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## **New Dimensions** in Stewardship



## By A. C. McKEE, Secretary Southern Union Conference Association

LEGAL Conference Associations, as such, are not new inventions. Indeed, most of these have been in existence since the organization of our local and union conferences. But, until recent years a vast majority of our constituency was totally unaware of the tremendous service which these Associations could perform for them, individually.

Then something happened! Awakened by a review of wise counsel given by Mrs. E. G. White regarding the importance of bringing this information to members of the church, a new and thrilling challenge is gripping the hearts of dedicated men and women all over the Southern Union. It was sparked by repeated inquiries from laymen as to how they might use the Association services in planning personal, financial affairs to more adequately provide financial security for future needs, while taking full advantage of tax provisions in the making of present and future gifts to the church.

OUR COVER was secured through proper arrangements with the Harold M. Lambert Studios of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Keynote to the feature story of this issue is found in **Counsels on Stewardship**, p. 136. "The Christian will be filled with joy in proportion as he is a faithful steward of his Lord's goods."

The privileges and responsibilities of this challenge are being eagerly studied and developed to meet individual needs, by multiplied scores of laymen in every local conference.

Fortunately, Americans are living in an era and under the protection of a government that not only responds to the cries of needy people and worthy nations around the world, but which also provides laws that honor discerning individuals who wish to accomplish more with their possessions than to gratify personal desires —laws that are beneficial only as wise and dedicated men and women use them.

Today, more and more Christians are giving careful thought to the ultimate use of their accumulated resources of a lifetime. Ownership has become a "new dimension" of Christian stewardship. Seventh-day Adventists have always acknowledged the fact that all things belong to God—that all we have has been intrusted to us for management and safekeeping. But now, more and more Christians are realizing that one's Christian obligations extend beyond the weekly or annual contribution to the work of the church. True Christian stewardship involves what we do with all of our resources, both currently and future.

It is at this point that the services of the Conference Association become so helpful. Individuals can now give properties to the church, through the legal Association, so that it still provides security for personal needs throughout the lifetime and, beyond present needs, it advances the cause of Christ for years to come.

#### **Carefully Governed by Policy**

This is a plan which combines policy, carefully studied by the general, union and local conference committees, in outlining a service to meet individual needs and desires—a plan which provides greater happiness and security for today and eternal dividends for the future.

All activities of the local Conference Associations are administered by a board

A seminar was recently conducted for local and union conference personnel involved in the work of the Association. Shown below are the Association officers and field personnel together with guest speakers for the meetings. Front row, left to right: C. M. Laue, Southern Union Conference auditor; H. H. Schmidt, Southern Union Conference president; W. E. Phillips, General Conference assistant treasurer; Sidney Prerau, consultant on taxation and philanthropy; R. J. Radcliff, General Conference auditor; J. H. Whitehead, Southern Union Conference secretary-treasurer; A. C. McKee, Southern Union Conference Association secretary.



At the seminar, R. J. Radcliffe of the General Conference, addressed the group.





Sidney Prerau, B.S., L.L.B., consultant on taxation and philanthropy, lectured on legal and tax aspects. of directors and under the supervision of the local conference executive committee, whose members are duly elected biennially by the conference constituency. These policies are reviewed by the union conference committee and by the union survey and audit committees each year and are subject to revision to fully comply with General Conference policy.

The Auditing Department of the Southern Union carefully analyzes all local conference records, at least annually, to insure a proper interpretation and application of these policies and to make certain that all funds, at maturity, are carefully distributed in conformity with the expressed wishes of the donor, trustor or testator.

#### A Spiritual Service

Great care is exercised in every phase of this program to make it a service of spiritual value to every individual member. When an invitation is accepted by a field representative of the local or union Association for bringing a devotional message to a church congregation on Sabbath morning, a mid-week prayer meeting or a vesper service, the message presented is always spiritual and informative, with opportunity for specific questions and discussions offered only after the Sabbath hours.

#### **An Individual Service**

Your conference and union staff has been technically trained to give accurate, detailed and confidential information on the services offered, and the important tax advantages of each, and are prepared to suggest the most effective and economical steps to take in having your will or other appropriate instruments drawn by a legal attorney.

Individual appointments are only by invitation and are conducted in a quiet, personal way in the privacy of the home from which such invitation comes. All such discussions and personal information disclosed in these interviews are kept sacredly confidential by all members of the Association staff.

#### **A** Technical Service

Recently, the Southern Union Confer-

An office call or a visit in the privacy of the home . . .



. . . brings professional guidance to any family who requests it.. Such service is available in every conference of the Southern Union.

Elder K. A. Wright, Florida Conference stewardship secretary, is reviewing an instrument prepared for this couple, after it has been legally drafted, to be certain that all requested provisions have been properly included. Elder H. V. Hendershot, Georgia-Cumberland stewardship secretary, explains the Association services more fully to this couple.

Copies of wills and legal papers may be filed in the privacy and safety of the conference vault for protection until probated. R. E. Metcalfe is shown in the Florida fireproof vault.

C. M. Laue, seated, and B. J. Penner, union conference auditor, analyze Association accounting records for conformity to policy and accuracy in distribution.



Elder Hendershot, right, reviews desires of a family with

Elder Fred Minner, Georgia-

Cumberland Association sec-

retary-treasurer.



Elder Minner confers with the

torney who prepares the legal

conference Association

documents.



ence sponsored a meeting for the Association personnel from each local conference, giving an intensive, three-day, training program in the technical aspects of their work. Representatives from the General Conference Treasury and Auditing Departments were present for counsel.

The legal aspects and tax-saving provisions offered by the Federal government to those wishing to invest in educational, religious and charitable organizations were presented in a most helpful lecture seminar by Mr. Sidney Prerau, a member of the New York Bar and the Commission on Taxation and Philanthropy, editor of "Taxwise Giving," and former director of the J. K. Lasser Tax Institute.

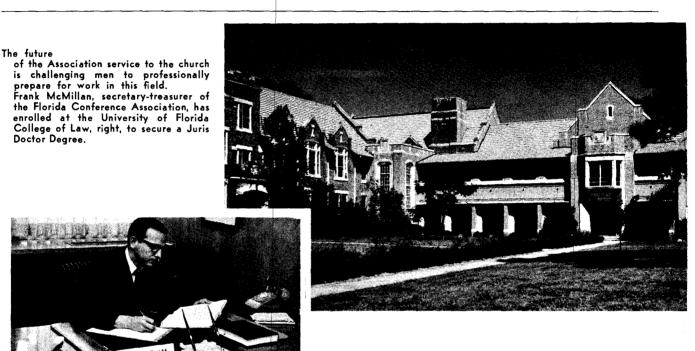
#### A Legal Service

Each conference retains the services of a reputable legal firm who is completely acquainted with the laws of the state in which he practices and the tax aspects of deferred and charitable gifts. These attorneys are available for the handling of legal details in all transactions with the Conference Association. There is no cost to the individual for such attorney's fees, if the church is substantially remembered in the final distribution of any estate, and there is no charge for the informational services rendered by the Association staff.

