since 1945, looks forward to Ingathering each year. He and a fellow member worked for 54 hours, traveled 805 miles, and brought in \$3,100 for Ingathering!



*Curtis Thurber
Muskogee Church
Communication Secretary*

Stillwater Youth Are Active

Life has been busy lately for the youth Sabbath school class at the Stillwater church! They have recently completed two new and exciting activities.

In October the class members wrote to Gary Swanson, editor of the *Collegiate Quarterly*, and volunteered to write Sabbath school lessons for one week. Although this is usually done by young adults at the college level and above, Swanson apparently accepted the word of the youth teacher, Robin Sagel, that her class members were exception-

ally mature. He assigned them to write a week's lessons with a due date of December 1, 1994.

Several of the students live outside Stillwater, and it was hard to meet for writers' conferences, but the students worked diligently, completed the assignment, and sent it so that it arrived at the *Collegiate Quarterly* offices on December 1.

This assignment was a great learning experience for the whole class. Everyone, including the teacher, worked on the lessons.

After having tried one brand-new experience, the students were willing to venture into more uncharted territory. They decided to attend the North American Division's Children's Ministries Expo in St. Louis, Missouri, held Friday, January 20, and Sabbath, January 21. Five class members were able to attend, along with their teacher and Walt Lynch, a male chaperon.

Despite a four-hour traffic jam on the way to St. Louis on a stretch of ice near Lebanon, Missouri, everyone had fun and received a blessing at the Expo. The class members attended several seminars led by Mike Faison, who explained the basics of starting a clown ministry. They were also able to visit the Gateway Arch before going home.

*Robin Sagel, Assistant
Communication Secretary*



Stillwater youth who were involved in writing lessons for the Collegiate Quarterly made a trip to St. Louis where they visited the Gateway Arch and attended the North American Division Children's Ministries Expo in January.

ADVENTIST BOOK CENTER SPRING BOOK AND FOOD DISPLAYS

Your Adventist Book Center will be bringing a Spring Book and Food Display to several churches in the Oklahoma Conference. We will have a good supply of **books, Bibles, recordings, videos, games and vegetarian foods** available to those who have trouble getting in to our ABC in Oklahoma City. As always, if you know of items that you are wanting for sure, such as certain book titles or case foods, please call or send your order to the ABC 5 days in advance of our stop. Listed below is the remainder of our schedule for the spring season:

Shattuck church	Sat., April 15	Following sundown
Lawton church	Sun., April 16	2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Ardmore church	Mon., April 17	5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

To order, write your Adventist Book Center at P.O. Box 32188, Oklahoma City, OK 73123, or call TOLL FREE 800/522-2665. We are looking forward to serving you this spring.

*Donald P. Deisch, manager
Terry Schneider, intern*

Meals on Wheels Volunteers Honored in Shattuck

A dinner honoring Meals on Wheels volunteers in the Shattuck community was hosted by the Shattuck Seventh-day Adventist Church on January 18. The event was well attended as pastors and members from several denominations came to enjoy the Chinese-style meal.

Volunteers provide a vital service to the people of Shattuck. A project of the Ministerial Alliance, the meals are prepared by Newman Memorial Hospital and distributed by volunteers from the churches in town.

Adventist pastor Vialo Weis is president of the Meals on Wheels organization and church member Juanita Hurst is the secretary.

Virginia Burton

Cecil Johnston Celebrates 99th Birthday

Cecil Johnston of Vinita, Oklahoma, celebrated his 99th birthday on Sunday, February 26, 1995. Friends, neighbors, and relatives joined in a "come and go" celebration at his home. His wife, Ruby, and his sons, Oneil and Roy, and daughters, Reba Brown and Pat Watson, served cake, punch and a variety of



Cecil and Ruby Johnston

goodies. His oldest daughter, Lavona Thurman, had to participate in the occasion long-distance from California.

One of Cecil's hobbies is exercising, and his children's birthday gift to him was a treadmill. The Ketchum Adventist Church is proud of its oldest member, Cecil Johnston. *Wanda Sample*

Bristow Students' Charity Effort a Success

The Bristow Seventh-day Adventist Elementary School has only seven students, but they wanted to show their concern again this year about the number one killer in Oklahoma—heart disease. They accomplished this by participating in the "Jump Rope for Heart Program." Even though February is heart month, on November 8 the students jumped together in a three-hour jump, raising \$317 for the charity.



Bristow Elementary School students who participated in the Jump Rope for Heart program.

Students participating were: Tara Anderson, Elisa Fisher, Luke Fisher, David Gentry, Tuskannie Inlow, Jennifer Johns, and Jordan Johns. Under the leadership of Mary Monteleon, the group received a Northeast Region top-three-per-capita plaque for their efforts.

Ada Enjoys Ingathering "Overflow"

The Ada, Oklahoma, church always enjoys bringing in an "overflow" with their Ingathering. Ada has an active community service program that uses the funds for food baskets and emergency supplies for the needy.

Since the weather was so beautiful in December, Mike Knowles of McAlester obtained permission from the manager of the Ada Wal-Mart store for us to carol two evenings, for one hour each evening. We dug out an iron kettle, the community service logo, and decorated them for Christmas. Then we set up for business. Several members of the Oklahoma City Tenth Street Church joined us in our caroling.

Our caroling brought many smiles of appreciation, and some people stopped to say: "I haven't heard caroling since I was a child." We had lots of fun, gave out literature, and received good donations, which were shared with the Tenth Street church.

*Wilma J. Lamb
Community Services, Director*



Young people enjoy one of several hay rides as part of the Elk City church fall festival for the youth.



(Right) Cincinnati Hills church's self-denial tree that brought in \$3,007.38 for Sabbath school investment.

Sixty teens and adults spent the weekend of February 3-5 at Wewoka Woods Adventist Center listening to Dean Schultz expose the hidden agenda behind today's rock and rap scene. They returned home with a new appreciation of how important it is to fill the mind with wholesome information.



Ada church members caroling before Christmas.



Addington church youth, Jared Wood and Javier Gutierrez, celebrating the foot-washing service on communion Sabbath.

Arkansas-Louisiana

PETER A. KOSTENKO, CORRESPONDENT

Computers Are Hot Stuff in Hot Springs

Computers have come to the Hot Springs classroom thanks to an active fruit program and some perseverance on the part of Sharon Clark, who teaches in the one-teacher church school. Mrs. Clark, a firm believer in the importance of making our young people computer literate, has been building up the computer lab since her arrival in 1991. To date, thanks to funds generated through the annual fruit program, an auction, and an interested donor, Hot Springs has added five 286's and two IBM PC computers. No, they're not the most up-to-date pieces of equipment available, but they definitely do what needs to be done.

Students have especially enjoyed "Logo Writer." It took two years to locate and purchase this software, but the wait was definitely worth it. Watching the young people program the "turtle" into intricate designs is almost as fascinating as doing the designing yourself, which the teacher confesses she has thoroughly enjoyed doing herself. Besides "Logo Writer," the students are also exposed to keyboarding through "Touch Type Tutor" and "Word Perfect 5.1." When the new science textbooks hit the classrooms, our "Science Tutor" software hit the computers. The "Science Tutor" is an excellent tool for reinforcing the concepts learned through the textbook. That alone was reason enough to buy the extra computers. Our latest acquisition, and favorite incentive tool, is the new version of "Where in the USA is Carmen San Diego?"

What does Hot Springs plan next in the way of upgrading? Why, a CD-ROM, of course. Who knows what will happen after that.

Sharon Clark, Teacher

Jonesboro Members Respond to Fire Victims

Members of the Jonesboro, Louisiana, Seventh-day Adventist Church felt the need to respond when a nearby family lost all they had in a fire. Even though the family lived 60 miles from Jonesboro, the church provided clothes, money, food, and toys when their house burned to the ground during the last week of December.

The Jonesboro church has only nine members, and most of them are retired or on fixed incomes. And yet they believe that they are their "brothers' keepers" and responded in love to meet the needs of others.

John E. Taylor, Pastor

Russellville Features 30 Countries Sabbath Program

The Thirteenth Sabbath program at the Russellville church was presented by the Russellville youth departments. The focus was the Euro-Africa Division. Each child represented a country in Euro-Africa. They displayed their country's flag and spoke a few words in the native language.

As each child reported on the mission work being done in their specific country, a small candle was lit in its honor. In all, 30 candles were lit. The small candles encircled a large lighted candle which represented Christ, the Light of the world. The children also sang carols to brighten each heart and soul.

Everyone was invited to the international potluck after the program. The children and their parents prepared native foods from the countries represented during the morning's program. The public was invited to attend. The turnout was fantastic.