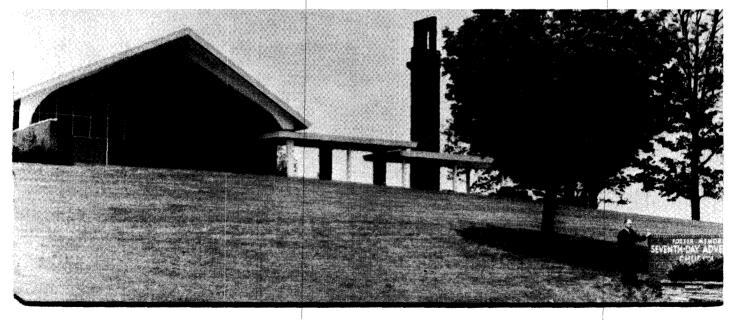
#### A Valuable Service

A new informational brochure, just off the press and available through each local conference office, has been designed to outline, in detail, the need for a legally drawn will and the related advantages of gift annuities, cash and property trusts, and life income contracts, as they are available through the conference Associations.

This is a service of dignity, of tremendous value to all who wish to provide additional security for their family, or for their individual retirement years, and a continuation of their Christian influence through thoughtful planning for the future needs of their church. This is a service expressly appreciated by an everincreasing number of dedicated and discerning individuals throughout the territory of the Southern Union.



A Trust Agreement made by the Foster family helped substantially to make possible the lovely Asheville, North Carolina, church. Known as the Foster Memorial Seventh-day Adventist Church, it is a monument to the glory of God and a living example of true Christian stewardship.



Dateline Data

DALLAS, TEXAS - - - Delegates from eight Prostestant denominations have agreed on six principles they hope will form the basis of a large-scale merger which would unite 23 million church members in one body. A public opinion survey indicates that one out of every two churchgoers in the United States favors the eight-church merger.

WASHINGTON, D. C. - - - A new bill to restore prayer in public schools has been introduced in the House of Representatives. The bill would permit official prayer in public schools and would allow federal and state officials to refer to God in conducting the business of government. The amendment does not try to rebuke the Supreme Court for its prayer ruling, but attempts to re-establish the fact that America is a nation under God.

BERRIEN SPRINCS, MICHIGAN - - - Andrews University will sponsor a conference on church-state problems June 9 to 12. The three-day conference will be conducted to discuss present-day problems in church-state relations in the United States and other countries. Among topics slated for discussion is the issue of government aid to Adventist institutions and personnel. Dr. Leif Tobiassen of Andrews University will direct the 19-member panel of church scholars and leaders. The conference will also consider problems of religious freedom for Adventists in Communist lands and in developing countries.

LOMA LINDA, CALIFORNIA - - - Former President Dwight D. Eisenhower, Utah Governor George D. Clyde and California State Senator Randolph Collier have been chosen recipients of the annual Freedom Awards program co-sponsore by the Pacific Union Conference and Loma Linda University. The awards program was set up this year by the Church-State Council, a non-profit organization for religious liberty programs. Recipients were chosen on the basis of their tangible contribution to religious freedom, according to Reinhold R. Beitz, president of the Church-State Council.

NEW YORK - - - "If God is dead, there is nothing left but secular philosophy," Dr. Billy Graham told a capacity crowd of more than 3,000 persons on May 12, in Lincoln Center's Philharmonic Hall. Dr. Graham continued "a return to the Bible would bring our nation to its finest hour and give inner peace and security that millions are desperately looking for in a day when one-half of all hospital beds are occupied by mental patients - when we are taking millions of sleeping pills, tranquilizers and pep pills - when thousands are experimenting with LSD."



## **CAROLINA**

Youth Congress Brings Commitments



Elder E. S. Reile, union youth leader, interviewed Elton Kerr, Marty England and Kay Garner. They told how Mt. Pisgah Academy temperance society sponsored "The Smoker's Dial" program.



Don Anderson demonstrated how evangelism can be carried on via "ham" radio.



James Shepard, principal of Mt. Pisgah Academy, stressed the need of being rightly trained for "such a time as this."

Hundreds of young people, looking for a thrill, gathered in the YWCA auditorium. But it was not the ordinary kind of thrill they were seeking. This was a group of Seventh-day Adventist young people. They thrilled to the experiences of other young people who had become involved in working for others.

The occasion for this large gathering of Carolina young people was the confer-

ence-wide youth congress held recently in Čolumbia, South Carolina, under the direction of Carolina youth leader, P. A. Kostenko. Twenty-. Kostenko. three Missionary Volunteer societies were represented including groups from Mt. Pis-gah and Fletcher music for Sabbath Academies, Southern



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Missionary College and Charlotte Intermediate School.

The theme of the congress, "In Times Like These," challenged those attending to become involved in some type of soulwinning activity. This theme was stressed in every meeting from the keynote sermon on Friday night, by Southern Union youth leader E. S. Reile, to the benediction on Saturday night.

Special features of the weekend activities included music by the brass trio of Mt. Pisgah Academy and by the band from the Charlotte Intermediate School. The Southern Missionary College Collegiate Chorale brought to the congress the spirit of heaven as they sang several groups of songs. The need for young people to keep physically fit was emphasized when the Fletcher Academy tumbling team demonstrated their feats of physical skill and coordination.

During the final hour of the congress, the attorney-general of the State of South Carolina spoke to the young people showing the need for a responsible attitude of youth toward society.

After the investiture of four Master Guides, the lights of the auditorium were turned out and, with a spotlight illuminating the giant Missionary Volunter insignia on the platform, Elder T. E. Lucas, world MV secretary, gave a final charge to the assembled youth. They responded by committing themselves to take an active part in soul-winning activities.

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## Georgia Cumberland Academy Hosts Visiting Students

More than 115 students from the Georgia-Cumberland Conference were visitors at Georgia Cumberland Academy for the annual Academy Days during the week end of May 6-8. The purpose of the week end was to give prospective academy students opportunity to become acquainted with life at the academy and to guide and encourage them in making plans to attend Georgia Cumberland Academy next school year.

Friday night, Elder L. E. Aldrich presented a program of beautiful color slides on nature synchronized with music and poetry.

Visiting students from Cumberland Heights joined the academy orchestra for Sabbath school song service under the leadership of Terence Futcher. Elder Reifsnyder, pastor and academy principal, preached the morning sermon honoring mothers.

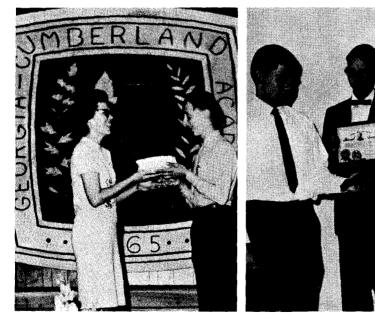
Sabbath afternoon many joined in a Sabbath afternoon walk. After supper, the MV society sponsored a rousing singspiration and presented a skit featuring the importance of Sabbath school lesson study.

Saturday night's program featured the GCA concert band under the baton of Mr. Harry Bennett. The 35-piece band performed a variety of music including Tchaikowsky's famous "Nutcracker Suite" and a special number for children, "El-

Miss Elin Melsted, Georgia Cumberland academy home economics teacher, presented Steve Jones a cake for guessing the correct number of calories in the cake. mer, the Elephant." Principal Reifsnyder presented the first John Phillip Sousa Award to Kenneth Grant of Macon, Georgia. The award is presented by the band to the band member who has rendered outstanding service, loyalty, and who has demonstrated excellent musicianship. Climaxing the band concert was a performance of Ralph Williams' "American Panorama" by the Aeolians accompanied by the band. After the concert, refreshments were served at a Candlelight Hour in the Cafeteria.

Guided tours on Sunday morning gave each visiting student an opportunity to see each department, office and building on the campus. Highlights of the school year were presented in a special assembly program. The Aeolians, under the direction of Mr. Richard Wuttke, sang two secular numbers. Miss Shell, English teacher, and Mrs. Spano, dean of women, presented a musical skit which was highly entertaining. Other musical numbers were presented by Kay Martin, Fred Tolhurst, Harry Tolhurst and the Kingsmen quartet. Prizes were awarded to students who had won contests sponsored by the various departments during the guided tours. Elder Cummings, conference president, and Professor Reifsnyder welcomed the students and spoke to them briefly. Current Student Association officers introduced officers-elect for next year.

Principal Reifsnyder gave the Sousa Award to Kenneth Grant while Mr. Harry Bennett, band director, looked on.



## Fire Trainer Joins Church at Columbus, Georgia

One of the highlights of the day at the Georgia-Cumberland worker's meeting on May 22, was the introduction of Mr. Walter A. Screws, assistant City Fire Trainer from Columbus, Georgia.

Mr. and Mrs. Screws joined the church in Columbus during meetings held recently in the Three Arts Theatre by Elder H. E. Metcalf.

The first invitation Brother and Sister Screws ever received to a Seventh-day Adventist meeting was extended to them by Dr. Agatha Thrash at the beginning of the evangelistic crusade. They attended the third meeting and all that followed. Since that time, they have been present at all meetings held by Adventists in the church or in other places.

Brother Screws turned in the offering of \$2,000.16 given by the Columbus church. The church goal was \$1,500.

Visiting students played several games against GCA students Sunday afternoon. The final game of the afternoon was played by the ministers, who lost to the GCA students.

Many students returned to their homes already looking forward to attending GCA next fall. At least one student was overheard to remark that he wished he could stay at GCA for the rest of this year.

Lester Littell, SA president, and other officers planned the week end activities as a function of the Student Association.



## GEORGIA CUMBERLAND

## **Evangelism Offering Totals \$86,145.27**

In an inspirational campaign report meeting on May 22, the Georgia-Cum-berland Conference workers and church leaders brought in a total of \$86,145.27 for the conference evangelistic program during 1966.

The goal was set at \$50,000 when the campaign was launched with workers and church leaders on April 10, at Georgia Cumberland Academy.

The evangelistic program is being expanded to include a full-time, dark-

county evangelist. Elder Lewis Wynn, who is presently the pastor of the Marietta district, will be devoting his full time to dark county



On Sabbath, May 21, Dr. H. R. Larson, center, first elder of the Marietta church, presented a \$4,151.89 check and his pastor, Elder L. A. Wynn, to the dark-county evangelism program of the Georgia-Cumberland Confer-ence. Left, C. W. Skantz, conference secretary-treasurer, and Desmond Cummings, conference president. Right, H. H. Schmidt, Southern Union president. president.

## **Two Dark-County Evangelists**

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Elder M. E. Erickson chalked up the final total of \$86,145.27 for evangelism at the workers' meeting May 22.

Immediately following the report, the conference executive committee voted to hire two dark-county evangelists and an additional public evangelist. This will make four men who will be devoting their full time to public and personal evangelism. At present, E. E. Cumbo is the conference evangelist and L. A. Wynn is the dark-county evangelist. In addition to they targe they are realisted will be evened

addition to these, two other evangelists will be secured in the immediate future.

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## **Revival at Belvedere**



A week of revival services was held in the Atlanta Belvedere church by Elder E. S. Reile, Missionary Volunteer secretary for the Southern Union Conference.

The services were climaxed on Sabbath, May 21, when a special offering of \$4,151.89 was turned in for evangelism in the conference. At this same service, the baptistry of this new church was dedicated at the time of the baptism of five individuals. Pastor Perry Green, left, is shown with four of the baptismal candidates.

evangelism. In August, he will be moving to Americus, Georgia, to work in an endeavor to organize a church as a memorial to God in that city.

Elder Wynn is a specialist in personal evangelism. During 1965, he led the conference in baptisms. Those who have observed his work feel the secret of his success is his great concern for each individual with whom he comes in contact. He is continually hunting for people with whom he can study the Bible, and when he begins to study with them, they immediately become aware that he has a personal experience with God and is most anxious to share this experience with them.

The Marietta church, of which Elder Wynn is pastor, turned in \$1,149.43 more than its \$3,000 goal. Dr. H. R. Larson, first elder of the Marietta church, when reporting the offering, made this statement:

"Marietta, we feel, was asked to make a far greater sacrifice than any other church in the conference. The cash sacrifice was minor, but the sacrifice of our pastor was major. The cash offering was given without hesitation, as the amount indicates, but the sacrifice of our pastor required some consideration. However, we make both sacrifices without reluctance or regret.'



## Kentucky-Tennessee Music Festival

Music is a talent that, properly used, can be an avenue of great blessing or, if misused or abused, can become a curse. Not everyone can sing well or play a musical instrument, but the perennial fascination of music is felt by nearly everyone.

Angelic voices join in the worship in heaven, and the morning stars sang at the creation of this world. The Israelites sang of their deliverance from the Egyptians at the Red Sea and chanted to keep their minds focused on God as they marched through the wilderness. David, the sweet singer of Israel, raised his voice in psalms while out alone at night. Jesus loved music and when temptation came, He met it with a song.

The singing of Paul and Silas opened dungeon doors at midnight. Licking flames have silenced singing martyrs at the stake, and songs of trust and hope have sounded from the darkness of the catacombs.

The intervening power of a song has protected many missionaries as they have encountered wild beasts or savage natives in remote regions of the earth.

Instruction in music was taught in the schools of the prophets and it is important for our children to learn the music of the church.

These, among many inspiring thoughts, were brought out by Kentucky-Tennessee's music festival speakers: E. L. Marley, conference president; Rudy Bata, conference secretary-treasurer; and Kenneth Holland, editor of *These Times*.

Beginning on Friday night, the fifth annual Elementary-Intermediate School Music Festival was held May 6 and 7 in the new Highland Academy auditorium. A large attendance filled every seat, and

Elder F. W. Foster, second right, welcomed a bus load of students from Greater Nashville Junior Academy to the Music Festival. others had to stand at several meetings of the week-end program.

In addition to the many numbers presented by the large massed groups, the schools sent their finest talent to provide musical delights in the form of quartets, trios, ensembles and other combinations. High-quality performance has become the expected thing at the Kentucky-Tennessee festivals, and the contributions this year proved no exception. These young people in grades 7-10 have mastered what many people consider difficult music, and they brought inspiration and pleasure with the manner in which they presented it.

The secular program on Saturday night was composed of band and vocal numbers and several novelty features. Elder Don Holland emceed the evening's activities and added to the interest by his frequent change of costumes and apt monologue.

Eleven participating schools were represented in the 200-voice festival choir and the 110-piece band. Musicianship and varied talents were demonstrated in many features.

many features. The festival was planned and directed by Elder Wayne Foster, secretary of the conference Department of Education. Recognizing the value of these occasions for the encouragement and direction of the talents of the youth of the church, the leaders of the conference and the union give their endorsement and support. The teachers and music directors in the local schools also expend much effort and time because they, too, believe that talents are worthless unless used for the glory of God.

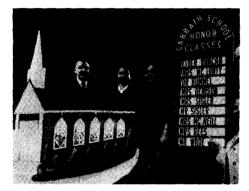
The music festival has become an event toward which the students look forward each year. This enjoyment is but a token of that to be shared by the redeemed "when we all get to heaven."

Brenda Cox, Joleen Leland and Judy Moore united their voices in "South of the Border."