*Pamela Shumake
Communication Secretary*



Members of the Jonesboro church

Blytheville Takes Cheer to the Homeless

During the Christmas holidays the 20-member Blytheville church went with their pastor, Rudy Hein, to bring the season's cheer to the homeless men at the

Mississippi County Union Mission. Judy Tremper, church ministries leader, prepared a gift of personal items wrapped in holiday paper for each of the men.

After the gifts were handed out, Elder Hein gave a short but timely message. The residents expressed their appreciation. The Blytheville members feel good



Russellville church youth presenting their 13th Sabbath program.

about being able to initiate another outreach project. This group also visits two nursing homes each month.

Although the Blytheville church is a small congregation in the northeast corner of Arkansas, one of the poorest counties in the United States, they feel committed to sharing God's hope and love with those around them.

Stan Tomlinson
Church Elder

Arkla Believers Plan for the Hands Across the World Rally

Seventh-day Adventists from Arkansas and Louisiana will be joining believers from the other Southwestern states at the Wilkerson-Greines Activity Center in Fort Worth, Texas, for the greatest Adventist gathering since the New Orleans General Conference Session.

The all-day meeting will feature top speakers such as Robert Folkenberg, General Conference president, A. C. McClure, North American Division president, and others in the presentation of the church's continued emphasis on outreach projects around the world.

Adventist Singles Have Sun and Fun in the South

Adventist Singles Ministry (ASM) sponsored a gala weekend December 13-16 at Camp Kulaqua, near Gainesville, Florida. Singles from all over the United States, Canada, and Bermuda gathered for physical and spiritual renewal, to foster old and new friendships, and just to have fun.

Martin Weber, associate editor of *Ministry* magazine and author of several books, set the spiritual tone for the weekend, speaking both Friday evening and Sabbath Morning. Weber has a refreshing and unique way of

presenting Bible truth that helps his listeners feel like they're hearing some of it for the first time. Mark and Donna Bond favored the group with several musical numbers.

During off-time singles visited the zoo, took nature hikes, canoed or swam in the spring, took tours of the camp, attended the vice-president's forum, or just relaxed in the sun with friends.

The Bonds led out in the Saturday evening formal banquet and talent program. Then, just before midnight, everyone joined in a candle lighting ceremony and prayer circle. Fireworks in the fog completed the evening with a bang!

On Sunday morning some rode horseback while others played putt-putt golf, drove go-carts, sparred in ping-pong, paddled canoes, or just sat and chatted. The main excitement in the afternoon centered around the Kulaqua 500, a go-cart race, in which four men and four women functioned as drivers. Diana Tomlinson and Larry Cochran represented the Arkansas Singles chapter in the race. Diana took first place while Larry came in third.

In the evening singles experienced a moonlight hayride and a barn party with good food and music. During the party, the emcee gave out awards to the

top players of the day's games.

After a prayer breakfast and friendship circle on Monday morning, friends bade farewell and went their separate ways.

If you are single and didn't get to come to this event, why not plan to attend one of the other national events this year. It's well worth your time and money.

Taresa Cochran and
Christy Herring
Arkansas ASM
vice-president and president

Ozark Family Camp Meeting

A dynamic program has been planned for the Ozark family camp meeting to begin May 30 to June 3 below the campus of Ozark Adventist Academy.

Well-known speakers and program coordinators will make this a never-to-be-forgotten time for all who attend. The program is being planned with an old fashioned theme where most of the meetings will be held in tents. Families are being encouraged to make reservations early for the tent and camper sites, some with hookups.

An outdoor baptism will be held in the stream below the academy on Sabbath afternoon. A family bonfire will be lit every evening after the meeting where friends and family can gather.

A children's program for pri-

mary and juniors ages 8-12 will run from morning to night with "Uncle Bill" Jamerson from California as coordinator. Besides spiritual programs, there will be canoeing down the river, skiing on the lake, a pioneer rodeo and on Sabbath a live nature day when children will have opportunity to see and touch more than 100 wild animals. A similar, exciting program is being planned for the youth.

The adults will listen to Morris Venden as he talks about what not to focus on at the end time. His newest book, *Last Trolley Out*, will make its debut at this camp meeting. Paul and Carol Cannon will present six workshops on family and interpersonal relationships. Craft workshops will be held for those wanting to make old fashioned gifts.

Invitations are being sent to five different denominations in the area, inviting them to attend, with specific invitations for their youth to join with ours in celebrating a Christian lifestyle. Some of their singing groups will be performing.

Reservations need to be made early. For a prompt reply, call 501/736-8808

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FRANK TOCHTERMAN, CORRESPONDENT

VGA Receives 25th Year Accreditation Award

Valley Grande Academy just received their 25th year award for continuous accreditation with the Southern Association of Secondary Schools and Colleges. VGA is the only academy in the Southwestern Union to be accredited with this world-respected accrediting body.

"With this accreditation," says Dr. Leonie, principal, "our students are eligible to attend any college or university in the country, even in the world. That is quite an accomplishment for an Adventist academy."

Valley Grande Academy is also fully accredited with the North American Division of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

"Accreditation is an important part of offering a totally balanced curriculum," says Leonie. "VGA faculty are very grateful for God's direction to bring us to this place."

*Corrie Whitney
Vice-Principal, Admissions*

Tyler SDA School Outreach

Are you a Christian? What does it mean to be a Christian? What do you do as a Christian? These questions were presented to the students of the Tyler SDA Church

School students by their teachers, Irene Livingston and Brenda Poe. It was decided that Christians love Jesus, want to be like Jesus, and do as Jesus did. What did Jesus do? He helped others.

The students discussed ways they could help others and together accepted a plan that allows them to touch many lives and yet be missionaries in the classroom. With the help of Grieta Tallios, community services director, they are collecting items to be assembled into personal hygiene packets that will be stocked in the Texas Conference disaster van. These packets include a comb, bar of soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, and a personal item for a young boy or girl, such as a matchbox car or hair ribbon.

To be a Christian is a special calling. The Tyler church school students want to be among those who live up to that calling.

Brenda Poe, Grades K-2 Teacher

Brazosport Holds a Baptism

In harmony with our Lord's command, Alvin Edward Ferguson, Jr., was baptized by by Larry J. Duffy, pastor, at Brazosport on December 17, 1994, and was received into the Brazosport church family.

At 31, Al had not been raised in any particular religion. However, for the last two years he

read his Bible and studied with anyone of any faith who showed willingness to study.

His father, Alvin, Sr., who became a Seventh-day Adventist in Michigan in 1983, also had a strong influence on him. One day Al told his father that he found it difficult to understand God's Word. So Al's father sent him the Daniel Seminar and a Bible. He also suggested that his son contact the local Adventist pastor.

The pastor invited Al to a Daniel and Revelation Seminar being conducted by David Estrello. Once Al heard the Adventist message and met the church family, he requested baptism.

"God set me up," Al explains. "Thirteen years ago I became a vegetarian; 11 years ago my father became a Seventh-day Adventist; nine years ago I went to work for UPS with Saturday's off; six years ago I quit smoking; five years ago I quit drinking. God was leading in my life through the power of the Holy Spirit, and that is why it was easy to accept Jesus and His remnant church."

"The Sabbath is a special time for me and my family," Al continues. "At first I wondered how all my weekly duties would be accomplished when I refrained from doing my own pleasure and work on Saturday, but I trusted in God's word. And now I find I can accomplish more in six days than I used to in seven because God is leading me. When I accepted Jesus I accepted His lifestyle. Jesus kept the Sabbath, and by God's grace Christ only will I serve."

Al's family attend church with him. He and his wife Kym, have two daughters: Meagon, five, and Abby, two.

*Larry Duffey, Pastor
Brazosport, Texas*



David Estrello (left), who conducted the Daniel and Revelation seminar, Al Ferguson (center) who attended the seminar, Pastor Duffy who baptized him in Brazosport.

Adventist Community Services Receives Award

At a ceremony on February 19, 1995, George Schram, Texas Conference disaster services director, was awarded a plaque by Lonnie Brown of the Knights of Columbus in Fort Worth for the services ACS rendered during the Houston floods of October and November, 1994.

A newspaper article telling about the involvement of Adventist Community Services during those floods caught the Brown's attention, and with his interest aroused, he called Schram, requesting that he visit the ACS depot.

Obviously impressed by the work being done by the volunteers at the depot who ready and store clothes and other items for disaster, Brown recommended



Students at the Tyler church school assembling hygiene packets to be stocked at the Texas Conference Disaster Depot in Keene.



Lonnie Brown (left) of the Knights of Columbus, thanking George Schram for the work ACS did during the Houston floods.



Students at the San Marcos Junior Academy who took part in the geography bee are, standing from left: Joshua Brown, Joey Gaitan, Jarred DeGraw, Natalie Brown, Sarah Izzo, Carleigh Burkeen and Joe Alway. Front: Phoebe Izzo, Daniel Edmiston, the winner, and Stephanie Brown.

that ACS be awarded the 1995 American Way Award offered by the Knights of Columbus.