The "LIGHTED CHURCH" Sabbath school goal device sparked the enthusiasm of all classes and members of the Memphis Sabbath school early this year.

If the Sabbath school reaches 100 per cent in attendance, mission offering, Sabbath school expense, invitations given, and 90 per cent in daily lesson study, the five windows are lighted up, and then the front door swings open revealing the "LIGHTED CHURCH." For several consecutive weeks, the Sabbath school reached its goal, and the "church" was "ALL LIT UP."



Assistant Sabbath school superintendents Dr. George Mills, Mrs. Haskell Jones and Mrs. Lloyd Shook, from left to right, stand behind the lighted church while Frank Ashby, superintendent, and Mrs. George Mills, secretary, show the honor roll of classes.

One of the outstanding groups at the festival was the "Chordsmen" quartet from the Highland Elementary School. Left to right, Kenny Martin, Marvin Glass, Carson Cross and Robbie Parrish.







## KENTUCKY TENNESSEE

## Unusual

## **Investment Project**

The kindergarten class of the St. Mat-thews Seventh-day Adventist Church has an unusual Investment project this yearan unusual Investment project this year-they are building a miniature mission station. For each dollar raised, the chil-dren expand their project by adding trees, benches, animals and people. After reaching their goal of \$50, a church was added to the mission station.

Enthusiasm is running high; the children are working with great zeal, doing chores, saving labels and numerous other projects. Although their goal has been met, they are eagerly working so that they might add several additional



St. Matthews kindergarten class displays their Investment goal device.

churches to their mission station. The children are learning by experience, "If we invest, the Lord will surely bless." Teachers for this class are Mrs. L. H. Woolridge and Mrs. Tom Good.

## **News Notes**

Academy days, held on the campuses of Highland and Madison academies, attracted eighth grade students from many church schools and tenth graders from the junior academies throughout the conference. Special programs had been planned at both academies, and many of these young people were inspired to become a part of the student body next September.

Elder Don Holland, conference MV Elder Don Holland, conference MV secretary, has been busy for the past few weeks with Investiture services throughout the two-state area. Hundreds of boys and girls are receiving appro-priate recognition for their faithfulness in completing their MV class require-ments and honor awards.

• On April 23, 1966, Pewee Valley Junior Academy and Louisville Junior Academy had a combined music festival. The numbers presented were the same as those given at Highland Academy for the conference-wide music festival. Both principals felt this was a highlight of the year, and it was enjoyed immensely by all that were present. Students and faculty are looking forward to a continuation of this in years to come.

## Kentucky-Tennessee Bible Conference

"THE LORD CAN DEPEND ON ME" was the first thing the 110 delegates saw as they entered the beautiful chapel at as they entered the beautiful chapel at Indian Creek Youth Camp the opening night of the Kentucky-Tennessee Bible Conference. These young people repre-sented the youth in our two academies and five junior academies. They were chosen because of their high ideals and the Christian character that had been displayed through the past year at their schools. Here they were, ready to re-ceive a double portion of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. As the Bible Con-ference progressed, it was very evident that the Lord was not withholding this great blessing to these young people.

There were many high-lights at this Bible Conference which stand out in my mind. One was the testimony periods during each of the song services. It was thrilling to hear these young people stand up, one after the other, and tell of their love for the Master and their determination to be of greater service in His cause.

All day Friday found the young people joining together in discussion groups which dealt with such topics as: "The Lord can depend on me to choose a right life mate," "The Lord can depend on life mate," "The Lord can depend on me to be a trustworthy steward," and other subjects of vital interest to youth. All of the discussion topics had to do with the positive side of practical Chris-tianity. The young people were able to ask questions which they have had in their minds, and some outstanding mintheir minds, and some outstanding min-isters were present to give clear-cut Bible answers. Those leading out in the dis-cussion topics were: Elder Duncan from the Memphis First church, Elder Ipes from the Nashville First church, Elder Mote from the Madison Boulevard church, Elder Clarke from the Madison Academy church, and Elder Darnell from the Highland Academy church.

Visiting speakers included the union president, H. H. Schmidt, and union MV secretary, Ellsworth Reile. Elders Foster and Holland, from the local conference office, took the chapel periods, and the conference president, E. L. Marley, spoke at the vesper hour presenting an appeal for the closing service.

The commitment service was most solemn and impressive to behold. It began with a young lady and a young man coming down the aisle of the chapel carrying a torch. The young man's torch represented "The Word of God," the young lady's torch represented "Chris-tian Service." As they placed their tian Service." As they placed their torches into their designated positions, seven men from the union and the local conference officer measured conference offices presented seven func-tions of the Holy Spirit, represented by seven candlesticks. They pointed out to the youth how they could keep alive the experience which had been gained during the Bible Conference.

At the close of Elder Marley's appeal, the entire delegation stood in complete consecration and surrender to the cause of God, signifying a determination to uphold the Word of God and to reach out in greater Christian service than ever before.

Standing in awe and reverence, the Standing in awe and reverence, the group sang the first stanza of the song, "O Jesus I Have Promised to Serve Thee to the End." Lights were dimmed as the delegates quietly and reverently kneeled, facing the beautiful picture of Christ, and repeated the last stanza of this song as their prayer of dedication to God to God.

As Elder Schmidt offered a dedicatory prayer, the lights were turned out com-pletely, leaving only the seven candle-sticks, representing the Holy Spirit, and the two torches, representing the Word of God and Christian service, shining in the chapel. At this time, the beautiful picture of Christ behind the rostrum began to shine more brightly than ever before. As Elder Schmidt closed his prayer, all eyes were looking upward to prayer, all eyes were looking upward to this beautiful sight. Then, the group sang softly, "Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full into His wonderful face, and the things of earth will grow strangely dim, in the light of His glory and grace." With this beautiful thought, the 1066 Fible Conference areas to a close 1966 Bible Conference came to a close.

Elder Darnell, center, discussed important youth topics with group at recent Kentucky-Tennessee Bible Conference.





## **FLORIDA**

## **Meditation Room Dedicated**

On May 15, a Meditation and Prayer Room for Memorial Hall, girls' dormitory at Forest Lake Academy, was dedicated in a special service.

Members of the six Dorcas Federations of the Florida Conference donated the funds to furnish the room. The plan started after fire heavily damaged the



The Meditation Room of the new girls' dormitory of Forest Lake Academy was furnished by the Dorcas societies of the Florida Conference. From left, Mrs. Arlene Dickinson, dean of girls; Gaye Thum, resident of Memorial Hall; Mrs. Kenneth A. Wright, state Dorcas Federation president; Elder Lester Stannard, Forest Lake Academy principel.

## **Evangelism Councils Held**

On May 17, 18, and 19, the ministers of the Tampa, Orlando, and Miami areas met, respectively, to lay plans for the "Bible in the Hand" evangelistic program which was launched throughout the entire Florida Conference in January of this year. W. O. Coe, president, and C. R. French, laymens' activities secretary, led out in the discussion during the councils.

The meetings which were conducted in an informal manner were refreshing experiences for each worker. The spirit manifest was most enthusiastic as each worker was invited to make suggestions as to how this new project of evangelism might be made more efficient and fruitful in bringing people to a knowledge and acceptance of the Advent message. Reports were also given by workers covering evangelistic plans for their districts.

At the close of the councils, appreciation was expressed to Elders Coe and French for this new approach in furthering the work of God.