"Perhaps," says Schram, "this is an example of the counsel we're given in *Great Controversy* that says, '... followers of Christ, as they approach the time of trouble [should] make every exertion to place themselves in a proper light before the people, to disarm prejudice and to avert the danger which threatens liberty of conscience,' page 616. Community services is the arm of the church that God has put in our midst to do just that."

Grace Smith
Keene, Texas

San Marcos Adventist Junior Academy Student Wins Geography Bee

Daniel Edmiston, a 7th grade student at San Marcos Adventist Junior Academy, won the school-level competition of the National Geography Bee on January 23, and a chance at a \$25,000 college scholarship. The school-level Bee, at which students answered oral questions on geography, was the first round in the seventh annual National Geography Bee, which is sponsored by National Geographic World and Chrysler Corporation.

The kick-off for this year's Bee took place during the week of December 5, 1994, with thou-

sands of schools around the United States and five U.S. territories participating. The school winners, including Daniel, will now take a written test. Up to 100 of the top scorers in each state and territory will be eligible to compete in their state Bee on April 7.

The National Geographic Society will provide an all-expense-paid trip to Washington, D. C., for state champions and their teacher-escorts to participate in



New Discovery Bible School headquarters furnishes lessons and supplies to 12 New Discovery Bible schools which are spreading rapidly across the North American Division. The Bible school board members are, clockwise from top row: Chris Underhill, Doris Davis, Lynn Bedford, Alice Davis, Arlene Wiist, Evadeane Peters and Sharon Potter.

the National Geography Bee National Championship hosted by Alex Trebek of "Jeopardy!" on May 30 and 31. The first-place national winner will receive a \$25,000 college scholarship; the second-place winner, a \$15,000 scholarship; and the

third-place winner, a \$10,000 scholarship. The national finals will appear as a prime-time special on most Public Broadcasting Service stations on May 31. Check local listings.

Patricia C. Williams
Upper Grade Teacher



Dr. and Mrs. Israel Lopez, lay workers, who were instrumental in bringing about the construction of the new Hidalgo Spanish church. "It's been a big sacrifice," comments Dr. Lopez, "but it has been so rewarding!"

Southwest Region

B. E. WRIGHT, CORRESPONDENT

Faith Temple SDA Church hosts "Feed a Cop" Day

Faith Temple Seventh-day Adventist Church in Dallas received city-wide media attention and improved public relations when it sponsored a successful "Feed a Cop Day" during the Presidents Day holiday in February.

In honor of the Dallas Police Department's Southwest Division's policing activities during 1994, including the capture of a neighborhood "flasher" last fall, the 500-member Faith Temple church provided free meals, including breakfast, lunch and dinner, for at least 50 police officers.

"Because of the number of children and women in the church and in two large apartment complexes and homes near our facilities, we were very concerned about this man who was often exposing himself to pedestrians very close to our property," explained William P. Cox, Faith Temple pastor. During last year when the "flasher" terrorized the Fawn Ridge and Five Mile Creek neighborhoods where the church is located, police from the Southwest Division formed a task force, participated in various "Crime Watch" meetings at Faith Temple, and kept residents and church members well-informed about the progress of their investigation.

Police activities paid off when a suspect was apprehended in October of last year through the



Faith Temple pastor, William P. Cox, presenting a plaque to the Dallas Police Department's Southwest Division Deputy Chief, Randy Hampton, on Police Appreciation Day.

combined efforts of seven officers who were members of the task force. "During the time the Naked Creek man was exposing himself, the police were in the neighborhood every day protecting the children," said Rose Campbell, a Faith Temple member who lives in the community. "There was excellent cooperation between the department and the community."

The Presidents Day activities also included the presentation of a plaque to the Southwest Division deputy chief, Randy Hampton. "After complaints were called in about the Naked Creek man," the deputy chief said, "The department stepped up its policing efforts in the community which led to the arrest after a year-long investigation."

Prior to the police appreciation day, the church received extensive publicity over KRLD radio, the number-one-rated all-

news station in Dallas-Fort Worth. Included in the broadcasts was an interview with Faith Temple's Community Services director, Ruthie Wheeler, who spearheaded the special event. During the special day, coverage was provided by the *Dallas Morning News*, the daily paper with the largest circulation in Dallas-Fort Worth.

"In our neighborhood, which includes many low income residents whose only contact with the police is most often in emergency circumstances," Ms. Wheeler said, "we wanted to bring the community into closer contact with law enforcement in a more positive situation. The plaque and the dinner were just small tokens to express our appreciation to the men and women of the Dallas Police Southwest Division who do a valiant job in protecting the residents of our community every day."

*Donald R. Moy
Faith Temple Reporter*

Farewell to "Mama Marie" and Gladys

For several months it had been rumored that two of the church's finest members would be moving to another state, and yet as the time approached, many had difficulty accepting the finality of it. But it was true. Berean of Baton Rouge would lose charter members Marie Kimble and her daughter Gladys Ball to Huntsville, Alabama.

At the recent Saturday night farewell, church members paid tribute to these friends and reflected on past experiences with the honored pair.

"Mama Marie," her husband Ernest, and 100 others joined the remnant church in 1947 and became charter members of the Berean church of Baton Rouge. Throughout her ministry in Baton Rouge, and later in Keene, Texas, Mama Marie served in a number of capacities, including Dorcas leader (now community services), Sabbath school teacher and Bible worker.

Unlike her mother and father, Gladys Ball felt a bit skeptical

about allying herself with a church that held such a "peculiar" message. But before 1947 ended, she too had joined the ranks of believers and was baptized by Elder C. E. Bradford. While in Baton Rouge, and later in Keene, Gladys also served as Dorcas leader, as well as Sabbath school superintendent, Bible worker and a number of other positions.

Amid misty eyes many joined in the accolade and gave tangible tributes to a deserving mother and daughter team. We will miss them, but we wish them the best as they join other Bereanites who have relocated to the "Oaks" and Huntsville, Alabama.

Ordination of Elders and Deacons in Texarkana

Laymon Taylor was ordained as local elder and Gerald Bruce, Carl Birl, Maurice Turner and Eugene A. McAlister were ordained as deacons of the Bethel Seventh-day Adventist Church, Texarkana, Texas.

Pastor Gilbert Williams, using the scripture 1 Timothy 3:1-7, ordained Taylor as a local elder. He used 1 Timothy 3:8-10 to ordain each deacon named above.

Due to the solemnity of the occasion, each man was exhorted by Pastor Williams of the duties of servanthood in their respective offices. Further, the pastor observed that these men had "exhibited a servant's heart by their faithful service to the church and to others." The pastor, church officers and the entire fellowship welcomed the new elder and deacons.

Evangelism Explosion: Miracles in Lawton, Oklahoma

The congregation at the New Life Church in Lawton, Oklahoma, burst into expressions of praise and thanksgiving to God



Dallas police enjoying a meal in appreciation of their services in the city.

as Evangelist Harvey Williams stopped in the middle of his Sabbath message and exclaimed, "Folks, just look who's here!"

Brother Burkhalter, a cross-country truck driver, had driven all night long to be able to attend this service. Evangelist Williams had asked Burkhalter's wife a day or so before, "Please tell him not to drive that far alone." "If I can drive my truck all night long to meet a deadline and drop my load," Brother Burkhalter answered, "I can drive all night to drop this load of sin I've got."

Heaven rejoiced with God's children as the trucker and his wife joined 12 others in baptism.

As the service was ending, the evangelist announced that the deacons would leave the water in the pool, "just in case there should be other decisions during the afternoon."

Soon afterward the telephone rang. A tearful voice asked if the pool still contained water. When she heard the "yes" answer, she asked, "Could I be baptized?" "Of course!" responded Evangelist Williams.

A teenage girl, who had backed out on Friday night, asked if she could go home and get her baptismal garments. Before she returned, another man entered the sanctuary, saw the baptismal pool full, and told the usher at the door that he too would go home to get his baptismal garments. In this way God blessed the congregation with a total of 17 new members.

*Verdia Tucker-Williams
Southwest Region Conference
Bible Instructor*

Friendship Evangelism Workshop

Pastor Gilbert Williams conducted a workshop on Friendship Evangelism on Sabbath afternoon, January 28, at the Bethel Seventh-day Adventist church, Texarkana, Texas. Those who attended volunteered their experiences in the exercise of friendship evangelism on a day-to-day basis. Everyone benefited by the shared information.