Elder W. O. Coe, center left, and C. R. French, center right, lead out in the informal discussion of evangelism with the pastors in the Orlando, Miami and Tampa areas. Thown is the meeting in Tampa.



old administration building on July 4, 1964. The ladies wanted to do something in the way of a Thank Offering because there was no loss of life at that time. This plan was adopted throughout the state, and on March 7, 1965, a similar room in McClure Hall, the boys' dormitory, was dedicated as a Meditation Room.

The theme of the room is Christ. Furnishings include wall-to-wall carpeting, sofa, chairs, lamps, desk, a large picture of Christ on the wall, a new set of *Testimonies* and the *Conflict Series*. The conference also presented them with a gift—a set of "The Praying Hands" bookends.

Mrs. Kenneth A. Wright, State Dorcas Federation president, presented the key to the room to Kay Bullock, president of the girls' club. Kay expressed her appreciation as well as that of all the girls residing in Memorial Hall. Mrs. Dickinson, dean of girls, and Elder Lester Stannard, principal, also expressed their appreciation.

Other participants in the program were Elder C. R. French, director of lay activities for the Florida Conference, and Elder James Hamrick, pastor of the Forest Lake church. Special music was provided by Ronnie Brown, a resident of McClure Hall, and a girls' sextette with Marilyn Nobrega furnishing selected piano numbers.

The dedicatory prayer was given by Elder Kenneth A. Wright, a former principal of the academy. Elder W. O. Coe, Florida Conference president, cut the ribbon on the door to officially open the room.

#### News Notes -

▶ During Big Week, the dedicated literature evangelists of the Florida Conference sold and delivered over \$18,000 of literature.

▶ The members of the Florida Conference are faithful tithe payers. This is certainly evidenced by the \$96,000 gain in tithe for the period ending April 30, 1966, as compared to the same period in 1965.

New churches are now under construction at Port Charlotte, Sarasota, Boynton-Delray Beach and South Orlando. Plans are also in the making for new church homes in Winter Garden and Homestead.

• Colporteur deliveries in Florida indicated an increase of 51 percent for the first quarter of the year.

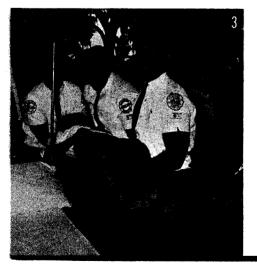
• Evangelism is the watchword in Florida. Two hundred seventy-two have been baptized to date. This is an increase of 42 over the same period for 1965.

## FLORIDA SANITARIUM AND HOSPITAL

## Mass Casualty Disaster Drill







Florida Sanitarium and Hospital's Mass Casualty Disaster Plan was recently tested by twenty-five Edgewater High School students who were allegedly involved in a school bus accident.

Staff physicians and off-duty hospital workers were called in to help handle the practice emergency.

The hospital sponsored the drill to insure its readiness for any disaster that might occur in the Central Florida area.

"We conducted the drill for the purpose of evaluating our own ability to cope with a mass casualty situation," said Jack Weisberg, assistant administrator and mass casualty director at the Florida Sanitarium and Hospital. "The drill gave us an opportunity to try out our revised hospital disaster plan and to smooth out our internal problems. As a result, we hope we will be of greater value to the over-all community civil defense activities as well as be prepared for participation in an areawide type of disaster involving other hospitals and services."

Before being transported to the Florida Sanitarium and Hospital in ambulances and other emergency vehicles, students were dressed with artificial blood and plastic injuries by McCoy Air Force Base personnel. They began arriving at the hospital's Receiving and Sorting area at about 10:00 a.m., and from there went either to the First Aid Center, Critical Holding Area or Major Surgery.

Those receiving first aid treatment were discharged. Others in Critical Holding or Major Surgery were transferred to Emergency Patient Care Areas where they received care and observation.

1. Orlan High School students were dressed with artificial plastic injuries by Air Force personnel for the drill.

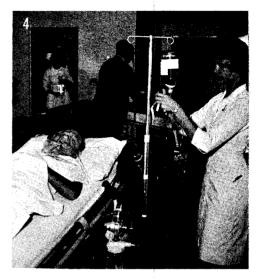
2. Orlando ambulance services and firemen participated in the drill. Here they lift a student on the stretcher to be transported to Florida Sanitarium and Hospital's emergency room.

3. Arriving at the hospital's sorting area, victims are unloaded and examined by physicians who determine where they will go next.

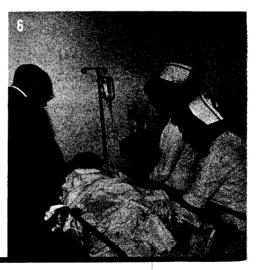
4. In critical holding, 'casualty' is given oxygen and nurse prepares to start I.V.

5. Dr. J. E. Crews, assisted by hospital workers, treats allegedly injured student.

6. Dr. W. J. Gardner, assisted by Florida Sanitarium and Hospital nurses, treats 'casualty' in critical holding.







## Southern Missionary College

**Field School of Evangelism** 



**Tele-Lecture for College Instruction** 



Elders Douglas Bennett, right, and J. Don Crook, aided by ministerial students from Southern Missionary College, will hold a three-week evangelistic crusade at Knoxville, Tennessee, June 19-July 16.

Elder Bennett, director of the crusade and associate professor of religion and evangelism at SMC, and Elder Crook, assistant director of public relations at SMC, will conduct the effort at the Clinton Plaza shopping center on the Clinton Highway. Meetings will be held each night but Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. in a modern airatorium on the Plaza.

The Southernaires, SMC's men's quartet, will aid in the effort. Quartet members, all theology majors, are Ron Bentzinger, Gordon Retzer, Wally Williams and Lewis Hendershot.

A part of the Field Evangelism School, the crusade is designed to train SMC's prospective ministers and evangelists. The young men attending the Field School and assisting in the campaign will be George Steiger, Kenneth Brown, Cliff Vickery, Dave Koobs, Ed Reid, Charles Scarborough, Art Swinson, Tim Manning, John Newbern, Woody Whidden, Russell Holt and Earl Robertson.

Ellen Manullang talked to Elder Arthur L. White of the General Conference in Washington, D. C., during a recent telelecture. The Fundamentals of Education class listened on the amplified lecture. To the left in the picture, standing, is Dr. K. M. Kennedy, class professor. Adjusting the equipment is Bob Sturdivant of Southern Bell Telephone Company. To the right is Eddie Knight.

## **Committee of 100 Sponsors Exhibit**

PROPOSED CAMPUS FOR 1-0

Acclaimed by many as the outstanding display at a recent May Arts Festival in Chattanooga was an exhibit sponsored by SMC's Committee of 100, Inc. Hundreds of Chattanoogans learned more about Southern Missionary College by listening to the Committee's telephone display and by observing the exhibit of new buildings and the campus development.

Also on exhibit were paintings by Mrs. Nell Williams, artist-teacher at the college. Mrs. Ruth Zoerb of SMC won second in the over-all painting contest. The painting qualified for a \$50 prize.



#### Florida ----

The World-Wide Bible Crusade July 3 to 30 Ft. Lauderdale Seventh-day Adventist Church Ft. Lauderdale, Florida

You are invited to send names of interested persons, former members or friends that you would like to receive an invitation to these meetings to: World-wide Bible Crusades, 1501 S. Andrews Ave., Ft. Lauderdale, Florida.

#### Southern Missionary College SELECTIVE SERVICE COLLEGE QUALIFYING TEST

Southern Missionary College gave this test on May 15 and also May 22. We are established to give this test on our campus on June 24. People desiring to take the test at that time should come regardless of whether or not they have made application.