Texico

CECELIA BAKKEN, CORRESPONDENT

Literature Evangelist Wins Many to Christ

Angel Chire began working as a literature evangelist in Peru, South America in 1968. From 1970 to 1972 he was the champion literature evangelist in all of the South American Division. During the 27 years he has been working he has been instrumental in bringing 250 individuals to Christ.

Chire and his wife, Graciela, who are dedicated to their literature ministry work, came to Texico in November 1993. Last year his sales totaled \$34,473 and he won seven for the Lord. Chire and his wife say they will remain in the literature ministry work until Jesus comes.

David Coello, Publishing Director, Texico Conference



Steve Bohr, Texico Conference evangelist, speaking at the Lovington evangelistic crusade.



Angel and Graciela Chire (left), with their seven converts. Their pastor, Peter Weber, is on the right.

Evangelistic Crusade Comes to Lovington, New Mexico

Steve Bohr, Texico Conference evangelist, began an evangelistic crusade in Lovington, New Mexico February 3, 1995, at the Lovington Inn. Attendance has increased from 37 the first night, to 72. Bohr is conducting two services, one for the English speaking people, and one for the Spanish.

*Arthur L. Follett
Communication Secretary
Lovington, New Mexico*



Joe B. Pate, Sr., and his wife, Doris, of Lubbock, Texas, celebrated their 68th wedding anniversary on January 22, 1995, with a family dinner in the home of Joe B. and Sandy Pate Jr., also of Lubbock. The Pates have three children, 17 grandchildren, and 18 great-grandchildren.

Members of the La Vida Mission Navajo Indian Choir sang at the North Valley Spanish church on Sabbath, February 11. These young people perform traditional and contemporary hymns in English and Navajo. An announcement, with a picture of the choir, appeared in the Albuquerque Journal during the week preceding the event. Back row from left: Jaynese Smith, Nicole Benally, Trudy Jim, Justina Juan, Kristy King and Briana Dinae. Front from left: Rachel Korponay, Tracy Sumner, Brandon Dinae, Cora Arviso, Kristie Clah, Cambria Bizardi, Jessica Stevens and Roxanne Shack.



Southwestern Adventist College

JENELL RUSK, CORRESPONDENT

SAC Students Honored in 1995 Who's Who

Thirty-three students from Southwestern Adventist College have been chosen for inclusion in the 1995 edition of *Who's Who Among American Universities and Colleges*. Students are chosen for this honor because of their academic excellence, service to the community, and potential for continued success. They join an elite group selected from more than 1,400 institutions of higher learning.

The students receiving this honor are: Sofia Aeschlimann, Mayaguez, Puerto Rico; Joaquin Arellano, Austin, Texas; Marisa Belknap, Tacoma Park, Maryland; Kimberly Brunese, Tijeras, New Mexico; Branton Byers, Sequim, Washington; James Cabansag, Keene, Texas; Meredith Church, Gentry, Arkansas; Rodney Dye, Nole, Missouri; Christine Engel, Keene, Texas; Glenn Guarin, Keene, Texas;

Alexandra Haney, Texarkana, Texas.

Daryl Hardin, Keene, Texas; Manuel Henriquez, Keene, Texas; Steven Huckabaa, Fort Worth, Texas; Ewanah Johnson, Little Fort, British Columbia, Canada; Paul Konrad, Keene, Texas; Klaus Kowarsch, Keene, Texas; Michael Lane, Las Cruces, New Mexico; Kristine Law, White Horse, Yukon, Canada; Ronaldo Marsollier, San Marcos, Texas; Michelle McIntyre, Hamburg, Pennsylvania; Lisa Mills, Holladay, Tennessee.

Noelle Nelson, Keene, Texas; Carmen Nunez, Denton, Texas; Ruth Pouchie, Keene, Texas; Milton Retamozo, Keene, Texas; James Smith, Belton, Texas; David Sowder, Keene, Texas; Andrea Starr, Littleton, Colorado; Suelina Tan, West Malaysia, Penang; Guirlene Thomas, North Miami, Florida; Sandra Wagner, Enterprise, Kansas and Ben Yeaton, Westpoint, Maine.

SAC Professor Shares His Expertise in the Czech Republic

The period is known as the "annual migration," a time when almost the entire population of Monarch butterflies east of the Rocky Mountains gathers together on a few acres of Mexican forest. Last February, Dan Petr, associate professor of biology at Southwestern Adventist College, stood among the renowned biologists and dedicated lepidopterists assembled to watch this extraordinary event. Petr joined this trip to the Mexican state of Michoacan as a graduate student from the University of North Texas, where he is pursuing a doctoral degree in biology with particular emphasis in lepidopterology, the study of butterflies and their development.

Months later, Petr was half way around the world, sharing his expertise with fellow biolo-

gists in Brno, Czech Republic. No butterflies would be gathered here, but they would be the sole topic of discussion at the Ninth European Congress of Lepidopterology. Held every two years, the congress invites worldwide participation by various authorities in the field of lepidopterology. The 1994 congress saw representation by a large contingent of scientists from nearly all of the Western and Eastern European countries, Japan, Canada and the United States.

The invitation to share his expertise at the congress was a notable honor for Petr. He had a paper accepted earlier in 1994, and was asked to present it at the biennial Congress in the Czech Republic. Entitled "Conserving the 'Big Three': Large Biodiversity, Large Assemblages, Large Size," the composition was co-authored by Thomas C. Emmel of the University of



Dan Petr, associate professor of biology at Southwestern Adventist College, recently shared his knowledge of butterflies at the Ninth European Congress of Lepidopterology in Brno, Czech Republic.

Florida. "I was glad to represent Southwestern Adventist College at the International Congress," said Petr.

Petr's paper focused on habitat conservation efforts in critical areas such as Brazil, Mexico, and Jamaica. Addressing the concerns of many devoted butterfly specialists, the content of Petr's paper centered on conservation, not only of butterflies, but also of the specific world-wide habitats where they congregate yearly. Among other things, the paper showed how butterflies are critical to the protection of overall biotic diversity and how their natural habitats are currently threatened by human expansion. Petr believes governments can find it economically feasible to set aside the areas as ecological reserves or parks, open to tourism. Until recently, the butterfly and its territories have had no protection. Petr suggested that government support and protection are critical factors in conservation.

Petr's trip to the Czech Republic was his first return visit to the former Czechoslovakia since he and his family defected following the invasion of the Russian army in 1968. In an effort to tighten its imperialistic hold, Russia had stormed the country, holding tight to the folds of the iron curtain. Petr, who was 13 at the time of the invasion, vividly remembers the sight of Russian tanks in the capital city of Prague. Now 26 years later, personal memories lingered as Petr revisited the streets of Prague and stayed in the homes of his relatives outside of town.

"It was an emotional experience to walk the streets of my boyhood and talk with my aunt, my cousins and their families as a returning adult," said Petr. "Prague is a beautiful city, filled with architecture and history, and for me, memories." The trip also included meeting Niels P. Kristensen, a renowned expert in morphology and taxonomy of butterflies, and watching the Bill Cosby show dubbed into the Czech language. And of course, as a biologist Petr made sure to visit the monastery where Gregor Mendel carried out his now famous genetic experiments with pea plants.

Petr, who came to SAC in 1982, teaches subjects ranging from Microbiology to Developmental Biology, but he is a man devoted to the butterfly. Not only does he conduct extensive research on the brilliantly designed insects, he is currently growing and cultivating two species in his own home. In Petr's opinion the butterfly is the most beautiful insect and a fascinating subject of study. "Life is too short," says Petr, "and you've got to have something beautiful to enjoy."

Costin Jordache/Jenell Rusk

"I Love KJCR Week" Meets Goal

KJCR 88.3 FM, Southwestern Adventist College's Christian radio station, reached its fundraising goal during "I Love KJCR Week," February 12-18. The station raised just over \$25,000 in pledges during the annual campaign. This year marks the eighth year supporters have helped the station reach the annual fundraising goal.

The campaign began several weeks before the actual "I Love KJCR Week" with a mailing which raised over \$3,000 in pledges. During the week, from Sunday to Thursday, the station's student employees conducted a phone-a-thon. They called friends of the station, both inside and outside the listening area, asking for pledges. The phone-a-thon

raised nearly \$12,000 toward the goal. Listener response to on-air requests helped raise the remainder of the pledged funds.

"I've never seen so many miraculous things happen in any other 'I Love KJCR Week,'" said Bob Mendenhall, KJCR's general manager. "So many times this week when we found a door shut, God opened a window. And through those open windows, He poured blessing after blessing."

This is the fifteenth year that KJCR has solicited pledges for "I Love KJCR Week." Total support during these weeks has exceeded \$324,000.

KJCR broadcasts 18 hours a day, from 6 a.m. to midnight, covering about 16,000 square miles of north central Texas. Christian music makes up some 74% of the daily schedule. The format also includes news, features, and weather, as well as a number of nationally syndicated Christian radio programs. KJCR employs 13 students from SAC to work in announcing, engineering, development, programming, and news direction.