Southern Missionary College is giving the following tests during the summer: \*Graduate Record, July 10 or 11, 1966 A. C. T., July 17, 1966

\*National Teachers, July 18, 1966 \*Application has to be made for these before the middle of June. Write for more information.

Andrews University ----Workshop for food service supervisors June 27 - July 8

Write— Mrs. Dorothy Christensen Andrews University Berrien Springs, Michigan

#### General Conference -

PACIFIC UNION COLLEGE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION REUNION

> at General Conference Place: Pontchartrain Hotel 2 Washington Boulevard Across from Cobo Hall Versailles Ballroom

Time: 8-10:30 A.M. Sunday June 19

Cost: \$1.98

Invited: All Former Students and Friends of P. U. C.

Reservations: We need to know the approximate number 48 hours before the breakfast. Please send a card to Alumni Association, Box 412, Angwin, California 94508 if you can, or contact Dr. Wilbert Schneider at Tuller Hotel.

## CLINTON THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

at

#### General Conference Session

Announcement of specific time will be made at the session, or contact Elder W. B. Ochs or Elder Carl Becker at the session.

Teachers, students and friends included.

#### COLUMBIA UNION COLLEGE ALUMNI Lake Union Chapter Breakfast

Sunday, June 19 8:00 a.m.

Sheraton-Cadillac Hotel Dining Room

#### ATTENTION

Home Study Institute Alumni

90,000 Alumni of HSI are invited to the Quadrennial "HOME COMING" June 16-25

At the General Conference in Detroit Visit Your Home Study Institute Booth

#### ANDREWS UNIVERSITY announces

The Alumni Luncheon

in connection with the

Fiftieth General Conference Session of Seventh-day Adventists

SUNDAY, JUNE 19, at 12:30

Sheraton-Cadillac Hotel Dining Room Detroit, Michigan

Inclusive for all graduates of Battle Creek College, Broadview Theological Seminary, Emmanuel Missionary College, Potomac University, and the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary.

#### Broadview Academy ----

#### ALUMNI LIST

A fire several years ago destroyed the alumni list for Broadview Academy. The alumni association is attempting to reconstruct this list and urgently requests your help. If you graduated or were ever a student at Broadview, Fox River Academy, or Chicago Academy, please send your name and address to: Mrs. Mary Forman, Secretary, B.V.A. Alumni Association, Box 68, Monmouth, Ill. 61462.

### SABBATH SERVICES California National Parks

California visitors: We welcome you to our National Parks Sabbath services each week in Yosemite and Sequoia National Parks this summer. The times and places are as follows:

YOSEMITE VALLEY: In the church bowl, from May 21 through September 16. Friday evening young people's meeting, 8 p.m.; Sabbath School at 9:30 a.m. and preaching service at 11 a.m.

TUOLUMNE MEADOWS: In the high country of Yosemite National Park. At the headquarters area, from June 11 through September 3;

Sabbath School at 9:30 and worship service at 11 a.m.

SEQUOIA, in the GIANT FOREST area: From June 11 through Septem-

ber 3, with Sabbath School at 9:30 and worship service at 11 a.m.

5,231 persons attended these weekly services in 1965 and gave \$2,819.18 in offerings. Many visitors joined our people at the various gatherings. We'll be most happy to welcome you this summer!

Reuben W. Engstrom, Director Parks Services

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#### Warm Letters of

**Appreciation** 

By

R. J. CHRISTIAN, Manager Periodical Department. Southern Publishing Association

This morning four warm letters of appreciation for Message Magazine have come in, and



I take this opportunity of thanking those who have contributed so liberally that Message might be sent out in ever-in-creasing numbers to needy fields.

From one field we have a letter telling of one of the administrators in the American Embassy being very much interested in the message so dear to us through Message Magazine.

Another letter, also in this morning, further indicates that a number of high government men and business leaders who were educated in our mission schools and who know our truth are now reading These Times and Message Magazine, thanks to the help coming in from the field, and they are responding very nicely.

One letter closes like this: "We sincerely thank you and those who made this group of subscriptions possible. T truly missionaries in Africa today. They are

While we are not able to reach all the demands that are coming in, we want to thank each of you for the part you have had in making these substantial gifts pos-sible in the form of missionary subscriptions to bulwark and back up the efforts of our missionaries overseas. Many of them have never before had the backing of strong, beautifully illustrated, colorful literature such as you have made possible.

In behalf of Message Magazine and These Times, let me thank you and invite you to send yet further sums. Remember, send to the World Literature Fund, Box 59, Nashville, Tennessee 37202, and make your checks payable to the Southern Publishing Association.

Remedial Reading Clinic — June 14 - August 12

Do you know the meaning of "dy-slexia?" This neurophysiological disorder may account for the reading failure of 2,000,000 U. S. youngsters, says *Time* magazine, May 13, 1966. The dyslexia student shows such symptoms as mixing the order of sounds in a word, spelling "first" as "frist," being unable to distin-guish "b" from "d," making other leftright reversals, and confusing spatial re-lations, the article states. Continued fail-ure can complicate the child's difficulty with emotional problems, it points out. Remediation, according to the article, may include therapy directed at correction of the child's problems of "visual and audi-tory perception," experiences blending "sight, sound and touch," combining "all the sensory pathways.



In the Cincinnati Junior Academy auditorium, Elder R. L. Boothby, second In the Cincinnati Junior Academy auditorium, Elder R. L. Boothby, second from left, conducted a series of meetings in May. The team included, from left: Elder Lawrence Yeagley, Hamlet, Ohio, church; Pastor Charles Buursma, Defiance, Ohio; Elder C. L. Brooks, superintendent of education, Allegheny Conference; Elder C. R. Jepson, Cincinnati First church; and Elder E. E. Shafer, Covington, Kentucky, church. Not shown is Elder J. H. Lester of the Shiloh church of Cincinnati. Elder Shafer was organist for the campaign. Covington, Kentucky, across the river from Cincinnati, is in the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference and the Southern Union.

### Dixie Chapter of Loma Linda University Elects Officers



The above officers were elected at the Medical-Dental dinner, sponsored by the Georgia-Cumberland Conference on May 15, at the Georgia Cumberland Academy.

They are, left to right: Dr. and Mrs. William Tryon of Marietta, leaders; Mrs. William Trinkner and Dr. William Trinkner of Carrollton, leaders-elect; Mrs. Howard Munson and Dr. Howard Munson of Marietta, secretary-treasurers; Mrs. Lyle Hermann of Atlanta, mission chairman; and Mrs. Robert Raitz of Dal-ton, parliamentarian. Mrs. Chalmer Chastain of Cleveland, Tennessee, pub-

licity and scrapbook, was absent. The Dixie Chapter includes the 85 doctors and dentists of the Georgia-Cumber-land Conference. The chapter, in its mission activities last year, sponsored Dr. and Mrs. Everett Kuester in Okinawa. It sent \$375 for a PA system for the hos-pital; \$50 as a Christmas gift; and a set of "My Bible Story" volumes. It also donated \$450 to a Worthy Student Fund at Georgia Cumberland Academy. The group meets approximately four times each year—which includes a weekend retreat in the fall, a banquet in May, and two or three other meetings in members' homes. Its objectives are to promote the spreading of the gospel to all the world as soon as possible, and to advance medical missionary work, both here and abroad.

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Young people with problems of dyslexia or other crippling reading handicaps may gain help at the AVT Educational Laboratory's Remedial Reading Clinic and Sum-mer Camp at Laurelbrook Academy, Dayton, Tennessee, June 14 to Aug. 12.

Frank Lang, director of the program, is author and designer of several booklets and sets of teaching aids in the area of multisensory learning. His oral-kines-thetic method of teaching phonetic reading is especially helpful to the dyslexic, since it incorporates other senses besides the auditory and visual. Lang holds a mas-ter's degree from Andrews University and recently spent over a year of additional graduate work and research in problems of perception and language development at the University of Oregon.



books for browsing

Miss Paula Becker is assistant book editor at the Southern Publishing Association. Her column appears regularly in the TIMINGS and serves to inform readers of some of the many fine books available for good reading pleasure.



Those of you lucky enough to be attending the General Conference session in Detroit this month will find no end of delights to tempt your reading fancy. If you happen to be among the stay-athomes, you'll find much the same fascinating array at your Book and Bible House or at camp meeting. Whatever the case, we have a few random tips on what's new in books that should be of some help to you.

You'll probably want to take something home to the children (or grandchildren?) and what could be more delightful than a new book? The Waldenses, written and illustrated by Joe Maniscalco, should be near the top of your list. Just off the press at Southern Publishing Association, this dramatic book tells a story of courage and faith that will have meaning for every child, regardless of age. Waldensian children grew up in a time when religious freedom was practically nonexistent. Yet they believed in freedom, fought for it, and died for it. Your children will value their own freedom to believe a little more when they've finished reading this book. \$2.50.

"The basic facts needed in any biography depend on one factor—namely to show that it is possible to live a life of faith in a world of doubt." So says Blanche Palmer, author of another new SPA release, *Pilgrim of the Night*. Ruth LaSage is indeed a 20th century "Pilgrim," and her story is a real epic of personal courage and devotion. Blanche Palmer is a close personal friend of Mrs. LaSage, and this closeness is revealed remarkably in her obvious insight into the heartaches and joys of the Christian journey. \$3.75.

The Reference Series has a new addition. Every minister, young or old, will want to add Orley Berg's *The Work of the Pastor* to his library. A more practical guide for church pastors we have never seen. Berg draws upon years of pastoral and conference experience in compiling this tremendously helpful volume. He'll tell you how to organize your files, suggest the best way of conducting a visitation program, and give you sound advice on publicity methods. That's just the beginning. There are suggestions for working with the church board, the officers, the committees, etc. The evangelistic program of the church is given full treatment also.

And if you haven't already picked up the first two volumes in the Reference Series, 501 Illustrations and What Shall I

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## **13th Sabbath Overflow Offering**

A personal report to the Southern Union constituency from Elder Kenneth Harding, a graduate of Southern Missionary College and former pastor for eight years in the Georgia-Cumberland Conference. In 1960, Elder Harding and his family left as missionaries to Iran. The following condensed report was received by the SOUTHERN TIDINGS office for the coming 13th Sabbath offering overflow.

It has been nearly five years since I and my family left the southland to take up mission service in Iran. These five years have passed very quickly, and we have been very happy in our work in the land of Queen Esther and the prophet Daniel.

However, the work of God in Iran is not easy. In fact, over the years it has been carried forward under the most difficult circumstances, and the results at times have seemed very small.

It was fifty-five years ago when our first missionaries arrived in Iran; and these pioneer missionaries, Elder and Mrs. F. F. Oster, gave a lifetime of service to the work of God here. They worked hard, and sowed in faith and tears, as did the faithful laborers who joined them and later followed them; but today, after all of this faithful labor, the membership of the Iran Mission still stands at less than 300 in six churches, three of which are in the capital city, Tehran.

The population of Iran today is over twenty million, at least 98 per cent of whom are Moslems. While there have been a few converts from among this great Moslem majority, most of our present membership have come from the Christian minority groups—Armenians, Assyrians, and Russians.

One of the great needs of the work here has been—and still is—a force of dedicated, trained, and qualified national workers who are prepared to present the message of present truth to the people of Iran. To realize this goal, we must have schools where young people can be won to Christ, trained, and prepared to go forth and finish God's work in this land.

Several schools have been established here since the beginning of our work, but for varying reasons, after operating for awhile, they were closed. About ten years ago, however, a major effort was begun to establish a sound and lasting educational program. A beautiful 5-acre property was purchased on the heights above the city of Tehran at the foot of the majestic Alborz Mountains. There, a boarding school for boys on the academy level was started. This school has been developed, until now it is offering a complete program of education for boys from grades seven to twelve; and last June (1965), the first class of twelfth graders finished their studies and sat for the national government examination. These young men were all baptized during their stay at the academy; and the senior class of this year, soon to complete their studies, have also—with one exception—all been baptized at the Academy. More recently an elementary school was

opened in Tehran. This school is also designed to serve a dual purpose, first as a preparatory school for children from Adventist homes, and second, a mission school for non-Adventist children. This school was begun in faith six years ago with one teacher and six pupils. Now we have over fifty students in grades one to five; the sixth grade will be added next year. We have three full-time and three part-time teachers. The enrollment is increasing every year, and we expect in the next three of four years to have between 150 and 200 students.

Both the academy and elementary school programs are fully recognized by the government, and the students get a government approved certificate upon completion of their studies.

There are tremendous needs for both these schools. We have been operating our elementary school in a rented dwelling house, but it is not possible to continue to operate the school under these circumstances any longer. The rooms are entirely too small for the increased enrollment, as is the playground facilities, and the rent we are having to pay is tremendous. In our academy we need additional dormitory space, classroom facilities, also added facilities for recreation, cafeteria, and the chapel.

We are so happy that the Middle East Division Committee voted that the entire 13th Sabbath overflow offering for this quarter would come to Iran to help meet these urgent needs. With this offering we plan to build a new elementary school and also meet some of the most urgent needs at the Academy.

We are looking to our many friends in the churches throughout the southland to especially remember the needs of Iran on June 25, and it is our request that you continue to remember us in your prayers.

ELDER KENNETH HARDING, President Seventh-day Adventist Mission 111 Pahlavi Avenue Tehran, Iran May 4, 1966

Speak About? by Robert Pierson, why not get them all at once?

Just briefly we'd like to list the other attractive new releases, which are coming thick and fast from all three publishing houses.

Two more additions to the STORIES THAT WIN series from Pacific Press are *What Stopped the Music?* by Lawrence Maxwell, and *Destination Life*, by George Vandeman. The former is a collection of thought-provoking stories for young people. The latter is a discussion on the state of the dead. Only  $30\phi$  each.

A new Chapel record you'll want to add to your collection is *In His Hand* by the Faith for Today quartet. Definitely one of their best releases.

For weekend worships, family devotions or just reading, we recommend *Those Sabbath Hours*. Compiled by Kenneth Holland, this is an absolute treasure chest of good Sabbath reading.

Good looking!

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your pastor's page

David Dobias is a second generation minister. For many years his father was pastor of Czechoslovakian churches in some of the large cities of America and is presently a district pastor in western North Carolina.

Born in New Jersey, David attended a number of schools as he moved from place to place with his family. He received his bachelor of arts degree from Emmanuel Missionary College and a master's degree from Andrews University. In 1962, he came to the Carolina Conference as a ministerial intern.

Both Pastor Dobias and his wife, Cindy, sing and play the piano, and they frequently use their musical talents in evangelistic meetings. Although he has no particular hobbies, he says one of his greatest joys is evangelism. At present, Pastor Dobias, his wife and their son, Stephen, live near Greenville, North Carolina, where he is district pastor.