Sarah St. Clair/Jenell Rusk

SAC Biennial Constituency Meeting Coming May 5, 1995

Southwestern Adventist College will hold its biennial constituency meeting at 9:00 a.m., Friday, May 5, 1995, in the Wharton Auditorium of SAC's Mabee Center. According to the bylaws of Southwestern Adventist College, the constituency of the corporation is composed of:

1. The members of the Executive Committee of the Southwestern Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.
2. The members of the Board of Trustees of Southwestern Adventist College.
3. The officers of the college and associates in administration, the assistant professors, associate professors, and professors of the college and the Alumni Association board members and Committee of 100 board members.

4. The members of the Executive Committees of the member conferences of the Southwestern Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.
5. The members of the Board of Education of the Southwestern Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.
6. Such authorized representatives of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists as may be present.

The constituency of the college meets every two years for the purpose of hearing reports from the college officers, making changes in the bylaws, if required, and electing one-third of the members of the Board of Trustees. Every two years one-third of the board members are elected for six-year terms. Board members whose terms expire in 1995 are: Wentworth Carter, De Soto, Texas; Samuel L. Green, Burleson, Texas; William Haid, Lafayette, Colorado; Orville Lee Hayes, Jefferson, Texas; LaDon Homer, Alvarado, Texas; B. E. Leach, Cleburne, Texas; Robert Lister, Dallas, Texas; Ralph Orduno, Amarillo, Texas; Douglas Walker, Burleson, Texas; P. Harlan Wilson, Amarillo, Texas.

Members of the constituency should plan now to be in Keene on May 5 for this important constituency meeting.

LEGAL NOTICE

Southwestern Adventist College Constituency Meeting

Notice is hereby given that Southwestern Adventist College will hold its constituency meeting on Friday, May 5, 1995 in Wharton Auditorium of the Mabee Center located on the campus of Southwestern Adventist College in Keene, TX. The first meeting is called for 9:00 a.m. The purpose of the 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*



W.A. Moore carefully removes a wall at the Southwestern Adventist College Museum of Student Life. Moore, a Keene student in 1928, was one of nine alumni volunteers who assisted the college building and maintenance department in the first phase of museum remodeling. The renovation will add space to allow efficient arrangement of existing museum pieces and provide room for additional acquisitions. The museum is located on the SAC campus and is open to the public from 2:30-5:00 p.m. on the first Saturday of the month and additional hours by appointment. For more information, please call Jean Voss, museum curator, or Mary Ann Hadley at 556-4731. Photo: Ty Reidenbaugh



Student musicians from eight academies performed together during this year's academy music festival. Held at Southwestern Adventist College February 15-18, the festival presented four weekend concerts featuring a variety of music by individual academy groups and by the combined festival band and choir.

Each year, the music festival provides an opportunity for academy students to expand their repertoire and to work under the direction of SAC faculty. Robert Anderson, fine arts department chair, led the 92-piece band and David Anavitarte, assistant professor of fine arts, led the 152-voice choir.

Academies participating in this year's music festival were: Burton Adventist Academy, Chisholm Trail Academy, Ozark Adventist Academy, Parkview Adventist Academy, San Antonio Junior Academy, San Marcos Junior Academy, Sandia View Academy, and Valley Grande Academy. Photo: Tobe Watts

SAC at the Meyerson

Sunday, April 23, 1995, at 7:00 p.m.

Southwestern Adventist College presents an evening of music at the world-renowned Morton H. Meyerson Symphony Center in Dallas. The concert will feature performances by the Mizpah Choraliers, the SAC Concert Band, and the Keene Camerata, with special guest choirs from Burton Adventist Academy, Chisholm Trail Academy, Sandia View Academy, Valley Grande Academy, and the Huguley Singing Men.

For ticket information call the SAC advancement office at (817) 556-4731.



Southwestern Adventist College student nurse Melinda Manzano of Keene, Texas, receives her cap during the annual nurses capping ceremony, Saturday, January 28. First year nursing students receive caps and epaulets as a ceremonial entrance into their profession. Manzano was capped by her brother, Sergio Manzano, R.N., a 1994 graduate of SAC, currently employed as an ICU nurse at John Peter Smith Hospital in Fort Worth. Photo: Tobe Watts

Healthcare

Medical Clinic Opens in Forest Hill

Huguley Medical Associates Family Practice in the Forest Hill section of southwest Fort Worth is now open to the community. The medical clinic will serve patients of all ages and accepts all medical insurance including Medicare and Medicaid.

The physician for the clinic is Rosalind M. Glenn, M.D., who is board certified and specialized in family practice. Dr. Glenn, who is originally from Fort Worth, trained at Meharry Medical College in Nashville, Tennessee, and completed her residency in family practice at the University of Alabama at Huntsville, and at Huntsville Hospital in Alabama. Dr. Glenn now moves her family practice from Huntsville to Fort Worth to come "home" and be with her family.

The practice is located in the shopping center near Sack 'N Save at 6619 Forest Hill Drive,

Suite 30. Appointments can be arranged by calling 483-9258 during the office hours of 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Huguley's Lifeline Service

Shannan Bowling, a departmental secretary for Huguley Memorial Medical Center, not only believes in the Lifeline services offered through Huguley Home Health, she has used them herself. Often the image of an elderly person lying on the floor pressing their Lifeline button and saying, "I've fallen, and I can't get up" comes to mind when discussing the service provided by Lifeline. Shannan and husband Gary, however, had a Huguley Lifeline unit installed in their home, not for the safety of an elderly family member, but for their newborn son Reece.

Reece, who was born three weeks premature, spent a week at Cook-Fort Worth Children's Medical Center with a hole in one of his underdeveloped lungs. Reece's weight dropped to five

pounds six ounces during his hospital stay, and at one point he stopped breathing. In 1992, Gary and Shannan had lost their first child 15 hours after he was born, so naturally they were concerned when it was time to take Reece home from the hospital. In addition to taking an infant CPR course, Shannan wanted the extra security of having access to the emergency help that Lifeline provides.

The Bowlings used the Huguley Home Health service for four months and fortunately, didn't have an emergency situation occur. Shannan says she's thankful for the peace of mind that Huguley's Lifeline helped provide and is happy to report that Reece is now 11 months old and doing well.

Huguley's Lifeline is a consideration for people who have a heart condition or a tendency to fall in the home. One client who

lived in a dangerous area used the service strictly for security reasons to alert the police of possible burglaries.

Lifeline has been providing personalized emergency help since its conception by Andrew Dibner, MD, and receives approximately 8,500 signals per day at its central monitoring station. When clients press the button, a trained professional assists them with their situation while calling for an ambulance and notifying the three people designated by the customer to be contacted in a time of crisis. Huguley's Lifeline service is available 24 hours-a-day, seven days a week.

The cost for installation of Huguley's Lifeline is \$60, and the service charge is one dollar per day for as long as the service is needed. Seniors who are members of Huguley's HealthPlus program can deduct half-off the installation fee. For more information on Huguley's Lifeline call (817) 551-2790 or 1-800-363-1817.

General News

Bible Commentaries for the Third World

The largest printing project in the history of the Review and Herald Publishing Association will offer the *Seventh-day Adventist Bible Commentary* series to workers in economically-challenged areas. Commissioned by the General Conference Ministerial Association, this publishing venture is producing the eight-volume, hard-bound, gold-embossed set for US \$52. A substantial subsidy by the Review makes possible this bottom-line price. Thousands of workers, unable to afford even \$52, are praying for further subsidies anticipated through donations to come from lay-member partnership in this project.

Many "third world" pastors and local church elders have had

little formal education and possess no Bible research tools. Acquisition of the commentary set would be a dream come true for these dedicated and productive workers.

Hopes were for 5,000 sets to be sold before publication, but three-fourths of the total run of 20,000 sets have already been pre-purchased. The project requires more than half-a-million pounds of paper in 36 huge rolls. The Review plans to deliver the commentaries in March.

James A. Cress, Secretary
Ministerial Association of the
General Conference
Silver Spring, Maryland

Adventist Media Programs Keep Winning Angels

Adventist media programs continue to broadcast Bible truth about angels . . . and they also

win them! Both the *Voice of Prophecy* and *It Is Written* received Silver Angel Awards from the Hollywood group, "Excellence in Media," at the 1995 ceremony in February.



Mark Finley (left) and Lonnie Melashenko hold the Silver Angel awards given to their respective ministries, *It Is Written* and *Voice of Prophecy*. The awards were presented by Hollywood's "Excellence in Media" group.