## Walking With God

AND all the days of Cainan were nine hundred and ten years: and he died. . . . And all the days of Mahalaleel were eight hundred ninety and five years: and he died. . . And all the days of Jared were nine hundred sixty and two years: and he died." Genesis 5:14, 17, 20.

The purpose of this meditation is not to discuss chronology or even archaeology. This portion of scripture is given to point out a pattern of life—a man is born, lives a certain period of time and then dies. However, in this narrative, something out of the ordinary occurs. "And all the days of Enoch were three hundred sixty and five years: and Enoch walked with God: and he was not; for God took him." Genesis 5:23, 24.

Something different—Enoch walked with God, and God took him. A living man passed into the presence of God! How, we don't know, but why, we do—He walked with God.

I've often thought about Enoch, how did he walk with God? Perhaps there is a physical aspect of this walk which may be important, but certainly the spiritual part of this walk deserves most of our attention.

Enoch's walk included getting acquainted with God's ways for him. The more that he knew of God's character and His love, the more and more he became like Him. He came into the likeness of God, and God took him.

One thing we should notice about Enoch's experience with God, it was a walk. A walk denotes progression, ever onward, ever forward. There is no such thing as a standstill experience with God. We must have an experience of a 'walk'—constantly growing, constantly getting closer to His ideal for us. The fact that our names may be on the church books, that we go to church on the "right day," and that we don't eat certain foods, wear certain things, go to certain places does not necessarily guarantee us a place in heaven. No one will ever get to heaven just because he has his name on the church books or does not do certain things. We will get to heaven for the same reason that Enoch got there. He walked with God. His character and love were molded into the likeness of God. If we expect to walk with God in the streets of the Holy City, we must first walk with Him right here.

What does it mean to walk with God? It means a life of faith, to trust Him as a child trusts its parent. It means constantly doing His will.

In his walk with God, Enoch desired and worked for the good of men. Jude 14 and 15 tells us a little of what his

message was—the coming end of the world, and the need for repentance. Enoch lived in the time just before the flood. Because of Enoch's walk with God, he was not the most popular man of his time. Yet he preached a message. Christ said that as it was in the days before the flood, it would be the very same at the end.

One thing—Enoch stayed true no matter what happened. Enoch did not worry about getting in good with those around him, but in walking with God. Many people think that Paul wrote "Study to show thyself approved to your friends." They "bend over backwards" to gain their friend's approval, trying to be a "good Joe." Often they give into principle and go against what they know is right. Paul did not say, "Study to be approved of your friends." He did say "Study to shew thyself approved unto God."

Why should we study to show ourselves approved unto God? Each of us has the hope of eternal life. Many of us have grown up with the idea that Jesus is coming soon and that we will go to heaven. As we examine the signs of the times, we know that this time cannot be far off. We must walk with God here before we can walk with Him up there.

Several years ago, I came to a startling discovery in my own mind. New? No, but nevertheless startling to me. When Christ comes again, He will take only His personal friends back to heaven. And I ask the question, Are you a personal friend of God? Am I? Many times we put God on a pedestal, and say yes, He is our best friend, but do we treat Him that way?

Do you talk to God in prayer as much as you talk to your husband, wife, best friend?

Does God talk to you through the Bible, the Spirit of Prophecy as much as your best friend talks with you?

Do you talk with others about God as you do about your child, best friend, or even the weather?

Are you a personal friend of God? Am I?

Do you know Him well enough so that when He comes in the clouds of heaven He will take you back with Him, the same way that He took Enoch before the flood?

> Oh let me walk with Thee my God As Enoch walked in days of old

Place thou my trembling hand in Thine

And Sweet Communion with me hold

Till Zion's Glorious Gates I see

Oh, Master let me walk with Thee.

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## ADVENTIST ADVENTURES



## Piloting for God



## This report appeared in the Memphis Commercial Appeal, August 7, 1965.

A man with love for flying and a commercial pilot's license has combined the two to benefit his church.

Charles Collison wanted to be a pilot in mission fields for the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

"I asked to be given some kind of duty flying in mission fields because there were so many places without roads," he said. That was in 1963.

"They wanted someone younger," said Mr. Collison, who is 55.

Now, the member of the Memphis Raleigh Seventh-day Adventist Church has discovered a way to combine his love of flying with the work of the church here at home.

Once, and sometimes twice a month, he rents an airplane and takes up passengers from the Millington Airport, with the proceeds going to the Investment program to swell Seventh-day Adventist mission work.

Mr. Collison, who is married and has two children and three grandchildren, is only one of many Seventh-day Adventists who invest money that they earn from extra work in their church's program. Many projects are small, but the Raleigh and First Seventh-day Adventist Church Sabbath schools added \$1,300 to their other contributions to the North American Division of Seventh-day Adventists last year.

It is part of a denomination-wide practice of working at extra jobs to earn money that is given to the church.

Sometimes members dedicate crops from a certain amount of land while others cut grass for their neighbors.

A teacher in the adult division of the Raleigh Sabbath school makes wroughtiron flower boxes to sell. Children in the Primary Department have been raising tomatoes.

Regardless of the plan followed, nearly everyone seems to enjoy a personal satisfaction.

The Raleigh church member, who is adding to his Sabbath school's mission fund as a pilot, is working now to becoming a flight-instructor at a Seventhday Adventist missionary-training school.

"If I can't go myself, I will be glad to train someone else who can go into missions," Mr. Collison said.

Going for a plane ride with Mr. Collison to promote Investment are, clockwise, Rusty, Glenn, Julie and Dennis Bridges, all children of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Bridges, Memphis, Tennessee.

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## The Work of the Associations

By H. H. SCHMIDT, President Southern Union Conference

STANDING firmly in place in the over-all program of God in the Southern Union territory are the respective Associations, or the corporate bodies of our union and local conferences. It is through the Associations that all business is done, such as acquiring and disposing of properties and estates. Also, it is the legal function of these organizations to hold denominational property such as churches, schools, office buildings and hospitals. This has been the pattern through the many historic years of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

During the past number of years, responsible men of ability have been placed in charge of this particular work. They have felt the burden and, thus, have been assigned by union and conference committees to carry out certain specialized duties in connection with the operation of these Appociations. One of these is the developing of a plan of stewardship among our Seventh-day Adventist church mem-bers. Through this medium, many of our believers have been given the opportunity of placing their funds and estates into God's work. This is being done by means of wills, trust agreements and life-income agreements or annuities. In this manner, thousands of dollars are being dedicated to the finishing of the gospel program throughout the Union.

Heading up the work in the Southern Union is Elder A. C. McKee, a man with many years of background experience fitting him thoroughly for this responsibility. Over the years, he has served as publishing secretary, conference secretarytreasurer, and for several years as president of the Georgia-Cumberland Conference. His faithful and efficient work is much appreciated by all of us.

In the local conferences, we have Frank McMillan in Florida and Fred Minner in Georgia-Cumberland as full-time Association secretary-treasurers. J. M. Jansen is Association treasurer in Kentucky-Tennessee. In the other fields, the conference secretary-treasurers carry this work.

In all of our conferences, stewardship secretaries are serving the field. These are K. A. Wright, R. E. Metcalfe, F. A. Mote, T. M. Bledsoe, H. V. Hendershot, A. J. Skender, A. L. Lynd, and L. S. Follette. God is blessing the efforts of all these men in their respective fields and inestimable good is being accomplished in behalf of God's work as the result.