Mark Finley, host of *It Is Written*, received the ministry's 17th Angel for "Earthquake '94," which aired last January six days after the Northridge tremor. The *Voice of Prophecy* received an honor for a December 1994 radio broadcast entitled "God's Christmas Card to Susan Smith." Both scripts were written by David B. Smith, former director of public relations and development for IIW, and now director of program production for the VOP.

The Heralds, and the musical group Ponder, Harp, and Jennings, also garnered Angel awards for recent albums.

New 3ABN Station in Battle Creek

The latest Three Angels Broadcasting Network satellite downlink is Channel 20 in Battle

3ABN Stations

City	CH
Battle Creek, MI	20
Bend, OR	*23
Berrien Springs, MI	*25
Bozeman, MT	*02
Cave Junction, OR	*61
Champaign, IL	21
Coos Bay, OR	*67
Glennallen, AK	*08
Grand Rapids, MI	61
Grants Pass, OR	*65
Green Bay, WI	57
Hermiston, OR	48
Johnston City, IL	17
Klamath Falls, OR	*56
Madison, WI	54
Mayaguez, PR	*67
Medford, OR	*42
Medford, OR	*52
Medford, OR	*62
Minneapolis, MN	69
Minocqua, WI	*31
Moses Lake, WA	39
Nome, AK	11
Palm Springs, CA	21
Prosser, WA	05
Quincy, IL	40
Redding, CA	*34
Rhineland, WI	*04
Richland, WA	54
Rogue River, OR	*67
Roseburg, OR	*57
Salem, IL	28
Salt Lake City, UT	*26
San Juan, PR	21
Sarasota, FL	34
Seattle, WA	68
Spokane, WA	*63
Vicksburg, MS	26
Walla Walla, WA	*22
Walla Walla, WA	*27
Walla Walla, WA	*45
Yakima, WA	58

*Affiliate Station

Creek, Michigan which went on the air January 27.

3ABN offers a variety of 24-hour programming which includes health, parenting, and children's programs. Guests from around the world share their testimonies on how the Lord is leading in their lives. Bible instruction is given through docu-

mentaries, preaching, and prophecy seminars.

3ABN is now broadcast by a total of 42 stations in the U.S. and is received by millions of home satellite dish owners. Its estimated potential viewing audience is nearly 30 million.

Clarence Larson, 3ABN's chief engineer, says there were several obstacles encountered during the Battle Creek installation. He discovered they would have to raise the ten-foot satellite dish, which weighs several hundred pounds, 15 feet in the air in order to clear the top of the transmitter building. As they prayed silently for help, an amateur radio operator stopped by out of curiosity. "Within a few minutes he had radioed several of his friends, and with their help, the dish was put in place," says Larson.

Moses Primo, 3ABN's director of engineering, says that another problem facing the crew involved the phone lines required to monitor the transmitter. Even though arrangements had been made with the telephone company in advance, 3ABN engineers were informed when they arrived that all existing lines to the building were currently being used. They were also told that new cable could not be run underground until the spring.

Miraculously, a radio station engineer from a nearby tower stopped by, and after hearing their dilemma, he told them that he had experienced the same problem several years before. "I'll lend you a pair of my lines until you get yours next spring," he said.

3ABN broadcasts on satellite ANIK E2, Channel 22. It is a nonprofit organization and a Seventh-day Adventist supporting ministry. Currently 3ABN owns and operates 20 downlink stations and has 21 affiliates, several of which insert local programming.

3ABN was founded by Danny Shelton in 1984 when he was impressed to "build a television station that would reach the world with the undiluted Three Angels' Messages, one that would counteract the counterfeit."

Thousands Respond to Adventist Media

No single church in the South can seat over 101,400 people. Yet that's how many non-Adventists tune in each week in Atlanta alone to watch "It Is Written." Add to that the tens of thousands who watch "Lifestyle Magazine" and "Breath of Life" and you realize the impact and importance of Adventist television ministries. And these programs have received a similar response in the Southwestern Union. They reach more unchurched people each week than visit all the churches in the union combined in an entire year!

"During 1994, 'Breath of Life,' 'Faithful For Today,' and 'It Is Written' mailed 9,666 pieces of Bible-based literature to viewers in the Southwestern Union," says Glenn Aufderhar, Adventist Media Center president. "This is a vital link to the television audience, and it is only possible because of generous giving on the part of our members."

For many people the airwaves and the mail are the only way they can contact the Adventist Church. Jeff, for example, wrote this letter: "As I looked out of the bars, 'It Is Written' caught my attention. I was filled with anger, bitterness, and disgust. My mother killed herself at age 22 by blowing her brains out. I never had a father figure in my life. I grew up alone on the streets of Naples, Florida. I started to steal simply to get something to eat. . . .

"I've lost everything in my life — my marriage, my children, my freedom — except one thing: my courage to get down on my knees and pray to God in my fear and ask Him not to let my son or daughter see a prison cell. As I watched you on 'It Is Written,' I saw a peace and happiness and love. . . . Your teachings are easy to understand and I trust you. I don't trust many people. Please help me."

For some viewers of Adventist television, life changes begin as soon as the program is over. One woman in California told "Faith For Today" that for 23 years she had been going to the hospital emergency room for treatment because of her husband's abuse.

After watching a program on spousal abuse on "Lifestyle Magazine," she said that she "realized for the first time in my life that I have been giving him permission to treat me that way. I am responsible for my life, and with God's help I am going to change."

The annual Television Ministries offering, taken last month, contributed an important part of the budget for BOL, FFT, and IIF. "With the number of stations airing our programs growing in North America and opportunities exploding abroad," says Aufderhar, "we appreciate the large offering our people gave. But our work goes on all year, and continued gifts are needed throughout the year."

Among the stations added this year in the Southwestern Union are K60FG, Keene, Texas, and KYLE, Bryan, Texas.

As they begin a new production year, each of the Adventist television ministries is playing a growing role in the church's Global Mission.

"Breath of Life" — which in its first 20 years has already led 12,000 persons to Christ and founded a dozen churches — plans crusades in New York, Seattle, St. Louis, and Phoenix.

"Faith For Today" is already producing original "Lifestyle" programs in Russia with a Russian host and audience. The program is also airing in Greece, where there are only 250 Seventh-day Adventists among the country's 10 million people.

"It Is Written's" taping days sound like a modern day of Pentecost. Associate speakers join Mark Finley on the set to produce programs in Russian, Spanish, and Portuguese. And on January 1, "It Is Written" began airing in the large Philippine television market.

"With so much of the world suddenly open to Adventist evangelism, we must take advantage of these God-given opportunities right now," says Aufderhar. "Please continue your support so that we can harness the airwaves for good."

Adventist Television Ministries

Announcements

Arlington Church Sponsors Golf Tournament

The Arlington SDA Church's annual spring golf classic will be played April 30 at the Lake Arlington (TX) golf course. Entry fee is \$30, which includes green fee, cart and prizes. For details call 817/483-4837 or Howard Conley at 817/446-0785. Each participant is allowed one guest. Cash only; no checks please.

Burton Hosts Alumni Reunion

Burton Adventist Academy will host its alumni reunion on Sabbath, April 22, with a vespers program, band concert and basketball game. Former students, faculty and friends are invited to attend.

Ozark Academy Plans Homecoming

Ozark Adventist Academy's alumni homecoming will be June 16-18 in Gentry, AR. Honor classes are 1944, 1945, 1954, 1955, 1964, 1965, 1969, 1970, 1974, 1975, 1984, 1985.

Singles Announce Activities

May 12-14, 1995: Arkansas Adventist Singles Ministries will hold their Mammoth Springs, AR singles weekend. For information contact Taresa Cochran, 501/966-4614.

May 26-29, 1995: Southwestern Union ASM hosts the second annual Alamo City Singles Fiesta in San Antonio. For information contact Pat Evans, 210/681-1172.

ASM to Help Construct Girls Dorm

May 8-15, 1995, Adventist Singles Ministries will join Maranatha in Holbrook, AZ to prepare for the construction of a new girls dorm for the Navajo school located there. All willing workers needed. Call Lorraine Hansen at 704/697-2409 for details.

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Calling all musicians! If you plan to be in Utrecht for the General Conference Session and want to be part of the mass choir or orchestra on the two Sabbaths (July 1 and 8, 1995), please contact Dr. Zvon Hacks at Andrews University with information on your musical experience and instrument/voice. Fax 616/471-5142 or phone 616/471-3121.

Andrews University Plans Great Controversy Tour

The "Great Controversy Tour" European tours will let travelers relive 1800 years of Adventist history in just over 2 weeks. The 17-day, 7-country European tour is sponsored by the SDA Theological Seminary at Andrews University. Highlights will include visits to Rome, Vatican City, the land of Huss, and Luther's Wittenberg, Germany. Gerard Damsteegt of the seminary will be tour host. Tour dates are June 12-28 and July 10-26. For information call 800/327-8338.

Clarence Newton Retires

A retirement party is planned for Clarence Newton, former teacher in the Southwestern Union. Former students and colleagues are invited to send notes, pictures or videos by May 11, 1995, for a "This Is Your Life" scrapbook. Send to Bonnie Kipple, Tri-City Junior Academy, 8000 Clinard Farms Road, Highpoint, NC 27265. For details, call 910/665-9822.

Southern College Offers Three Communication Workshops

May 8-11, 1995, Southern College will offer the following workshops: Crisis Communication/Media Spokesmanship, Writing for Publication, and Desktop Publishing. College credit and CEUs will

be offered. For more information, contact the Journalism Dept. of Southern College at 615/238-2730.

Jonesboro Announces Homecoming

The Jonesboro, Arkansas, church is in the process of remodeling the present church. To celebrate, a homecoming Sabbath and open house will be held May 6, 1995. All past pastors and attendees are invited to share in a special all-day Sabbath of music, message and fellowship. Potluck will be served.

Michigan Academies Reunion

Dr. Ivan Blazen and attorney Ron Wylie will be the church and Sabbath school speakers at the sixth and biggest and best all-day Michigan Academies Reunion to be held Sabbath, May 6, 1995 at La Sierra Academy, Riverside, CA. All students, faculty and friends of Michigan Academies are invited to this day-long feast of fellowship and fun. For more information call 909/799-8039 or 354-7150.

Newfoundland Celebrates 100th Anniversary

1995 will be the 100th anniversary of the organized SDA Church in Newfoundland, Canada. If you have worked in this field or had relatives work here, then we would like you to join us in celebrating our 100th anniversary. A special 100th anniversary camp meeting will be held July 24-29, 1995 at Woody Acres Campground. For information please contact: 100th Anniversary Committee, P.O. Box 2520, Mt. Pearl, NF, Canada A1N 4M7.

St. John's Adventist Academy Reunion

All former students and staff of St. John's SDA Academy in St. John's, Newfoundland, Canada are invited to a reunion celebrating the school's 100th anniversary immediately following the Newfoundland camp meeting at Woody Acres Campground. (See announcement above.) If you would like more information about the reunion, or if you can supply names and addresses of alumni, please contact Jennifer Morgan, 108 Freshwater Rd, St. John's, NF, Canada A1C 2N8 or phone 709/579-2718.



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JANET LUI is the prayer co-ordinator for the Southern California Conf. She has led renewal weekends in churches and has inspired pastors and spouses at their spiritual retreats. Her vision opened the way for this G.C. Prayer Summit at La Sierra and worldwide.

RAY MITCHELL is the pastor at the Pacific Union College Church. His School of Prayer has blessed many people of all ages and his commitment to spiritual ministry has enabled him to communicate with power the need for and results of revival and reformation.



ISRAEL OLAORE is a student at Fuller Seminary. He was formerly the pastor of the Nigerian Union Headquarters Church and a teacher in the theology department at the Adventist Seminary of West Africa. Israel is one of God's powerful men of prayer today.

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Obituaries

ALLEN, Bertha, was born July 8, 1895 in Yoakum, TX and died Dec. 17, 1994 in San Antonio, TX. She was a member of the San Antonio East Terrell Hills SDA Church. Survivors: brother, Herman McClure, San Antonio; and foster daughter, Dr. Enid Blaylock. Rudy Juarez

BLACK, Goldie, was born Nov. 11, 1909 in Montgomery Grant Parish, LA and died Dec. 13, 1994 in Shreveport, LA. Survivors: son, Roger Black, Santa Anna, CA; daughter, Jo Ann Platkowsky, North Hollywood, CA; and brother, Woodrow Sharpe, Montgomery, AL.

BRYANT, Elwood Macy, was born May 23, 1908 in Oklahoma City, OK and died Jan. 28, 1995 in Oklahoma City. He is survived by a daughter, Mary Francis Smith, of Sand Springs, OK and two grandchildren. Birgitta Neff

BURTON, Ruth Oneta, was born Feb. 6, 1915 in Addington, OK and died Dec. 10, 1994 in Grove, OK. Survivors: husband, Ray; son, Harold Burton; daughters, Betty Brautigan and Mary Kraft; sister, Faye Hillman; brothers, Homer and Delwin Dunford; 8 grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren. Wanda Sample

CAHILL, Wilbur Roy, was born Sept. 9, 1909 in Oklahoma City, OK and died Feb. 5, 1995 in Oklahoma City. Survivors: son, Terry Cahill, Edmond, OK; 3 grandchildren; and 1 great-grandchild. Birgitta Neff

COCHRAN, Nora Lillie, was born June 8, 1910 in Benton Co., AR and died Jan. 9, 1995 in Tulsa, OK. Survivors: daughter, Joyce Phelan, Tulsa; 6 grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren.

COLEMAN, Elizabeth, was born April 5, 1912 in Corpus Christi, TX and died Feb. 1, 1995 in Corpus Christi. Survivors: brother, Kenneth Hixon, Corpus Christi; sisters, Jennifer Ross, Corpus Christi, and Marlene Pruitt, Beeville, TX. Vance Torres

DICK, Milton Eugene, was born Mar. 13, 1926 in Ozark, AL and died Feb. 14, 1995 in Longview, TX. Survivors: wife, Gaynell, Longview; sons, Thomas Eugene Dick, Asheville, NC, and Michael Cale Dick, Denver, CO; sisters, Kathryn Bryant, and Myra Shiver, both of Brundige, AL, and Sarah Marshall, Cowarts, AL; brothers, Lawrence Dick, Dothan, AL, and Jimmy Dick, Sunray, TX.

EAST, Florence Lucille, was born Oct. 12, 1904 in Neodasha, KS and died Jan. 14, 1995 in Bristow, OK. Survivors: son, Dr. James East, Bristow; daughters, Ouida Jean Kennett, Elba, AL and Ann Hottal, Bristow; brother, Paul Tuttle, Neodasha; 7 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

EDWARDS, Roy, was born April 4, 1922 in Theil, AR and died Jan. 2, 1995 in Malvern, AR. Survivors: wife, Ruby, Malvern; son, Ralph, Pine Bluff, AR; daughter, Twila Walker, Malvern; 2 brothers; and 3 sisters. Dick Bullock

HENDRICKSON, Robert Lee, was born Nov. 14, 1908 in Bristow, OK and died Dec. 27, 1994 in Bartlesville, OK. Survivors: wife, Edna Marie, Bartlesville; daughters, Helen Wallen and Jane DeRosa, both of Bartlesville; and 5 grandchildren. Kay Anger

HENDRIXSON, Maude E., was born June 5, 1902 in Indianapolis, IN and died Jan. 21, 1995 in Chandler, OK. She was a retired secretary and had worked in the Arkansas-Louisiana and Texico Conference offices. Survivors: sister, Mary Barker, Pine Bluff, AR; and nephews, J. W. and Darriel Bullock.

HOEHN, Anna Mae, was born Nov. 20, 1916 in Valley View, TX and died Feb. 5, 1995 in Fort Worth, TX. Survivors: sons, John Hoehn, Redmond, WA, and Ken Hoehn, Greeley, CO; daughters, Mary Ann Homer, Alvarado, TX, and Joyce Shedell, Gentry, AR; brothers, Ben Hassenpflug, Keene, TX, and J. Lee Hassenpflug, Grand Prairie, TX; sisters, Lydia Morrow, Sanger, TX, and Rosa Lee Vonhof, Keene; 11 grandchildren; and 8 great-grandchildren.

HOLLAND, Gladys Edna, was born June 11, 1910 in Beaver Co., OK and died Jan. 26, 1995 in Oklahoma City. Survivors: daughters, Delores Ramsey, Middleton, MD, Joyce Thornton, Mary Levine, and Carol McMurry, all of Oklahoma City; 20 grandchildren; and 8 great-grandchildren. Birgitta Neff

JOHNSON, Joseph Eugene, was born June 19, 1906 in Quincy, WA and died Jan. 14, 1995 in Marble Falls, TX. Survivors: daughters, Carol Todd, Fullerton, CA, and Norma Rose, Willis, TX; and 3 grandchildren. Kenneth Oliver

JONES, Edythe, was born Sept. 7, 1905 in Birta, AR and died Dec. 29, 1994 in Russellville, AR. Survivors: brothers, Theodore Coker, Milledgeville, GA, and Connie Coker, Plainview, AR.

LAMBETH, Alta Raiford, was born Oct. 13, 1900 in Harper, TX and died Nov. 25, 1994 in Auburn, WA. Survivors: daughter, Melba Bain, Auburn; sisters, Ann Lloyd and Virginia Craig, both of Kerrville, TX; and 4 grandchildren.

LAWRENCE, Naomi, was born April 9, 1909 in Avinger, TX and died Dec. 2, 1994 in Cleburne, TX. Survivors: son, Patrick Lawrence, Cleburne; and 2 grandsons.

LOFLAND, Halimah, was born Nov. 16, 1917 in Amite, LA and died Dec. 15, 1994 in Baton Rouge, LA. Survivors:

daughter, Jean Gill; sisters, Josie Brown and Alice Brewer; brother Carl Hendry; and 4 grandchildren.

MONZINGO, Verna Mae, was born Aug. 9, 1899 in White Co., TN and died Jan. 17, 1995 in Ardmore, OK. Survivors: son, Jerry Monzingo, Ardmore; daughters, Sue Monzingo and Roberta Clark, both of Ardmore; 3 grandchildren; and 4 great-grandchildren.

Maeola Lovin Berman

RAWLS, Isaac, was born Feb. 10, 1910 in Benton, LA and died Jan. 14, 1995 in Vivian, LA. Survivors: wife, Hestella, Vivian; son, Isaac Rawls, Jr., Vivian;

daughters, Isabella Elder, Wichita, KS, Ida Mae Tyson, Kansas City, KS, Althannett King, Shreveport, LA, and Lauretta Morrow, Ohio.

ROBERTS, Howard Emil, was born Dec. 11, 1912 in Port Arthur, TX and died Dec. 21, 1994 in Dallas, TX. Survivors: wife, Louise, Dallas; son, Dan Roberts, Corsicana, TX; daughters, Ruth Ann McLeod, Dallas, and Martha Sue Martin, Richardson, TX; and 13 grandchildren. Joe Ray

ROBERTS, P. W. (Willis), was born Nov. 1, 1922 in Richey Switch, TX and died Nov. 2, 1994 in Cleburne, TX. Sur-

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ROBERTSON, Jay Riley, was born Sept. 8, 1930 in Oak Park, IL and died Nov. 27, 1994 in Nowata, OK. Survivors: parents, Edgar and Anna Robertson, Cedar Lake, IN; and brother, Richard Robertson, Tulsa, OK. Madeline Scott

RUSSELL, William Albert, was born Mar. 26, 1907 in Kaufman, TX and died Jan. 14, 1995 in Fort Worth, TX. He was a literature evangelist for the Texas Conference. Survivors: wife, Mildred, Fort Worth; stepdaughter, Arline Turnbow, Lewisville, TX; and 1 grandchild. Kay Jamison

SELLERS, Dupree, was born in 1906 in Winder, GA and died Dec. 8, 1994 in West Monroe, LA. Survivors: wife, Leona, West Monroe; and daughter, Betty Ann Thompson, West Monroe.

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TAMEZ, Julian, was born Feb. 16, 1937 in McAllen, TX and died Feb. 10, 1995 in Fort Worth, TX. Survivors: wife, Petra, Fort Worth; daughter, Sandra, Grand Prairie, TX; sons, Ralph and Jerry, both of Fort Worth. Kay Jamison

TAYLOR, Orval Ernest, was born Dec. 5, 1900 in Oklahoma City, OK and died Feb. 8, 1995 in Oklahoma City. Survivors: sons, Ray Taylor and Floyd Taylor, both of Oklahoma City; daughter, Barry J Cobb, Oklahoma City; 23 grandchildren; 55 great-grandchildren; and 14 great, great-grandchildren. Birgitta Neff

OGALDEZ, Nora, was born Jan. 22, 1966 in El Paso, TX and died Feb. 11, 1995 in Albuquerque, NM. Survivors: husband, Otto Daniel Ogaldez; parents, Pompeyo and Zenaida Tarango; grandmother, Hilaria Casas; and brothers, Daniel and Samuel Tarango. Peter Weber

WALKER, John P., was born in 1919 in Downsville, LA and died Nov. 25, 1994 in West Monroe, LA. Survivors: wife, Lettie, Downsville; daughters, Linda Sue Walker, Plain Dealing, LA, and Kathy Massey, Gray, TX; brother, Durwood Walker, Calhoun, LA; and sister, Mary Thrower, Monroe, LA.

WIMBERLY, Buford (Bud), was born July 17, 1930 in Marble Falls, TX and died Jan. 26, 1995 in Marble Falls. Survivors: sons, Bruce Wimberly of Colorado, Bryan Wimberly of California, and John Wimberly of North Carolina; daughters, Cheryl Jones, Branson, MO, Charlene Morris and Christy Hogan, both of Springfield, MO; sisters, Evelyn Mays, Ingram, TX, Wanda Jackson and Odessa Gibson, both of Marble Falls; and brother, Charles Wimberly, Marble Falls. Ed Stacey

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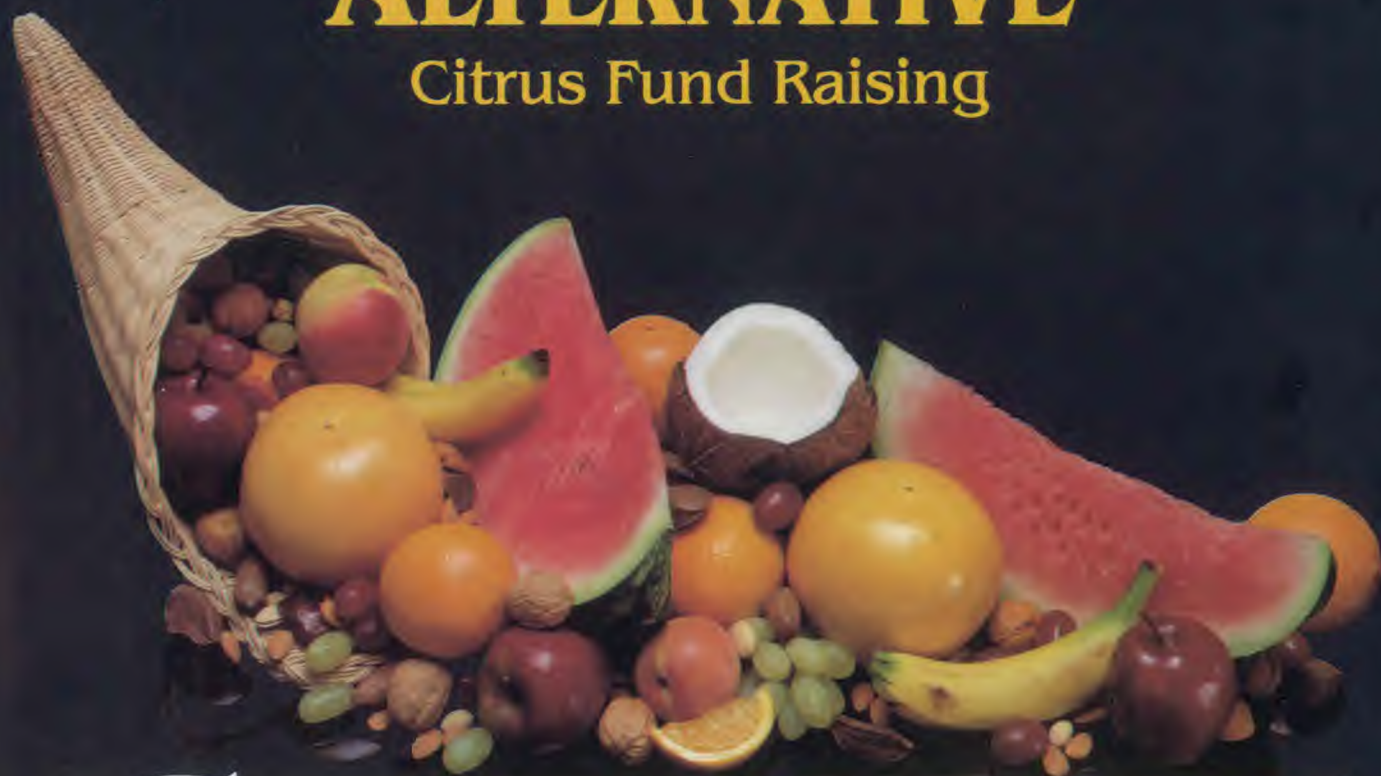
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El Paso, Texas	7:34	7:39	7:44	7:49	7:54	7:59
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Galveston/Houston, Texas	7:45	7:49	7:54	7:58	8:02	8:07
Gentry, Arkansas	7:51	7:57	8:02	8:08	8:14	8:20
Little Rock, Arkansas	7:40	7:46	7:51	7:57	8:02	8:08
Muskogee, Oklahoma	7:53	7:59	8:04	8:10	8:16	8:22
New Orleans, Louisiana	7:26	7:31	7:35	7:40	7:44	7:49
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